

Kiss the "Boys" Goodbye

—Lawrence G. Foster

The regime of the "Corner Room Politician" is fast fading beyond the comeback stage. A varsity letter no longer holds sway over our more mature student body, and nowadays, a "good guy" is still a "good guy," but not necessarily a potential class officer.

The war was the immediate cause of a lot of shortcomings on this campus, but it put strong emphasis on office holders who could produce. With the advent of wartime campus life and the deviation from normalcy which followed, the need for more efficient class officers became increasingly evident. The problems confronting the student were many and perplexing and demanded action.

Without realizing it, the wartime students put the candidates through a careful screening process before casting their ballots. The intimacy that accompanies a low enrollment made this ideal plan a reality. As it happened, "everyone knew everybody," or at least they

had an opportunity to learn from a reliable source the merits of the candidates.

The high calibre officers who were elected then, as well as their accomplishments, made for better student government. It also gave the voter a feeling of honest satisfaction.

There has been a carry-over of a similar nature in our present political set-up. More and more, voters are asking, "What has he done to rate a nomination for class president?"

There's big things in store for this College in the period just ahead. It's going to take the right student leaders to keep up the pace set by a College afflicted with "growing pains."

To the parties about to select candidates as well as to the voters who will put them in office, that question and its answers should mean more than a barrel full of platforms and campaign slogans.

News Briefs

Late Permissions

Judicial has granted all coeds attending the Anti-Franco Rally in Schwab Auditorium tonight permission to remain until the close of the program. A reasonable amount of time will be allowed in which to return to the dorms, said Lois App, chairman.

Debaters Elect

Richard K. Hill was elected 1st vice president for the 1948 Pennsylvania State Debaters Convention at the conclave held at the College recently. At the sessions attended by 126 debaters from state schools, model legislative bills were passed for remedial labor legislation, medical care, and labor planning in production.

LA Lecture

Dr. Bryn J. Hovde, president, New School for Social Research, New York, will deliver the third of the series of Liberal Arts lectures at the College 121 Sparks, 8 o'clock tomorrow. He will discuss "Currents in Modern Social Thought."

ASME Meeting

Samuel K. Hoffman, professor of aeronautical engineering, will speak on the "World's Largest at the meeting" of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers in 117 New Physics, 7 o'clock tonight, said Prof. J. S. Doolittle, ASME advisor. Also a movie, "Flames of Progress," will be featured on the program to which the public is invited.

Senior Lecture

Mr. Harvey L. Swift, vice-president and general manager of the Harrisburg Railways Company, will be the guest speaker at the Senior Engineering Lecture in 121 Sparks, 4:20 p.m. Friday. Mr. Swift will talk on Occupational Opportunities in the Field of Transportation.

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Committee Clears LA Elections

—By Joan Peters

The recent Liberal Arts elections will not be invalidated because of possible fraud, it was decided at All-College Cabinet's meeting last week, when the report of the investigating committee, headed by John Branigan, was approved.

The committee stated that, despite possible fraud in the elections, the committee felt they should not be invalidated because there is a lack of sufficient proof of fraud.

The committee recommended that Article 6 of the Elections Code be revised to permit closer supervision of elections in the various schools.

All-College President Robert Foote appointed a committee to prepare recommendations for the next All-College Cabinet. The committee, headed by Eugene Fulmer, includes Reginald Kimball, Jack Hayes, and Suzanne Romig. Foote also asked that Cabinet members suggest possible recommendations on the floor of Cabinet or to Fulmer.

Raymond Shibley was appointed to head a committee consisting of Barbara McCleary, Charles Pilegor, Eugene Fulmer, and Richard Sarge, to prepare proposals for the use of surplus funds at the end of the current semester.

The proposed amendment to Article 12, Section 2 of the All-College Constitution was read for the second time. After its third reading it must be approved by a three-fourths vote of Cabinet to become part of the Constitution.

Cabinet approved expenditure by the Agriculture Student Council of \$50 for an Ag-Home Ec student-faculty picnic to be held this spring.

Because of discussion arising from this question, Albert Green, All-College secretary-treasurer, was asked to investigate possibilities of the expenditure of the \$50 sum allotted to each school council being left to the discretion of the council itself. At present the interclass finance budget demands that such expenditures be approved by Cabinet.

Revised Elections Code

—By Joan Peters

All-College Cabinet approved a revised elections code presented at a recent meeting by John Branigan, chairman of the Elections Committee.

The code provides that All-College elections will be held in the Armory from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on April 30 and May 1, when the polls will be open continuously between the specified hours.

According to the revised code, "all candidates nominated for the offices of class vice-president and secretary-treasurer or All-College vice-president and secretary-treasurer must be in even semester at the time of elections. (That is, second, fourth, or sixth semester.)"

Cliques must file complete membership lists with the Elections Committee. The list is to include the official clique chairman and other officers, together with the name and class of every party member. This list, to be signed by the clique chairman and secretary, must be turned in to the Elections Committee chairman on Friday, April 11.

Membership cards, made from these lists, will be distributed to the members of each clique at the first nomination meeting of the respective parties.

Penalties of no more than 45 or less than 9 votes are to be inflicted upon the entire clique

found guilty of any of the following violations. Violations by any one of the candidates will result in the penalty being inflicted upon every other candidate of that clique.

- (1) Electioneering in any part of the Armory by clique members at any time.
- (2) Candidate, in any part of the Armory other than the time necessary to cast their own ballot.
- (3) Buying of votes, either with the promise of money or any other form of bribery.
- (4) Campaign posters in any part of the Armory other than those approved by the Elections Committee for use at the polls.
- (5) Destruction or defacing of property on any public or private buildings.
- (6) Using the help of freshmen with upper-class elections and campaigns.
- (7) False listing of activities for campaign purposes.
- (8) Use of cars on campus for campaigning purposes.
- (9) The Elections Committee reserves the right to act upon any campaign method which it considers to be a violation of the spirit of the Elections Code. The committee also reserves the right to alter this code in the case of emergency.

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Letters - From the Editor's Mailbox

Platform Ideas

TO THE EDITOR: In line with our policy of truly representing all the people on campus I would like to extend an open invitation to anyone who has ideas or suggestions for the platform of the Nittany-Independent Party.

Please drop such suggestions at Student Union desk under my name.

Naturally the few of us who make up the platform committee of the party are in a position to come in contact with but a fraction of the problems that are with us on the campus. Therefore, any suggestions would be greatly appreciated and will be given the fullest consideration so that we all may realize our ideals of a better Penn State.

Robert E. Hirsh

Collegian Gazette

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

Wednesday, March 26

- PSCA Cabinet meeting, 304 Old Main, 6:45 o'clock.
- WRA Modern Dance Club meeting for fall elections, White Hall, 7 o'clock.
- AMERICAN Society of Agricultural Engineers meeting, 105 Agriculture Engineering, 7:30 o'clock.
- OPEN FORUM on "Trends in Hospitalization Plans," 110 Home Economics, 8 o'clock.

College Health Service

Admitted to the infirmary Monday: Joan McKean, Margaret Nocera, Rita Oranson and Helen Wilcox.
Admitted Tuesday: Pearl Biller, Phillip Dillon, Daniel Finocchio and James Veras.
Discharged Tuesday: Charles Ashurst, Irwin Dieble, David Nemeth and Blair Thompson.

College Placement Service

- CINCINNATI MILLING CO., March 26 and 27, will interview eighth semester men in IE and ME.
- WALWORTH CO., March 28, will interview eighth semester men in IE and ME.
- LEEDS & NORTHRUP CO., March 31 and April 1, will interview eighth semester men for their sales engineering training course in IE, Phy, ME and IE.
- PITTSBURGH PLATE GLASS CO., April 1, will interview eighth semester men in ME, CE, EE, IE and Ch. E.
- CARNEGIE-ILLINOIS STEEL CORP., April 2, will interview eighth semester men in Met, IE, Cer, CE, EE and EI.

Student-Faculty Relationship

TO THE EDITOR: Why can't there be a much closer understanding between the students and faculty? This is one of the most disappointing of situations here at Penn State.

Charles Wagner in his book, "The Simple Life," has this to say: "Let masters and students . . . meet together oftener for amusement. It will be so much the better for serious work. There is no such aid to understanding one's professor as to have laughed in his company, and conversely, to be well understood a pupil must be met elsewhere than in class or examination."

Some may cry, "but it's impossible! Look at the number of students here at Penn State. If everyone went to visit his or her professor the poor professors would be mobbed."

Well, if other schools as large as State, such as Yale and Brown, have as close a student-faculty relationship as they have—then it's possible here as well.

From observation I would say that the music department on campus has the closest and friendliest of atmospheres, but even there it is not what it could be.

Let's have student-faculty teas, "open house" by professors, departmental student-faculty get-togethers; there are ways for closer relationships. We're supposedly friends building bonds and ties with each other and the school—we're not to be strangers.

—Robert Erickson

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