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The Battle Continues

OVER A PERIOD of several months, Penn State students have watched the progress of the battle between All-College Cabinet and the Penn State Christian Association.

Outwardly, the issues have been so involved and the fight so lengthy that most of the bystanders have finally assumed an indifferent attitude. But, now the battle is drawing to a climax, and forthcoming decisions will greatly influence the future status of local student government.

Tonight the Senate Committee on Student Welfare will meet to discuss the PSCA-Cabinet question. There are strong indications that the Committee will not offer a decision which will favor either faction; but the meeting will at least bring out some of the Administrative opinions which have been anticipated by both disputing parties.

More Laughter Wanted

"SOME THINK the world is made for fun and laughter . . ."

Far be it from us to drop our mourning robes and pick up the ephemeral veils of a gamboling pixie to run madly across the Mall. However, when we hear such lifting tunes pouring from a community sing in Schwab Auditorium we tend to forget weighty problems about which we are worrying. We are referring to those problems which concern us no more and are worth no more than last week's unused sugar coupon. Still we worry.

One of the best things to worry about now is the Summer sessions recreation and social program. It is amazing how few people other than the Summer sessions students themselves find time to worry about it. These school teachers and graduate students certainly didn't come up here merely for "fun and laughter." Yet there has been a traditional acceptance of Penn State as an institution where the lighter side of college life balances the rigors of piling up credits for a degree. This year the lighter side is being buried under the accelerated program.

We have heard Summer sessions students voice their opinions on the lack of expected recreation. This year it seems there are fewer mixers, fewer informal parties and it is a real job to get acquainted. Fun nights help but the job is too big to be handled like that. The Summer sessions recreation committee is faced with a difficult task and is meeting the situation as best it can.

More events like the open air square dance to be sponsored by WRA would be helpful. However, it seems that if any further decisive action is to be taken it must come from those directly concerned. Other people have their own worries. If there is enough initiative on the part of a small group of Summer school students to start a series of hot dog parties, vic dances, etc. the group may, with enough publicity, rally all interested to the shindigs.

Cooperation of undergraduate organizations will probably be forthcoming once Summer session desires assume concrete form. We can help.

For a while at least we are not going to worry about it.

H.J.Z.

A Worm's Eye View . . .



Basking In Butter

We were contentedly basking in a butter-puddle of sunshine on a corner of the carpet in the Hugh Beaver Room when a piece of paper fluttered on top of us. We measured it, and found out that it was 8½x11 inches. From where we were sitting it looked like a letter. And it was.

With all the loud voices shouting in the PSCA-All-College Cabinet feud, we didn't want to get stuck in the slapstickiness of the brawl, but we read that letter, and it didn't measure up.

Bitter From The Sweet

It was written by a sweet girl named Jean Hershberger, who to our jaundiced eye would much rather be embroiled in the Penn State Players than in a feud for PSCA. In fact, the letter didn't sound as if it was written by that sweet girl at all.

We squinted a couple of times and read: "Members of All-College Cabinet knowingly and deliberately had the Collegian publish a new edition of the Constitution which contained language suitable to the purposes of the leaders of All-College Cabinet." That didn't sound so good. That sounded as if PSCA said Cabinet was a group of scoundrels swayed by their few leaders.

'Taint Basic

Then sweetly Miss Hershberger said: "Cabinet . . . proposed two amendments . . . While these amendments do not touch the fundamental questions at issue, they do affect the discussions. . . Cabinet wishes to . . . be able to eject the PSCA for failure to comply with its mandate." We wriggled out of the Hugh Beaver Room as quick as a date to Soph Hop.

We were going to shrug our shoulders like the rest of the campus until we realized we don't have any shoulders. So we just figured that PSCA was pretty silly to talk about the Collegian printing any kind of official copy of the constitution when Collegian is not the All-College Cabinet.

It seems to us that the whole Cabinet voted on this situation—not just a few student leaders. We'd rather sleep in a puddle of sunshine, but we've been so confused about the PSCA's attitude of mixing a technical constitutional question on one hand with the question of PSCA's attack on Cabinet's fundamental power on the other.

—FERDY

For Rent: One Mess

We think if PSCA wants to fight the Constitution, let it do it properly—through Cabinet. If PSCA wishes to question Cabinet's power, let PSCA work through the six-man investigation board suggested by President Hetzel. But let's not mix the two.

In Other Colleges

CINCINNATI, Ohio.—(ACP)—Luther S. Rose, 73, retired Big Four railroad executive and former general manager of the Peoria and Eastern railway, this month celebrated his fiftieth anniversary of his graduation from Rose Polytechnic institute, Terra Haute, by receiving a degree from the college of law, University of Cincinnati. He was the oldest member of the graduating class.

MADISON, Wis.—(ACP)—University of Wisconsin athletes this Summer are forsaking the traditional jobs of life guards, icemen, boys' camp directors, etc., which have been the Summer pastimes of Badger competitors for years, to move into defense work of all kinds.

Leading form of employment for erstwhile Cardinal gridders, cagers, milers, wrestlers, and other varsity men this Summer will be in constructive work on defense jobs throughout the Middle West.

PRINCETON, N. J.—(ACP)—The war has opened doors of Princeton university classrooms which have been shut to women during the 196-year-old history of the school.

Tuition-free classes in engineering are offered this Summer to both men and women.

They will study high-sounding photogrammetry and map-making as part of the United States office of education's program to train men and women for war jobs.

That Jap boast about taking the Philippines in a month suggests a new calendar—21 days to the week.

'Three Things Elude Bombs'

"This is the seventh day of the seventh month since the bombings of Pearl Harbor.

"And in spite of all the bombs dropped by the Japanese, Germans, Americans and Russians, there remain three things, three survival values that no bombs can ever touch," Rabbi Alexander Alan Steinbach, of the Jewish Chautauqua society, asserted last night before a group gathered in 110 Home Economics to hear his address on "Things That Bombs Cannot Destroy."

In his address, Rabbi Steinbach stressed the importance of a person's individual standards, maintaining the necessity of "striving for the 'promised land' which lies beyond the 'Red Sea' that keeps us from performing our duty."

To emphasize this point, Rabbi Steinbach retold the story of the flight of the Hebrews from Egypt across the Red Sea.

Rabbi Steinbach stated that the spirit of altruism, a selfless devotion to others, while only a spark, could not be destroyed and that "love thy neighbor as thyself" is a standard to strive for even though it seems psychologically impossible at the present.

The third value that Rabbi Steinbach felt beyond the reach of bombs was men's common ancestry with each other. Again looking into the future, he told his audience that one day men will realize their common ancestry.

9 Freshmen Make Debate Squad

Nine freshmen have been selected for the yearling debate squad, according to John B. McCu, debate manager. The freshmen were chosen from candidates who made five-minute tryout speeches a week ago.

The men selected for the team are Joseph Erlich, Martin A. Kutler, Bayard McWilliams, David Newton, Louis Ullman, Byron Shumaker, John S. Thorpe, Jr., Victor Wein, and E. Lorie Van Deusen.

Ag Hill At War—

Tests Set Army Diet

Penn Staters who land in the armed forces can thank their "Alma Mater" for the kind of food that is dished out to them. Their every meal in the army will be planned on the basis of College-conducted research in nutrition.

For seven years the College's Ellen H. Richards Institute, directed by Pauline Berry Mack, has been conducting the most intensive mass studies in human nutrition on record in all history.

As part of the Ag School's part in the war effort, the Institute has recently concentrated its attention on nutrition of soldiers and defense workers. The accomplishments in this field, according to Stephenson W. Fletcher, dean of the Ag School, constitute "one of the most important contributions of the School of Agriculture to the war effort."

The Institute's nutritional research, known as the Pennsylvania Mass Studies in Human Nutrition, has always been on a mass-production basis. Diets of thousands of Pennsylvanians—cross-sectioned according to income, race, occupation, and age—are observed and recorded by field workers. Possible improvements are suggested and the results tallied.

Research data, correlated by still other Institute workers, show the percentage of people who are

Campus Calendar

TODAY

Pi Lambda Theta picnic in Hort Woods, 5:45 p. m.

Watch services, Wesley Foundation, 7:15 p. m.

Dance Club meeting, Rhythm Room, White Hall, 7:15 p. m.

Alpha Phi Omega meeting, 418 Old Main, 7 p. m.

Bike trip leaves Miles street bicycle shop, 7 p. m.

Delta Sigma Pi meeting, Lambda Chi Alpha, 7:30 p. m.

WRA Bridge Club, White Hall playroom, 6:30 p. m. Mrs. Nicholas guest instructor.

WRA Golf Club postponed. Practice at caddy house, 3 p. m. tomorrow.

WRA Badminton Club, 6:30 p. m.

Campus '45 meeting, 418 Old Main, 7:30 p. m.

Penn State Hour Aims War Facts

Penn State's Radio Hour will present the second of the War Facts series of programs tomorrow at 2:30-p. m. over radio station WMRF, Lewistown, when the topic, "What are the warring powers like?" will be discussed.

Under the leadership of Paul R. Beall, instructor in public speaking, the panel will talk on the national characteristics of the warring nations, their peoples, and their ideologies.

Membership of the round table is made up of Walter Q. Gerson '44, William E. Pomerantz '45, Robert McNabb '45, and George A. Burns '43.

Tribunal Meets Tonight

All freshmen custom violators who were turned in to Student Tribunal are to report to the Alumni Office in Old Main at 8 p. m. tonight, Charles H. Ridenour '43, chairman, announced last night. All men penalized last week are also to report at that time, Ridenour said.

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