

Where Did You Throw It?

We read no further than the first line of Mr. Hirsh's letter to the editor yesterday before we were inspired to sit down and take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to be part of the campus political scene.

We refer to the sentence—"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."

By an odd coincidence we also ran across an old copy of the Collegian (dated October 15, 1946) which carried the Nittany-Independent platform during the last election.

We were re-inspired by another statement in that

platform: "The Nittany-Independent Party releases the above platform with the sincere promise that, if elected, we will carry out each and every plank."

The first question we'd like to ask Mr. Hirsh is, "After you carried out each and every plank, where did you throw them?"

The party might, therefore, attempt to carry out some of last year's platform (where possible) before drawing up some new document to dangle before student voters.

(Ed. Note: This is the first in a series of articles to be run from time to time during the next few weeks.)

With The Editor

So many inquiries have come our way concerning the latest addition to the publication field—"Who's Who In The News"—that it would not be amiss to publicly answer these questions.

The first question usually asked is, "What kind of a racket is this 'Who's Who' business—and if it isn't a racket why isn't it being publicized more?"

This is a simple question to answer, for the sponsoring groups received early encouragement and guidance from Dean Warnock who must also receive most of the credit for thinking of the idea. Doctor Banner, head of the journalism department, has been serving as a technical advisor on matters concerning engraving, printing costs and other related problems.

The sponsoring groups have also applied to the College Committee on Student Welfare for a charter to give it official approval; this request is now in the hands of the Committee.

As to the lack of high-pressure publicizing, one of the first decisions made by Who's Who in the News was to keep publicity down to a minimum, in order to remove any possible stigma of commercialism.

In the few announcements made to date, this point has been stressed. The book is not to be a "money-maker." Which brings up the next question—"Isn't \$2.50 a great deal to pay?"

The answer is a contradictory "yes and no." Yes, \$2.50 is a lot of money in these inflationary days. No, it's not very much when you apply it to a printing bill.

The book will carry no advertisements (again steering away from commercialism) and our readers will get a rough idea of printing costs nowadays when it is pointed out that the Collegian costs us \$108 for printing alone, each and every issue.

If the College had its own print shop, this \$2.50 charge would be greatly reduced; but, since we haven't our own print shop and probably won't for several years it would be wishful thinking to haggle further over this matter.

The next question generally asked is, "Well, if they're not out to make a lotta dough and if they're

planning to put it out yearly, why do they want to go to all this trouble?"

This is, of course, a touchy question at least as far as the Who's Who editor, Mr. Sinichak, is concerned. Frankly we suspect that he'd just as soon have spent his time during the past few months loafing instead of working on the preparation of the book.

But it was pointed out to him that it would be a great service to Penn State—and it will be—so he entered into the project enthusiastically.

Of what service will it be to Penn State? There are many points that one could cite, a few of which include:

(1) Recognition to a large number of outstanding students at the College, since we no longer participate in the "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities" which recognized a very small number of Penn Staters.

(2) State-wide recognition for Penn Staters since copies are to be sent to every College and University in the Commonwealth and to all the leading papers.

(3) Copies are also to be distributed free to all fraternities, sororities and large independent units (which would find them useful for rushing purposes and for their chapter histories); to all departmental and School heads and to various administration officials.

(4) And probably the most idealistic-sounding but quite commendable is the reason offered that in this day of hurried, assembly-line education it would not hurt to stop long enough to recognize the outstanding students on campus—and anyone who has seen the complete list of selectees will agree that it is about as fair, complete and representative as any such list could humanly be.

Since the book is to be the first of a series of annual publications, it is only natural that many things will be done in the nature of experiment; also much may be left undone because of a lack of experience. For these reasons, Mr. Sinichak will appreciate any suggestions or ideas for making Who's Who more successful.

An "Understanding" Step

By Lawrence G. Foster

In answer to Mr. Frederickson's letter which appeared in yesterday's issue under the heading "Student-Faculty Relationship" we have this to say:

It will be possible to attain a closer relationship between the faculty and student body when Penn State gets its Student Union building.

The informality which surrounds other college Unions paves the way for a step towards a better understanding between both groups.

The modern Union building is equipped with numerous hobby work shops where faculty members and students work side by side. This is but one phase of the "spare time" activities which provides an opportunity to strike up an acquaintance based on common interests.

A Student Union on this campus would not restrict good relations to faculty and student groups, but what is more important, would develop a closer relationship among the undergraduates of the College. The opportunity to get to know fellow students has been hampered by the sudden growth of this institution, and only a common meeting place like a Student Union will help alleviate an often overlooked drawback of campus life at Penn State.

Letters

Flu and Grippe

TO THE EDITOR: This letter is written with the hope that it will help the other students on this campus and not allow them to be caught in the undercurrent of the recent flu and grippe epidemic.

Something has to be done "now" before everyone on this fair campus is flat on his back.

Our Easter vacation, slated to start the third of April, could be started immediately and made up in June or just dropped and chalked to common sense.

If we continue going to school every day all of the students are likely to be bed patients within the next few days.

No doubt the school executives think an early vacation would hinder the progress of education. Let me remind them that the dispensary has thirty to thirty-five people in it every hour of the day and this number "will" grow unless drastic steps are taken immediately. These people are missing classes and subjecting other students to the germ every second.

I appeal to you as the intelligent students that you are—"Do something now, don't wait until it gets you." The infirmary is full and we are sent back to our dorms or fraternity houses to subject other people to what we have.

—"One who has had it and still does."
• Dr. Herbert Glenn, head of the Health Service, reports that while there is a mild epidemic, that it is composed of very mild virus infections but that there is no tendency toward serious complications. The number of cases has been dropping off steadily and the health facilities are not overtaxed at present.

Some definite recommendation on the matter, however, will be made very shortly to the College administration based on the trend of cases reported.

Nittany-Independent

Jane Weigle has been added to the platform committee of the Nittany-Independent party.

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.

WANTED — Ride to Hazleton Wednesday noon, April 2, or Thur. morning, April 3. Call Sel, 337 Ath.

FOR SALE — 6x30 Bausch and Lomb binoculars with coated lens. Used Army surplus. \$55. Call Ronberger, after 3:30, 3243.

WANTED — Passengers to Meadville. Leaving Friday 3:15. Call Gesin, Room 13, Dorm 7, 3946.

THE BAR THREE BOYS: now with Henry Glass are now open for bookings. Phone 3960.

LOST — Brown leather jacket taken from ground floor Sparks Friday, March 14th. I have yours. Call Shel 4409.

LOST — Probably in Rec Hall. Service ring, silver with insignia on face. Call 3971 Swerlin. Reward.

WILL BUY, TRADE or SELL your present car. State College Motor Service. State College 743.

WANTED — Tux, size 42-44. Call Sandy 4304 after 5 p.m.

ROOM FOR RENT — present occupant going fraternity. Call 3922 and ask for Cantrelly.

WANTED — Part-time waitress, also a part-time soda fountain dispenser. See Mr. Matt Hayes, Corner Room.

LOST — Rhinestone bracelet Saturday evening between Rec Hall and Frazier street. Call Esther 4320.

TAKEN BY MISTAKE — Monday 24th, 16 Sparks, trenchcoat; has button-in lining. Am. cold. Rowald Kane, 4908.

FOR RENT — Vacancy in suite of two rooms consisting of bedroom and study, with hot and cold running water and near bath. Call 4850.

WANTED TO BUY — Grocery store. Give full information in first letter. Write Box 152, McClure, Pa.

WANTED TO RENT — Tux coat 42 long, trousers 31-31, for Saturday. Call Margie, 2869.

INTERESTED in recovering two lawn spot lights that were removed from Kappa Sigma premises Saturday evening. Call Walt, 2044.

WANTED — Trumpet player desires work, combo or section. Lots of experience. References provided. Call Smitty, Delta Chi.

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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, March 27

- AG HILL BREEZE staff meeting, 411 Old Main, 6:30 o'clock.
- NEWMAN Club executive meeting, Rectory, 7 o'clock.
- CHEM-PHYS Student Council meeting, 409 Old Main, 7 o'clock.
- LA VIE Art staff meeting, 223 Engineering "F", 7 o'clock.
- WRA Bowling Club meeting, White Hall, 7 o'clock.
- BRIDGE Club social meeting, Atherton Hall, 7:30 o'clock.
- WRA Swim Club, White Hall, 7:30 o'clock.
- WRA Fencing Club meeting, White Hall, 7:30 o'clock.
- ALL-COLLEGE Cabinet meeting, 201 Old Main, 8 o'clock.
- LECTURE by Dr. Chou-Chang Pu on "China's Struggle for Democracy," 110 Home Economics, 8:15 o'clock.

College Health Service

Admitted to the infirmary Tuesday: Shirley McKinley and John Pharr.
Admitted Wednesday: George Hardy, Ralph Harris, Charles Jacobson, Raymond Midgett and Willard Parkhill.
Discharged Wednesday: Jo Ann Beaver, Jean Bower, Eugene Martinelli, Willard Rissmiller and Marvin Thomashover.

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: EE, Ph, 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, DE, Cer, CE, EE and FL.

Arena Production

SKYLARK

A sophisticated comedy

- When? March 28, 29
- Banquet Room Hotel State College
- Tickets \$1.10
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