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Blue Key Points The Way

Blue Key did more than appears on the surface when it decided, by unanimous vote, Tuesday night to eliminate paddling from its initiation ceremony. It assumed leadership in the transition from "hat" societies to "honor" societies.

The hat societies, Blue Key included, have never had an excuse for paddling. The best reason they can offer is "We got paddled last year. Why shouldn't we continue to do it?"

Nevertheless, paddling is not its own excuse for existence. It certainly is no fit way to welcome new members into societies which profess to be organizations of campus leaders working for "a better Penn State."

It is well known that for many years the College has disapproved of paddling. Although this disapproval has never been openly expressed, no one concerned has been in the dark about it. For one thing, in past years the hat societies got appropriations from the College to hold dances, freshman mixers and the like. These appropriations were stopped. Why? Perhaps, just perhaps, paddling and similar initiation procedures were part of the reason.

However, that lies in the past. The hat societies are on the way back up the ladder. Poverty Ball, held for the benefit of the poor, has been one of the upward steps. The Association of Hat Society Presidents has been another.

Now, with the elimination of paddling, Blue Key is a step ahead of the pack. All the others—Skull and Bones, Parni Nous, Druids, Friars—are lagging behind. They could do well to follow Blue Key's example.

Blue Key has pointed the way. Who's next?
 —J.A.B.

A Long Needed Advancement

The Student Traffic Board—or at least what it stands for—is something this campus has needed for a long time.

It stands, or at least we hope it does, for enforcement of all student traffic regulations. These regulations have never been enforced. In the past few students owned automobiles and enforcement wasn't necessary, but with the increasing enrollment the number of student automobiles has also increased.

Nevertheless, only 377 cars are licensed by the College. We know, and you know, that there are more student automobiles than this.

The Campus Patrol, itself, does not have sufficient authority to enforce regulations. All that it can do is revoke licenses and that penalty alone does not fit all cases. Something more is clearly necessary.

Now, that something more has been provided. The Student Traffic Board will probably begin operation next week. The Campus Patrol will report violations and the Board will act upon them. Like the Patrol in the old system, the Board will have the power to revoke licenses but in addition it will be able to assess small fines.

All in all, the Student Traffic Board looks like a good thing for Penn State. We hope it lives up to our expectations.

—J.A.B.

THE CAMPUSEER



Laddies From Hell

Stiffly erect, chest out, a squad of smartly uniformed men marched east on Fairmount Avenue about 10 p. m. Tuesday night. Goose-stepping smartly in close ranks, they presented an impressive spectacle in the soft light of the full moon. On and on they went, grim and determined, silent and swift.

Finally, taking a sharp "squads right!" they left the street and marched up to the imposing portals of a large brick structure. Their leader rapped heavily on the door. There was a hush as they waited expectantly—then the door swung open. Saluting smartly, their leader snapped out:

"Here's a book Jack Olkein sent over for Bruce Yager!"

Short Short Story

Paul Blasingame was in town last weekend. Paul Blasingame was suffering from pink eye. Paul Blasingame dates Mae Perry.

Now Mae Perry wears dark glasses.

Professor Quiz

What sorority has been consulting a ouija board as to how many pledges it will corral?

Does Lila Whoolery still have Jim Ritchey's SAE badge?

What phi kappa football-mgr.-elect is reputed to have a new love life at Bucknell and does this make 27 or 28 he has on a string?

Unnecessary Here

We see by the Collegian's picture supplement of Tuesday last that Duke University features a "Goon Day" on which coeds are forced to wear black socks etc. and signs bearing the word "Goon."

Whoooo! Whooooo!

According to the confidential report of our secret agent .0012 the so-called jokes and questionable cartoons published in the most recent Froth were published several weeks previously in the Temple Owl.

When our findings were brought to the attention of the Froth's brilliant crusading editor, Donald West, he branded the charge as false and added, with characteristic finesse:

"I ain't never read that there Owl magazine."

Many a True Word . . .

We are indebted to an anti-Anglophile language professor for the following succulent morsel:

"No wonder the sun never sets upon the British Empire—God Almighty himself can't trust them in the dark."

Adv.

Ballots for Outstanding Seniors

We've long thought that the most notable plank in the late Huey Long's many-planked platforms was the one that had to do with "Every Man a King", so that when we read that The Daily Collegian was making the Outstanding Senior Award in Rec Hall on March 1st, we were downhearted.

There they go making 1,300-odd Seniors discontent and but one, happy—that's no way to build circulation.

But there's a solution to all this, lads. You can be a King in your own domain.

Put down your Dale Carnegies, this has nothing to do with Winning Friends and Influencing People.

Just slip in McLanahans and pick "Her" out a Whitman Valentine Heart (for tomorrow is Valentine Day), and we'll guarantee that you'll be Lord High Ruler of the Provinces, King of All You Survey, and the Outstanding . . . Well, maybe.

Chanel No. 5

Most of you mugs won't know what this is all about, so you might as well stop reading right here.

But for young ladies of quality, breeding and taste who are interested in the finer things of life, McLanahan's have just introduced Chanel Perfumes to State College and are featuring No. 5 at one-quarter ounce for two-fifty. Don't faint now, wait 'til you get home.

Letters to the Editor—Cassius Draws Fire From LA Council

To the Editor:

I am writing this letter in defense of the Liberal Arts Student Council and the All-College Cabinet which were unjustly and inaccurately attacked by the Collegian's well-known headache "Cassius" in Wednesday's issue.

Cassius says he will offend "several nice people" and make more than his "usual quota of enemies." That's his business. However, when his criticism is not founded on fact and does not go far enough to explain the full situation, perhaps someone should put him on the right track.

The LA Council is admittedly weak. As chairman of the body, I will be the first to admit it. I believe I can honestly say I have tried my best to augment the Council's "paper" power.

Several things have stood in the way of the Council's forward progress. One is the lack of interest by the Council members. Poor attendance never helped any group increase in size and power. Ironically, our friend Cassius is a member of the Council. Another reason, probably most fundamental, is that Liberal Arts students do not realize the presence of the Council and what it might do for them.

More important than Cassius' criticism of the LA Council, is his unfounded dig at All-College Cabinet. I invite Cassius to come to any Cabinet meeting and honestly walk out of the meeting still muttering that all the group is worried about is "how much do we get out of it, and when do we get our gold keys to hang on our watch chains?"

Sincerely,
 Richard C. Peters '41,
 Chairman, LA School Council

Read The Collegian Classifieds

PSCA Wants Schedules Of Work Applicants

Students who have filled out application blanks at the PSCA office for employment should report their second semester schedules immediately if their application blanks are to be kept in the active file.

Men students who have not previously done so may fill out applications for any part time employment which may be available during the second semester by calling at the C. A. Office, 304 Old Main.

ROTC Camp Pay Raised

It has been disclosed by the War Department that the pay, received by advanced ROTC students during their 6 weeks of summer camp duty, has been increased from \$21 per month to \$30 per month.

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Morningstar Bread is fine for every purpose. It makes sandwiches that are pleasing in taste and at the same time nourishing. And if you want crisp toast that fairly melts in your mouth this is the loaf for you.

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WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY BALL



MUSIC BY CAMPUS OWLS

FEBRUARY 21
 Dancing 9-12
 Rec Hall

Informal
 75c per couple

Second Semester Collegian Subscribers
 Admitted Free