

Why Does It Get So Late So Early?

In many schools and colleges a bell or buzzer system is used to inform both teachers and students that the class hour is over. To many this practice may seem childish and unnecessary.

Here at Penn State, however, the short period of ten minutes allowed between classes is barely a sufficient amount of time to go from one building to another—say Ag Hill to Main Eng.

Therefore it is essential that each professor dismiss his class at the exact time scheduled. If some system could be devised to let both the professor and the students know that the time is up, much of the unnecessary rushing and lateness could be

avoided.

Far too often an extra question from an energetic classmate, or the professor who wishes to stress just one more point, makes a student late to his next class.

No professor enjoys the members of his class treading in late but how frequently the professor who insists on promptness habitually keeps his class five to seven minutes later than scheduled.

There is a definite need for letting the prof as well as the students know what time the class should be dismissed.

—Elizabeth Ann Marshall

Cabinet And Pollock Circle

By Joan Peters

All-College Cabinet, at its first meeting of the spring semester, decided that Pollock Circle should be denied a voting membership in Cabinet. Perhaps it would be best to here explain not only the Pollock Circle Council's reasons for thinking the group eligible for such representation, but also Cabinet's reason for refusing it to them.

The Pollock Circle Council's reasons for wanting a seat on Cabinet, as explained by the representatives they sent to Cabinet last semester, are contained in two points: (1) Pollock Circle is the largest living group on campus, and as such (2) needs special representation to care for its peculiar problems.

Had Cabinet wished to grant the request an amendment to the All-College constitution would have been necessary.

Cabinet refused the request because (1) Pollock Circle is merely a campus living group and other campus living groups do not have special representation on campus; (2) Pollock Circle residents already have representation on Cab-

inet through class presidents, ISC, IFC, and their student councils.

Cabinet members felt that, should they grant a seat to Pollock Circle, other living groups might feel justified in requesting the same privilege. They explained that mere size should not entitle Pollock Circle to special representation.

Cabinet felt that Pollock Circle residents could be adequately represented through IFC, ISC, and other groups.

Upon questioning Frank Tidona, ISC president, it was found that few Pollock Circle residents take active part in that organization, even though the majority of them fall in the category of independent students.

Several members of Cabinet expressed the opinion that, if the residents of Pollock Circle do not take part in the activities of the groups already representing them on Cabinet, they could not be entitled to special representation just because they have organized themselves as a separate unit.

Expert on Lipstick? How About a Story For Engineer?

Could you write a technical article about lipstick shades? How about types of campus coeds? These are articles which have won in the Penn State Engineer contest in the past.

First prize of \$15 and second prize of \$10 are given away by the Engineer monthly for a "technical" article which would "interest an engineer."

"What people fail to realize," said Herbert Locke, publicity manager of the Engineer, "is that articles that interest anyone interest an engineer, and that technical articles needn't be on engineering subjects. Some such misconception may have kept persons from entering the contest."

Deadline for articles is the fifth of the month of issue. Articles coming in after the fifth of a month are automatically entered in the next month's contest. Entries should be turned in at Student Union or the Engineer Office. Articles should be not less than 2500 words, written in ink or typed on 8 1/2 x 11 paper.

Registration

Total undergraduate registration at the College reached 7065 yesterday, according to William S. Hoffman, registrar.

The first Cadet Band was organized in 1901.

Reserve Officers

Ex-Army officers who are interested in determining their status in the reserve are urged to attend a meeting of the Reserve Officers Association in Room 3 Carnegie Hall, 7:30 o'clock.

Major James F. Bothavell, 11 Air Force, will talk to air corps officers, and Major Morgan will address officers who were in the ground forces.

The first president of the College, Evan Pugh, was thirty-one when he took office.

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Collegian Gazette

All calendar items must be in the Daily Collegian office by 4:30 p.m. on the day preceding publication.

Thursday, Feb. 20

JUNIOR CLASS Social Committee meeting, 410 Old Main, 7 o'clock.

MASQUERETTE CLUB meeting, Theta House, 4:45 o'clock.

THEATRIAN TRYOUTS, Schwab Auditorium, 7 o'clock.

NEWSMAN CLUB business meeting, 316 Sparks, 7 o'clock.

GAMMA PI EPSILON meeting, 233 Sparks, 7 o'clock.

DAIRY SCIENCE Club meeting, 3 Dairy, 7 o'clock.

LA VIE ART Staff meeting, 233 Engineering "F," 7 o'clock.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE Student meeting, 200 Carnegie Hall, 7:30 o'clock.

WRA SWIM Club, White Hall, 7:30 o'clock.

WRA FENCING Club, White Hall, 7:30 o'clock.

At the Movies

CATHAUM: "Mighty McGurk," with Wallace Beery.

STATE: "Plainsman and the Lady," with William Elliott.

MITTANY: "Colonel Dillingham's Raid," with Charles Coburn.

College Health Service

Admitted to the infirmary Wednesday: Grace Ebersole, Ira Karns, Paula Kraw and William Schroder.

Discharged Wednesday: Catherine Jones, Robert W. Jones and Sara Pauline Plunkett.

College Placement Service

Mr. W. J. Riley of the Westvaco Chlorine Products Corporation will be on the campus, Thursday, Feb. 27, to interview eighth semester chem eng, chem, ME, EE men, and Ph.D. candidates in organic chem. Arrangements for interviews should be made at once in 204 Old Main.

Wanted

—Lynette Lundquist

Comments, letters petitions, and suggestions which followed yesterday's editorial concerning Atherton Hall Dining Commons have shown the coeds fully in favor of a free seating system.

They do not wish to seem unreasonable or arbitrary. Being college women, most of them are able to see both sides of the problem.

Mrs. Johnson, head of the office, has been working 12 hours a day recently to keep the dining hall up to its usual standards. Another dietitian has been hired to augment the staff but cannot begin until she finds living space somewhere within commuting distance.

Still, being young, the coeds are optimistic enough to hope something can be done. In addition to yesterday's suggestion that a clean-up man be engaged other ideas have been presented.

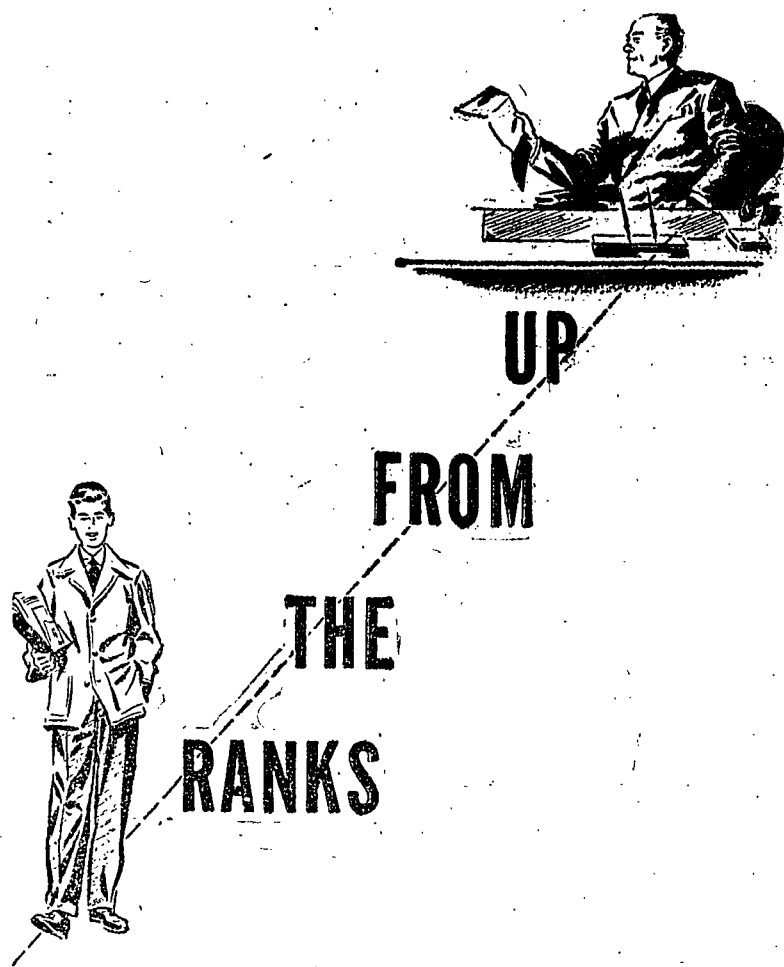
It is in many cases difficult or impossible for coeds to eat early, or to arrive in groups of eight. Then there are the coeds who doodle, who poke along, who sit and chat, totally oblivious of the waiters hanging over them, wishing they would hurry.

If it were made customary, most coeds would voluntarily clear the dining room, say fifteen minutes after the doors have closed, thus leaving plenty of time for the waiters and dishwashers to get to their classes and dates.

Or, if certain elements refuse to speed up and cut out a little gab, the lights could be flashed as a one-minute warning after which they would be obliged to leave.

There must be other good ideas which the dining commons office could incorporate into mealtimes which would eliminate the necessity for the present ruling.

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