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Above all, the Collegian will be tolerant. For its tolerance there is reason and there is might

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STUDENT DEMOCRACY: CHAPTER 3

STUDENT REPRESENTATION in the College Senate—the first concrete step suggested this year for the furthering of student democracy—has been proposed by a faculty member, Dr. Helmut Landsberg, not by any of the student organizations that have been called "cackpot" for refusing to shut their eyes and imagine that Penn State students enjoy the ideal in intra-college relationships

Dr. Landsberg's suggestion, obviously an outgrowth of the recent squabbles between students and the Senate, is in the form of an amendment to the constitution of the Senate, adding one member annually elected by the students to that body, which is endowed by the Board of Trustees with power to legislate in matters of mutual concern to students and faculty, including all problems of student welfare

Respecting the fact that the College Senate is a faculty, not a student body, the Collegian recommends instead of the one member, who presumably would have a regular vote, three non-voting representatives—two men and one woman. In this way the views of the student body could be more accurately represented before the Senate, for one person could hardly interpret the wishes of nearly seven thousand men and women. And yet the students would not be usurping the voting privilege given Senate members by the Board of Trustees

THE ADVISABILITY of student representation in the Senate was proved two weeks ago by the Senate itself when it voted to have three spokesmen of the student body appear at the next meeting to personally present students' views on the mid-year vacation proposal

Petitions, the only way in which students can now officially suggest Senate actions, have in the past continually failed to fulfill their purpose. The reason is quite obvious. The faculty and administration, largely because of some of the childish suggestions that have come before them in the form of petitions, have grown to feel that students will sign anything that is an objection to faculty or administration action

Now, students may appear before the Senate only when asked to do so by the Senate itself. And even on those rare occasions the students are forced to make their suggestions and then leave without the opportunity to hear any discussion or to offer rebuttal

Student representatives, because of the responsibility of the trust placed in them by the student body, would consider carefully any suggestion before placing it before the Senate. Then too, they could hear the arguments of the Senate and pass them on to the rightfully interested student body, now totally in the dark as to reasons behind Senate actions

NATURALLY, OBJECTIONS to student representation will arise among some members of the faculty and administration, who will justly claim that the Senate deals with some matters which students haven't the right or the ability to touch—such as educational requirements, courses of study and curricula, admission requirements, graduation requirements, approving of candidates for degrees, and awards of scholarships and honors

But, as is explained in the Regulations for Undergraduate Students published by the Senate "The work of the Senate is carried on largely through the medium of standing committees, which either recommend action to the Senate, or, when so empowered by the Senate, act directly"

Thus the most logical objection to student representation fades away into thin air. For the Senate, with a quorum of fifty members, could easily restrict the student representatives to committees handling problems with which students are rightfully interested—athletics, college calendar and student welfare

When the Senate holds its next regular meeting on the first Thursday of next month it will be forced to act on Dr. Landsberg's amendment. Its adoption would mean the establishment of a tie between the student body and the Senate by which the students can rationally present their opinions

Its rejection would mean that the Senate itself destroys that beautiful illusion of student democracy it has tried to build up in the minds of students as well as citizens throughout the state who have a natural interest in the College

—G.B.S.

OLD MANIA

SFEC Campaign:

In a desperate move to keep the campus from going an idle, Maniac has been appointed chairman, publicity manager, and sergeant-at-arms of the latest campaign sweeping the campus. The S. F. E. C. (Sarong for Every Coed) campaign is a concentrated effort on the part of fraternity lads, dry-goods merchants, and college publicity men to bring cheesecake and tropical glamour to a campus disguised in overcoats and ski-suits. Just think what it would mean to the College. Never again would the pages of the Inquirer and Press be devoid of Penn State publicity. From time to time pictures will appear on the front pages of Lenna Bouchal leading a cheer—in a sarong, of Eleanor Fagnans rushing for the Thesis—in a sarong, of lovely Marjorie Stride dating Bill Hubler—in a sarong

First step in the campaign is to bring Dorothy Lamour to State College and give her an honorary degree—in a sarong. A dry-goods store has agreed to give every Kappa a sarong free if they will wear them to Senior Ball. Why not? Most dates will wear less anyhow. An added stipulation is that they must wear them hat down and acquire a sun tan. Now if we could only get Miss Hault to wear one—we'd be all set. Everyone would follow her example. High point would come in May, when the May Queen would be crowned—in a sarong

Of course, sarongs won't look well on all roads. Many would look better without them.

Quote Of The Week:

now they're all nice kids, and I like them very much, but, My Dear, those thetas

To A Louse:

To Campuses, the dirty rat. Whose column is most sloppy. Sent Valentines a week ahead. And lobbed us of our copy.

Best Crack Of The Week:

Attributed to Pat Costello's Mother Friday Night at the Hotel When Pat and the Syracuse boys in the next room were preventing her from sleeping, she called Pat and kindly told him to "Tell the Boys From Syracuse that there's too much Hellzapoppin"

In Our Mail Box:

Nate Handler and Bob Seitzing were recipients of very unique valentines today. Someone sent them two by three feet posters in the shape of a heart—advertising a sweetheart special—three cakes of Lifebuoy for 17 cents. Mail. Vmzant finally pinned Mary O'Connor Sunday one week after her glorious trip to West Point with Eleanor Skinner

Under Quarantine:

Some kindly soul with an eye toward virtue founded a school at Birmingham, Pa., years ago. The fame of the school soon spread far and wide—not for its victorious basketball teams, nor its teaching of culture—but for the Sunday afternoon teas and its beautiful women

Many were the stories that were carried back to State College from this school of pride and prejudice. Stories of bridled passion and suppressed desires—and of five chaperones to each girl

Saturday night was to be the biggest night of the year. For weeks the girls had looked forward to their annual winter formal. Jack Bingham's hand was to play, and a crowd of Penn State boys had been invited to attend. The girls could stay up until eleven o'clock. However, last week several cases of scarlet fever were reported among the girls

Gloom is ten feet deep around Birmingham today. The dance has been postponed indefinitely. Hearts have ceased beating, passions remain dormant, even the clocks have stopped

Add Short Stuff:

A penny postcard with a single question on it, "Why did Bobby Kioope, piep house manager, fire Phyllis Vaughn?"

—THE MANIAC

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OPEN EVENINGS

PROMOTED



John C. Rex '39 (above), Chairman of the Interclass Finance Committee, was elected to Student Board, effective this semester, at a meeting of the Board last Friday night. Rex also became vice president of the senior class upon the recent graduation of Willard D. Root. Being vice president of the class automatically makes Rex a member of Student Council.

We Women

In a day of two society women and rushes that will be worn and to walk around campus with that "I'm not quite sure of what I'm doing" look

Sororities must decide what additions to their personnel will be most desirable. Rushes must choose the life that will be theirs for three and a half years. Neither side can kid itself into thinking that the other has no problem. Affiliated women are spending hours going over the attributes and the disadvantages of this or that questionable New student and more than concerned about what the weekend will bring. And so, we may ask that each be tolerant of the other in the doubts and procedure of rush week

These are obvious methods that alleviate this problem. Sororities should issue invitations inconspicuously. This consideration is plain kindness for freshmen not being rushed

Rushes, if they believe in common decency, will not mislead a house into thinking they are interested when actually they are encouraging the sorority in order to get one more bid than Katy Jones in Room 00

Choosing pledges is the responsibility of the individual sorority. Accepting a bid is the lot of the individual rusher. Freshmen and transfers, should have developed enough initiative by now in their mental growth to come to independent decisions. If they wish their choice to be happy, it must be their own, not that of either their fellow rushers or their less fortunate constituents

At this point, rushers should not be considering more than two or three houses. If they have decided on one, their opinion should not be swayed by members of their freshman cliques. They should not forget that their ideas of desirable friendships may change very soon. They should forestall the possibility of any regrets

In fact, there should be no regrets if both rusher and rusher use their respective minds

Co-ed Rushing Slate Lists Week's Rules

(Continued From Page One) Chambers '40, or Georgia P. Owens '40.

A second silent period begins at 9 p.m. Saturday and lasts until rushers have received ballots and answered them in the Dean of Women's office Sunday From 4 to 6 p.m. on Sunday sororities will contact women who have accepted their bids

Strict expense accounts, including gasoline and all other incidentals, will be kept by each house. Each day's report must be handed in to Pan-Hellenic by noon of the next day. Expenses for all rushing except formal dinners must not exceed \$20

Expense accounts for Saturday's formal dinners, not to be more than \$30 for each house, must be given to Juanita M. Chambers '40, Pan-Hellenic rushing chairman, by 11 p.m. Saturday. All formal bids to rushers will be in the Dean of Women's office by 11 p.m. Saturday

Book Mart To Close Tomorrow At 8 P.M.

Bringing its two week period to an end, the Student Book Exchange will close tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock. Edward Hebda, '39, chairman of the exchange committee, has announced

All students who have done any business with the exchange should call for their money and their unsold books before this time, stated Hebda, or they will forfeit their property

Jail Clean-Up Pledged Here

Sweeney Reveals Authorities Promised Action After State Inspection

Special to The Collegian HARRISBURG, Feb. 13.—Action to remedy irregularities at the State College Borough Jail "at the earliest possible date" was promised by borough authorities last month after an inspection by the State Department of Welfare. Secretary E. Arthur Sweeney informed the Collegian here today "A representative of this department made an investigation of this lockup," Sweeney said, "and the report shows that upon inspection this institution was very clean and sanitary, it was evidenced that there was no vermin present

No Mattresses Present "The investigation also disclosed that there was one broken window and no mattresses for the bunks

"However," he added, "this matter was taken up with the local authorities and it was agreed upon that these conditions would be remedied at the earliest possible date

The action was prompted by a student probe made last December, one month before the state inspection, at which time the charges of irregularities were referred to the Welfare Department thru the Welfare Department through the office of Motor Police Commissioner Percy W. Foote

off the records

Victor brings to the record fans the culmination of a dream long cherished by followers of popular dance bands—a recording made by an orchestra composed of the greatest living swing musicians. Victor has gotten together this band composed of the winners of Metropolitan's annual all-swing band poll to record BLUE LOU and THE BLUES. The band presents a surprisingly well-knit ensemble, as well as truly magnificent solos. Included in the personnel are Benny Goodman, Eddie Miller, and Arthur Rollin, saxes; Bunny Berigan, Harry James, Charlie Spivak, and Sonny Dunham, trumpets; Tommy Dorsey and Jack Teagarden, trombones; Bobby Haggart on bass, Bob Zurke, piano, and Ray Baudic on drums

Tommy Dorsey records COCKTAILS FOR TWO coupled with Stephen Foster's OLD BLACK JOE, played in the Dorsey manner. Both older, but of distinctly different vintage. One of Foster's most beautiful compositions, I DREAM OF JEANNIE WITH THE LIGHT BROWN HAIR, undergoes a change through the arranging of Richard Himber, but loses none of its original charm. Featuring the pyramid style, JEANNIE SWINGS OUT is one of the best numbers we've heard in a long while. Stuart Allen sings the lyrics

Another cowboy ballad, SING IN THE SADDLE, makes its appearance with Johnny Messner's hand, Johnny doing the vocal himself. Lovely Jeannie Dorsey sings LET'S STOP THE CLOCK on the other side. Van Alexander records a delightful novelty, I HEY BARBER

This week Decca releases a special album of song hits from the musical comedy sensation, The Boys From Syracuse, sung by two of the country's leading vocalists, Rudy Vallee and Frances Langford. They each sing two solos and two duets accompanied by Harry Sosnik's orchestra. Count Basie records SING FOR YOUR SUPER on the same show, and that very popular number, MY HEART BELONGS TO DADDY, from Leave It To Me

Euse Morgan sings the vocal to his recording of I COME FROM A MUSICAL FAMILY. The reverse is music in the very best Morgan manner, WABASH BLUES. Boogie Woogie is featured in Woody Herman's INDIAN BOOGIE WOOGIE. The leader sings the vocal of BLUE EVENING on the reverse, a nice lights-out number. Satchmo Armstrong puts his trumpet aside and sings two numbers, WHEN THE SAINTS GO MARCHING IN and AS LONG AS YOU LIVE YOU WILL BE DEAD IF YOU DIE. Huh!

WHAT DO YOU KNOW?

and

WHAT DO YOU SAY?

By BERNIE NEWMAN

TODAY'S QUESTION

Do you think co-eds should be allowed to drink beer in the local tap-rooms?

Bill Hubler, '41, Journalism No. The local tap rooms are generally crowded with men only, and there is little atmosphere for a woman. Besides, I'd rather see a co-ed with a mixed drink in her hand than a glass of beer"

Eddie Camitta, '39, dramatics. Personally I have an intense dislike for the female alcoholic. However, if a co-ed has any desire for drinking, she is invariably going to find some method of obtaining the drink. I think that the College should lift the ban and attempt to bring about moderation"

Bill Wharton, '42, lower division. "I think they should be allowed, because they drink everywhere else and I can't see why they shouldn't drink in State College"

Doc Crossin, '39, commerce and finance. "No, because I'd miss them in Boalsburg"

Jack Santmyers, '41, lower division. "If a co-ed is 21 years of age, she is old enough to use her own discretion. If she thinks it is all right to drink in the local tap rooms no one should have any thing to say about it"

Ray Coskery, '39, commerce and finance. "I think they should, especially if all co-eds could go into these places without any feeling of shame. I don't like the idea of only two or three co-eds drinking amongst a group of men"

Hank Carson, '31, lower division. "The average girl that comes to Penn State should be capable of judging whether or not she should frequent these places. Also I'd rather see a girl drink beer here than hard liquor in Bellefonte. Just think of the man's pocketbook"

Warren Elliott, '40, commerce and finance. "Co-eds appear too much out of place in the type of beer establishments we have here. But if there were some nice places, where women could drink, I would be wholly in favor of it"

Hetzel Selects New Artists' Committee

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They are the only student representative on the committee

Town Representatives William K. Uerlich, editor of the Centre Daily Times, will represent the State College towns, people, who had no representation on the committee before this year

Dr. Carl E. Mirquardt, college examiner, will again be chairman. Other members of the committee which will serve until next February are Henry S. Brunner, agricultural education; Jesse Cameron, physical education; Walter F. Dantzacher, public information; Neil M. Fleming, graduate manager of athletics; Richard W. Grant, music education; Burton K. Johnstone, architecture; Edward Steidle, dean of the School of Mineral Industries; and William L. Wener, English literature.

Darrah Gets Faculty Post Lawrence B. Darrah, a graduate of West Virginia University at mid-semester, will take the position of assistant in the agricultural economics department.

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Proposes Electing Student To Senate

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the cause of both the Senate and the students might be served more fully if two or three students were elected to the Senate without holding voting rights. He explained that voting rights would make little difference because of the large number of members voting.

Landsberg Makes No Comment Dr. Landsberg, sponsor of the motion, stated that he has no comments at present on the proposal. Joseph A. Peel, senior class president and head of men's student government, asserted that the motion was discussed at Student Board meeting Friday afternoon in the presence of Dean Wainlock

"Three students, two men and one woman—none of which possess voting privileges, are the logical ideal for student membership in the Senate," Peel said

Sole Legislative Body As sole legislative body of the College, the Senate passes on educational policy, courses of study and curricula, admission requirements, graduation requirements, the approval of candidates for degrees, awards of scholarships and honors, the college calendar, and regulations affecting students.

The Senate is composed of President Hetzel, the deans of all schools, the three assistants to the president, the Deans of Men and of Women, the Registrar, the Librarian, the directors of extension, the director of the Health Service, the director of the Institute of Animal Nutrition, the heads of all departments, and four members elected annually from each school.

As soon as they get the athletes off the gridiron they begin putting coaches on the pan—Indiana University Daily Student

Thurman Advocates Main Life Purpose

"Find a cause big enough to absorb your central purpose and devote your life work to it," was the advice given by Rev. Howard Thurman of Howard University, Washington, D. C., in his chapel speech Sunday on "Thy Kingdom Come"

"Too many of us release our strength in protesting instead of doing," he said "We die from too much blossoming"

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