



JOSEPH A. PEEL '39

PEEL—MAN AMONG MEN

Editorial

Last year for the first time in the history of this College, the Penn State Collegian established a new award to be presented each year to that member of the graduating class who, during his four year here, had done most to further the honor, the glory and the prestige of this institution. Tomorrow night, just before the Wisconsin boxing meet in Recreation Hall, the Collegian will honor the most outstanding senior of 1939: Joseph A. Peel—gentleman, athlete and scholar—Penn State's own modern Horatio Algeri character, who through sheer perseverance rose from the rank-and-file to the highest honors a student body could bestow upon him.

Practically unheard of in his first two years, defeated for the freshman class presidency, just another ordinary sophomore football player, Joe Peel suddenly became the fightingest, fighter of them all and, with one great surge overcame all handicaps to become a star on the varsity football team and become, too, the first non-fraternity man in a quarter century to be elected class president.

From that moment on, Peel remained the outstanding leader among the 7,000 students of Penn State. For, once in office, he became a whirlwind dervish, championing the cause of Penn State's own Forgotten Man—the non-fraternity student—yet at the same time, not forsaking the cause of the fraternity student.

That his job was well done was proved last April when he saw himself re-elected to the presidency of his class, the first man ever to be so honored in the 80-year history of this institution. Re-elected—in a bitter political campaign during which he maintained his character as a gentleman and refused to punch below the belt just because the referee might not be looking.

Such has been the keynote of Peel's success—at all times a gentleman; at all times, a determined fighter; and, above all else, a gentleman and a fighter who has the courage of his convictions.

In a world turbulent with the buffeting storms of economic and political reaction, America needs more men less willing to criticize, more willing to stretch out a helping hand to those incapable of vision, those incapable of helping themselves.

Joe Peel is such a man. His past has proven this. The future remains before him. His test is yet to come. If there have been troubles and problems, there will undoubtedly be many more which the future holds.

There may be many outstanding seniors here—yes. But Joseph A. Peel towers head and shoulders above them all.

New Structures May Not Be Utilized
PEEL IS CHOSEN MOST OUTSTANDING SENIOR

Allocations Insufficient For Upkeep

\$150,000 Increase Not Enough To Carry Full Program

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By JOHN A. TROANOVITCH, Editor, Collegian

Unless there is a sudden change of policy in Harrisburg within the next two months, many of the buildings now nearing completion under the General State Authority will not be used at all for the next two years at least.

This was the only conclusion which could be reached here today as the Council of Administration moved to re-study its budget estimates in an effort to meet the Governor's reduced allocation of \$4,375,000 for general maintenance and \$50,000 for the School of Mineral Industries.

While no comment could be obtained from administration quarters, it was obvious to see that a budget whose net increase amounted to only \$150,000 for two years would not permit the utilization of the new buildings to any great extent. In fact, the money would hardly be enough to supply heat, electricity, and janitorial services for the structures, let alone equip them for classroom use.

And 11 New Buildings

Although the Governor failed to assent to an itemized list of intended expenditures, he recommended only \$150,000 over the \$4,275,000 all-around total provided for the 1937-39 biennium under the Earlle administration. With 11 new buildings to maintain, this is wholly inadequate.

In its original request, the College asked \$585,939.70 for movable equipment for the new buildings. This was decreased to \$351,600 in the second request, which the College pointed out would leave "a considerable number of the laboratories, classrooms and offices" un-equipped and unused until further provision is made for equipment and for the necessary additional personnel, supplies, etc.

"This reduced estimate," the College added, "will provide a much more limited and gradual approach to the capacity program provided by the new physical facilities."

Thus, even if the additional \$150,000 would be used solely for equipment, it would permit only a very limited use of the buildings.

GSA Strife Unhealthy
Moreover, developments in the fight for control of the General State Authority during the past week have cast some doubt upon the chances of the College to its (Continued on Page Four)

Bids For Building Fixtures Postponed Until March 21

Special to the Collegian.
HARRISBURG, March 2.—Opening of bids for the installation of fixed equipment in the new buildings at the Pennsylvania State College has been postponed from March 10 to March 21, Col' Augustine S. Janeway, executive director of the General State Authority, announced here today.

Six contracts, totaling an estimated \$476,130, will provide for equipment for the Electrical Engineering Building, \$10,000; Chemistry and Physics, \$161,000; Agricultural Science, \$132,000.

Shop Equipment for the Faculty, Education, Electrical Engineering, and Chemistry and Physics Buildings, \$27,841.

Electrical Equipment for Electrical Engineering, Mineral Industries, Agricultural Engineering, \$40,000.

Free Tests For Blood Type Records Are Set To Be Given Four Days

Anyone wishing to have his blood classified free may do so at Room 219 Agriculture Building at the following times next week: Monday, 7 to 9 p. m.; Tuesday, 1 to 4 p. m.; Wednesday, 7 to 9 p. m.; and Thursday, 1 to 4 p. m.

The purpose of the tests is to build up accurate records of the blood available in State College for transfusions.

\$685 Profit Realized At Senior Ball

Figure One-Third Less Than Last Year

An estimated profit of \$685, less than one-third of last year's net income, was realized at Senior Ball last Friday night, according to a tentative report released yesterday by Neil M. Fleming, graduate manager of athletics.

A total of 673 paid admissions (542 less couples than attended the affair last year), booth rentals and checking aggregated a gross income of \$3,017.25, approximately \$2,100 less than last year's total. Expenditures were conservatively estimated at \$2,331.91.

Sixty-two complimentary tickets, three less than last year, were issued. As usual, biggest expense item was music. Duke Ellington received \$1,000, \$500 less than the amount paid last year to Tommy Doisey.

Income

Admissions (Tax included), 673 at \$3.85	\$2,612.75
Booth rental, 44 at \$5	\$220
Checking, 738 at \$25	\$184.50
Total	\$3,017.25

Expenditures

Music—\$1000, decorations—\$350; tax on admissions—\$257.25; checking—\$184.50; compensations—\$100, doorman, ticket seller, etc.—\$37.50; ticket printing and invitations—\$33.41; Song Title contest winner—\$5.00, telephone and telegraph—\$25.55; incidentals—\$127.50; college labor (estimated)—\$100; catering (estimated)—\$55; miscellaneous (estimated)—\$44.20	\$2,331.91
Total	\$3,017.25
Profit	\$685.34

Two WPA Paintings To Hang In Home Ec

Two large oil paintings, adjudged excellent by J. Burne Hellme of the fine arts department, have been obtained for the Home Economics building.

The paintings, work of two artists on the Federal art project division of the WPA, are part of the redecorating project being carried on by the Home Economics Club.

M. I. Group To Hear Speaker

Blaine B. Westcott, of the Gulf Research Corporation, Pittsburgh, will speak on "Metals In the Production of Petroleum" before the Minerals Industry Society at 7:30 p. m. Tuesday in Room 119, Mineral Industries Building.

Presidents, Faculty Meet With Pan-Hellenic

Pan-Hellenic Council will hold an informal meeting with its advisors, the dean of women and assistants, and sorority presidents in the southeast lounge of Atherton Hall from 3 to 5 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

Vivian S. Doty '39, president, and Juanita M. Chambers '40, vice-president, will report on the conference they attended in Washington, D. C., last week. The group will also discuss rushing problems and plans.

Independents Join In Drive For Unity

Powered by the combined strength of all three independent cliques a concentrated drive to organize Penn State's non-fraternity men into a socially and politically solid group was launched yesterday.

Immediate plans for the move, formulated at a closed meeting of clique leaders earlier in the week, call for a thorough survey of the town's non-fraternity male population.

Purpose of the survey is to compile statistical data necessary for definite operations. William W. Galbreath '39, spearhead of the Independent drive, stated specifically that while all of the cliques would probably include the organization move in their political platforms for the forthcoming elections, the plank covering the plan would absolutely not be inserted as a vote-getting device.

Speaking for all of the Independent cliques, Galbreath said, "We are supporting the organization movement because we feel that by so doing we can aid under-privileged non-fraternity men and at the same time rid the College of a troublesome situation."

Independent clique leaders met with Dean Arthur R. Warnock last Tuesday night at which time significant principles of the plan were discussed. Dean Warnock explained that small units as a framework are almost a necessity if the plan is to succeed. He also pointed out that the impetus for such a movement should come largely from the students themselves.

Thespians Plan Four Changes

Revue, Low Price, Premiere Feature Spring Show; Kennedy To Direct

"Wow, that's hot!" was the expression that burst from the lips of the Schwab Auditorium janitor, a veteran and skilled judge of many Thespian Shows, as the combined chorus of "Stuff and Nonsense" went to town during rehearsal at 10 p. m. Wednesday.

As the Thespians' Spring show to be presented Friday and Saturday night, March 10 and 11, "Stuff and Nonsense" embodies four new features. They are:

- A departure from custom in that the Spring show will be a revue instead of the usual comedy.
- The scheduling of the show on a weekend other than a big dance weekend, something not before attempted.
- A drastic downward revision in price to \$50, a move that the Thespians made in order to approximate the price usually paid for two hours' entertainment.
- An opening night premiere on the steps of Schwab Auditorium with floodlights, amplifying system, master of ceremonies, guest speakers, and all the other trappings.

Kremer Design 1st In National Contest

Senior Is Only Penn State Winner In History

For the first time in the history of the College an architecture student, Charles D. Kremer '39, has been awarded a First Medal, the highest honor given, in a national Class A design contest sponsored by Beaux Arts, architectural society.

Of approximately 160 problems submitted by students from all over the country, eight received medals. Melissa Mimick '39 and Edward H. Burgener '38, students in the department of architecture, received Second Medals. The design problem was "An Agricultural School."

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MIRTHMAKER



Guest speaker at Sigma Delta Chi's grillon banquet at the Nittany Lion Inn next Tuesday night will be Thomas H. "Tommy" Richardson (above), outstanding humorist and after-dinner speaker. Still a leading figure in baseball, Richardson was once official jester for Connie Mack's baseball Athletics. His affable presentation of witicism has met with widespread success.

Collegian To Give Trophy Tomorrow

Award To Be Made Before Badgers Boxing Bout

By HERBERT NIPSON

Joseph A. Peel, senior class president and a three-year varsity football player, is the outstanding senior in this year's graduating class.

So decided the junior board of the Collegian when it chose him recipient of the Collegian trophy, annual award given to the senior who, in the opinion of the board, has done the most in his four years of college to further the honor and the prestige of Penn State.

Peel, who made Penn State history when he became the first independent man to be elected senior class president last year and also the first ever to succeed himself to office, was chosen after a thorough discussion of the ten leading seniors and his choice satisfied every member of the board. Robert L. Wilson, member of the junior board, will present the award.

The Award

Who—Joseph A. Peel
What—Presentation of the Collegian Trophy—Outstanding Senior Award
Where—Recreation Hall
When—Immediately preceding the Penn State-Wisconsin boxing meet tomorrow night

Why—Honoring the graduating senior who has, in his four years of college, done the most to further the honor and the prestige of Penn State.

He played football and ran for class president in his freshman year. His sophomore year was one of comparative inaction, containing nothing but work, study and football.

In his junior year, Peel again played football. He entered Independent politics, and was elected class president. He helped inaugurate a student book exchange.

Not satisfied with this, he put in hours of labor toward an equalization of fraternity and non-fraternity men. He threw the support of his party behind the agitation for changing the name of the College. He reduced the cost of Junior blazers to a price within reach of all.

Peel was a successful junior class president. He must have been, for his classmates put him into office for the following year. As senior class president, two other duties fell into his competent hands. He automatically became president of both Student Board and Student Council.

Again he played football, serving as captain in the Lehigh game. A science major in the School of Education, he was elected to Kappa Phi Kappa, national education honorary fraternity. He became a member of Fraternity and Skull and Bones, honorary frat societies. He continued his campaigning for better relations between fraternity and non-fraternity men. He supported the move for a mid-year recess and continued the student book exchange.

Today, as head of Student Board, he is fighting for both the mid-year vacation and the appointment of three non-voting student members to College Senate.

Board Gives Okay To '42 Class Dance

May Be Held March 25 In Recreation Hall

Unsuccessful in obtaining Student Union Board approval of an all-College dance, the freshman class, represented by both political cliques, was granted permission to hold a Freshman Dance by Student Board at a meeting Tuesday night.

Student Union Board likewise accepted the joint action for such an affair and tentatively slated the dance for Recreation Hall, Saturday, March 25. A proviso that it is to be a subscription dance, 75 cents per couple, with one member of the couple being a freshman, was included.

- The all-College dance plan, advocated in the platform of the 1942 Campus party and approved by Student Board was originally rejected by Student Union Board for three reasons:
- 1—Politics were involved in the issue as it was a part of the Campus platform.
 - 2—An all-College dance would not cultivate class spirit.
 - 3—An existing congestion of dates for the time requested.

Dunlap New PSCA President

Wallace H. Dunlap '40 was elected PSCA president in elections held this week. Other officers named were Martin V. Rockwell '40, vice-president; Frederick Miller '40, secretary, and Frederick Linsinger '40, treasurer.

Women Plan For Voting; Candidates Announced

With Peggy E. Jones, Josephine A. Keeney, and Jane A. Romig as candidates for president, the Senate nominating committee has announced its slate of W. S. G. A. officers, May Queen, and Freshman Attendant.

Beatrice M. Lowe, Mary H. O'Connor, and Mary Ann Rhodes have been nominated for W. R. A. president.

Further nominations for all officers may be made at a mass meeting of all women students in the Auditorium at 7 p. m. Tuesday. Primary elections will be held in the first lounge of Old Main on Thursday, and final elections will be Wednesday, March 15.

Candidates for May Queen are Marcella C. Anderson, M. Jane Fisher, Cecile G. Metz, and June C. Price.

Other nominations are as follows:
W. S. G. A. vice-president, Janet N. Holtzinger, Grace E. Rentschler, and Ethel L. Weaver, sophomores, treasurer, Betty M. Martin, V. Dorothy Radcliffe, and Sarah P. Searle, freshmen.
Senior senator, M. Isabel Jordan, Mary Frances Litzell, and Winifred M. Watson, junior senator, Josephine E. Coquard, Vera L. Kemp, and Pauline J. Tounsaunt; sophomore senator, Ann M. Boston, Irene M. Paul, and Frances H. Talley, town senator, M. Cordelia Beach, Edith A. Bunnage, and Ruth K. Kistler, sophomores.
Freshman Attendant to the May Queen, Betty M. Martin, Jane E. Miller, and Helen A. Swanson.
W. R. A. vice-president, L. Eleanor Benfer, Muriel E. Engleke, and Jane B. Hoskins, sophomores, secretary, Marjorie A. Harwick, Dorothy M. Pearce, and Norma P. Stillwell, sophomores.