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La Vie Dispels Criticism

Critical fingers may be pointed at the recent La Vie elections when a student succeeded his fraternity brother as editor of the editorial staff. However, under closer scrutiny, one finds that this choice was not only plausible but the only unanimous one.

Because the La Vie editorial setup has for some years been hinging on junior board tryouts, only a few candidates formerly had applied for the staff. With a few candidates to pick from this year, the La Vie editorial staff was forced to select the fraternity brother, not because he had fraternal affiliations, but he was best fitted for the position.

In order to remedy this situation, the outgoing staff has initiated a new system of elections and compensation which would eliminate the probability of a similar case arising.

By attracting a greater variety of students and lengthening the time of tryout, the chance for a fraternity brother taking over the editor's chair would be minimized. Under the new system, candidates would report as sophomores, become members of a junior board with some compensation, and automatically become senior board members. Editorial positions would be determined at senior board elections.

This is one time that onlookers could shout about a fraternity deal, but the La Vie editorial staff, in the face of expected criticism, corrected a bad situation. Their selection was wise; their new system is to be commended.

Cabinet Faces Huge Task

The new All-College Cabinet meets tonight for the last time this year. And with this meeting disappears the last assurance of a full, representative Cabinet.

With the draft threatening to sweep away Robert D. Baird '42, and Gerald F. Doherty '42, All-College president and vice president, and other members not certain whether they will return next year, the Cabinet may have a few huge gaps to fill.

Not only the lack of proper representation will bother student administration, but many problems which result from the draft and the present rearmament situation will confront the Cabinet. As war clouds draw near this nation and uncertainty concerning the future is apparent, the student morale and nervous tension on campus is bound to be affected.

Thus the Cabinet will have a double duty on its hands. It must act with certainty and forethought in leading student government policy and also attend to the reorganization of its own group.

This is a challenge to student government. Only in a crisis can the true evaluation of a group be ascertained, and the Cabinet is in such a predicament. To act wisely and judiciously, when surrounding conditions show general disorganization, is the test.

It's up to next year's Cabinet to maintain the standard set by its predecessors in spite of a more unsteady future.

CAMPUSEER

Little Known Facts

An open forum conducted last week by the members of Miss Drummond's popular Home Ec 15 class revealed some surprising facts about campus "dating problems." First of all, the gals disproved the idea that because of the 5 to 1 ratio it's tough to get a date. Miss Furman, (and she should know) claims that every weekend there are simply scores of beautiful coeds languishing in the dorms because the big strong Penn State men think, "Oh, she's probably dated up."

Pete Fetzko quoted the results taken on an average weekend and it seems that only 32 per cent of the inmates of the dorms had dates.

A member of the forum Mr. Sussman by name, blushing declares that he will not date a girl twice if she kisses him goodnight at the conclusion of their first evening. He publicly announced that "I'm no lover."

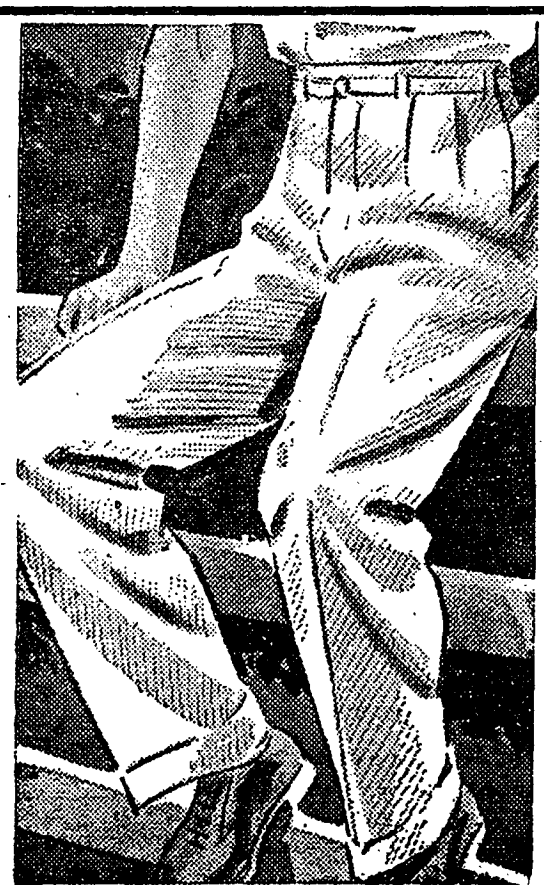
Also revealed by some of the more courageous males present was that most Penn Staters think the coeds are goldiggers. (note to my secretary: prepare a file on "complaints of indignant coeds")

The solution proposed was the initiation of the Dutch Treat plan for couples who are slightly hard-up.

Campus Closeups

Ed Blackburn, spe, who escorted Donna Dae when she visited the campus, may be found glued to the radio every night at 7 and 11 . . . Too bad Prof. Klassen is leaving. We were going to take another Sosh course next year, but . . . A new combination is "freshman-about-town" Jim Staveley and petite M. J. Winter . . . Professor Warren B. Mack has a quite notable collection of woodcuts, many of which he has done himself . . . G-77 reports that he will tattle on the sigma nus if they don't quit being so naughty in their annex downtown.

Note to nature lovers and just-plain-lovers: don't miss a trip through the recently opened Alexanders Caverns over near Reedsville . . . Norm Shandelman will be an announcer for WMRF, the new radio station in Lewistown . . . Wolf-of-the-Week: this week's varsity "W" goes to one really outstanding in his field, Tommy Hart, phi gam . . . for Rat-of-the-Week we nominate Johnny Anderson who calls his Friday night date at 7 p. m. and declares, "The fellows are going out to Whipple's Dam and they won't go unless I do. Do you care if we break the date?" Some guys . . . In the sandwich shoppe: Ollie Gillis and Mary Jean Ansley economizing with two straws and a coke . . . Joe Brager rushing in one door and out the other . . . Helen (what-will-I-do-next-year) Neubert and senior Frank Rupert having a rather animated card game in their usual booth. (wonder how much a lease on a booth costs?) . . . Frank "Egghead" Baldwin wandering around.



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CAMPUS CALENDAR

TODAY

Freshman men candidates for editorial staff of The Daily Collegian meet in Room 312 Old Main at 7 o'clock. All freshmen wishing to try out who have not reported before should do so at this time.

Senior hot dog party committee meets in Room 318 Old Main, 9 p.m.

Sigma Tau, Room 304 Old Main, 5:15 p.m.

Alpha Phi Omega meeting, Room 318 Old Main, 7:30 p.m.

German Club meets at Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity, 7:30 p.m.

PSCA Freshman Council meets to have picture taken, Room 304 Old Main, 7 p.m.

E. A. Schaal, representative of the American Friends Service Committee, will interview applicants for summer jobs, Room 304, after 12 noon.

Collegian meeting for women editorial candidates, Room 318 Old Main, 5 p.m.

Interviews for Flying Cadets on the Armory floor, today and tomorrow.

Alpha Phi Omega, Boy Scout fraternity, 318 Old Main, 7:30 p. m. All former scouts are invited.

Meeting of Advisory Committee for Freshman Forum '45, Hugh Beaver Room, 4:15 p.m.

TOMORROW

PSCA Cabinet, Room 304 Old Main, 8:15 p.m.

Tau Beta Pi, Room 304 Old Main, 5:30 p.m.

All ROTC freshmen and sophomore engineers report to the Armory for regular classes today and tomorrow.

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Student council at Fairmont (W. Va.) State Teachers college is sponsoring a swing band.

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