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SABBATICAL LEAVE—WHAT NOW?

THROUGHOUT THE CAMPUS this fall has been comment about the faculty and its abilities. Most of the students are of the opinion that it should be a lot better.

Nothing can bring this home more forcibly than the situation that may soon face the College if two men going on sabbatical leave do not return.

Men like of Dr. Davis and Dr. Moore are ones who should stud an educational institution such as ours. They are able, energetic, and progressive.

It seems queer that educators must fight to be paid here. It throws some light on the reason why the faculty does not satisfy the student body.

Last year in the School of Liberal Arts, Dr. Waller left the department of sociology because he was not being paid. His leaving was a great loss to the College.

It seems reasonable from an educational standpoint that higher salaries for able men would do much to raise scholastic standards.

When the progressive, aggressive men of the faculty are being paid respectably, it is time then to cast off inferior material that is the cause of so much student dissatisfaction.

It is a problem for the administration to solve if the College is to move forward scholastically with its increased equipment and buildings.

Liberal education hinges upon personalities and keen minds more than it does upon textbooks.

CONGRATULATIONS TO PLAYERS

TO THE PENN STATE players for their "Idiot's Delight" prior to final exam week go congratulations and orchids. In the nearly 20 years that the Players have been entertaining local audiences they never ascended the heights as they did for the first amateur performance of Robert Sherwood's Broadway success.

Player shows and Player direction have always been good. The two were combined admirably in "Idiot's Delight." The cast was able and convincing. It was large without annoying weaknesses.

OLD MANIA

After All These Years:

Chuck Campbell breathed a sigh of relief when he handed in his Journalism 16 final. The course had been his chief worry of the semester.

Passing the paper into the hands of Lou Bell, prof, Chuck said he couldn't understand why that course should be required for students majoring in advertising.

Bell looked at him and with a short smile said, "It isn't."

We're Sorry:

Jeanne Walker has a knack of crashing this column, despite our efforts to keep her name out of print. After telling everyone of the cards she received, signed "the mystery man," Jeanne deposits them in books to add impetus to her publicity campaign.

The last to be discovered was one found in a library book by Jake Jaqueth, fifth assistant and stooge to Willie P. Lewis, library custodian.

P.S.: The Maniac's latest clue in attempting to solve the mystery indicates that she is sending the cards.

Senator's Suckers:

When Shimmy Szymezak started to practice teach in Altoona two months ago, he hoped his boys and girls would bring not apples, but cigars.

Last week, the final day, the kids didn't forget the senator. After giving his farewell speech, dripping with the tears from his eyes, the kids came through, giving the senator a gift. Unwrapping the parcel the senator found not apples, not cigars, but 40 lolly-pops.

Strike One:

Eddie Nichols, eng. comp. prof., is making a collection of slang terms employing expressions from the grand old game of baseball, such as "You had two strikes on you before you were born."

Recently, one of the girls in his class timidly approached the collector and said, "Mr. Nichols, would this be one? The girl sang in a high-pitched voice."

Fun With Finals:

Al Blair, theta xi, made the best of final exams last week. Taking a psychology blue book in the auditorium, he turned over the board which served as a desk no less than three times, looking at the actually blank side underneath. And no less than three times did a spy stationed in the balcony come down to examine Blair's board.

Whacky likes to take finals. So, after not attending classes for the past two months in one of Pappy West's math courses, he decided to take the final. Meeting the instructor several days later, Blair queried him concerning his grade.

"Minus two, what did you think?" West snapped at the theta xi, and then asked him how he got six of the seven problems correct.

Tripe and Trivia:

The Phi Kappa Sigs blame the Kappa Sigs for smashing several windows again, this time using mud balls instead of snow balls. Jean Townsend and Evelyn Lapham would like to have their names in this column. Lynn Christy, former Froth mug, is teaching English in the College undergraduate center at DuBois this semester. Sol Mieloff is wondering who the co-ed was that called him on the telephone and asked why he was a woman-hater.

Sigma Phi Sigma was fined \$3 for not cleaning the snow from the walk recently. Prof. Merrill, lit. prof., had his lit and liquor mixed in class when he was talking about Floyd Collins and called him Tom. Bill Stegmeir, former Maniac and LaVie editor, is vacationing in Florida. The Maniac plans to start the traditional "Stinker Club," and requests nominations for a president. No one may vote for himself.

—THE MANIAC

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Jap Rule Debated In Envoy's Notes To Freshman

"I would say it is generally known who is in actual control. You know the answer as well as I do."—Cheng Ting T. Wang.

This was the telegram received by Daniel P. Obolski, '41 in answer to his wire to the Chinese embassy in Washington asking whether a military clique or the Emperor was in supreme control of the Japanese government.

Elaborating his statement in an accompanying letter, the Chinese envoy stated in part: "The situation is so obvious in Japan that no detailed information, as requested by you, is necessary. I wish, however, to point out to you that in contrast with the practices in other democratic governments in which the army and navy are subordinated to the control of the civilian leaders in the government, there are explicit provisions in the Japanese constitution that the Ministers of War and Navy, who are always military and naval men, can go over the heads of the cabinet and appeal directly to the emperor."

The letter also pointed out that frequently in Japan when civilian leaders refused to carry out national policies in accordance with the wishes of the army and navy they were assassinated.

A similar query sent to the Japanese embassy brought the following belated reply: "The Emperor with the advice of the cabinet is in actual control of the Japanese government."

Open Clearfield Class

An extension class in public speaking has been opened in Clearfield under the auspices of the extension division of the College. Professor Joseph F. O'Brien, acting head of the department of public speaking, is the instructor.

The class meets for two hours every Tuesday and is made up of the professional and business men of that town.

Letter Box

To the Editor: At the sports events here on the past week-ends, several students have been using flash bulbs to take pictures of the participants.

I have no quarrels to pick with the candid camera fiends, but it seems to me that they should not be permitted the liberty of spoiling the enjoyment of the several thousand persons attending. That the lights are blinding and hurt the spectators' eyes is evidenced by the hissing prevalent each time one of them is flashed.

These lights are also very disconcerting to the participants. Who can predict the time that in a boxing bout one of our men will be temporarily blinded and consequently knocked out? In a wrestling meet the lights cause the men to relax momentarily. This may be just what our opponent will need to pin our man. Not only may it make our men lose, but in reversed circumstances, we may be declared unfair to our opponents and unsportsman-like.

It is time that this evil is eliminated for the benefit of all.

Very truly yours, A Penn State Student

Soil Chief To Lecture

"Toward a Permanent Agriculture" will be the subject of the talk to be delivered tomorrow afternoon by Dr. W. C. Lowdermilk, chief of research for the United States Soil Conservation Service, Washington, D. C. This will be the fourth in a series of seven general agricultural lectures given at the college. Dr. Lowdermilk will share the lecture with his wife, Mrs. Inez Marks Lowdermilk, who will speak on "Observations from a Sedan Chair," a talk concerning her recent experiences in China.

SHOE REPAIRING BOB MINGLE NEXT TO FIRE HALL

Semester Begins Tomorrow At 8

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C (freshmen). Civil and sanitary engineering: 22 Engineering F (seniors), 107 Engineering A (juniors A-J), 205 Main Engineering (juniors K-Z), 6 Main Engineering (sophomores A-J) and freshmen K-Z, 107 Main Engineering (sophomores K-Z and freshmen A-J). Electrical engineering: second floor, Engineering D. Electrochemical engineering: 203 Engineering E. Mechanical engineering: 304, 307 Main Engineering. Industrial engineering: 203 Engineering C.

Liberal Arts—New students: Denn's office, 11 South Liberal Arts. Others: scheduling officers of last semester.

Mineral Industries—104 Mineral Industries.

Physical Education and Athletics—Recreation hall.

W8YA License Renewed

The College radio station has had its technical and training license W8YA renewed for three years by the Federal Communications Commission, according to Gilbert L. Crossley, instructor in radio engineering.

FELINE

W. S. G. A. petitioned the Student Board to consider the plan of proportional representation of women on dance committees at a recent meeting. As both organizations came to an agreement the plan will go into effect next year, if it meets the final approval of Student Board, Student Union, and the Interclass Finance Committee.

In the revised plan the women will contribute money to the dances in proportion to the ratio of men and women in the class, and will be represented on the committee accordingly. It was decided that if the plan was accepted the chairman would be chosen from the men. As there is a deficit in the sophomore treasury the proposed plan will begin with next year's sophomore class. Women will not contribute financially to Senior Ball or Junior Prom.

W. S. G. A. believes that proportional representation of dance committees will help unify the men and women's activities. As the men and women have separate governing organizations, there is often a large gap of misunderstanding between them. Co-operation on dance committees and more frequent joint meetings of Senate and Student Board would bring closer harmony between the men and women.

For Your Sweetheart or Friend . . . On Valentine's Day Whitman's, Schraft's, Gretchen Goodies and Martha Washington Candies We Wrap and Address for Mailing ALSO A LARGE SELECTION OF VALENTINES College Cut Rate Next to Corner Room

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