

Taking Action

In carrying the fight for College-served meals for men students to Mr. Loman, director of College Dormitories and Dining Commons, the Independent Men's Association found, as other student bodies have discovered, that getting the College to take action involves much more than merely pointing out what it believes to be a problem, and suggesting that something be done about it.

The meeting between College officials concerned with dining commons and students advocating that the Sandwich Shop be given over to feeding men students resulted in the College throwing the problem back into the laps of the students. This action leaves IMA back just about where it started in early October.

Whether or not this is a good thing is debatable. It could be overused by the various officers of the College to the detriment of the student body.

Obviously the strongest weapon of the College in resisting any student proposal is just plain stalling and relying on the apathy of the mass of students to let the matter die. Inaction is thus a very simple and convenient means of killing almost any "problem." It, however, does not solve the problem.

This is not to say, however, that the College has taken no action in this request for men's dining commons.

Mr. Loman called in the members of the protesting student body for a hearing, at which time he asked for further proof that the problem existed. This action on the part of the College is commendable as it shows that the College at least recognizes the protest and offers to co-operate further with the student body.

The preliminary survey of the dining commons situation by the College brought adverse opinion on the request for men's dining commons arrangements. In two meetings the student representatives failed to convince the College officials of the need for men's dining commons. That is why the problem is back in the students' hands now.

Some fault, however, may be found with the information and reasoning used by the College in denying the student request. One argument used was that men did not want to eat at College dining commons or they would be living at Pollock Circle where rooms are still vacant. Many students would not want to sacrifice satisfactory town rooms for living on campus just so they could eat there.

The IMA is going ahead to gather further information on the need. It should be remembered, however, that the duty of the College officers is to best operate the physical plant and see to the welfare of the student body.

A full investigation of a proposed problem as serious as this should be made by the College as a matter of course. It is not right that the student body should have to spend its time looking out for its own welfare when that is the primary responsibility of the College officials.

Frank Davis

Collegian Gazette

Sunday, Nov. 10

HILLEL RECORD Concert including Roland Hayes records, Hillel Foundation, 2:30 p.m.

CENTRO-CULTURAL Interamericano meeting, home of Mrs. P. X. Rice, 829 N. Allen street, 7:30 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 11

CHESS CLUB meeting, 7 Sparks, 7 p.m.
WRA FENCING Club, Body Mechanics Room, White Hall, 8:30 p.m.

INDEPENDENT MEN'S Association meeting, 121 Sparks, 7 p.m.

ENGINEERING Student Council meeting, 106 Main Engineering, 7 p.m.

Discharged from the Infirmary yesterday: Judy Arner, John Foreman.

At The Movies

CATHAUM: "Monsieur Beaucaire,"

STATE: "Shadowed"

NITTANY: "Make Mine Music"

College Health Service

Appendicitis

Appendicitis is one of the most important causes of death in every age group, yet most of the annual deaths from this disease can be accounted for by neglect on the part of the patient. Proper attention to any "stomach ache" of unknown cause, early medical care and immediate operation when indicated are the secrets of preventing deaths from appendicitis. The use of cathartics during an attack greatly increases the risk. A physician should be consulted immediately if one has abdominal pain.

DR. HERBERT GLENN, Director

College Placement Service

NOVEMBER 8—Glenn L. Martin Co., will interview B. S. candidates who will graduate in January from ME, CE, Aero Eng, and EE. Also persons completing advance degrees in Math and physics.

Linde Air Products Co. will interview eighth semester students in EE, ME, CE, phys, and chem.

NOVEMBER 9—Penna. Railroad will interview eighth semester men in the curricula of CE and EE.

NOVEMBER 12 and 13—Atlantic Refining Co. will interview eighth semester ME and persons receiving B. S., M. S., or Ph. D. in 1947 in chem and CE.

Eastman Kodak Co. will interview B. S., M. S., and Ph. D. candidates who will receive degrees in January from the following: chem, phys, CE, EE, ME, and metallurgy. Also eighth semester men in C & F for accounting, statistics, and planning work.

Letters

We Wanna Eat

To the Editor:

The two most pressing problems confronting the student for the past two years have been housing and eating facilities. These problems have been particularly acute for the independent male students.

We are thankful to the college administration for the great strides they have taken to provide housing facilities. We would be a lot more thankful if they could alleviate our eating problems. The downtown eating situation can be summarized in a few words, "Less hash for more cash" and a "chow line" thrown in for good measure.

This problem affecting most seriously the independent students was brought to the attention of the Independent Student Council. The council agreed unanimously that opening the Sandwich Shop to the public as in pre-war times would practically solve the problem. At present we believe the facilities of the Sandwich Shop to be only partially utilized. As a matter of fact even the eating facilities at "Ath" and "Mac" are not being fully utilized. For some strange reason, the Administration seems to have decided to let the boys shift for themselves.

The Sandwich Shop should be open to everybody from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. In the "good old days" one could go down to the Sandwich Shop and for thirty-five cents be able to purchase a good satisfying meal. At present it takes the average student more than twice thirty-five cents to satisfy his appetite.

Opening the Sandwich Shop would serve a two-fold purpose. It would benefit many needy students by providing them with more and better food for less money. It would also help solve the congestion problem at the downtown restaurants and thereby help the faculty and staff.

A large institution like Penn-State should provide a cafeteria large enough to be able to accommodate all of its students if such a need arose. Unfortunately our cafeteria will be several years in coming. So until we build our Student Union Building with its huge cafeteria, let's take the fullest possible advantage of existing facilities. Open the Sandwich Shop and make use of its ability to feed 1,000 students daily.

Common Sense Club

TO THE EDITOR: In the past, the Common Sense Club has presented programs of varying importance and subject matter. However, the program which we will present on Tuesday, November 12, will be the most important we have yet undertaken. Since it affects every student on the Penn State campus, we do not feel that to say it is our most important program to date is an overstatement of the facts.

The subject of this next meeting is, "What Changes, If Any, Should Be Made in the Liberal Arts Curriculum?" This is a question that most students at Penn State at some time have asked themselves, their friends and their instructors. It is the purpose of this meeting to present two reports on reorganization of the Lower Division of the Liberal Arts School; one made by the Student Planning Committee and the other by the Faculty Planning Committee.

This will be done by the two students who are also members of the Liberal Arts Student Council—Ernest Nagey and Fred Kecker. Dr. R. Wallace Brewster will present the informational background for this forum discussion.

The Common Sense Club feels that should a change be in order the entire student body must know what changes have been recommended; then proceed to act. We are not afraid of change, but neither do we desire to plunge headlong into uncertainty. It is for this reason that we urgently request every student at Penn State to attend this important meeting. The date and place are: Tuesday, November 12, 7:30 p.m. in room 121, Sparks Building.

Leo Troy
Executive Chairman, Common Sense Club

"Old Main" Union . . .

TO THE EDITOR: May I suggest another way for our student body to get a badly needed "Union" building?

The three-quarter of a million dollar new "Old Main" was understood, at time of construction a few years ago, to be the Student Union building. It was visualized as housing the rooms for the President and the Deans of Men and Women. All the rest, maybe 99 per cent of this building, was thought of as for students' organizations—the usual "Union" headquarters now known on many other campuses. But now look what occupies it—some new sort of administrative "Old Main rats" fill most of this fine structure.

And like rats everywhere, they reproduce rapidly until now it becomes hard to see and enjoy the grand mural of Lincoln.

The solution: campaign for a solid but cheap structure like Washington's Pentagon. We need a Penn State Pentagon to transfer 99½ per cent of the crowd to. Then the finest building on our campus can immediately be turned over to the real job of the College, the direct teaching and training of students.

The well-known "mazes" of the original Pentagon building will especially appeal to the sadistic-minded ticket purveyors.

"Pentagon"

Apology

To the Editor:

In the issue of October 22, a letter was printed in this column accusing football house residents of taking a Student Union display from the front of a fraternity house. The accusation was wrongly placed on members of the team, for investigation revealed that a non-playing resident was the guilty party.—Apologetic.

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College Mourns As Graham's Bench Disappears

The Windsors lost their jewels in England, and Scotland Yard was called out. The College laughs scornfully at the Windsors.

A national bank was robbed, and the G-Men were summoned. The College looks askance at the national bank.

With chin up, and only a small tear dripping from their collective eyes, the College has suffered a far greater loss than either. The College has lost a tradition. Graham's Bench, descended from a wooden box placed in front of Graham's A.C. fifty years ago, has been missing since Friday night.

Graham's bench was an institution. The College's students had been sitting, and carving their initials on it for years. All during the war the Grahams received solicitous letters from far-off GIs inquiring as to the Bench's well-being.

Mr. Graham said, "All of them wrote that they could hardly wait to come back to the college, so that they might sit on the bench, and pass the time of day. I hope that whoever took it will return it soon."

Now the bench is gone; whisked away in the dead of the night. When last seen, the Bench had Coach Leo Houck and Dr. Davis, of the Physical Education Department, on it.

Pollock Circle Council Investigates Problems

Investigations for obtaining a direct telephone line from the Pollock Circle Dormitories to the fire department, a parking lot for car-owning residents, and plans for a canteen were discussed Wednesday night at the first meeting of the Pollock Circle Council.

Phillip Davis, council president, presided over the meeting and appointed a Fire Prevention Committee to inquire about obtaining telephone communication and also a system of fire signals for that vicinity.

To prevent congestion and ill feelings between the residents of Windcrest and Pollock Circle, the Public Works & Safety Committee was charged to inquire about the building of a definite parking place for the residents, near the dormitories.

A comparison of the Circle's dining room menu and those of the other College cafeterias will be made, and the facts presented by the Health & Sanitation Committee to the Council Wednesday. This problem was entertained as a result of the complaints by the students of the monotonous diet and lack of pastries.

The Council decided to assess each student resident ten cents for recreational and general expenditures. Since there are 800 students living in the dormitories, these assessments would provide a starting fund of \$80.

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News Briefs

foreign affairs, are asked to meet in 128 Sparks at 8 p.m. Monday announced Ted Lukas, executive chairman.

Chem-Phys Council Elects

Raymond Shibley was elected president of the Chem-Phys Council at a recent meeting. Julian Anderson was elected vice president and Louise Umberger secretary-treasurer.

ARO Announcement

Members of the American Russian Organization planning to attend church at Hawk Run will meet at the Corner Room at 7 a.m. Sunday. Bus transportation has been arranged for the trip.

Pre-Med Women

All women in pre-med not registered in the Pre-Medical Curriculum of the School of Chemistry and Physics are asked to call Julia Pastewka, 4077.

Psychology Honorary

Psi Chi, psychology honorary, is sponsoring a lecture by Dr. Wayne Dennis in 304 Old Main at 7 o'clock tonight. Dennis is head of the psychology department at the University of Pittsburgh.

Galloway Case Inquest Scheduled for Monday

The inquest into the death of Katherine Diamond Galloway who was fatally shot by her husband John Edward Galloway in their trailer home at Winderest, will be held Monday.

Charles Scheckler of Milesburg Centre County Coroner, said that the inquest will be held at the Borough building in State College at 7 p. m. Only a few witnesses will be called, according to officials.

Care of the campus lawns involves the mowing of turf, maintenance of soil fertility, control of insect and turf diseases, weed eradication and the ever present problem of turf repairs resulting from abuse.

CLASSIFIEDS

All classified advertisements must be in by 4:30 p.m. day preceding issue. Prices are: 40c for one insertion, \$1.00, three insertions, 17 words or less. Call Collegian, 711.

MALE BOARDING—Eleven and a half per week, home style service. Frazier House, 138 South Tanager, 2041.

RIDERS WANTED—Round trip by bus for Pitt game, Friday 4:30; return Sunday. Call 495. Ask for Andrews or Beutner.

TUX FOR SALE—\$20. Good condition. Size 38. Call 711, Ex 377J.

FOR RENT—Double room, suitable for X-GI and wife. Make use hot-plate. Call 2598 or inquire 512 W. Foster Ave.

FOR SALE TODAY—White shirt, sizes 14 to 16. Good quality. Call in person TKJE House between 4 & 5:30.

WANTED—Ride to Pitt game. Please call Lois 2758.

RIDERS WANTED—to Meadville Friday 3:30. Return Sunday Jack, room 28, Building 7.

LOST—diamond Hamilton watch and diamond sapphire bracelet between Corner Room and Post House, Sat. Call 3468.

LOST—Naval officers overcoat in D. H. Building last Tuesday. Call Ed. 4604. It's chilly out! Reward.

KITCHEN HELP—table waiters for Nov. 8, 9. Alpha Zeta, Campus 4272—\$3.00 and meals.

WANTED—Room, Apartment Fraternity for two students within five blocks off campus. Notify Collegian Office.

REWARD—To person who took wrong black gabardine raincoat from Corner Room last Friday night. Call 68 Ath.

LOST—black Schaeffer pen on "Ag" Hill. Finder please call 3372 and ask for Ann.

FOR SALE—Men's figure skates, size 10-7 inch Hickory Skis, leather trapping, poles. Must sell. Call Brown-4304.

WANTED—one ride to Ithica New York Nov. 8, 2647 ask for Margie.