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CHEERFUL GIVERS

MIDST ROUSING CHEERS emitted by proponents of the Recreation Lodge, the fate of the \$5,000 allotted for the Senior Class gift was decided. And six votes would have swung the scale the other way.

Let it be understood, the Collegian has no choice, no favorite in the two-way struggle for the class donation. The Lodge has its advantages. Murals can match these.

But when such a sum of money is at stake, is it right that a simple majority of 10 votes should determine that fate of funds accumulated over a period of four years?

No effort has been made to conceal the obvious fact that both physical education students and art students were excused from classes to attend the meeting and support one or the other as previously instructed. It so happened that the latter group was slightly outnumbered and a Lodge victory was recorded by a count of 128 to 118.

True enough is the statement of Professor Dickson, faculty advocate of murals, that the decision reached in the Senior Class meeting represents another typical college boy's choice. Yet, in the same category can be placed the passing of petitions by the defeated bloc.

Already the initial petition clamoring for a revolt has been blocked by an eight to two count in Student Board. Now the die-hards have formulated another petition, this time to the Board of Trustees, requesting them to refuse the Recreation Lodge gift from the Class of 1939.

And all of this comes out of what was slated to be a calm, cool, and collected Senior class gathering—but what has resulted in the usual heated controversy. It's a gay party for the winner. It's too much to swallow for the loser.

With such as the case, the Collegian readily concurs with Student Board's regulation, effective next year, providing extensive publicity for any proposals and final decision on the voting machine at the all-College elections.

This will facilitate a more accurate, more legitimate count as some \$5,000 odd weighs on the scale of indecision. Every senior will be provided with an equal opportunity to pull a lever to his liking.

Breaking tradition some may charge. But isn't it a more logical solution that the present confusion surrounding a mass meeting of any shape or form?

FOR THE A. A.

"IT SHALL BE the duty of the president to preside at all meetings, to expound the constitution and by-laws, to enforce a due observance thereof, to decide upon all questions of order, to call meetings, to appoint officers and committees not otherwise provided for, and to fill temporary vacancies."

Such are the stipulated duties of the President of the Athletic Association of the Pennsylvania State College as set forth in the constitution for the same.

Just what does all this signify? Absolutely nothing. The A. A. President is merely a figurehead in what could be a prominent organization—in what is now, for students, a "name" position. He has a vote in the election of managers, which admittedly is an important factor under the present managerial set-up.

Monday, men students once again will appear at the polls to vote in the annual A. A. elections. Three well-known Lion athletes will vie for the presidency and three additional athletes are competing for the secretary's post. As to the particular winner of either office—it matters little to the Collegian.

However, what does matter is just what this man can accomplish after he is in office. Here are a few suggestions: 1—Pep up the present student Intramural Board. 2—Devise a fairer system for selection of student managers. 3—Grade school "Independent" parades in the dying Penn State spirit. Short and sweet, but now lacking.

CLEVER---BUT

Although admittedly clever, here's things we could have done without last week. 1—Apparent ballot-stacking by proponents of both the Lodge and the murals in the Senior Class gift meeting. 2—The goldfish swallowing act by a freshman. 3—Grade school "Independent" parades in the R.O.T.C. parade.

CAMPUSEER

BY HIMSELF

So This Is College:

Well, we've begun our battle with Old Man White Space, and we certainly picked a beautiful week for our debut. The old Campy has finally gotten lost in that fog that surrounded him all year, and here we are... except that this whole campus has taken a sudden jump from the Nittany Valley to an M G M location. Politicians... big ones, little ones, male ones, female ones... goldfish... big ones, little ones, (let's keep SEX out of this)... more politicians men getting correspondence via matrimonial agencies... and still more politicians. No relief in sight for a few weeks, what with tapping time by free of politicians... big ones, little ones, female ones... unsuccessful ones... May Day (not entirely free of politicians... big ones little ones, female ones)... and to think when relief finally does come, it will be in the form of final exams. What a life!

Fish Story:

For several months now we've been reading about F&M wrestlers, teachers' college students, and other dregs of college life going on a goldfish diet. And all the while we sauntered to ourselves, "Penn State is different. We are above it all," said we to ourselves. And ourself answered back to us, "Want and see."

Monday night Len Apfelbaum, CDT scouper, broke into our post-meal solitude and let us in on plans for a gold-fishing expedition deep in the wilds of the south pugh street boarding house sector.

"It's no tougher than eating sardines, especially if as a youth you trained on grasshoppers, as I did," said freshman Curtis Spalding to the two reporters, photographer, and half dozen or so curious onlookers who filled his room. And with little ado, Spalding, whose slight frame belies the fact that it carries the powerful stomach muscles of a potential all-American fish-swallower, proceeded to gulp six squirming fishlets quicker than we could say, "Well, Penn State, someone has finally swallowed some fish. Satisfied? Now let's forget about it."

The Great Man Votes:

It's all over now but the shouting and the echoes of the shouting that provided the background sound effects in a campaign that will go down in history as an example of political warfare at its bloodiest.

Not only the student body, but practically the whole gentry of the borough played some part in the fray. School kids carried signs, boarding houses carried signs, fraternity flagpoles carried unwelcome signs, and Buck Taylor's crack junior drum and bugles almost had a few sign-bearers as a color guard when they rehearsed Wednesday night... until the opposition threatened to boycott Buck's waxery... and with the Junior Prom record season in sight, that's serious.

The Great Woman Votes:

Some of our co-ed brain-children experienced all sorts of trouble with those "too, too complicated" voting machines, and some of our even braver election committees took advantage of the situation. George Donovan, a babyface, who hung around the machines for hours, seizing every chance to go behind the black curtain and offer his assistance, says it's just like post office. And the kappa-conscious John Tronovitch, has-been-of-the-week, almost talked Harriet Stubbs into a second trip into the booth.

Matrimony C. O. D.:

At least two of the lonely hearts in Pond Lab are receiving regular doses of balm via Jim Farley and his boys in gray. A junior chem engineer, Harry Long, has subscribed to The Exchange, a KC love-by-mail mat, which advertises, "Scores of the ladies in this catalogue claim means of various amounts and in various forms. Some gentleman will marry them, and why cannot you?" Yes, Harry, why cannot you?

And a graduate student known as Chuck "the Smooth" Denko has been hearing from lonely souls throughout the country since he joined a club. According to his Frear Hall "friends," his latest long distance heart throb is a blushing Kentucky mountain flower. —CAMPY

Tonight! After Dorsey IT'S The Corner unusual

Independents Top 3 Classes

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President—Thomas C Backenstose (I), 619, Henry A Carson (C), 439. Vice-president—Joseph R. Sealzo (I), 619, Luis A Bigott (C), 439. Secretary—Jean C. Cinghead (I), 589, Mary J. Dalton (C), 428. Treasurer—Theodore Rice (I), 588, Edward Harris (C), 401.

School Councils—Chemistry and Physics Frank A Gleason (I), 174; Thomas H Amisworth (C), 98; Education Annabel Boyd (I), 67; Norma Stillwell (C), 65. Engineering Walter R Hosterman (I), 112, James R Brown (C), 53. Liberal Arts Anita R Heffernan (C), 124, Frank M Platt (I), 109. Mineral Industries Lewis C Cavalieri (I), 41, Edward W. Nestor, 31.

Class of 1942: President—John I Long (C), 544, Earle M Kemmler (I), 461. Vice-president—Charles F Matern (C), 511, Charles E. Medlar (I), 461. Secretary—Ruth W Barbey (I), 492, Helen A Swanson (C), 431. Treasurer—J Lee Clovis (I), 181, William F Finn (C), 434.

School Councils—Chemistry and Physics Jack E Morgan (C), 163, David A. Young (I), 140. Education Hon Frances H Tutley (I), 84, Jacob M Shubing (C), 58. English meeting Ralph B Stawbridge (I), 77, Charles L Van Inwagen (C), 59. Liberal Arts Alice M Murray (C), 131, Eleanor M Chandler (I), 88. Mineral Industries Charles O Tarr (I), 23, Jack D Ramaley (C), 31.

Total number of voters—1703

Glee Club Will Give Concert

May Day Program Headed By Saxophonist Leeson On Saturday May 13

Staging their first college concert of the year, the Penn State Glee Club, in addition to their program, will present Cecil Leeson, America's outstanding saxophonist, in the feature attraction of Mother's Day in the auditorium at 8 p.m. Saturday, May 13.

Leeson, who rose from a humble beginning in a R.O.T.C. band to become a commanding personality in contemporary music, will appear next Thursday night with the New York Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra in Carnegie Hall, New York City.

Regarded as a genius, Leeson has received the acclaim of the foremost critics of classical music. Dr. Walter Damrosch, noted conductor, said, "Cecil Leeson has demonstrated to me by his beautiful playing of the saxophone that this instrument can be used successfully to interpret the great composers of classical music."

Sammy Gallo, '40; tenor, and Edward Wood '41, violinist, will also assist the Glee Club in its Mother's Day concert. Tickets, all of which are reserved, will be on sale at the Student Union desk during the week of May 8th at 50c each.

Stoddart Will Speak At Centers On Tour

Dean Charles W Stoddart of the School of Liberal Arts, will make his customary trip to four undergraduate centers during the next two weeks. He will visit the centers at Pottsville and Hazleton on May 10, 11, and 12, and those at DuBois and Uniontown on May 17, 18, and 19.

Independent Dance Planned Tomorrow

Inaugurating its new social program, the Independent Men's Association will hold a dance in the Armory from 8:30 p.m. until 12 midnight tomorrow.

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Letter Box

To The Editor

For the future of Penn. State, I hope that the vote of the Senior Class in its meeting Tuesday night can be condoned. They were faced with important things with expressed orders to hurry through the discussion. The meeting was confusedly conducted. There was no opportunity to make the issues known. There was no opportunity for adequate discussion. And, most important, the decision is not a representative opinion of the seniors.

The opinion of many of the Senior Class is well expressed by Professor Dickson of the Division of Fine Arts. He says:

"With due gratitude to the mature minds of the graduating class for having considered the mural project, it can only be said that the vote itself represents another typical college choice. The sum of \$5,000 has been sunk in a pleasure shack in the woods. Nothing better can possibly be built for the promised \$8,000 maximum. It could have assumed a monument which would do more than any class gift ever given to enrich the institution and obtain for it the finest kind of public recognition."

I think that the vote for the lodge, a vote swayed by a preponderance of Physical Education majors, was a great mistake. The sum is too small to build more than a shack in contrast to the palatial vision portrayed by the representatives of the Physical Education School. Surely alumni re-surveying the campus will not go chasing off into the mountains. Students at State will no doubt find it useful. But an added recreational facility is surely not a pressing need at Penn State. If Penn State were located two blocks from Times Square and we needed an opportunity for fresh air, sunshine, and wholesome relaxation, my vote would go for the lodge. But Penn State is like going to school in a beautiful natural park. What need to add to our park of recreational facilities?

Murals would give Penn State a prestige few colleges enjoy. An alumnus of Harvard, Cornell, Yale, Princeton, or Dartmouth has behind him the prestige of a college known for its years of cultured and cultivated achievement. A mention of Penn State elicits the question "How's Penn State Jessel?"

Penn State in recent years has made strides toward being recognized as one of the great institutions of the East. We have a new library which is a significant piece of modern architecture. Penn State will be all that it might only when it can point to more such individual achievements.

Independents Will Support Housing Drive

Walford '40 Is Appointed To Student Housing Board By Acting Head

Whole-hearted support of the campaign to improve State College housing conditions was pledged yesterday by the newly-organized Independent Men's Association through its acting president, William W Galbreath '39.

In placing the IMA behind the campaign, Galbreath appointed John R Walford '40 to the Student Housing Board which includes, in addition, representatives of the Collegian, PSCA, American Student Union, Penn State Club, and the Student Co-operatives.

The present objective in the housing campaign, instituted after a Collegian survey last fall showed many instances of over-crowding and unsanitary conditions, is the establishment of an approved list of rooming houses to be circulated among students.

The addition of the IMA to the Student Housing Board is expected to strengthen it considerably as this group more than any of the others represents those students who are most affected by the present housing problem.

Hoffman Made Head Of Registrar Group

William S Hoffman, registrar, was elected president of the American Association of Collegiate Registrars at its annual convention held in New York City last week.

The organization was formed in 1916, and now has a membership of over 700 from approximately 800 colleges in the United States.

A H Espenshade, professor emeritus of English composition, is one of the founders and the only member to be leader of the group for two years, having served as chairman during 1916 and 1911.

Murals, painted by a great artist, made an integral and indispensable part of our most beautiful building, would be the greatest single accomplishment to make known and to expand the possibilities of all that Penn State might be.

Next year's class shall have an opportunity for a representative vote. Members of that class who put the future renown and glory of Penn State ahead of the momentary pleasures of "Joe College" days will again raise the issue of murals. D A WEAVER '39

Cap And Gown Orders Will Be Taken At SU Desk Beginning Mon.

Orders for caps and gowns will be taken on and after Monday, May 8, at the Student Union desk, co-chairmen William W Galbreath '39 and Victor E. Gentilman '39 have announced.

We Women

Time niches on—and so does the Collegian.

And staffs must come and staffs must go, in spite of what anyone wants or thinks. But we'd like to interrupt Time's march for a while to turn the campus spotlight on one, Lucille Greenberg, retiring women's editor, and a few of the things she has done in the past year with her typewriter, copy paper, and personality.

Regularly she has battled the men's staff for the coveted space for women's news, constantly she has braved the ire of campus societies and personalities to express her opinions on current questions, always she has clearly and logically made her decisions and stuck to them.

She has aided Senate and W S G A with her suggestions and opinions, she has written a frank, searching, and helpful interpretation of women's news, she has trained her successors to carry out this work, and, above all, she has given women a bigger and better place in college news.

Faced with the task of recognizing and interpreting women's problems for the next year, we can only say that we shall do our best to carry on the standards and ideals of our predecessor and of the Collegian, itself.

We shall try to be frank without being biased, to be logical without rationalizing, to consider every angle of a problem without prejudice, and to call attention to any and all weaknesses in women's administrative and student organizations as we see them.

At this time, women are coming into their own in the field of school policies and government, they are voting and campaigning and holding offices. And so now, even more than before, they need recognition.

And when Time—and the Collegian—again matches on, may we, too, leave our mark, however small, among the annals of women's progress at Penn State.

WHAT DO YOU KNOW? WHAT DO YOU SAY?

Do you think the political campaign just ended has been fair?

Warren Elliott '40, Commerce and Finance "Yes. But at times both parties were carried away by their enthusiasm."

Clifton McWilliams '40, Arts and Letters "Yes. There was certainly more campaigning than I've ever seen."

Dave Perglin '40, Civil Engineering "Absolutely. It has been a very fair and intensive campaign, the most intensive ever put on by an Independent party."

Fletcher Byrom '40, Metallurgy "Yes. Except for some roundism which could not be regulated by the present election rules."

Hank Carson '41, Liberal Arts "Yes. I think the campaign has been fair on both sides."

Tom Backenstose '41, Ag Education "Yes. Any dirty work or mind-slinging was not deliberate on the part of either party."

Bill Bartholomew '41, Forestry "Yes. According to reports of previous campaigns, this seems to have been the whitest yet carried on here."

Ed Harris '41, Arts and Letters "Yes. I truly believe that both the Campus and Independent cliques have done their best to make this past campaign a fair and square one."

Bill Simms '40, Commerce and Finance "No. As far as mind-slinging goes, the campaign has been unfair. I do think though, that the increased personal contact has done some good."—B.B.



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