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DEFERRED RUSHING

LAST MONTH a new fraternity rushing code, radically different from those of other years, was put into effect.

Despite all of the code's shortcomings, student opinion was practically unanimous in its praise for the initial silent period which extended from Wednesday night of Freshman Week to the following Saturday afternoon.

On the other hand, in the light of the recent rushing experience, the Collegian believes that there is another element—far stronger and far more numerous than the first—which is wholeheartedly in favor of deferring rushing for a longer period in order that incoming freshmen might be given sufficient time to learn all they can about the different fraternities and about fraternities in general.

It is among this group that considerable agitation for the postponement of rushing has been evident for the past few years.

It was in this group that a movement was begun last year to revise the rushing code, a movement which culminated last month in the postponement of rushing for three full days.

It is in this group that a movement now has begun to postpone rushing until the beginning of the second semester.

NOW, IT MUST be admitted that the plan to defer rushing one full semester has its advantages. It would, for instance, practically eliminate leading.

It would give the freshmen five months to learn what they can about the different social groups through informal contacts and thus enable them to choose with greater exactness the type of fraternity into which they could fit themselves most readily.

It would give fraternity members five months to study different prospects and thus enable them to choose with greater exactness the type of men who they believe would add greater prestige and greater honor to the fraternity itself.

ALL THIS, of course, is ideal. But idealism must be tempered with practicality—and it is here that the biggest problems arise.

And where, under the existing housing conditions, could we possibly fit some twelve hundred freshman men for a full semester before the rushing would begin?

And what would we do when the anticipated increase in the College enrollment begins to become a reality and the fraternity problem becomes more and more acute?

YES THERE may be advantages to the plan of deferred rushing, but there are disadvantages, too.

And it is because of this—and because of the tremendous bearing which the outcome will have upon the social and intellectual life of the students here—that the question should be studied in full detail before any definite action is taken.

OLD MANIA

The Steel Town Murder Case:

Penn State '59, Lehigh '6. And we thought we had a lousy Homecoming. The boys just couldn't be stopped Saturday. But they were awfully tired in the fourth quarter—tired from running back to kickoff again after touchdowns.

What We Think We'll Get Dept.:

Forecasting seems to be bad stuff whether it is picking football scores or estimating what one's salary will be in '40.

Backstage With Esquire:

Esquire's discovery of the month is Public Information, Al Swift who wrote "You Press the Middle Valve Down" appearing on page 71 of the current issue.

An Open Letter To Priscilla Lane:

Dear Priscilla. We hope you really meant it when you wrote that you would be sure to visit the new State Theatre on your next trip East.

Wearers of the Green:

It's all off, Gals. Much as we would like to pick a Miss '42, we can't possibly do so.

Little Bats in Our Belfry:

Marjorie Storde, cute enuff to be a Miss '42 candidate, declares that she could lead the Blue Band better than the present Drum Major.

KEELER'S STUDENTS SUPPLIES advertisement with image of a book.

AMONG THE NEW BOOKS... THE LETTERS OF LINCOLN STEFFENS 2 Volumes—\$10.00

Smiling Maestro



Reggie Childs (above) and his orchestra will play at Hecla Park tomorrow night after six months broadcasting on the NBC coast-to-coast radio network.

Class Of '32 Gives \$4,500 For Murals

(Continued From Page One) Lasting monument to the services of the College to the citizens of the Commonwealth and the nation, that the class will undertake this important work shall be an American artist of national reputation.

Co-Edits

Suppers, teas, picnics, marshmallow roasts, and dances are among the women's activities in the week.

Cwen Dance Slated For Friday Evening

The first dance in White Hall will be the Cwen formal, Friday night from 9 to 12 with Bill Bottorff's orchestra playing.

Former H. E. Dean Honored By Alumni

A new painting hangs on the left side of the Home Economics Building lobby—a portrait of Miss Edith P. Chase, dean of the Home Economics department from 1919 to 1938.

Dr. Betts To Speak

Dr. Emmett A. Betts, in charge of the reading clinic here, will address the Northwest division of the Pennsylvania State Education Association at Erie on Friday.

Hetzl's Biography Given In Interview

Studied For Bar-But Turned To Education After Seven Years' Practice

Although students of Penn State are well acquainted with the splendid work of President Ralph Dorn Hetzel, few know anything about the man himself. This article is designed to reveal the personality of the president who has done so much for State, and to introduce him intimately to the student body.

Pledge Dinner Slated Sunday

The annual interfraternity pledge banquet will be held Sunday night at 5:30 p. m. in the Old Main Sandwich Shop.

Hamilton To Speak At H. E. Assembly

The Home Economics Assembly will hear S. A. Hamilton, of Gable's Department Store, Altoona, speak on "The Customer Wants to Know" in room 116, White Hall, at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Rea & Derick, Inc.

Rea & Derick, Inc. advertisement for a shaver.

Play My Latest Victor Records thru Your Radio

Victor Record Society advertisement with image of a record player.

You'll Get a KICK Out of College Album

College Album advertisement with image of a cartoon character.

ROLLER SKATE Every Friday and Sunday

HECLA PARK 7 Miles E. of Bellefonte

SINCE 1896... Cigars Cigarettes Newspapers Magazines Pipes Tobacco

GRAHAM & SON advertisement with image of a typewriter.

State Airmen Hold Field Day

No Spectacular Stunt Flying, As Safety Is Keynote Of Air Show

A demonstration of a two way radio hookup between a plane flying high in the air and a ground station, opened the Aviation field day sponsored by the Penn State Airmen, student flying club, on Sunday.

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