

Political Tricks

Name-calling and labeling are old tricks in the American game of politics. From the earliest days of our history, candidates seeking public office have subjected themselves to a great deal of personal abuse, especially during heated campaigns.

In this year, the second of the Atomic Age, once again the people of the U. S. are watching various political contests being conducted in the old, traditional ways. As a result, many of us are being led to believe that the elections this year will not decide whether the Republicans or Democrats take office, but whether the Fascists or Communists will rule us. Probably there are a few of both species in our two major political parties today. However, we think that the bulk of the leaders in both the Republican and Democratic parties are firm believers in the present American system and that their differences are more a matter as to how our system should be administered than whether it is right or not.

Elections will not take place until next Tuesday. There is still enough time left for you to investigate the issues and vote intelligently. Check all of the candidates individually and don't vote a straight party ticket just because someone told you that this is a fight of the Democrats vs. the Fascists or the Republicans vs. the Communists. Vote—but vote intelligently.

Lewis L. Jaffe

Letters

Appropriations

Dear Editor:

It is indeed encouraging to see the State make substantial appropriations for new buildings on the campus. That encouragement is greatly lessened, however, when it is seen that some of the money will be wasted on a new armory. It is certainly hard to justify this new building when the present armory plus a little borrowed space in other buildings can quite adequately take care of what at best is a necessary evil. The justification becomes even harder when one considers the huge amount of other construction which is sorely needed by the College as soon as possible. This list includes such things as the new wing for the library, and previously planned additions to many other of the newer structures. An auditorium suitable to the size of the school, and dormitories rate high. Besides all of this it seems to me I've heard a faint noise in the distance about a student union. All these are needed, but what gets priority—a "a%?!@ armory."

I hereby raise my voice in protest and hope that many others will do the same.

Sincerely yours,
E. H. Millard

South American Coed Takes Profession From Father

To raise chinchillas for breeding and to write about genetics are the ambitions of a Chilean girl studying animal husbandry at the College. Maria Hughes, from Chucucamata, borrowed her profession from her father who raises chinchillas as a hobby.

Maria likes to talk about these little animals whose fur is used for coats. She explains that there are two types which experimenters are crossbreeding in order to retain the desirable traits of both. These she will sell in the United States for breeding.

When her father flew to Los Angeles last June with ten pairs of chinchillas to sell, he was met by reporters and photographers who printed the story in many papers all over the country. Finds Studens Friendly . . . of

This is Maria's third semester at Penn State which she describes as a "wonderful place—not like home, of course, but the people are so friendly I don't miss home."

Next summer she intends to visit home and take a trip of several days to her 80,000-acre farm in Bolivia. As yet she has not seen the slooping farm with its dense vegetation, so Maria is looking forward to the trip by horse up the hilly paths.

The name Hughes does not make one think of South America and the Chilean girl satisfied our query by explaining that her grandfather came from Ireland and married an Argentine woman.

Lives in Desert Country
Senor Hughes is an engineer at the American operated open-pit copper mine near their home in the middle of flat desert country. He had brought his daughter to this country twice when she was younger, so that although the "customs are very different" and Maria misses some of the hot native foods, she has had little difficulty in fitting into campus life.

The Bolivian-born student learned English in school and from her father in preparation for coming to college in the United States. Penn State was chosen after a talk with some Penn State graduates of the Ag school whom Maria met at an American embassy party. After seeing pictures of the campus, Maria admits she "simply fell in love with the place."

Number Please

Approximately twelve trailers in Windcrest have private telephones. Trailer residents may have their own phones, or they may use the public phone booths located at various central points in the community. Private phones are not provided by the College.

WSGA Bans

WSGA Senate voted to prohibit girls from wearing slacks, jeans, and the like in the campus dining commons at the evening meals. This ruling, decided upon at meeting last week, will go into effect immediately said Mary Lou Waygood, WSGA president.

Dixie Col. Retrenches; Deserts Gray Cause; Fetes Northern Girls

"I'm a stranger here on campus," began the gray-haired, portly Army officer, as he and his companion paused before the two coeds chatting on the steps of Carnegie Hall.

"Yes?" the coeds responded politely, glancing from the speaker to his companion, a short, dark officer of about 30 years, who stood smilingly by.

"I come from the South," the older man continued. "I never thought that any girls could compare to those at home. This disproves everything," he concluded. "Carry on."

Ouija Board Predicts Destiny and Future

Squeak—squeak—squeak . . . "What's that?" cried uneasy members of second floor Watts Hall one night at midnight. Upon investigation they found it was only a Ouija board on the fourth floor. Its disciples were clustered around the 14"x20" rectangle of masonite trying to get some vital answers to important questions.

The mystic belongs to Joyce Wrighter who stuck it in her trunk as an after thought. Little did she know what a prophet it would be. She says she doesn't believe in it, but it forecast correctly that her sister's baby would be a girl weighing eight pounds.

Consternation ran rampant when the piece of painted wood said that two girls were both going to marry D. W. Of course, neither of them know a D. W., but that is a minor matter. Just to check on the legality of the situation, the board was asked, "Will he be a bigamist?" Their minds were relieved when the answer was no, since he was going to divorce one of them.

The Ouija board can spell too, although it would never pass Comp O. Betty Stanley asked it if her father, a colonel in the Army, would be transferred from Fort Oglethorpe. Ouija replied, "To Carlisle in November." A week later Betty received a letter saying that her father had to be in Carlisle November 3.

Its fame has spread beyond the fourth floor, and girls from all over the dorm borrow the Ouija board. If you would like to know whether you will pass the next Econ. bluebook or if we will defeat Fordham, borrow the nearest Ouija board.

Coed Group Reorganizes

With the objectives of promoting cooperation and preventing the occurrence of conflicts among women's organizations, the Coed Coordinating Committee reorganized at its first meeting yesterday.

The main functions of the revived group are:

1. To announce in advance all activities and social affairs of general character given by any major group of women students.
2. To coordinate the work of several groups and plan certain help to be given to new officers and committees.

"We want to help all women's groups where help is needed," announced Peggy Martin, chairman of the new committee. "We will try to meet the requests of organizations, which ask our aid," she added.

Working on Calendar

Announcing all activities, the committee is working on the completion of the calendar of events which hangs in the office of the Dean of Women. This calendar is accessible to all students. The coordinating body feels that there have been many duplications and conflicts of events on Campus which they represent are Mary the officers of the women's organizations confer over plans.

Coed Coordinating Committee and the women's organizations which they represent are: Mary Anderson, Mortar Board; Lois Heyd, Cwens; Phyllis James, PSCA; Suzanne McCauley, Collegian; Louise Martin, WRA; Peggy Martin, WRA; Shirley Radbord IWA; Claire Robinson, Junior Service Board; and Carol Wilbur, Panhellenic.

Art Honorary Society Taps Fourteen Students

Phi Gamma Alpha, art honorary society, held a business meeting last night in Atherton. After the meeting, fourteen students were tapped and the aims and standards of the organization for the coming year were outlined to the pledges. Following the tapping there were games and refreshments.

Goblins Rule Merriment

Reception lines and tea pots gave way to artificial noses and honking cardboard horns yesterday and today. Among the Halloween parties is a "get-acquainted" affair 65 Atherton women are giving for the same number of Pollock Circle men in the northwest and southwest lounges tonight.

The AOPi's bobbed for apples with the Chi Phi's at the former's house last night. Guests walking onto the porch of the AOPi house come up to a door painted bright blue. It's an old Pennsylvania Dutch custom that means unmarried young women dwell therein.

Over the Coffee Table

Sigma Delta Tau honored their regional advisor, Mrs. Louise Champmen with a tea Saturday. Miss Pearl O. Weston, dean of women, and representatives from each sorority were among the guests. Pi Kappa Phi entertained Chi Omega at a tea-dance Sunday afternoon. The same day the Sigma Chi's dined and danced Alpha Chi Omega, and Delta Sigma Phi was host to Kappa Kappa Gamma.

The Pi Kappa Alpha's entertained the Kappa Alpha Thetas at a buffet supper Saturday and the Kappa Sigma's had the Alpha Chi Omega's to dinner last night. Beta Sigma Rho and Delta Sigma Phi will hold open house at the Beta Sig house Sunday afternoon.

Among the women, the Alpha Epsilon Phi's played bridge with the Kappa Kappa Gamma Tuesday night. Monday Kappa Alpha Theta will entertain the Tri-Delts.

Vital Statistics

Gamma Phi Beta initiated cheer leader Virginia Gallup this week. Kappa Delta held an informal party Sunday for two new initiates, Mary Glick and Mary Kapp.

Sigma Chi pledged Floyd Foster. Zeta Beta Tau initiated Stanley Ellenbogen, Elmer Goodman,

Lutheran Student Assoc. Sets Goal of \$1600

A goal of \$1600 has been set by the Lutheran Student Association in its Student Center drive to be held November 3 to 10.

Paul Wunz, drive chairman, announced today that 85 canvassers will contact over 700 Lutheran students on campus. Work on the Center will begin sometime during 1948.

Albert Hillman, Melvin Jacobs, Herman Lottstein, Seymour Silver, and Marvin Thomashower.

Kappa Sigma installed Thomas Hill as president recently. Other officers elected were Walter Sapp, vice president; Fred Piersdorfer, secretary; and Richard Armbrust, treasurer.

Stunts Too

The episode of the week must go unnamed and unnumbered, but not unsung. Last Saturday night a fraternity man was standing before a low, wide window taking off his shirt. He flung his arms behind him in a final effort to pull the shirt off, lost his balance, and fell out of the second story window. His startled roommate rushed to the window to see him pick himself up and walk back into the house. Only result, a bruised foot.

More Parties

Its dinner and informal square dancing at the ski lodge tonight for the Gamma Phi Betas. Chauncy Lang will call for the girls and guys in dungarees. The pledges of Beta Sigma Omicron entertained the members of the sorority on a scavenger hunt Tuesday in the Southwest lounge of Atherton. The sorority plans to initiate pledges and patronesses at Old Main on Monday. The patronesses are: Mrs. Edith Johnson and Mrs. Ruth Wimmer. Pledges are: Mary Jane Gately, Sally Rothrock, Evelyn Setavage, and Dorothy Whitney.

Dr. Lester Guest, assistant professor of psychology, led a discussion of improvement of study habits at the Delta Gamma house Monday. Saturday the sorority entertained the Chi Phis at a Halloween party.

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