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**THE CAMPUSEER**



**Knocking Around In Buffalo:**

Practically all of Penn State's male representatives at the Colgate-Penn State fracas went in for nature study and the higher things of life during their stay in Buffalo; chief observer of the higher (and lower) things was lambda chi Bill Murphy who sat in the front row at the burley-cue. Fifteen members of the Blue Band and fourteen kappa sigs made up the greater part of the lovers of stage and theater who paid their shekels so Hindu Wassau wouldn't go barefoot.

**The Old Story:**

Once again we hear the old line of "secret" promises of class presidency and dance chairmanships being quite freely distributed by frosh political aspirants; and once again (we are sorry to see) there is the same number of suckers gobbling up whatever the "politicians" shovel out. Guess the "political promiser" is one tradition that Penn State will have with it always; as long as Barnum's sucker is born every minute, anyway.

**Campus Snapshots:**

Jane Parsons is going to be with the FBI shortly . . . Dick Cramer back to see Marge Sykes . . . Mary Jo Powell, pining for a date for days, finally got three offers in one day.

**Registration Lamentation:**

Every year the College must refresh its failing memory and ask its some 6,000 inmates those venerable questions regarding your religious preference, date of birth, and whether you are a he or a she. We know of one unfortunate who started registering at 3:30 one afternoon and got so involved with his little packet of cards and blanks that he had to call it a day and go out for supper. He finally wound up the affair to the satisfaction of the supervisors at 10:30 the next morning. May I dedicate this little ditty to you who have floundered in the mire of registration:

Adviser, Adviser  
Come quick as you can,  
And tell me how  
To get out of this jam!

How many times  
Have I written my name;  
How many blanks  
That are all just the same?

Dante's inferno  
Can never compare,  
To what I've been through  
Experience rare!

Though far I may roam  
And high be my station,  
I'll never forget  
My first registration!

**Letters to the Editor—  
The Ed Blushes  
In His Mud Bath**

To The Editor:  
In your issue of October 2, the humorous editor "dubs" the writer by calling him a "Bible Slinging Burgess." I just wonder if the editor realizes how much good came from that Bible in comparison to the millions of law books. I sincerely believe that we had some very good Len Krouses in catching of that Bible.  
No doubt the Pittsburgh Press will correct this editor regarding the filing of the pews, for their claim was that the "Culprits were sent to Sunday School rather than to pews so that they would not go to sleep."  
Thank goodness that he didn't use the word "mud" for I cannot handle mud as well as he does.  
Cordially,  
Eugene H. Lederer '42

**CAMPUS CALENDAR**

**TODAY**

Civilian Defense Training group meeting, Armory, 7 p. m. Col. Edward D. Ardery will be the speaker.  
Meeting of Senior Sponsors, 318 Old Main, 7 p. m.  
Important meeting of sophomore Collegian business candidates, 312 Old Main, 7:30 p. m.  
Rehearsal, College Choir, 10 Sparks, 7 p. m.  
Freshman Council, 304 Old Main, 8:15 p. m.  
Freshman Forum Worship Committee, 304 Old Main, 4:15 p. m.  
Tennis club, 2 White Hall, 6:30 p. m.  
Druid initiation Meet in front of Old Main at 7 p. m. before leaving for ski trail. Active and inactive members invited.  
Concert dance group meets, Rhythm Room, White Hall, 7 p. m.  
PSCA freshman worship committee meets, 304 Old Main, 4:15 p. m.

**TOMORROW**

Rehearsal, Glee Club, 10 Sparks, 7 p. m.  
Thespians' tryouts in Little Theatre, Old Main, 7 p. m.  
"Cider Feed" for all electrical engineering students, especially freshmen, EE building, 7:30 p. m.  
PSCA freshman project committee meets, 304 Old Main, 4:15 p. m.

**SELECTED BROADCASTS**

Bob Hope will be the star of tonight's variety show at 10 p. m. on KDKA. Benny Goodman plays for WOR at midnight and Glenn Miller is at the mike of WCAU at 10 p. m. The music fans will enjoy Mozart piano concerto No. 23 at 8 p. m. on WQXR. Swing news commentator will speak from WOR at 10 p. m.

**Thespian Candidates  
To Tryout Tomorrow**

Tryouts for the Penn State Thespians fall show, a musical revue scheduled for production on House-party Weekend, will be held in the Little Theater in Old Main at 7 o'clock tomorrow night.  
As it was decided at the Thespians' meeting Sunday night that a mixed glee club would be used in the show, many singers of both sexes will be selected in the tryouts. All students interested in any phase of show production should report tomorrow night.

**LA Council Meets**

The Liberal Arts Council will hold its first meeting this year for organization purposes in 305 Old Main at 7:15 p. m. today, it was announced by William O. Meyers '42, president of the council.

**An Unfinished Story**

It is not the policy of the editorial staff to discuss sports in this column. That is left to the sports page where it rightfully belongs. But this is an exception.

Behind the game—behind the story, there is always another story, sometimes more revealing, more human, and more interesting than the game itself. This story is like that.

It began last Saturday morning before game-time in a little hotel room. The room was crowded with football players, some sitting on beds, some on chairs, most of them on the floor. Captain Len Krouse was in the center of the group.

No coaches were present. Captain Krouse had called this meeting secretly, and managers and coaches were excluded. But, what was said at this short bull-session (and no player will reveal exactly what was said) was responsible for the magnificent showing of an underrated Penn State squad, outweighed by at least 10 pounds per man, at the Colgate football game that afternoon.

What Krouse might have said was that the Nittany Lions were called "clawless" by leading sports columnists this year . . . that their graduation-riddled squad was overwhelmingly underdogs . . . that over 7,000 students, faculty, and coaches recognized this . . . that 5,000 of those students, believing that the deficiency in team reserve could be replenished by team morale, staged a mammoth pep rally last Thursday night . . . that these students, win or lose, were looking to the Nittany Lions to show their claws to the Colgate Red Raiders . . . that football victories are not always taken by the team which has the best blocking technique, the more-skilled players, the stronger squad, the better plays . . . that plain "guts" and fighting spirit offset the most carefully-laid plans . . . that the Nittany Lions, backed by 7,000 red-blooded, spirited students, could turn the tables on a more confident eleven.

What happened in their 7-0 defeat has all of Buffalo's sports writers and enthusiasts still dumbfounded. Instead of talking about the Colgate victory, after-game "bull-sessioners" and papers were lauding the fighting, slashing attack of a Penn State football team, which was handicapped by everything in the football books, even the breaks, but still outfought and out-guessed the Red Raiders.

They talked about the weary, 60-minute players who waved their fists with the bench-sitters who ran out to the edge of the playing field and shouted encouragement as the Nittany Lion eleven changed goals for the third quarter.

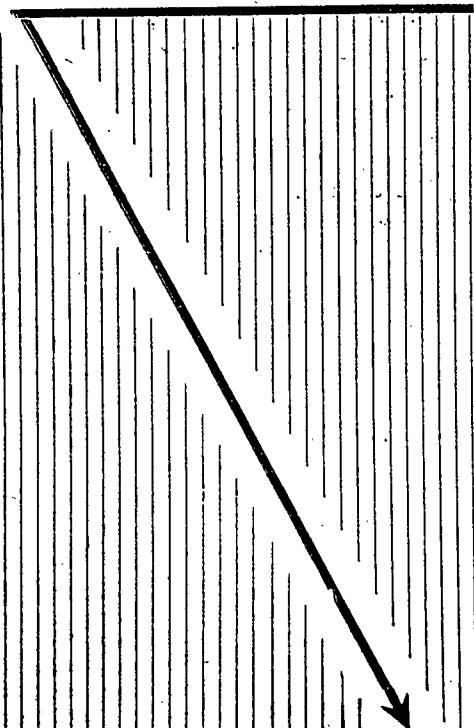
The story doesn't end here. It's only the beginning.

Recognizing the never-say-die spirit, the best exhibited by any Penn State team since the 1939 Pitt game, student leaders on campus called every fraternity house, hat society representative, and dormitory group to welcome home a team which in defeat earned more than a moral victory.

The climax of the story? The Nittany Lions came home licking their wounds after a hard-fought battle only to find that the students who a few days before had sent them away with a definite purpose, were no longer interested in taking care of the defeated—but still unconquered. Only a handful of students, 15 or 20, turned out to welcome them home.

However, the story is still unfinished. The final chapter cannot be written until the final game is played. By then, some students may understand the rare phenomenon of a team which may lose all of its major games—but still win them.

**You'll Enjoy**



**The Corner**  
unusual

**How to Win Friends**

in one easy lesson

Treat yourself and others to wholesome, delicious Wrigley's Spearmint Gum. Swell to chew. Helps keep breath sweet, teeth bright. The Flavor Lasts.

