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THE NEW DEAL (Continued From Page One)

government failed to cover the case. Perhaps the fact that every member of the Board, except Peel, belonged to the opposition party might have had something to do with it.

The evil, of course, does not lie in Student Board as such. This year, for instance, manned by men of such excellent caliber as Peel, Coskey, Jones, Laigh, Sede, Wilson, Ruth and Ruppelheit, the Board has done most of the legislative work.

Yet the experience of last year leads the Collegian to believe that the setup is not only dangerous and undemocratic but wholly unnecessary.

For the powers of Student Board overlap in most instances those of Student Council, and the constitution is so full of contradictions and hazy demarcations of power that no one knows exactly what one body can or cannot do.

THERE ARE those, of course, who will argue that Student Board should be retained because its very limited size and compactness leads to greater efficiency. Furthermore, these people will say, Student Council has proved its own inefficiency by failing to enact any important student measures in its recent history.

Thus the Collegian refuses to admit. True, Student Council has been inefficient, but the cause of the inefficiency is rooted not in Council as such but in the fact that Student Board's powers, overlapping as they are, have practically nullified those of Student Council—a body which is composed of ELECTED men representing the different schools on campus.

As a result, Council has become a mere reservation for politicians who have proved the very opposite of what they claim to be, and as such has tended to lose its representative flavor.

That a body the size of Student Council can work efficiently is being proved by conscientious members of this year's body who are at this very moment seeking to reorganize the governmental setup itself, to establish better faculty-student relationships, to standardize field trips.

But let Student Board move in and usurp these powers—as it has done in the past—and Student Council would once more plunge back into its lethargy. For no government in the world can be efficient when it has nothing to do.

SO IT IS that we come to the core of this issue. Just what should student government do—and just what can it do?

First of all, just as the College has complete control over College problems, so the students should have complete control over student problems. Most people are agreed upon this point.

To do this, we must weld the student body into a more unified whole. We must organize more efficiently the non-fraternity men who are strewn all about the place. But, most of all, we must extend to all students a better system of government, a government which would represent their wishes more fully, a government which would have power to do something more besides run-of-the-mill stuff.

Whatever problems might arise in this field, however, are dwarfed by the problems which arise when a question of student welfare in some way involves College policy. Here—especially in the mid-year vacation issue—we can see in bold relief the discontent that is bound to arise when the wishes of nearly 7,000 students are completely overlooked. Here it is that we see a need for a better interchange of ideas among students, faculty and administration.

This is why the Collegian is asking for student representation in the College Senate, a representation which would have no power to vote on anything involving College policy itself but which would have the right to present student views on matters involving student welfare.

This is why the Collegian is asking for a decentralized, yet unified government, a government which would better express the wishes of the greatest number of students.

For with an undergraduate body of some 7,000 men and women, it cannot be denied that students should know what other students are thinking and that, above all, the College should know what all students are thinking.

OLD MANIA

In Sheep's Clothing: The Kappas are just bursting with pride. They set a record—21 pledges Sunday afternoon just after they had received their mammoth list, the future smooth gals were already wading through the mud to meet their new sisters.

Here, Kitty, Kitty: If you happen upon a skunk (of the animal variety) on Locust Lane way (and the answers to the name of Otis, Lambda, or Heiman—it may be the Theta Xi's dehydrated wool pussy which has been missing since Friday) Owner, Ted Brown advises that you call the skunk toward you, pet him as you would a cat, and if he doesn't raise his tail—it's Otis.

Information Please: Could the members of the Penn State Camera Club please furnish us with the phone number of Parabola?

A Blonde Again: Bob Rutherford, Jr., ratty caddy master, was on the receiving end of the payment of fees in the Alamo. A good Scotchman, Bob was being strict about every penny discrepancy.

To a Couple of Heels: To Public Heel Number 1. A few days ago, you walked into an exhibit of art borrowed by Scarab from other schools. After making sure no one was around, you sneaked off with a nude some poor Carnegie Tech student spent hours in drawing Great publicity for Penn State. Of course, it will set off your room and your friends might admire it. And everytime you look at it you can think of what a rotten trick it was.

Anent The News: Laugh of the week. Bellefonte officials spent more time putting student hecklers in the cooler Saturday night than they spent fighting the fire when Bud Yanofsky and Ed Peilman were marched into the jail, they found 15 other State students already locked up. Bud dropped his soap and before he could pick it up a rat had made off with it. Paul Mall boved heavyweight on the freshman team this week-end while Philip Morris wrestled for the Cornell frosh. Aside to Phyllis Lewist did the costuming and make-up for Peter Klonos' Mask and Wig act. The Delta Sig's ought to get the decorating bid for junior prom after that meritorious piece of house decorating at their Saloon's Ball. The kappas, whose national emblem is the owl, attribute their rushing success to the live hooty owl they found on the back porch Saturday night. Phyllis Stevens, one of last year's freshman beauties, is returning for Senior Ball with Larry Higgins, signman. The picture of Jane Hoskins curled up in bed is also missing from the Camera Club exhibit. See the boyfriend for clues. —THE MANIAC

IFC Conference Set For March

Wickenden Will Be Banquet Speaker; House Officers To Hold Luncheons

Interfraternity Council is completing plans for an interfraternity conference to consist of a banquet on March 17 and a series of luncheons on the following day, according to Raymond S. Coskey '40, council president.

Dr. Arthur C. Wickenden, assistant to the president of Miami University, Oxford, O., has been named by the main speaker at the banquet, which will be attended by local chapter presidents, faculty advisers, and IFC representatives.

off the records: Bea Wann, of DEEP PURPLE fame, is the hit of the year, sings two more beautiful numbers on Larry Clinton's latest wax work. You won't forget the words of HONGY CAI MICHAEL'S I GET ALONG WITHOUT YOU VERY WELL after hearing Bea sing them. She sings THE MASQUERADE IS OVER on the coupling COULD BE, Johnny Mercer's latest song hit, is ably recorded by Sammy Kaye and his Three Barons. The swing and sway band does PENNY SERENADE on the reverse.

Jack Leonard sings THIS IS IT for Tommy Dorsey this week. IT'S ALL YOURS, the reverse, is sung by Edythe Wright. Charlie Barnett, who has just opened at New York's Famous Door appears on Bluebird this week with I GET ALONG WITHOUT YOU VERY WELL, and I'M PRAYING HUMBLY, Bobby Haggart's swell rhythm tune.

One of the best of the newer bands, Van Alexander's records THE MASQUERADE IS OVER and HEAVEN CAN WAIT, two smooth recordings. Those who like the piano ramblings and vocal refinements of Fats Waller will be glad to hear HOLD TIGHT and YOU OUT-SMARTED YOURSELF. JUST A KID NAMED JOE has been popular for a long time now, but you haven't heard it as it should be until you hear Bing Crosby sing it for Decca. He sings the old favorite, THE LONESOME ROAD, on the reverse. Decca presents Connie Boswell on two records this week with Woody Herman and his orchestra. All four tunes are popular hits, THE UMBRELLA MAN with THEY SAY, and THANKS FOR EVERYTHING WITH DEEP IN A DREAM.

Andy Kirk gives us two dandies with Pha Terrell singing BREEZE and SITTIN' AROUND AND DREAMIN'. We would like to have a dollar for every recording of I CRIED FOR YOU since Kenny Sargent and Cass Loma brought it back to us a few months ago. Dick Robertson's would make us a dollar richer. He sings the vocal to this and the coupling, GARDENIAS. A tricky novelty number is Will Osborne's WHERE HAS MY LITTLE DOG GONE?

62 Percent Of College Students Favor Sex Study

By Student Opinion Surveys AUSTIN, Tex., Feb. 20.—Sex education should no longer be a matter to be whispered about, a large majority of American college students believe. In fact, almost 62 percent of them favor making courses on the principles of sex compulsory, a nation-wide study by the Student Opinion Surveys of America shows.

In summary, comments from college students everywhere sounded like this: "We have been prudish about this matter too long. Authoritative information has gathered here or there or prohibited from young people."

Time has begun to change this attitude, it would appear, for many colleges are now offering marriage courses. Students regard this an important part of their education when they say they believe such instruction should even be made obligatory.

Interviewers have asked this question to a scientifically-defined cross-section from coast to coast. "Should sex education courses in colleges be made compulsory?" The vote:

Yes 61.9% No 38.1%

Of the schools where the survey was held, only about 10 percent had required courses. Perhaps of

some significance is the fact that the poll shows women in the South and Westless in favor of the idea than women elsewhere in the nation. Men agree pretty well everywhere.

Speaking for the majority, a North Dakota State Teachers College junior said, "Sex education should have begun back in high school—during adolescence. Some believe upperclassmen only should receive instruction. A Baylor University medical student would include personal hygiene and causes and results of venereal disease."

However, there are many who believe all sex matters should be left to the parents, and a North

western co-ed declares, "You should go to your doctor for that information." In some colleges students say there is not enough room in the courses offered. Others favor voluntary courses only.

In America the movement toward more sex education was begun in 1910 under the leadership of Dr. Prince A. Morrow.

Sex education in its largest sense has been defined as that including scientific, social, ethical, and religious instruction and influence that may in some way, directly or indirectly, help young people to solve the sex problems that will inevitably be encountered by every normal person.

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WHAT DO YOU KNOW? WHAT DO YOU SAY?

By BERNIE NEWMAN Do you think that a Student Union building is needed on our campus?

Dave McKinley, '41, civil engineer. "I certainly do. Students here need more than the Corner Room for a social center. Penn State students are definitely losing the many benefits that could be derived from such a diversified and cooperative plan of activity center."

Ruth Liachowitz, '40, pre-legal. "Yes. It is needed to provide the necessary entertainment facilities. There are no accepted places here besides fraternity houses and the movies where girls can go. We should have a Student Union building on the order of Western universities where dry night clubs play a big part in student life."

Johnny Sayers, '39, phys ed. "Yes. Most students here do not have the money to participate in the few activities provided for in State College. When these students store up excess energy, destruction and mob riots result."

Oscar Smith, '41, forestry. "State College is situated a great distance from any large city. It is necessary, therefore, that the College provide a large activity center where each and every student may take advantage of the diversified activities which are offered in Student Union buildings."

Allan Tappan, '39, arts and letters. "Definitely. A Student Union building would help us and in bringing together a closer alliance between students themselves and students with faculty members."

John Casimir, '41, lower division. "Yes. A Student Union building is supposed to be some sort of Student Union building, but it is crowded entirely with administration offices. There is a great need here for a centralized building to house all students' extra-curricular activities, therefore I believe that the College should see that such a building is erected."

Art Elton, '39, advertising. "Definitely. College publications could benefit greatly. License printing presses, photo-engraving material, and other necessary equipment could be housed in such a building. Another thing: students interested in these types of work could gain in valuable experience."

Fine Turf Confab Opens Tomorrow The 11th annual fine turf conference will be held here tomorrow, Thursday and Friday, it was announced yesterday by H. B. Musser, associate professor of experimental agronomy, who is in charge of the arrangements.

A broader program of fine turf research is being conducted at the College than at any other institution. The work is receiving wide recognition, and it is because of this that Penn State was chosen to hold the conference. Golf course superintendents and greenkeepers from tournament courses are expected to attend.

Flower Judges Place Sixth Entering the intercollegiate flower judging contest for the first time, Penn State, represented by John H. Carow '40 and Richard E. Pride '40, placed sixth in a field of eight teams at Houston, Texas last week.

Staidle Names MI Honor Roll

14 In School Have Averages Of Over 2.5 At End Of Semester

Fourteen Mineral Industries students with all-College averages of 2.5 or higher were named to the School's honor roll for the first semester yesterday by Dean Edward Steidle.

Seniors on the honor roll are Leon H. Friedman, petroleum and natural gas, Ralph F. Jument, metallurgy, Montis R. Klepper, geology, George J. Morris, ceramics and Edward V. Somers, metallurgy.

Juniors are Maurice M. Lipnick, and Elmer D. Longfellow, metallurgy, and John L. McClary and John W. Myers.

Freshmen are Jack M. Fillman, petroleum and natural gas, Edward A. Kuehik, metallurgy, Paul Laza, ceramics, John D. Morgan, Jr., mining engineering, and George K. Sykes, metallurgy.

Letter Box

To the Editor: I would call your attention to the fact that the report in your issue of February 17 concerning the accrediting of engineering curricula at the College by the Engineers' Council for Professional Development is incorrect in placing all of the curricula in the School of Engineering.

Curricula in ceramics, fuel technology, metallurgical engineering, mining engineering and petroleum and natural gas engineering which are accredited, are offered by the School of Mineral Industries and the curriculum in chemical engineering is offered by the School of Chemistry and Physics. The remaining curricula in the E. C. P. D. report are offered by the School of Engineering.

I would suggest that a correction be published in your next issue so that people on the campus and elsewhere will be informed accurately about this matter which I think you will appreciate is of some importance.

H. P. HAMMOND, Dean, School of Engineering.

Note to H. J.—If you will supply full name and address, the Collegian will publish your letter. Both will be withheld on request. The same rule applies to all letter-writers. The Collegian absolutely refuses to print any unsigned letter.—Ed.

Dartmouth College has purchased a portable sawmill to cut the half-million feet of wood accumulated during hurricane reclamation activities.

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Poems By Craighead Voted Month's Best

The poems of Jean C. Craighead '41, published in College Verse, official organ of the College Poetry Society of America, were voted the most outstanding in the December issue by a postcard poll of the society members.

Miss Craighead's poems were rated above those written by representatives of 18 colleges and universities.

The poem of A. Boyd Harrier '41, printed in the same issue, also received a number of votes.

Christian Movement Meeting Scheduled

The annual spring conference of the student Christian movement in the Middle-Atlantic region will be held at the Buck Hill Falls Inn, Buck Hill Falls, Pa., on March 3, 4, and 5.

Those who will represent Penn State at the conference are John Shellenbeger '39, Martin Rockwell '40, Robert DeSilver '39, and Beryl Hindman '40.

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We Women

The lethargic reaction from rush week is about to set in leaving most of us antipathetic to rushing discussions. Nevertheless, after the frenzy of the past week, none can overlook the necessity for a revised code.

It is not so important that changes be made in a code. It is imperative, however, that organized groups develop a more progressive attitude toward rushing. Sororities should have enough confidence in themselves and their ideals to feel certain of augmenting their numbers without the help of parties, movies, and the rest of the wearing rushweek activities.

Most sensible of all plans, it seems to us would provide for a restricted free association period first semester with issuance of bids coming in at the beginning of second semester. Bids would be issued and accepted on a mutual, friendly basis, without artificial stimulation.

A series of open houses throughout first semester would provide grounds on which sororities and rushes could meet informally. Freshmen and transfers would be accepted for themselves, not for a nervewracking ten-day period. Sororities would be chosen for their personnel, not the excellence of parties, favors or their best clothes and smiles.

Such a plan would be consistent with the attitudes of progressive educators. In addition to being sensible and workable, providing that sororities and freshmen retained their mental equilibrium, the system would eliminate jangled nerves, insomnia, and chronic indigestion.

The code we propose should not be considered an idealistic pipe dream. It is remote from, yet is tinged with an idealism that could be practiced with benefit to all.

Much of the sorrow incident to rush week would be eliminated were this idea adopted. There would be no parties during which women not being rushed would mournfully in their rooms hating everyone in school and, on the side, developing first-rate inferiority complexes.

Any sorority women will agree that her experience with her group

Book Exchange Shifts Unsold Books to S. U.

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