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### Hat-Wearin' Day

Almost as far back into Penn State antiquity as hat societies have existed, Wednesday has been known as "hat day" on the campus. In recent years the custom of every hat man wearing his hat in the middle of the week seems to have fallen into disrepute.

Recently, however, Skull and Bones unanimously agreed to revive the tradition.

Among many of the other manifestations of the well known Penn State spirit, the wearing of the hat is one that should be revived.

Students should have an opportunity to see what men represent leadership in different phases of campus activity. These men in many instances represent the student body on various government bodies. All too frequently a student is hard put to know who is his representative on All-College Cabinet, for instance.

On one day a week, though, this representative might be easily distinguished. He could be approached personally and in this manner fulfill his proper role as a student leader.

It's easy enough to take the old black hat down from the closet hook on the way to class Wednesday morning. Make Wednesday "hat day" for all hat men once again.

—Elliot Shapiro

### Still Best Bet

"Buddy, how much insurance are you going to take out?" Those were the first words heard when you were turned into a soldier during the last war.

The government kept stressing the importance of GI insurance during the recent world conflict and after the hostilities were over the government has been telling the veterans to "hang on" to their government policies.

They were getting a bargain, said the government. Yet, of the 16 million policies in force at the end of last year all except 6.4 million have lapsed.

The vets who were smart enough to retain their policies now have an additional incentive to keep them in force. A dividend has been declared.

About \$2 billion will be divided among the policy holders. Even lapsed policies will be eligible for a good slice of this first pot of gold.

A law which created GI insurance states that instead of reducing prevailing rates, a dividend must be declared, and that time has now come.

So if you are a vet and still hold your GI insurance, our advice remains unchanged from what Uncle Sam told you several times before. Don't let that insurance lapse.

—George Vadasz

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### The New Ice Age



### Corner Rumors

By Jo Fox

Unnoticed and unheralded was the approval of the trustees of a plan for an enlarged student book exchange to include stationery items, slide rules, drawing instruments, etc. This decision, though it limits the plan to a trial run of one year, is the first major step toward the realization of the student cooperative store which was conceived over a year ago.

With the administrative hurdles finally surmounted, the Co-op committee, headed by Gene Wheeler, hopes to actuate the plan by the end of this semester. . . . If the \$1856.50 earmarked by cabinet last November for the project has not suffered in the treasury tangle of approximately \$4000 over-appropriations, said to have been incurred by the past All-College Cabinet. Tomorrow's meeting of Cabinet will tell the tale.

#### Penn State in New York

The two blocks between Broadway and Riverside drive on 89th street in New York might well be called Penn State alley. No less than ten grads call this district "home."

And room 137 temporary building is perhaps the birthplace of the original Shmoo family. On its walls reside a mama, papa, and baby Shmoo—the work of an unidentified artist of last year.

#### Nicest Title

Here's a little-known fact about a well-loved college figure, W. V. "Dad" Dennis, emeritus professor of rural sociology, who retired in September. "Dad" initiated his 27 years of service to the College as a soccer coach and led the bootmen to an undefeated season in 1921.

The tall, kindly white-haired prof who will become a research consultant for the Episcopal Church at Syracuse University, remarked of his nickname, "It's the nicest title a man could have."

A certain psychology professor eliminated the needle-clicking disturbance in his classes by casually announcing that knitting was an instinctive act of approaching maternity.

Sixty years ago the College felt its first growing pain, when the freshman class jumped from 32 to the record enrollment of 38 students.

## Safety Valve

### Discontented

TO THE EDITOR: We are discontented! The cows in the dairy have their stalls cleaned every day and don't have to wait in line to eat. But down in Nittany Dorms our rooms are cleaned just once a week, and we have to wait in line, a long line, to eat.

Rates for both room and board have been increased considerably in comparison to last semester yet we are receiving less food and poorer custodian service in the dorms. The food in the Nittany Dining Commons is, in our opinion, insufficient in quantity and of poor quality. Any dietician can plan a nourishing meal, but it takes a good dietician to plan a meal which is appetizing as well as nourishing.

We have computed, with the aid of slide rules and integral calculus, that the Dining Commons will receive a gross income of \$390,000 this semester. We are of the firm belief that we should, with this pretty sum, be provided with larger and better meals.

Well if they want to take better care of the cows let them. . . .

—36 names withheld

### What Happened?

TO THE EDITOR: What happened to the Lion at the Bucknell game? He's lost that traditional pep that boosts our spirits.

Why can't we have the old Lion back?

—Three coeds.

## COLLEGIAN GAZETTE

Brief notices on meetings and other events must be submitted to The Daily Collegian office in Carnegie Hall by 2 p.m. of the day before the issue in which it is desired to appear.

Wednesday, October 13, 1948

ELECTIONS Committee, 415 Old Main, 12:45 p.m.

NSA, 16 Sparks, 6:30 p.m.

CHESS Club, 3 Sparks, 7 p.m.

CAMPUS Center Club, 415 Old Main, 7:30 p.m.

#### College Hospital

Admitted Monday: Daniel Curran, David Sims and Gladys Smith.

Discharged Monday: Estelle Sacks.

Admitted Tuesday: William Butt.

Discharged Tuesday, Marial Boyer and Florence Stork.

#### College Placement Service

Corning Glass Works, October 15, eighth semester men from ME and Physics.

American Bridge Company, October 20, eighth semester men from CE and Arch. Eng.

Philco Radio and Television Corp., October 21, eighth semester men from EE and Physics.

Pratt & Whitney Aircraft, October 26 and 27, eighth semester men from ME and Aero. Eng.

Hoover Company, October 27 and 28, eighth semester men from EE and ME.

Container Corporation of America, October 27 and 28, men from IE, ME, CE and C and F.

#### Student Employment

Men wanted to promote local sales campaign. Woman to make beds in rooming house.

Substitute waiters and dishwashers wanted for Houseparty Week-end.

Girls to do light housework.

Dishwasher and busboys for work in local restaurant.

#### At the Movies

CATHAUM—Foreign Affair

STATE—Rope

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