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# OLD MANIA

**Pot Handlers:**  
Not satisfied with the selection of students to carry pots of ground at the ground-breaking ceremonies on Saturday, the Maniac desires to name a list of campus personalities who should have been the ones chosen to take care of the pot-handling jobs.

Electrical Engineering—Wilfred Carlyle Washoe  
Liberal Arts—Willard Dwight Hoot  
Library—Willard Potter Lewis (himself)  
Chemistry and Physics—Reardon Stewart Cotton, Jr.  
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**Lost, but Found:**  
"Dear F....."  
This is a WARNING! If we don't receive a letter from you within the next day or two we will call you on the telephone—and reverse the charges. We're very anxious to know how you made out in your exams and how things are going with you. Did you receive the theatre tickets dad sent? Remember we expect a letter or else—  
Love,  
L.... and Dad."

**Slips and Stuff:**  
The ATO's were more annoyed than pleased when they received a \$3.55 bill for three silk slips. Too bad the goods didn't arrive for they would have made nice Senior Ball favors. . . . Ernie Wright, towering fresh, says, "I'd be awfully tall if they hadn't turned so much under me for feet." . . . Although Jean Taylor is flaunting a Kappa Sig ring from Ritenour (John), she escorted her old love Mutt McCormick to the Theta dance while Mary Jane Fisher astounded the innocent bystander by dragging Bill Hoot . . .

**Los! Lucre:**  
Bob Kreps, spe wishes that he had flunked out of College. An avid movie fan, Bob collected numerous bank night stubs while in Pgh. between semesters. After he returned to College his mother learned that one of his stubs was a winning number, worth \$600. The catch was that Bob had to be there to get the money.

**Advice to the Lovelorn:**  
Emil Axelson had a notice published in his Buffalo, N. Y. high school paper, describing Dick Ely, fresh ag. ec. as a lady's man and candidate for a lonely heart club.  
Ely is still receiving letters from Buffalo high school girls!

**Rhapsody on Rhoades:**  
Dusty Rhoades, chief of the noise-makers, who removes his shoes while sitting in the back row of ROTC classes, loves to keep the majors (or what have you) on their toes by asking loads of questions in class. One of his latest queries was "how much pay does a spy get?"

**Dear Mr. Ebert:**  
With the rapid erection of Fran Ath hall being the present marvel stunt of modern construction, there appears to have risen a momentous problem pertaining to ethics and tradition.  
The Theta house, long known as the outstanding shed on the campus, has been relegated to lowly proportions by Ath hall's grandeur. Now, you, as a student of the late Chic Sale, and the Thetas, as the exponents of all that is sacred and revered, should get together to make the necessary alterations. Everyone knows that the Theta house faces the west and everyone knows that every good faces the east.  
Thanking you in advance and on behalf of Ath hall, I remain your dear friend,  
—THE MANIAC.

# POLITICS

By HERBERT R. CAHAN

The 1940 Locust Lane clique will string along with Campus in the "fight" for Junior class offices. With this set-up we don't see how Campus can possibly lose its grip in the present Sophomore class. Don't misunderstand, the Independents will make a tussle out of it, but, according to all observations, they are not as strong in the Freshman and Sophomore classes as they are in the class of '39.

Freshman Locust Lane is practically defunct, thus making for another two-party affair for Sophomore class offices. With the '41 Independents paying low for a while, it has been rumored that '41 Campus has their candidates already slated.

With these "minor" items off our list of "things to tell," here's what has been going on in the Junior class:

First of all, we received the following statement from Joe Peel, who will probably be the independent candidate for Senior class president—  
"As president of the Junior class, I wish to state that as the elected representative of my class, I cannot see the philosophy of politics on a campus to be one of differentiation between fraternity and non-fraternity men. We all have a commonness of friendship and attachment to Penn State, and our political contest is one of principles and services to the class and the College as a whole. The old adage that politicians look after themselves first is gradually being displaced by the belief that those elected should serve the class."  
Well, that looks like the first of the expected political word battle. We believe Joe is right in his contention that the fight should not become a fraternity versus non-fraternity affair as proposed, originally by Campus. Locust Lane turned thumbs down on Campus's proposal, inasmuch as L. L. has a number of non-fraternity men in the clique.

And the mention of Locust Lane in the Junior class warrants an apology from this column. Boys, we did not realize your strength until we attended that meeting last week. It was an eye-opening revelation. Why didn't you let someone know your political power.

After making the rounds of meetings of the three groups in the Junior class, we are now in more of a quandry than before. It might turn out to be a real three-cornered affair, with anyone the winner.

# Charlotte De Hajek To Talk, Dance Here

Charlotte de Hajek, Hungarian lecturer and dancer, will perform in Schwab Auditorium Thursday night at 8 o'clock under the auspices of the Cosmopolitan club.

Miss de Hajek is internationally known for her talent and versatility. Her lecture will be divided into three parts: "Hungarian Peasant Arts," "The Theater Yesterday and Today," and "Hungarian Contribution to European Culture."

Dances by Miss de Hajek, motion pictures, slides, and gramophone records will serve to illustrate the lecture. She will also have an exhibit of Hungarian peasant costumes, embroidery, pottery and carving. Tickets may be purchased at the auditorium or from Cosmopolitan club members, for 25 cents.

# Two Cheviots On College Farm

Block and Bridle club will meet tonight at 7:30 o'clock in room 206 Agriculture building. Drawings will be held for the animals to be fitted for and shown at the "Little International." The program will include a talk by an extension instructor on fitting and showing sheep. All are invited to attend.

# Letter Box

Los Angeles

To the Editor:  
That letter you printed by someone or other concerning the proposed murals for Old Main was a whipl! Why anyone should brag about his lack of understanding of murals and their relation to architecture is beyond me.

In the first place Old Main is not the conglomerate that he betrayed it. If he had taken any course in art history besides Art 74 he would have learned that it is a definite style—and considered a rather good example of that style. In the second place a mural is something adapted to a building—its use, location, and architecture. If there has ever been a building built for the express purpose of housing a mural and especially adapted to that mural I am not aware of it.

Here is a great chance for an outgoing class to have a genuine expression of appreciation for its Alma Mater. And what a unique thing that would be. When one thinks of Old Main's consumptive chimes . . . of the phony sculpture and not too good organ in the auditorium . . . of that lovely white china fountain by the willow tree . . . and of a sundialless sun-dial pediment between the flag poles, one isn't particularly impressed by, or proud of them. What better thing could the classes of '38 and '39 do than to get together and leave an expression of their loyalty that isn't a fake?  
This mural idea is practical, intelligent, and up to the minute. Assuming, of course, that a recognized mural painter be chosen to do it. Thomas Benton, considered by many to be America's best mural painter, is my nomination.

A word about my prolonged mid-semester vacation . . . Had dinner and cocktails with Mrs. Valentino, Rudy's first wife, and Cleo Cullens, former scandals beauty. They were charming and intellectual. Went to see "Porgy and Bess" last evening. Greta Garbo sat directly in front of me—George Arliss two rows ahead, Conrad Nagle, De Mille, and many others were in the audience. Virginia Bruce sat to my right and was always leaning all over me, trying to see around a tall man sitting in front of her—very annoying! Cleo Cullens can't see why the chimes should be turned off for Artists Course . . . says seeing's how they were so expensive we should try to get as much noise as possible out of them . . . I assured her that we were.

WILLIAM ORRIS  
P.S.: No one seems to know Iola Murray out here!

**Dr. Dutcher To Speak**  
Dr. R. Adams Dutcher of the School of Agriculture, will speak before the Rochester, N. Y., section of the American Chemical society tomorrow on "Problems Confronting the Agricultural Bio-Chemist in Experiment Station Work."

# LIQUOR LAWS

THAT WAS THE NICEST little meeting you could imagine the other night when a representative of the State Liquor Control Board told representatives of fraternity houses that they should not break the law.

The aftermath finds everyone agreeing that the laws should not be violated. That's just dandy. It was hardly the purpose of the meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to find out whether law violations would be prosecuted by the Board. The Board successfully passed off that phase of the entertainment. So did everyone else.

Of course, the question has broader aspects. With the construction work going on in town during the next few years, a method of eliminating conflicts between students and workmen in the local beer gardens was hoped for. Fraternities foresaw the possibility of avoiding such entanglements by serving beer on their own premises. That, however, is against the law in the average fraternity.

Worry about beer referendums in the state's smaller districts lately has caused the Liquor Board some concern about lost revenue. The chief reason why beer referendums in small communities have been dry is suspected to be the serving of beer to minors. The question has worried some people so much that there have been hints of a drive to defeat beer in State College when it comes up in the next few years. That, too, would be a violation of good sense, a false prediction of society's actions, and would create a far greater worry.

The only logical solution to the problem is to depend with confidence upon the common sense of mature persons during this possible crisis.

To ask too many times: "Dear Mister Man, please tell us that violating the law is all right with the Liquor Board" is foolish and in effect might force the Liquor Board's next move.

# SATURDAY—A BIG DAY

SATURDAY WILL BE a big day in College history. Governor Earle will come here to launch a five-million dollar building program that will give Penn State one of the most elaborate and modern educational plants in the country.

A special radio program has been arranged for the ceremonies involved in starting the program, the significance of which will be state-wide. This building program will increase the educational possibilities open to taxpayers and voters in the state. Increased enrollment will follow the completion of the buildings.

Prosperity for State College and its merchants is assured for the future. The town is one of the few left in Pennsylvania that is growing instead of shrinking.

An occasion such as Saturday's should draw tremendous student support and cooperation. Students can cooperate with College authorities by playing the role of a gracious and appreciative host.

The ultimate result will be well worth a few classes in the water tower and several extensive hikes between engineering buildings and the sheep barns.

# SIGNS FOR ALARM

IN ADOLPH HITLER'S speech Sunday there can be found nothing but cause for American alarm. His demand that Germany's colonies be returned added to Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden's resignation in Great Britain spells trouble for the United States unless she leaves the issue entirely alone.

England will undoubtedly continue negotiations with Germany that Eden, perhaps, did not favor. England, not the great power that she once was and not the queen of the ocean as she once was, would like very much to have the United States mixed up as moral support.

This country is not associated with the decision Hitler says he will give Austria, nor has this country any of Germany's lost colonies. Let us hope our foreign policy lets Britain and Germany work this out for themselves.

# SUN VALLEY . . .



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# Exhibit of Mayan Art To Remain On Display

An exhibit of Mayan art, consisting of 25 color reproductions, will remain on display until 6:30 o'clock Saturday night, Prof. J. Burn Helms, architecture, announced.

The show is being held in the gallery of the Main Engineering building. These paintings represent textiles, pottery, and other objects of common usage. They are loaned by the University of Pennsylvania museum through the courtesy of the American Federation of Arts.

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