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We Give To The Chapel Fund; But Why Do We Do It?

It is the opinion of the Collegian that students at Penn State do not have a correct understanding of the position which "Daddy" Groff '07 holds at China's Lingnan University. Most of the time, he is thought of and spoken of as being a missionary or as doing other charitable work.

This is not actually the case. Mr. Groff is, to quote a folder issued several years ago by the Penn State in China committee, "Dean of the agricultural work carried on by Lingnan University." In addition, he is associated with the United States Department of Agriculture and with the government of China.

By saying this, we have no desire to debase the work which Mr. Groff has done. As a matter of fact, we think it is commendable. All we want to do is present the situation in its true light.

Lingnan University derives a small part of its income from collections made at our chapel. Whether all of this aid will be continued or whether approximately half the money will be donated to a campus charitable fund, operated for the benefit of students, will be decided by a series of votes now being taken in chapel.

If we understand the usual purpose of collections taken at religious services, they should be used for church maintenance, salaries of the clergy, and the support of missions or local charity. Although our chapel services are not strictly comparable to those of a church, is it not reasonable to ask that the collection plate be passed for one of these reasons?

Church maintenance is no problem. It is paid for by regular College funds. The weekly sermons are preached by men whose expenses are also paid by the College. Mr. Groff's duties have not been charitable or philanthropic and Penn State in China is not a mission.

This leads to the conclusion that the money would be more appropriately and more satisfactorily donated to a local charity. And it is the final decision in this matter that people who attend chapel are being called upon to make.

-J. A. B.

Good News, At Last

It may be welcome news to the members of the class of 1939 that they will be able to use the mountain lodge, their gift to the College, for their 10th reunion. Construction is advancing at the same rapid pace it has maintained for the past two years.

The well has been completed! It is 106 feet deep and has been pumping water at the rate of 40 gallons per minute.

But, no lodge.

Of course, that's all very understandable. In spite of the fact that plans for the lodge got off to a good start, a lot of obstacles have sprung up to delay construction.

The good start was when a select group of class members held a meeting and voted to use their \$5,000 to build a \$15,000 lodge. Everything was fine until:

All-College Cabinet added \$2,000 to the original fund.

The plans were cut, not once but twice. And the committee obtained an additional \$1,000 from another source.

It's really too bad, isn't it?

-J. A. B.



Adv. Adv. Adv. Adv.

J. Justin Bard, illustrious soph hop co-chairman, not to be outdone by any of his contemporaries, shot for a star—the every-brick-in-place feminine attraction of Sergeant York and pulled the following authentic (we saw the postmark) bit of script:

Dear Mr. Bard: Many thanks for your invitation on November 7th at your College (no period). I would like very much to go but I'm just a working girl and will be busy working in "Male Animal" here at Warners. Thanks again—Sincerely, Joan Leslie.

Ain't it a shame what a columnist will do for a comp—do you hear us talkin' Jack old boy?

Don't send This Boy To Harvard!

One of the local lads while attending the cinema t'other night was fast succumbing to the spell of Lana Turner in the third of 20-odd bedroom scenes and turned to his brother Phi Sigma Delta to gasp, "Ah, only 15 more days 'til houseparty!"

Panhel Paradox

Campus cutie Betty Miller answered the phone recently to be met with a most cordial invitation to a bit of a party the ZTA's were throwing. A trifle bewildered, she asked again but the Zetas were undaunted, "Oh yes, please come," they cried! In desperation, she gave them one last chance, "My Gawd, I'm a Chi Omega," she shouted. Then silence. "Oh, we're sorry, must have been the wrong girl."

(Editor's Note: And she lives at the Chi O shanty, what's more).

He Couldn't Tell A Lie

A rookie in the "Cheer to Compete" battalion so popular hereabouts proudly submitted a magnificent report on "A Tour of the Woodshed" last week for that former snap I.E. 315 and just as proudly waited with eyes aglowing to receive his "3". But alas, for slips that pass in the night—the paper came back with one notation, an encircled February 15, 1941.

Short-lived Victory

After last week's build-up, Scorch Reichwein made only a four-day stand and came home with his tail between his legs and his pin on his bosom. If at first...

Number One Wolf, Phi Gam Tommie Hart, went overboard for a Philly lass and came back from Temple minus his pin. Poor gal—better she should put a chain about his neck!

We Wash Our Hands

Oh say, did you know Jackie Schafer has a Beta pin—and not only that Jackie Schafer has an engagement ring from a Beta—and not only that Jackie Schafer has never received one single word of publicity about her various accomplishments—and not only that but it happened way last Spring and nobody gives a damn—and not only that but our motto is, has been, and always will be, "Let Co-Edition Take Care of Its Own," and our slogan, "All the News That's Fit to Print."

To Pappy

Fathers, fathers everywhere And all their sons do think, Fathers, fathers everywhere And not a drop to drink!

Mahuran's Moanin'

For 20 years he's carried them Under lock and key. For 20 years they've followed him Through all his misery.

From Daily Sun to Herald Times Through fire, flood, and storm, In wintertime to bed with him To keep the darlings warm.

He's nurtured every nick and scratch, Alas for all his fears, He's met with Penn State's journalists, "Who the h... stole his shears?"

A certain professor at Ohio State walked into the classroom 15 minutes late to find the class gone. The next day the students were reprimanded. The professor said his hat had been on the desk, and that had been a sign of his presence. Next day the professor again found an empty classroom. On each desk was a hat.

Eastern New Mexico College's public information bureau sent out a story saying there was a large increase in the number of freshman girls. A New Mexico newspaper carried the story under this headline:

Letters To The Editor

Readers Wants Better Reviews Of Plays

To The Editor:

If you should happen to look carefully at the October 14 issue of Collegian, you might be lucky enough to find a column entitled "Footlights," devoted to a review of the Penn State Players production,—The Male Animal.

My finding this review was entirely accidental; it was so short.

Not only was the size of the article appalling; its purpose was also questionable. The function of true dramatic criticism, it seems to me, is twofold. First, it should endeavor to sharpen the appreciation of those who have already seen the play. Second, it should provide constructive criticism that will help the company do a better job next time.

The review in question did neither of these things. It told people that they had seen a swell show (they had already made up their own minds about that and it stated that Don Taylor did a good job. Were the other members of the cast so lousy that they couldn't be mentioned?

This is no criticism of Mrs. Reilly, whose review seems to have been squeezed to death in the vise of Collegian's column make-up.

If sports' news deserves a full page of Collegian's space every day, can't Players get a full column or two five times a year?

Yours truly, William E. Harkins '42. P.S. I am in no way associated with Penn State Players.

Students Ask Support For Miriam Rhein

To The Editor:

Penn State's Miriam Rhein recently appeared on the Hour of Charm program, in her own words "carrying the ball for Penn State." We the students, (all three of us) on behalf of Miriam and the achievement she has made for State should voice our appreciation in a practical manner.

Sending cards, and getting all of our friends and relatives to send cards, to the Hour of Charm will increase the possibility of her competing in the finals. Three "Bulb Snatchers."

Reader Dislikes Selected Broadcasts

To The Editor:

Many of my friends as well as myself feel that the selected broadcasts printed in the Collegian are of little value.

A suggestion for filling up space would be, not to include this column in the paper, but, instead, to put in more news of interest to the majority. More humor columns would be appreciated rather than having the selected broadcasts put in.

Sincerely, A disgruntled reader.

CAMPUS CALENDAR

TODAY

Roller skating in the Armory two sessions 22 cents each, 7-9, 9-11 p. m.

Movies of Civilian Public Service Camp at Petapsco, Md., will be shown by Bill Satterthwaite of the American Friends Service Committee in the Hugh Beaver Room, Old Main, at 11 a. m.

TOMORROW

Music concert at Hillel Foundation, 2:30 to 4:30 p. m.

Wesley Foundation services: 9:30 a. m., Church School; 6:30 p. m., Fellowship League; 8:30 p. m., Friendly Hour.

MONDAY

Philotes meet, Philotes Room 7 p. m.

All Froth candidates will meet at 7 p. m. Monday in the second floor lounge of Old Main.

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Concert Dance Group meets, Rhythms Room, White Hall, 6:30 p. m.

Dance Club meets, Rhythm Room, White Hall, 4 p. m.

Sigma Gamma Epsilon To Initiate Monday

The formal fall initiation of Sigma Gamma Epsilon, Mineral Industries honorary fraternity, will be held in 229 Mineral Industries Building at 8:30 o'clock Monday evening. Newly elected officers are asked to report at 7 p. m.

Officers for the coming year are Mellen A. Knight, graduate, president; Herbert F. Trunbull '42, vice-president; Brian B. Christman '42, secretary-treasurer; John F. Beck '42, corresponding secretary; Dr. E. C. Henry, faculty adviser.

Allen Co-op Announces 22 New Members

Tracy Eddinger '42, president of the Allen Street Co-op, has announced the following as new members: Donald Ace '45, Morton Anciar, grad., Harry Voyika '43, Isaphine Boxaley '45, McKay Carson '44, Helen Cigoj '43, John Foreman '45, William Frankhauser '45, Gaylord Greenlee '45, Shirley Hadley '45, Adeline Lasky '45, Roberta Nicholl '45.

Raymond Peterson '45, Neva Peterson '44, Dave Scanlon '43, Jim Schwartz '45, Robert Stephenson '45, Dolores Wargo '44, Willard Zahn '43, Robert Himmelberger '44, Elwood Way '43, Robert Brewer '44.

Portfolio Out Today

Portfolio, Penn State's literary magazine, will go on sale today at Student Union. This issue will include a picture and article on the Nittany Lion Shrine by F. E. Hyslop, Jr., poetry, and stories by students.

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