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Tuesday, February 16, 1937 "CO-EDS DON'T DRINK"

HE PENN STATE co-ed just does not drink." With tightly shut eyes and glittering generalities the W. S. G. A. expresses itself in wishful thinking. Perhaps the smug little group that has made taking a drink a shipping offense for women does not drink. Many more who have found the rule an unreasonable one undoubtedly do.

And we are unable to look upon these latter as willful and incorrigible rule-breakers. They do not impress us as wild young women out to Raise Hell and Get Awful Plastered. They simply realize that they will shortly take their places in a society where moderate drinking is the accepted thing. Hence they are unable to see any harm in it now-with one exception.

That exception is the stigma attached to being caught. A girl who has had a glass of beer is in danger of disgracing herself and her friends if discovered by the governing board. She may be accustomed to hav-ing two or three highballs in the course of an evening in her home town; her parents may serve cocktails be-fore dinner but while she is on this campus the taint -the very faintest taint, mind you,-of alcohol is enough to have her summarily dismissed from college.

Creation of this artificial stigma, making a primary sin out of a minor episode of normal social life, has had and can have only one result; it leads to hypocrisy with its. attendant demoralizing effects. Drinking is done under cover in apartments or dark corners. Sneaking becomes prevalent. And in the half hour before curfew, sales of cigarettes, chewing gum, and breath sweeteners reach new highs.

What defense does W. S. G. A. offer for its unob served and (relatively) unenforced rule? Their principal defense is this: The girls who now drink will do it more moderately if they know that they are violating a rule. Thus highly confused has the issue become. The avowed objective is moderation, but a girl who indulges ever so moderately suffers disgrace if she is not both clever and hypocritical.

Society and public opinion will never countenance drunkenness in co-eds. But neither will drunkenness be countenanced among women in any other level of society. The pressure is just the same when there is no rule against drinking. It would be just as strong here if W. S. G. A. abolished its outmoded rule. There are no restrictions upon men's drinking here and likewise no problem. If the men can regulate themselves we don't see why co-eds-upon whom social pressure is much greater-cannot do the same thing.

A further evidence of the absurdity of the whole thing is seen in the attitude of co-eds themselves to ward drinking. The majority are intelligent and broad-minded enough to realize that drinking per se is an in-dividual problem and one which each co-ed must solve for herself The only objection that the abstainers have to the girl who takes an occasional drink is that she is

LET'S FLY WITH THE TIMES

COLLEGIAN editorial last week called for fundamental courses in aeronautics as part of the curriculum in mechanical engineering. Professor Everett answers that editorial in the Letter, Box

M. E. 454 and 456 are listed in the catalogue but not in the time table. Why? No one is taking either course this year. Senior electives, the courses are too far advanced in aeronautics for students who haven't learned the fundamentals.

"The mechanical engineering laboratory has extensive aeronautical equipment including a complete airplane, typical engines, etc.," says the letter. The complete airplane is twenty years old, obsolete, absurd as an exhibition and useless for instruction in aeronautics. The typical engine is a five-year-old model, used only for exhibition. Five years is a century in the air indus-

Professor Everett did not say in his letter that his department would be able to modernize its aeronautical equipment and install basic courses. There are two

things preventing this action.

The first: The faculty of the department of mechanical engineering has not increased despite the terrific increase in enrollment that puts its curriculum roll ahead of all others on the campus. To add fundamental courses in aeronautics, additions to the faculty are needed.

The second: If Professor Everett did obtain modern and more extensive aeronautical equipment from the Navy department, he would have no place to install it. The mechanical engineering laboratory is overcrowded, with lecture classes taking place in the same room in which engines are constantly running.

If Penn State wants to be flying with the times, wants to help in the prevention of air catastrophes such as last week raised the death toll since December 15 to forty-three, let there be additions to the department of mechanical engineering—additions to the faculty, to the courses, and wings-to the buildings.

OLD MANIA

May "Queen":

For May Queen we nominate Charlotte Ray.

There's no two ways about it, girls, she's the only gical candidate for the position. We have always felt that this business of giving an important jol like May Queen to just anyhody just because she happens to be the best looking girl on the campus was certainly a pretty poor business. Why think of it girls, the May Queen even gets her picture in the big city newspapers! And for some pashy bisquit to fall into a spot like that just 'cause she happened to be born beautiful but dumb . . . No, indeed girls, this department certainly agrees that by all means the May Queen should be elected for "suitability, intererest and past activities."

And this department can think of no person on the campus who so well fulfills these three requirements as our own Charlotte Ray.

Penn State-Syracuse:

Penn State's openly subsidized semi-pro boxing team (see "Between the Lions" column) walloped the hell out of Syracuse Saturday night to the accompaniment of a barrage of paper airplanes from the gallery. We have heard all kinds of comments about newest vogue of the Penn State undergraduate and figure it's just the logical reaction of a student body long suppressed in its natural desire to toss pennies. The best idea we heard was that they weren't being aimed at the ring at all but at Dean

After the bouts the battered Syracuseans, almost to a man, dated the same Sandwich Shop waitresses they took out after last year's Intercollegiates.

Syracuse-Penn State:

"Hello. What? Long Distance? Yes. This is Mr. Galbraith, Who? Bell Helviegel? Well for . . ., where are you? The swimming meet starts at two this afternoon. WHAT? Did you say Broadway and 42nd street? Why you *!\$?&*)!*\$. . . Sober up man, speak plainer, I can't understand a word you're sayspeak planner; I can't understand a word you're saying. Yes, I know your parents sailed for Europe last night. Yeah and I know all about Bon Voyage parties, but you promised to be here... But Bill what about this swimming meet? What about the glory of Old State? What about ... "Click. "Why that \$%");?!*\$?(he hung up on me!"

And so Gal walked down the two flights neces and so Gat walked down the two lights necessary for him to go to catch up with his face and tried to make up his mind whether or not to break the news to the rest of the boys. With his chin sunk on his stomach he entered the hotel dining room and stumbled towards the group of Penn State swimmers assembled at one of the tables.

"Boys," he gulped. "I . . . Bill . . . uh . . . that is "Looking up he stared at the group which included (and we hate to say this because it spoils the story) Bill Helriegel—sober.

Gleanings:

Billy Soose really scored two knockouts, both technical, last Saturday. The first occurred in Rec Hall where he had "Beast" McGivern reeling when the ref stopped the fight and the second took place at the Valentine Dance in the Armory when Freddy Ball hung one on his partner's beautiful feminine nose in showing her "how Soose done it." Freddy says she lead with her chin . . . Tyrone society notes Bob Beddow, fi si, has a Tyrone babe who calls him "Bunny-Ducky" and he calls her "Topsy-Wopsy.' Dick Clements says that he rates a poor third with his Tyrone bisquit. Frank Smith and Chuch Hughs leading in her affections in the order named . . . Pearl Carroll's new bathing suit blew out of the window in Mac Hall and is now securely caught high in a tree with the entire grounds and buildings dept. frustrated as to how to retrieve it . . . Another of our stooges tells us about the guy who called his gal on the Mac Hall lobby phone and then took off his coat preparatory to settling down for the usual half hour wait. His suspenders were dangling around his ankles . . . Aside to Barbara Bowes: you have an unknown admirer by the name of Allen Me-Intyre who works NYA in the publicity dept. . . . Bud Chase has 3 (count 'em) dates for Senior Ball, Bud Chase has 3 (count em) waves lot be so far . . . And Bart Henderson swears he is the only guy in these parts ever to don Prexy Hetzel's "tails," (aside from the Prexy, you dope). —The Maniac

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We Women

By MARION A. RINGER The recent nominations for May Queen have created violent discussion Queen should be attractive, but beauy and brains can be combined as has been evidenced in the past. It so happens that there are no outstand-ing beauties in the present senior class and any girl nominated would have lots of opposition.

A simple way of dealing with the problem in the future would be for all May Queen nominations to come from the girls at an open meeting. This year W.S.G.A. limited its nominations to five girls so that the wom-en would have a better opportunity to nominate their choice. This has not been generally understood.

not been generally understood.

What W.S.G.A. meant by activities as a qualification was not a big position but something to show that the girl had taken some interest in campus life. However, if the women desire that the May Queen be selected for beauty they should say so at the meeting tonight and realize that they are just as much a part of W.S.G.A. as the officers. They should not need a compulsory meeting to spur them a compulsory meeting to spur them on to take an interest in their own

student government.

Letter Box

To the Editor:

Referring to an editorial in the February 9 issue, "Flying Behind the Times," the following facts should be helpful, as the article contains many misstatements. Ten years ago (in 1927) the department of mechanical engineering established courses dealing with the fundamentals of aeronautical engineering. These were available to seniors in both semesters and with changes to modernize, are still given. M.E. 454 and M.E. 456 Approximately seventy men have taken these courses and a large percentage are engaged in the airplane industry, including a two who later took flying training at Kelly Field and qualified as pilots in the Reserve Corps.

The mechanical engineering laboratory has extensive aeronautical equipment including a complete airplane, typical engines, accessories and instruments. Much of the material has been obtained on loan from the U. S. and the students of the continued to demonstrated to demonstrated by nearly professional actor which he has never played before, continued to demonstrated with the rich costinued to demonstrated when he has never played before, continued to demonstrated with the rich cost of the cost of the principals. He has an unfortunate tendency to pose and his character was a little wooden. This was his first show, however, and with continuent to demonstrated or the repartment of the cycle of the evening was lola Murray's that the fundamentals of aeronautical engineering. These were available to seniors in both semesters and with changes to modernize, are still given. M.E. 454 and M.E. 456 Approximately seventy men have taken these courses and a large percentage are engaged in the airplane industry, including two who later took flying training at Kelly Field and qualified as pilots in the Reserve Corps.

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The department aided the forming of the Glider Club some years ago and has assisted it. There is now in

plete file of the publications of, the National Advisory Committee on Aeronauties is maintained.

If the editorial is based on the report of the young man who interviewed me, there is obviously a misunderstanding. His question to me was concerning my attitude on the establishment here of a four-year complete curriculum in aeronautical engineering. To that my reply was that neering. To that my reply was that the need of this intense specializathe need of this intense specializa-tion was at present well served by the colleges such as the Massachu-setts Institute of Technology, New York University, and Leland Stan-ford, which had large endowments-ind (special equipment. For us to enter this field would be very expen-sive with \$100,000 as a minimum fig-ure for proper equipment and such a large expenditure appeared to me un-wise to bridge the gap between what wise to bridge the gap between what we are now doing and the four-year course of intensive specialization.

H. A. Everett,

Head of the Department

To the Editor:

For the most part_I agree with your editorial on the need of a course dealing with aeronautics. There are a number of students, not only in the School of Engineering, but also in other curricula, who would subscribe elementary survey course These may not be interested in designing airfoils or propellers, but would desire to obtain a more general and basic knowledge of aviation to broaden their understanding of the relationships between major industries, or in pursuit of an avocation.

Such was the case last year when through the persistent efforts of Sherm Lutz and the co-operation of the engineering extension division. a

FOOT LIGHTS

THE SCHOOL FOR SCANDAL. By Richard Brinsley Sheridan. With a prologue by William L. Werner and a melody by Hummel Fishburn, Di-rected by Frank Neusbaum for the Penn State Players. Presented Friday and Saturday, February 12 and 13, in Schwab Auditorium.

l	Snake	Kenneth Kagen
	Lady Sneerwell's Servant	
l	Joseph Surface	
١	Maria	Miriam Hawkins
Ì	Mrs. Candour	Hilda Hanson
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	Davilor	Jack McGsin
	Lady Teazle	Iola Murray
	Sir Oliver Surface	Edward Binns
į	Moses	Silom Horwitz
	Charles Surface	John Steer
	Charles' Servant	Herbert Yanofsky
	Carcless	Barton Henderson
	Sir Harry Bumper	
	Joseph's Servant	
	Scene designs, costume selections, and	wig designs by Dorothy Scott.

In selecting Sheridan's immortal comedy of manners for their Seven

oday. And to modern audiences accustomed to short plays with a great deal of action, the long eighteenth century drama with its emphasis upon language is often monotonous and stifling.

ment including a complete airplane, typical engines, accessories and instruments. Much of the material has been obtained on loan from the U.S. Navy or Army and probably totals at least \$30,000 in value.

The department aided the forming

The rapid developments in this in-The rapid developments in this in-dustry and allied fields certainly point to a future demand for trained experts, but whether the student en-ters aeronautics with the purpose of preparing himself for a life's work or for an avocation the most logical place to start would be to learn the fundamental principles upon which later work can be based. A Mildly Air-Minded Alumnus

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ady Sneerwell ...

Orchestra conducted by Mr. Fishburn.

eenth Anniversary production the Players were on treacherous ground: Fresh and new when written, so many hack writers have reworked Sheri-dan's situations that the original itself is apt to seem stale and hackneyed

It is a pleasure, then, to report that the Players' "School for Scandal" uccessfully avoided these hazards and turned out to be the finest show of the year. Every principal had an intelligent grasp of the character he or she

ers, however, looked sloppy, especially

when contrasted with the rich cos

No small part of the play's success was due to the delightful prologue written by William Werner. In ad-

dition to serving as an appropriate introduction its sly humor was just the thing to prepare the audience for the play which followed.

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The department aided the forming of the Glider Cliff some years ago and has assisted it. There is now in effect a cooperative arrangement with the officials of the local airport permitting the use of our laboratory facilities in ground school work carried on under the auspices of the department of engineering extension.

An up-to-date library of aeronautical books, particularly a very complete file of the publications of the National Advisory Committee on

Faculty members may reserve seats for athletic events to be held Febru-ary 20, 27, and March 6 in Recreation hall, it was announced today by Harold R. Gilbert, ticket manager of the Athletic Association.

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Tomorrow and Thursday are the days set aside for the exchange of faculty book coupons for the reserved tickets. Good only for the evening events; 400 reserved seats in the faculty section will be given.

Any remaining tickets will be placed on sale each Friday and Saturday before the events at the Athletic Association window in Old Main. The price for each reserved seat will

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Hillel To Hold Meeting For Cabinet Elections

A reorganization meeting of unaf-filiated Jewish students will be held in room 418, Old Main, tonight at 8, according to Minerva Z. Lehrman '38, president of the Hillel Foundation.

The purpose of this meeting, Miss Lehrman stated, is to elect members to the Hillel cabinet from the body of tudents who are not members of fraternal or other organizations.

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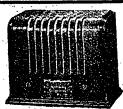
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