

Election Day

Next Tuesday, November 5, is voting day. The College, in reply to a request made by the local American Veterans Committee chapter, has done its duty by suspending classes on that day, thus enabling students to go home and vote without missing any academic work. Now in turn, we the students who are eligible to participate in the electing of our leaders must show our good faith by spending next Tuesday in the performance of our civic duty and not in utilizing it as just another collegiate holiday.

It is almost needless to stress the importance of the elections a week from today. In Pennsylvania, we are considering not only representatives for Congress, but also candidates for our own state government. In order to aid students to vote in these crucial elections, Collegian will daily publish, free of charge, a list of rides available near election day to different districts in the state.

—Lewis Jaffe

Letters

St. John

TO THE EDITOR: The lecture given by Robert St. John last week and the resulting response was one of the healthiest and most heart-warming signs I've seen in State College in many a day.

Before the war such stimulation would have been difficult to evoke. Perhaps it's because the ex-G.I. is more mature; perhaps it's due to the eloquence of St. John.

My guess is that students are thinking more these days. It's unfortunate that the people who attend such lectures are the very ones who don't need them.

With few shortcomings, "the gospel according to St. John" was, in my opinion, disturbingly realistic. There are so few in this country who are willing to stand up to misfact and misrepresentation published in our newspapers and periodicals.

They stand the risk of being labeled with fearful "isms" and incurring the hostility of the great mass of people who ought to know better. St. John felt his subject with such intensity because he lives it every day.

We go to a lecture, applaud, agree and forget about it in a week. I wish, somehow, we could have him, or someone equally informed, address us more frequently. The words he speaks are enlightening—but truth always is when it's brought thumping before your eyes.

Sincerely yours,
James L. Framo, Jr.

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Collegian Gazette

All calendar items must be turned in at the Daily Collegian office by 5 p. m. on the day preceding publication.

Tuesday, Oct. 29

PENNS STATE CLUB meeting, 321 Old Main, 7 o'clock.

PHI LAMBDA Upsilon, chemistry fraternity, Alpha Chi Sigma house, 7:15 o'clock.

PHI MU ALPHA meeting, 100 Carnegie Hall, 8:30 o'clock.

PORTFOLIO Candidates, Portfolio office, Carnegie Hall, 7 o'clock.

TAU BETA PI meeting, 105 Main Engineering, 7:15 o'clock.

ELEMENTARY Education Club meeting, Hugh Beaver Room, Old Main, 7:30 o'clock.

DAIRY SCIENCE Club, 117 Dairy Building, 7 o'clock.

THETA SIGMA Phi, 24 Atherton Hall, 6:30 o'clock.

WRA BADMINTON Club, gymnasium, White Hall, 6:15 o'clock.

WOMEN'S Field Hockey, Army and Navy teams, Holmes Field, 4:15 o'clock.

PENNS STATE Grange meeting, 100 Horticulture, 7:30 o'clock.

FROTH ADVERTISING staff meeting, Froth Office, 7 o'clock.

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Tough Times

There are times when an editor, after hearing the many sides of a many-sided issue, feels that no one in particular must be asked to shoulder the blame or be the goat.

Now you take the rumors that have been circulated about our football team and the Hig since our upset at the hands of Michigan State last week.

Some students say get rid of the Hig . . . he's been here too long. Others say, get rid of the team, they're too old and fat.

It is my frank opinion that this is all so much hog-wash.

I don't put the blame on the team for its showing against Michigan State and Colgate. Just why should they knock their brains out any more than they have to? They're not getting paid to take the kind of a beating that they do.

Sure they take a beating as it is (if you don't believe me, take a look at the number of men injured this season), but if they were really being paid they'd put out a lot more.

Why doesn't the Hig push them more than he does? Oh yes, he pushes them—as much as he dares. But then he can only do so much pushing, you know. If he were to become a slave-driver a few of the boys might just take their dolls and go home . . . after all, the government is paying most of them \$65 a month; that sum isn't being matched by the athletic association.

Many may long for the good old days, when it was a terrific honor to belong to a varsity collegiate team. But that doesn't include the average college student of today, if he's an ex-G.I.

Funny thing about having a varsity "S" . . . it didn't impress anyone in the service . . . least of all the Germans or the Japs.

You can't tell a kid to do-or-die for dear old Siwash, any more. The Hig's smart. He sees this bit of truth, in my opinion. Instead of wasting his time "rah-rah-ing" the boys, he keeps himself busy (as he should) with staying on the good side of alumni and explains to anybody who'll listen that we need freshmen . . . who aren't being subsidized by the government, and who haven't strayed too far from home yet.

So why should Collegian or any student feel that we need a new coach or a new team? Why not throw the blame on the alumni?

They're the ones with all the money around here. (If you don't think so, just try to talk up a Student Union building and minimize the need for a Field House.)

I also have it on pretty good sources, however, that our alumni do kick through pretty handsomely every year to help the team. I don't know how much that sum is, but I do have a hunch that it isn't enough to pay for the kind of a team that other colleges manage to put on the playing field on Saturdays.

But we do have a strong alumni group. If you doubt this, check with Ike Gilbert or Neil Fleming sometime and see how the old grads put on the heat to get tickets on the fifty-yard line, or sideline privileges.

However, that alumni group is not strong enough to throw much money our way—they represent, for the most part, men and women in the middle income brackets who don't have too much money to toss towards the College.

Then too, let's consider the College's attitude. They're rather proud of the fact that we aren't in any cut-throat subsidization rat-race. After all, we're not in College to play football, or just turn out winning teams.

So, who do we blame? If you want winning teams, pay them; pay them enough so that the coach can fire them if they don't produce. Pay the coach a fabulous sum also, so you can fire him if he doesn't produce winning teams.

If you don't care for underwriting a football team then don't complain—either get out there and play (or pay) yourself or do as many of us will . . . sit in the stands and sweat it out for sixty-minutes every Saturday.

Letters

Doesn't Stink

Although not a member of your staff, and getting no fee whatsoever for writing this, I can't see where the Collegian stinks. At least it doesn't stink by the fact that it leaves out "Old Mania" and sorority briefs. I believe "Froth" should handle more of the humorous side.

As for sorority news—I wonder. If it actually is news I'm for it. But if it's just gossip about somebody being pinned (where 99/100 of the student body doesn't give a darn), then I would omit it. Let Jane Cameron burn more midnight oil if she wants more gossip.

• Campus pinnings are to become a regular feature of Froth, the humor mag, with the Christ. mas issue of that publication.

Edit Shorts

• For many years, Freshmen at the College were wont to chant "Hatmen lux their undies, hatmen lux their undies." Can it be of any significance then, that we should find Cwens waiting until Freshmen were absent before setting themselves up as "hat-women?"

• We see that the new name of Cliff's will be "the Milky Way." Perhaps it wouldn't be a bad idea to rename a few more eating places in town. The Campus restaurant could become the Pugh Wayside Inn and Howard's might change to Ye Eager Beaver Eating Place.

• Twinkle Twinkle little brain How I wish you would refrain From wandering to a weekend date When homework keeps you up so late.

O'Brien, Schug Fill Posts In Speech Organizations

Professor Joseph F. O'Brien and Professor Clayton H. Schug of the College Speech Department, were honored recently at conventions.

At an assembly of the Pennsylvania Speech Association, Professor O'Brien was elected to a two-year term as executive secretary of this organization. O'Brien had formerly served as president.

The post of executive secretary of the Debating Association of Pennsylvania Colleges was awarded to Professor Schug. Schug also coaches debating at the College.

Alpha Omicron Fr announced the repledging of Joan McKean and Mary Lawther; Gamma Phi Beta, of Virginia Gallup; and Zeta Tau Alpha, of Roberta Briggs and Catherine Jones.

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Order New Plane

Currently sponsoring a membership drive, the club has already enrolled 25 members since its formation in April of this year. Recent membership gains have prompted the club to order a second plane with side-by-side seats. The use of skis will enable the club to operate throughout the winter.

Briefly, the club is a non-profit organization, charges \$20 initiation fee, monthly fees of \$10 for active members, and rents their plane for \$2 an hour. C.A.A. certified instructors are available for beginners at their standard rate of \$2 for a half-hour flight lesson. Further information can be obtained at the Student Union desk.

In addition to Myers, officers of the club are Jack Lewis, vice-president; James Eaton, secretary; and George Peffall, treasurer.

Men, Women in Club

Members of the club, which is composed of men and women students of the College and Ordnance Research workers, include Clyde Adams, Anthony Boscano, Donald Brouse, James Eaton, Wyn Entis, Wilmer Francis, Margaret Griffiths, Joan Heath, Harold Hershey, Clark Hile, Jess Hiller, James Hurst.

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