

For Better Publications

For years now the student body of the College has been asking for their own printing press and nothing has come of it except as a point in a political party's platform. It is true that there are other things needed on campus, but an independent student press, run by the students is a necessity if better publications, representative of the College, are to be produced.

Publications have been criticized as just mediocre, and worse, and not worth the money. But it must be understood that these publications must enter into business contracts with publishing companies, and large sums of money are involved. One four-page issue of the Daily Collegian costs over the \$135 mark alone. It would cost considerably less for students to print their own publications. The space for editorial (news) material wouldn't be governed as much as it is now by advertising which exerts great influence, and which is responsible for a considerable amount of the revenue.

As in the case of the Collegian, some of the cost of publication is paid by the students in their tuition fees, but this amount is not able to substantiate the cost of printing—thus advertising returns make up the remaining and the greater funds needed for continuous operation.

Other colleges and universities, some smaller in student body than we have here, maintain their own student press and the favorable results are evidence of its success.

Another advantage besides better publications and a saving of money is that by having students learn the press organization and operation, new courses in education, journalism and industrial education would be realized and practical.

Dependence on outside publishing concerns would be ended and the cost of and reliance on advertising would be lowered noticeably. Results would be improved publications and training!

—Arnold Gerton

Editor's Mailcall

Birth of a Nation

TO THE EDITOR: I would be very much obliged if you would publish the following letter.

The Hebrew State will be officially established in Palestine on the 16th of May. On the occasion of Statehood Day, the Penn State chapter of the "Inter-Collegiate Zionist Federation of America" will present on Sunday an important program to which I want to attract the attention of every student.

It will include: the reading of the "Independence Declaration"; the reading of an important report of a student convention and question period; election of new officers; presentation of a dramatic film, "The Voyage of the Unafraid" filmed on board an "illegal" ship going to Palestine.

The making of the film was a nerve racking task because of the limited facilities on board. It was confiscated by the British, later rescued by the Haganah. It was produced by Meyer Levin, writer and producer of documentary films of the Office of War Information.

With the world's attention on Palestine, with a student body here at the College proud of its political consciousness, I am sure that many will be at the Hillel Foundation on Sunday at 7:30 p.m.

With thanks I am sincerely yours,

—Gerard Weiser,
Penn State Chapter of IZFA.

Blossoming Poet

TO THE EDITOR: Some of the fellows rooming here with me think my poetry as good, if not better than lines composed by Captain Mark. I only write the stuff; you be the judge!

To Doris

Doris, thy beauty is like the rose.
Fair, tender, fragile, serene and new;
Kissed by the gentle winds of day,
And watered with twilight dew.
Yet roses in their most radiant hour
Can not hope to compete with thee;
They vanish: wither from the bower;
Thy beauty is preserved for all eternity.
As long as words shall stand or eye can read
Long after the rose petals have vanished into dust.
Thy gracious loveliness, unchanged by time
Shall be preserved within my humble rhyme.

Books for China

TO THE EDITOR: Will you please print the following letter from Congressman Walter H. Judd?

—William B. Reed.

"I do not know any way or place for spending money to greater advantage than in the purchase of books for Chinese students who managed to keep their colleges going during the war even though removed hundreds of miles from their normal location, working under the most primitive conditions, and without adequate equipment or libraries.

"They are literally 'starved' for up-to-date text books, information as to current ideas and development in thought, as well as the standard works containing the wisdom of the ages.

"If your class of 1948 should see fit to set aside a fund for the rebuilding of the library, the fundamental foundation stone of scholarship, in your sister college Lignan, I am confident it will be of the greatest helpfulness, not only to the Chinese students who are privileged to use it, but to better relations between our two countries."

—Walter H. Judd,
Rep., Minn.

Where's the Seniority?

TO THE EDITOR: Coeds, what's the score? This information comes straight from the Dean of Women's office. All the coeds are supposed to know this but we find few do. We think you ought to be told. Do you want to live with your present roommate next semester? Well, you can't if either of you are going to practice teaching or into a practice house. All coeds going practice teaching or into the practice house must live in Women's building the entire semester in which their practice is included. Their roommates cannot live with them anywhere off campus.

The majority of the girls feel that by the time they are juniors and seniors they should have the right to select their roommates and their rooms. This has always been the seniority ruling at Penn State. Most of the juniors and seniors on campus have waited two or three years for the privilege of using their seniority rights. Now these rights are being taken away from you!! We would like to know what the rest of the coeds think about this.

—27 Ath Hall Coeds.

GRIN AND BEAR IT

By Lichty



"If they're serious about eliminating profit in the next war, I'll simply refuse to enlist as a dollar-a-year man again!"

Digging Down

by Elliot Shapiro

Boy, these scientists are wonderful!

About a hundred years ago some guy named Fournier invented a process of paper making that made rolls of paper. In fact it's all his fault that the modern newspaper can print. Fast presses and thousands of copies an hour wouldn't be possible without these rolls.

Now, it seems they've come out with what is supposed to amount to health in roll form.

A roll of paper is impregnated with triethylene glycol which is supposed to kill almost everything harmful in the air. One part of glycol vapor in 400 million parts of air will kill pneumococci, streptococci, and influenza viruses, it is reported.

The story of the archeologist who searched the world for ancient relics and then found them in his attic during a thunderstorm has often been told.

Not long ago in Nebraska the remains of Early Americans were discovered through the work of a thunderstorm and flash flood. The remains were estimated to be 15,000 years old.

Remains of some early Penn Staters would no doubt be found in State College, by unplastering the walls in some rooming houses. In some of the houses, the same type of thunderstorm and flood would do the uncovering.

Instead of Tepexpan man, amateur archeologists might run across that interesting fossil, 1880 Man.

There's a club in New York that might find its counterpart in any local lunch room after 1 a.m. Sunday morning.

It's the Explorer's Club, made up of famous scientists and explorers. According to an article about them in a recent magazine they sit around the "Long Table" and swap reports and stories of their investigations.

You could probably find similar stories of investigations being swapped in any all-night restaurant in State College of an early Sunday morning. Purely scientific investigations, that is.

"Plant doctors," it seems, have been able to produce seedless cucumbers, peppers, squashes and tomatoes. Someone, no doubt will be sorry to lose the feeling of tomato seeds between his teeth.

Most people will be complacent, though, until the scientists come up with a skinless banana.

Edit Briefs

A \$300,000 modern building and printing plant devoted exclusively to student printing needs is the pride of the University of Michigan student body.

The Daily Illini, which is published by the students of the University of Illinois in their own plant, carries Drew Pearson's Washington Merry-Go-Round in addition to full-time Associated Press service.

CALENDAR

Friday, May 14
PENN State Bible Fellowship,
200 CH, 7 p.m.
At the Movies
CATHAUM—Fighting 68th.
STATE—To the Ends of the Earth.
NITANY—Golden Earrings.
College Hospital
Admitted Wednesday: Frances Mitchell, William Overberger, Shirley Place, Robert N. Saravita.
Discharged Thursday: Emily Stanley.

Placement Service

Department of Army, May 21, research analysis in the field of communications, for men and women in any curriculum who are in top third of class.
Aetna Casualty & Surety Company, May 19, eighth semester men in C&F, A&L.
Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company, May 18, eighth semester students interested in this field.
North America Companies, May 18, eighth semester men in C&F. Group meeting, May 17, 228 Sparks, 7 p.m.
West Penn Power Company, May 18 & 19, sixth and seventh semester men for summer employment. EE, ME, IE, CE.
International Telephone & Telegraph Corporation, May 17, eighth semester men in EE, IE, ME.

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Dean Kern Travels

Dr. Frank D. Kern, dean of the Graduate School and head of the department of botany at the College, will speak at four southern colleges and universities this month.

Dr. Kern is making the trip as national president of Phi Kappa Phi, national general honor society. He will speak on the topic, "Unity and Democracy," at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tuesday; Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Tuesday; Florida State College, Tallahassee, Saturday; and Alabama Polytechnic Institute, Auburn, May 24.

TRADITIONAL

SENIOR BALL

FRIDAY, MAY 21

MUSIC BY

Claude Thornhill

HIS PIANO AND HIS ORCHESTRA