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Students Favor Lion Shrine Plan

Campus In Front Of Old Main Voted The Best Sited Location

An overwhelming majority of students favor the erection of a Lion shrine on this campus, according to results of a poll recently completed by the Penn State Collegian.

Of the approximately 500 students contacted, 91 per cent favored the establishment of such a shrine, while only 9 per cent dissented.

All of the 91 per cent who were in favor of the shrine stated that it should be located on the campus. The difference of opinion occurred when it came to the selection of the exact location.

However, over 50 per cent said that the shrine should be located on the campus in front of Old Main, a spot the majority of the students pass daily.

Other locations which many suggested were the center of the Liberal Arts quadrangle, the Mall above the Main Gate, and the field east of White Hall where the Pitt pep rally was held.

There appeared to be no doubt as to what the students considered should constitute the shrine. A majority opinion can be summed up by one questionnaire which stated, "A Nittany Lion—with an open space nearby for a bonfire."

Suggestions as to when the shrine should be used were: for large pep rallies, at celebrations after important athletic victories, and for student mass meetings which are not of a political nature.

One reply commented that the erection of a shrine would certainly aid in maintaining and instilling school spirit—thus keeping it from being at stake.

A large number of comments suggested a shrine similar to that of Tecumseh at the United States Naval Academy. Before exams, the midshipmen gather around the statue of the Indian chief and throw pennies at the monument for good luck.

Many students commented upon the financing of the project, stipulating that it should be financed from College funds and not from student contributions.

Only a few of the 9 per cent who voted against the project stated any reasons for doing so. However, a graduate student stated that the idea wasn't practical and there were many other problems deserving much more attention.

Second Number Of Portfolio To Go On Sale This Week-End

The second issue of Portfolio, Penn State's student-faculty literary publication, will go on sale this week, the editor, Jean C. Craighead '41, announced today.

The magazine was organized late last Spring and published its first issue in October.

So successful that it sold out its entire first printing, and built up a sufficiently large subscription list to insure its continued publication this year, Portfolio gained additional strength and prestige when its petition for official recognition was granted by the Student Welfare Committee at a fall meeting.

Faculty members represented in the December issue of the Portfolio are Jessie C. Cameron, instructor in the School of Physical Education, and William F. Gaskell, instructor in English composition and a former newspaperman.

Short stories, articles and poems by the following students complete the issue: Saul Richman '40, Robert C. Mullen '38, Walter Dickinson '41, Maxine West '40, Herbert Nipson '40, George Gittleson '41, and Jean C. Craighead.

New Committee Seeks Increased Interest In Extra-Curricular Work

A committee to seek ways of increasing student participation in extra-curricular activities was appointed yesterday by All College's President H. Clifton McWilliams, Jr. '40.

Made up of six outstanding activities men, the committee has been asked to present a program that will bring students now active into some sort of extra-curricular work.

McWilliams will serve as chairman of the committee. Other members are George E. Ritter '40, president of Phi Kappa Phi, secretary-treasurer of the Athletic Association, and co-captain of the lacrosse, G. Warren Elliott, Jr. '40, president of Skull and Bones, and chairman of Student Tribunal, Robert Baird '45, president of Druids, David E. Pergrin '40, president of the senior class and a member of Skull and Bones; and Thomas C. Backenstose '41, president of the Junior class and a member of Skull and Bones.

Dunaway Talk Tonight Is 1st In L. A. Series

'Old Regime In Virginia' Is Topic; Colonel Emery Will Speak On January 16

"The Old Regime in Virginia" is the subject of a talk by Prof. Wayland F. Dunaway in the Home Economics Auditorium at 7:30 tonight as the first of the current series of Liberal Arts Lectures.

Dr. Dunaway, formerly professor of history at Fredericksburg (Va.) State Teachers College, has been on the faculty here for 20 years. He has written several books including "A History of Pennsylvania" and many articles published in historical magazines.

Dr. Dunaway's lecture will treat with the "civilization" that existed in Virginia in pre-Civil War times, particularly the social life and customs of that era.

The Arts Lecture committee has announced that Col. Ambrose R. Emery, head of the department of military science and tactics, will give the second lecture of the series January 16 and will be followed by Dr. Robert E. Dengler, professor of classical languages.

Dr. Frank C. Whitmore, dean of the School of Chemistry and Physics, will be the fourth speaker and Prof. Franklin C. Banner, head of the department of journalism, will conclude the series.

Kissing Spreads Monday Colds, Says Ritenour

Dr. Joseph P. Ritenour, director of the College Health Service, agrees with the bacteriologist at Washington State College who has cited the consistent outbreak of colds on Mondays as proof of collegiate disdain for the warning that kissing spreads colds.

At least, Dr. Ritenour says, Monday is the biggest day of the week for the Health Service especially for colds and other sorts of respiratory disease.

A second reason for the usual Big Monday, Dr. Ritenour thinks, is the failure of students to report illness over the week-end for fear of being put to bed.

How To Get Tickets In One Easy Lesson

'Parky' Parkinson And Collegian Scribe Disclose Tale Of Artists' Course Stand

By DICK PETERS (Herein follows the "time-report" of Edwin (Parky) Parkinson '40 and this writer who "held the fort" to be first in line to purchase Artists' Course tickets Saturday morning.)

1:15 to 1:45 Saturday morning—Parky a few minutes late in meeting me at the Diner (free adv)—says he just got up, having stolen a few winks in preparation for the ordeal to come—consumed five cups of coffee, a hamburger, and two orders of dough-nuts to get a "lining" —we're off—that is to Old Main.

2:00 to 3:00 a. m.—Outside Old Main just as the clock in the tower strikes two—wonder how to get in, with all the doors locked—somebody slipping a hamburger through the back door to a psychology major—we go in with the 'burger—2:15 now, and in the first floor lounge wondering where to hide from the patrolling campus cops and janitors, who, we have been warned, will end our intrusion—best bet is hiding in the second floor lounge behind a couch, so we do—2:30, a cop just went by the couch and missed us completely. Gad, it's cramped back here, guess we'll take a stroll—2:50 now, and a cop who just caught us walking around the second floor is amazed and sore at seeing us come out of the second floor lounge which he just inspected, so out we go—3:00 to 4:00 a. m.—Now gently

Artists' Course Hangs Out SRO

Further Sales Cancelled In New Record Sellout

With every available ticket purchased by 1 p. m. Saturday, the 1939-40 Artists' Course was assured of success from both financial and interest viewpoints. Sales which were to have continued yesterday and today are automatically cancelled by the greatest ticket sale in the history of the course.

Shortly after noon on Saturday the tickets for student consumption were gone and approximately 50 students then waiting in line were turned back with hopes of buying tickets from the faculty townspeople window on Monday morning. However, at 12:30 the "sold-out" sign appeared on the faculty window, thus ending the shortest ticket sale for Artists' Course pasteborders, four and one-half hours after opening time.

Particularly gratifying to the Artists' Course Committee was the interest of the student body and the eagerness with which they consumed their share of the tickets, according to Dr. Carl E. Marquardt, chairman of the committee.

Dr. Marquardt expressed regret to those who were turned back and disappointed in not being able to get tickets, but said yesterday that a limited amount of standing room may be sold for each number, if the Committee and department of grounds and buildings will approve such a measure.

PSCA Delegates At Confab

Six PSCA members journeyed to the Indiana State Teachers College on a deputational trip Sunday to confer with a similar group there. The persons attending the conference were Wallace H. Dunlap '40, Mary E. Miller '40, Robert T. Struck '42, Mae Brown '41, Richard D. Bittner '41, and Andrew P. Szeckley '43.

College Among Biggest 20 In U.S.

In total degrees, the University of Pittsburgh has pushed into second place, with State third. The College did not place among the leading 20 institutions in number of master's degrees conferred or in number of doctor's degrees granted.

As president of the American Association of College Registrars, Hoffman compiled the report on 689 institutions of higher learning for 1938-39 omitting only one large school, the College of the City of New York. C.C.N.Y. failed to make a report to the Association.

Of the 36 institutions that managed to place in the first 20 on one or more of the six points, Registrar Hoffman noted, only three bore the name of College: Brooklyn College, Hunter College, and the Pennsylvania State College. Penn State also placed among the largest 10 schools in five different special groups, Registrar Hoffman showed. The divisions, their 1938-39 enrollment, and their national rank are: Agriculture (924), 10th; Chemistry (450), 3rd; Forestry (453), 5th; Home Economics (482), 10th; and Mineral Industries (298), 3rd.

Commerce Students Will View Showing Of Film On Air Express

A moving picture program showing the growth and development of the air express, sponsored by Delta Sigma Phi, honorary commerce and finance society, will be presented in Room 205, White Hall, at 7 p. m. next Thursday.

All seniors and juniors in the department of commerce and finance should attend the program to which outsiders are also invited, it was announced.

Students Back Referendum Before War

Majority Support Poll Of Citizens To Replace Declarations By Congress

A majority of Penn State students favor a public referendum to decide whether or not the United States shall enter a foreign war, according to a recent survey conducted here.

Of the 235 students interviewed, 57.4 per cent favored the referendum, while 42.6 felt that the decision should be left with Congress, where it now lies.

A considerably greater majority supporting the referendum was observed among freshmen and sophomores than among upperclassmen. Sixty-five and eighty-six per cent of the freshmen contacted favored the plan, as did 58.8 per cent of the sophomores, 49.2 per cent of the juniors, and 52.4 per cent of the seniors.

Principal reasons given for the referendum were that the people who are to fight should decide whether or not to fight, and that Congress is not a true representative of the people in such an emergency.

Those opposed to the plan felt that the general public might be "swayed" by propaganda, and that in a general emergency there would not be time for a referendum.

Polls Conducted By Lepley Show Fans Are Fickle

That student attitude toward the Penn State football coaching staff is fickle and fluctuates according to the success of the team was indicated in recent polls conducted by the class in experimental psychology under the supervision of Dr. William M. Lepley.

The tests consisted of 22 statements given to 133 men and 34 women students on two separate occasions. The students were asked to check those statements, with which they most nearly agreed.

The first sampling, taken immediately after the Cornell defeat, showed a "relatively unfavorable" student attitude toward the coaching staff in general. The second, given to the same students after the victories over Maryland and Penn, showed a "significantly more favorable" attitude.

The scale used, based on the technique developed by Thurstone at the University of Chicago, is divided into 11 units and permits a maximum theoretical change of six points. The student attitude increased in favor of the staff by one point, or almost 17 per cent of the possible maximum change in this particular case.

"The results of this poll cannot be computed on a percentage or fractional basis, for the poll merely reveals the changes in student attitude caused by the progress of the team and was not made to find out what percentage either approves or disapproves of the coaching staff," Dr. Lepley warns.

Deferment Fee Blanks Are Now Obtainable

Application blanks for the deferment of second semester fees are available now at the Bursar's Office. Closing date for filing applications for the deferments is January 7.

Can't This Happen Here?

Eleven student editors of the Punch Bowl, a University of Pennsylvania publication which, like Froth, is an undergraduate "humor" magazine, have been suspended from all editorial activities because of risqué jokes appearing in their last issue.

1400 Freshmen Expected At '43 Pre-Election Meeting In Schwab Auditorium Tonight

ELECTIONS BOSS



THOMAS C. BACKENSTOSE

300 Persons Attend Night Club Opening

'Dry Dock' Premiere Labeled 'Smash Hit'

Satisfied with the acclaim of the 300 persons who attended the opening of the 'Dry Dock Nite Club' in the Old Main Sandwich Shop Saturday night, the committee has announced that reservations for next Saturday may now be made at Student Union.

From the setting of a bowery dive, and the carefree attitude of the throng that managed to reserve tables, an estimated 150 were turned away at the door as favorable opinion made Dry Dock definitely a success.

In the night club fashion Bud Yanofsky, in his role of master of ceremonies, led a "professional" floor show that included some of the best of campus talent. Besides Yanofsky there were the Three Stooges, who added to the hilarity of the evening, Songstress Marce Stringer and Magician Jack Vosburgh.

Forestry Ball Has Legendary Theme

Paul Bmyan, hero of the North woods—ie the 76-barreled shotgun it took a blacksmith three weeks to load, he who owned Babe the great blue ox, and he who made the Grand Canyon by dragging his cart-hook behind him—is the honorary sponsor of the annual Forestry Ball which will be held from 9 to 12 Saturday night in the Armory.

Built around a theme which will involve many of the tales of this famous legendary woodsman, the Ball this year will be semi-formal for the first time. It will be a night when all "tall stories" will be believed, the committee in charge of the dance said yesterday.

Rev. Rockwell's band will supply the music with admission at 75 cents a couple.

College Architect Has Larynx Removed

Dr. Paul Philippe Cret, recently appointed as architect for the College, has undergone an operation for the removal of his larynx in Philadelphia.

Dr. Cret's wife said that her 63-year-old husband is "Doing as well as can be expected."

"I am hopeful that some day he will be able to speak again, but I am told that he will have to be taught," she said.

Dr. Cret won the gold medal of the American Institute of Architects last year for "the most distinguished service to the profession."

All Frosh Required To Attend; Riley, Yeager Slated To Start Campaign With 3-Minute Talks

Backenstose Will Introduce Candidates; Engel And Pergrin To Speak; Elections Planned For Next Tuesday In Old Main

The biggest pre-election freshman mass meeting in College history will draw approximately 1,400 members of the class of '43 to Schwab Auditorium at 7 p. m. today.

A ruling by Student Tribunal will require all freshmen to attend the meeting, the purpose of which is to introduce 43 candidates to their classmates.

Highlight of the affair will be three-minute campaign speeches by W. Byron Riley and Eugene R. Yeager, All-College and Independent candidates, respectively, for freshman class president.

Other candidates, including Dennis J. Carney and George A. Palmer (for vice-president), Elsie L. Rooth and Wilhelmina Kipp (for secretary), Charles B. Rittenberg and Paul H. Richards (for treasurer), and Jacqueline Shaffer and John M. McLaughlin (for historian), will be introduced from the platform by Thomas C. Backenstose, chairman of the Freshman Elections Committee.

A William Engel, Jr. '40, chairman of the All-College Elections Committee, and David E. Pergrin '40, Senior Class President, will give short talks. Yells will be led by head cheerleader Walter H. Sypherd, Jr. '40.

Active campaigning by '43 parties will begin immediately after the mass meeting and will continue until elections, which will be held next Tuesday in the first floor lounge of Old Main.

Five Students Hurt In Automobile Crash

SPECIAL TO THE COLLEGIAN LINGLESTOWN, Pa., Dec. 4.—Five Pennsylvania State College students were slightly injured here last night when their car crashed into a stump while they were returning to State College after spending the week-end at their homes in Reading and Pottsville.

The injured students were Leon M. Knetz, '40, driver of the car, Leonard R. Greenaway '41, Clarence W. Moon, Jr., '42, Chester C. Curley, Jr., '41, and Franklin P. Goettman '41.

All except Moon are members of the Pi Kappa Phi fraternity at the College. Moon is a member of Tau Kappa Epsilon.

Phi Lambda Upsilon Admits 35 Members In Fall Ceremonies

Phi Lambda Upsilon, honorary chemical society, initiated 19 graduate students, nine seniors, and seven juniors at fall initiation ceremonies in the Stock Pavilion at 7:30 p. m. last Thursday.

The undergraduates initiated were Robert K. Smith '40, James W. Shigley '40, John D. Garber, Gerald B. Brady '41, Oliver A. Schaeffer '41, Harry D. Sarge Jr. '40, James R. Hetherington '40, Albert L. Myerson '41, Samuel Schwartz '41, Robert W. Kinde '40, Charles G. Overberger '41, Leon L. Bertram '41, Robert F. Filbert, Jr. '41, James Q. Underwood '40, John R. Lotz '40, and Alfred J. Postero '40.

The graduates students were George W. Blum, Lynn J. Brady, Charles E. Lewis, Thomas P. Carnes, Edward O. Hamler, Romeo B. Wagner, Gerald C. Hamler, Howard T. Francis, Herbert H. Johnson, George W. Moersch, Rudolph J. Pfister, Anthony C. Shabica, Jr., David M. Jenkins, Jr., Warren Stubblebine, Richard R. Greenburg, James R. Oyler, Rafael Burgos-Macias, Jason E. Matthews Jr., and Myers F. Gribbins.

PROGRESS

has its own Men of Mark, silent scientists who often have received their least recognition among the very students they teach.

The Collegian, believing that students should better realize the contributions to progress which have come from the still Nittany Valley, begins today the first of two series of

50-Second Chats

with these men. Introduced first are the men under whom Penn State's research is conducted. Helen V. Atkinson '40 has written about these men in a series of eight bio sketches of

THE DEANS

—eight men who guide the work of the graduates and the seven undergraduate schools, beginning on Page 4 of this issue with a sketch of Dr. Frank D. Kern, dean of the Graduate School. The second series, about faculty men whose scientific contributions have some way aided the cause of progress, will be written by Adam A. Smyser '41.