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LOCATING THE SHRINE

THE ERECTION OF A LION SHRINE on this campus seems to be a certainty. But, where will it be erected?

Approximately two weeks ago an overwhelming majority of students favored the shrine plan according to the results of a collegian poll. All of the 91 per cent who approved the erection stated that it should be located on campus.

Obviously, if the lion shrine is to be used for large pep rallies, victory celebrations, or mass meetings, it should be located on the campus.

Present plans indicate that it will be impossible to construct the first conception of the shrine—"A Nittany Lion"—with an open space nearby for a bonfire. No desirable location is available for such a combination. Thus, efforts now are concentrated in an attempt to favorably locate the shrine.

Among the suggested locations, it seems that the center of the Liberal Arts quad would prove most favorable because of the stadium-like arrangement provided by the steps of the buildings.

Meanwhile, as the discussion over the location becomes more involved, the All-College Cabinet committee continues to consider the project itself, not forgetting that the original objective was to uncover a suitable location for the overflow of "college spirit."

POST ELECTION THOUGHT

A NEW HIGH in political activity and interest in freshman elections has been attained this year. Never before has a contest for first-year offices received such a build-up.

The Collegian heartily welcomes this development, and has done its best to encourage it. For the Collegian believes that every undergraduate should maintain an active interest in his student government.

A democratic student government needs the active support and criticism of all its "citizens" just as badly as does any democratic government. Lack of interest and public apathy inevitably leads to machine control by minorities.

PRE-CHRISTMAS CHARITY appeals will be made for both local and foreign benefits this week-end. The Charity Ball tomorrow night offers its contribution to local relief, while a collection to be made at the Carol Sing Monday night will be used for suffering college students in war-torn areas. Both are equally deserving your support.

BURIED DEEP in the columns of a recent Collegian was the following filler: "Since inauguration of an unlimited cut system, Williams College reports a steady improvement in the grade averages of seniors."

Hmmm! Something to think about.

PORTFOLIO, its second issue "on the street," seems to have achieved its original purpose of publishing to fill a need for a college magazine. The experiment has been successful.

CAMPUSEER

BY HIMSELF

Campy, the wandering bard, slings his trusty typewriter over his shoulder and takes his mythical readers to a mythical college—the Agricultural School of the Commonwealth of Transylvania.

As soon as he enters the campus, Campy sees an ever-increasing queue of students, all obviously in distress. Curious, he walks along beside the line until he comes to its destination, a small red brick building from which oozes that unmistakable hospital odor.

Showing his Collegian Press Card, Campy is immediately ushered into the sanctum sanctorum of that guardian of the health of the Agricultural School of the Commonwealth of Transylvania—one Dr. Butchscour.

A student, obviously a reporter, is interviewing Dr. Butchscour. Let's listen in. REPORTER: Dr. Butchscour, I'm from the Semi-weekly Collegian. Are there any truths to the reports that

A nurse staggers into the room, her arms piled high with sheets of paper, which she deposits on Dr. Butchscour's already overflowing desk.

NURSE: Three hundred more cases, Doctor. What are we going to do?

DOCTOR: Those students always imagine that they aren't feeling well. They'll get over it. You better take these case reports along. We may need them. Grounds and Buildings called a few minutes ago and said the College supply of tissue is running low.

The nurse grabs a pile of reports and leaves. REPORTER: Doctor, I'm from the Semi-weekly Collegian.

DOCTOR: Oh, yes, the Collegian. Why, I gave you my annual statement last week that I'm about week-end kissing spreading Monday morning colds. You know these students underestimate the number of germs that are spread by so seemingly harmless an indulgence as kissing?

REPORTER: Yes, doctor, but what about this epidemic?

The phone rings. Dr. Butchscour answers. He listens for a moment.

DOCTOR: (into phone) All right, dig trenches. It you have to. When will these students learn to quit letting their imaginations run away with them?

He slams down the receiver and walks to his files, from which he extracts a volume of Medical Association reports. He opens it, revealing a copy of Argosy. He settles himself in his swivel chair and starts to read.

REPORTER: Pardon me, Dr. Butchscour, but I was asking about—

DOCTOR: Oh, yes, young man. I was about to give you a copy of the annual Infirmary and Dispensary report. Here's an item that should make a front page story. You'll notice that the dispensary used 97 miles of bandage during the past fiscal year. Really quite amazing, don't you think? Last year we only used 96.99 miles of tape. Just goes to show you how the college is growing.

While he is talking, the good doctor becomes rather fidgety. His face becomes paler and paler, and he starts to pace up and down the room as if in distress.

REPORTER: Very interesting, indeed, Dr. Butchscour. But I really came here to ask you about this epidemic of dysentery that has been spreading around the campus?

Dr. Butchscour waits for a moment before answering, but no nurses enter and no phones ring.

DOCTOR: Epidemic? Why, young man, that's ridiculous. You students always are imagining something like that. It's merely an attempt to get out of school. Dysentery? Why, I never heard anything so ridiculous.

Dr. Butchscour has been jumping nervously around the room as he speaks. Suddenly he opens the door to an ante-room and disappears behind its pane of frosted glass. A moment later he sticks his head out the door.

DOCTOR: See, young man, this is what I get for kidding my wife goodbye this morning!

The door slams shut again.

CAMPUS BULLETIN

Notices of meetings to be published in this column may be left at Student Union Office in Old Main up to 1 p. m. on the day preceding publication.

TODAY

Francis E. Hyslop will speak on "Pennsylvania Artists" in Old Main Lounge at 8 p. m.

Services at 7:30 p. m. at the Hill Foundation.

Engineering lecture on "The Employment Interview" in 110 Home Economic at 7:10 p. m.

TOMORROW

Record Concert at 417 Old Main at 7:30 p. m.

Christmas vic dance—open—9:12, dress optional at Alpha Kappa Pi.

SUNDAY

Fire-side session with Dr. Robert Beineuter at Hill Foundation at 1:30 p. m. Sunday.

Christmas musical service in Rec Hall at 3 p. m.

MISCELLANEOUS

All 11 W basketball entries must be in by Wednesday Dec 20 at noon.

Book Exchange Will Reopen

Pergrin Names Committee To Conduct Mid-Term Mart

The Student Book Exchange, operated on a non-profit basis, will be re-opened at mid-semester but may be located in Old Main instead of the College Library as previously.

David E. Pergrin '40, in announcing a committee to operate the mid-semester exchange for its third year, said that the use of the exchange in June and September as tried experimentally last summer has been abandoned.

Future operation of the exchange will be only at the end of the first semester, he said.

Thomas C. Backenstose '41 and Gerald F. Doherty '42 are co-chairmen of the committee named to operate the exchange. Other members are William B. Bartholomew '41, Alfred M. Coffey '42, W. Lewis Corbin '41, Joseph L. Duffy '42, William W. Dunkel '40, George R. Ross '42, Eldon T. Shaut '42, and Charles O. Tarr '42.

During each of the last two times the exchange was operated at mid-semester about 700 books were handled. This year the committee has been enlarged and it is hoped, to increase use of the exchange by acquainting more students with its advantages.

WRA Will Entertain At Xmas Party Today

WRA will entertain 72 underprivileged Boalsburg children at a Christmas party in White Hall from 3 to 5 p. m. today.

Eleanor L. Benfer '41, student manager of the event, has appointed Catherine E. Bender '41, chairman of the refreshment committee, Margaret M. Diener '42, check- ing, Helen L. Mazur '42, decorations, and Janet L. Fleming '42, transportation. Barbara L. Clark '41 and Helen C. Driver '41 are in charge of gifts, and Jane B. Hoskins '41, Jeanne M. Chew '41 and Margaret R. Roberts '42, entertainment.

Miss Henry Bummer will read a Christmas story, and Dr. E. C. "Santa Claus" Davis, of the physical education department, will distribute toys.

Job of Collecting Building Data Given To Activities Group

The task of gathering preliminary data on the proposed Student Union Building has been assigned to the committee on student participation in extra-curricular activities, H. Clifton McWilliams, Jr. '40, all-College president, announced yesterday.

Members of the committee are G. Warren Elliott, Jr. '40, David E. Pergrin '40, Thomas C. Backenstose '41, Robert Baird '42, George E. Ritter '40, and McWilliams as chairman.

Players Will Sell Season Subscriptions

First Show Jan. 18; Tickets Now On Sale

For the first time in its history Penn State Players are selling season tickets. Patrons will be permitted to trade these tickets in at Student Union three or four days before each show for any seat in the auditorium.

Sale of the tickets, which are priced at two dollars, is to be by subscription. Application blanks may be obtained at any local store, and should be filled out and given to the cashier at the store where they were secured. Payment is not to be made until the tickets have been distributed, which will not be later than January 10. Bills will also be mailed at the same time.

Each season ticket will permit the purchaser to see the four "hit" plays which the Players have scheduled for presentation during winter and spring: "Circle of Chalk," the first one, will be given January 18 and 19. Two other shows which have been selected are "Out Town" and "The World We Live In." The fourth play, which is to be presented during spring house-party, has not yet been decided upon.

Greyhound To Run Special Busses For Christmas Vacation

The special system of bus transportation for students leaving for Christmas vacation will again be operated by the Pennsylvania Greyhound lines, the State College Hotel, agents for the line, announced yesterday.

Direct buses will go to Sunbury, Wilkes-Barre, Scranton, Harrisburg, Philadelphia, New York, Altoona, Tyrone, Johnstown, Greensburg, Pittsburgh, Lewisburg, and Phillipsburg, N. J.

The buses will leave from the parking lot in rear of Chemistry building at 12:45 p. m. Wednesday. Reserved seats will go on sale at 8 a. m. today.

Contest Ends Wednesday

Deadline for entries to the All-College Extemporaneous Speaking Contest will be Wednesday, Queen Kianch, in charge, announced yesterday.

Registration for the contest, which will be held around the middle of January, may be made at the Foundation headquarters, West Beaver Avenue.

First prize will be \$10, second, \$5.

Frosh Women Burn Name Cards Amid Cheers And Singing

That bonfire you saw between White Hall and Grange Dorm last night wasn't to celebrate a decrease in the "fro" epidemic or a premature outbreak of Christmas spirit. It was just those freshmen women again—this time throwing away their name cards.

Starting with the call, "All frosh out—wear your customs!" the 43-ers had 30 minutes of hilarious singing and cheering which rivaled the Pitt pep rally. In true war-whooping Indian style, the girls danced about the fire, throwing their name cards to the flames.

Frances A. Leiby '43, Ann C. Donworth '43, and M. Virginia Smith '43 planned the meeting, sponsored by Freshman Council, while R. Helen Gordon '42 led the songs and cheers.

Struck Attends IE Meeting

F. Theodore Stuck, head of the department of industrial education, attended the annual convention of the American Vocational Association held at Grand Rapids, Mich., December 7 to 11.

Stuck served as chairman of the meeting of National Association of Industrial Teacher Trainers. Others from the College who attended were Irene Patterson, department of home economics, Professor George H. Resides and John F. Friesse, department of industrial education.

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WANTED—Passengers, Columbus, Ohio, Indianapolis, Danville, Illinois, leaving December 20, contact Culbert, 103 Horticulture, call 634 after 6:30. 144-1st BB.

PASSENGERS—Desire two passengers for round trip to Florida during Christmas holidays. Call 2748. 143-1st KM.

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Four terms of eleven weeks are given each year. These may be taken consecutively (graduation in three and one quarter years) or three terms may be taken each year (graduation in four years). The entrance requirements are in intelligence, character and three years of college work, including the subjects specified for Class A medical schools. Catalogues and application forms may be obtained from the Admission Committee.

Season's Greetings AND A Prosperous New Year TO OUR Many Friends BOTTORF BROS. BOOTERY CORNER OF ALLEN AND BEAVER

NOTICE In order to be guaranteed transportation between State College and Lewistown, Pennsylvania Main Lines, the 19th and 20th of this month, reservations must be made before the above dates. Reservations can be made at State College Hotel. Buses Leaving Hotel at 10:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.—3:15 p.m. making connections with East bound trains 11:36 a. m.—2:01 p.m.—4:23 p.m. BOALSBURG AUTO-BUS LINES

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