

Editorials and columns appearing in The Daily Collegian represent the opinion of the writer. They make no claim to reflect student or University consensus. Unsigned editorials are written by the editor.

A Free Press

Ominous stories about administrative thumbs on student publications have appeared in recent issues of the Daily Pennsylvanian and Temple University News.

They make staff members of the Daily Collegian more grateful than ever for the sympathetic liberalism of the late Prexy Ralph Dorn Hetzel, who encouraged the independence of the paper's staff.

Maturity of judgment and discretion on the part of past Collegian staffers has also been instrumental in preserving its cherished autonomy.

Publication of a "salacious" article "insulting a sister institution" (Penn State) resulted in a week's suspension from classes of the writer, and the consequent resignation of three Senior Editors of the Pennsylvanian.

Although the article was in fact off-color and based on a canon which has not existed on our campus since early in the war, its weak and high-schoolish attempt at humor could hardly be construed as an insult.

Since the DP's Senior Board later admitted that the article never should have appeared, it seems likely that had they been autonomous to the extent that Collegian is, they would have rejected the feature, or cleaned it up. We know that complete responsibility begets discretion.

Temple News was cracked down on for a different cause, and in a different manner. Its three-week editorial campaign, dubbed "Operation Football," attempted to produce reforms in the Temple athletic set-up.

At the end of that period, the University president neither banned editorials nor threatened the editor with expulsion.

Subtly, the paper was informed that the campaign was doing Temple more harm than good, and that letters from 250 student supporters indicated "only minor interest," or "mere emotional outbursts and gripes without foundation."

Collegian has in the past disagreed with the administration, and as long as the facts were correct, the right of a difference of opinion has not been abridged. If Collegian makes factual errors, it properly assumes the responsibility.

Penn State is fortunate to have an uncensored and student-controlled newspaper. The Daily Collegian intends to keep it that way.



Safety Valve

World Federalists

TO THE EDITOR: The United World Federalists of State College wish to present the official statement of the beliefs and purposes of the United World Federalists as a whole.

Statement of beliefs: We believe that peace is not merely the absence of war, but the presence of justice, of law, of order—in short, of government and the institutions of government; that world peace can be created and maintained only under a world federal government, universal and strong enough to prevent armed conflict between nations, and having direct jurisdiction over the individual in those matters, within its authority.

Statement of purposes: Therefore, while endorsing the efforts of the United Nations to bring about a world community favorable to peace, we will work to create a world federal government with authority to enact, interpret, and enforce world law adequate to maintain world peace.

(1) by making use of the amendment processes of the United Nations to transform it into such a world federal government;

(2) by participating in world constituent assemblies, whether private individuals, parliamentary or other groups seeking to produce draft constitutions for consideration and possible adoption by the United Nations in accordance with their respective constitutional processes;

(3) by pursuing any other reasonable and lawful means to achieve world federation.

—Bruce E. Gideon, President.
—Geo. E. Brehman, Jr.

Field Manual 22-5

TO THE EDITOR: In reply to the question, "Why doesn't the ROTC get on the ball?" may I ask our Boy Scout why he doesn't get on the ball?

The following I quote from Field Manual 22-5 on Leadership Courtesy and Drill, page 41, paragraph f: "To indicate mourning, the flag is placed at half-staff. It is hoisted to the top of the staff before it is lowered to the half-staff position and again before it is lowered from the half-staff position."

—Name withheld.

• The Collegian had prepared a similar reply to the Good Scout's letter but, through an oversight, this comment was not published.

The Daily Collegian

Successor to THE FREE LANCE, est. 1877

Published Tuesday through Saturday mornings inclusive during the College year by the staff of The Daily Collegian of The Pennsylvania State College. Entered as second class matter July 5, 1934, at the State College, Pa., Post Office under the act of March 3, 1879. Subscriptions—\$2 a semester, \$4 the school year.

Editor: Lew Stone Business Manager: Vance C. Klepper

STAFF THIS ISSUE
Managing Editor: Rosemary Squillante
News Editor: Sylvia Ockner
Assistant: Virginia Sinclair
Copy Editor: Dorothy Werlich
Advertising Manager: Ruth Robinson

Food for Israel

We hear gripes and complaints about the food that is served in the dormitory cafeterias. It seems as though the major topic of conversation is always food.

Yet with all their complaints, most of the students at the College realize that there are people living in other parts of the world who are more vitally concerned about the food situation. It seems difficult to put yourselves in the places of those people who don't know what it is like to sit down at a table and eat a meal with meat on their plates. Their main meal of the day consists of hard dry bread.

Many students will wonder what they, as individuals, can do to help alleviate this pathetic situation. This week there is a drive on at the College, a Food For Israel drive.

Cartons have been placed in convenient places about the town and the dining halls in Pollock and Nittany dorms and the girls' dorms. In these cartons may be placed canned goods consisting of non-breakable and non-perishable items such as meats, fish, juices, and even baby foods. The central collection place for these foods is the Hillel Foundation, 133 West Beaver avenue.

Just remember that the cost of one can of food is equivalent to one milkshake. Miss the milkshake for one day and you won't miss the feeling of having done something worth while for someone else.

—Charlotte Seidman.

Admirable Courage

Suspension of the Amherst College chapter of Phi Kappa Psi fraternity by its national officers cannot be too strongly condemned.

The courage shown by members of the Amherst chapter in standing by their decision to admit a student on his qualifications, rather on the flimsy basis of skin color, deserves deep admiration from all who believe in racial equality or in its weaker cousin, "tolerance."

One must not hastily conclude that all fraternities and all chapters of the one involved in this case are bogged down in the dreary abyss of racial bigotry. The president of the College chapter, Huston Brosious, prudently refused to comment on the situation.

Penn State, however, has been the scene of noble utterances and some noble action in furtherance of racial justice. It is easy for anyone to go along with a general drift toward tolerance even though his innermost feelings are not purged of the dregs of intolerance.

It might be beneficial, therefore, for us to examine our own self-righteous environs to see if any last lingering embers of bigotry still lurk behind our rather lily-white walls that are exposed to public view.

Independents must not construe these remarks as an invitation for them to point the finger of scorn at fraternities. The very word *fraternity*, however, connotes brotherhood. A "brother" would have to be narrow-minded, indeed, to interpret this to apply only by virtue of the secret-handshake he shares with a few friends.

It augurs well for the future of democracy that the Amherst chapter of Phi Kappa Psi refused to back down, in spite of obvious pressure from the society's big wheels.

—John Bonnell.

Collegian Gazette

Brief notices of 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, November 17

WRA BADMINTON, WH Gym, 6:15 p.m.
BOWLING (beginners), WH, 6:30 p.m.
WRA MODERN dance, WH, 7 to 8 p.m.
CONCERT group, WH, 8 to 9 p.m.
CHESS Club, 3 Sparks, 7 p.m.
AIM, 306 Sparks, 8 p.m.
IFC, 7:15 p.m., 405 Old Main.

College Hospital

Admitted Monday: Dorsey Strayer, George Anderson, Thomas Habzda and Ralph Cash.
Discharged Monday: David Chalmers and William Ruth.
Admitted Tuesday: Allen Udell.
Discharged Tuesday: Ruth Gebhard.

College Placement

Arrangements for interviews should be made in 204 Old Main at once.

West Penn Power Co., November 18 and 19, eighth semester men in EE and ME.

Monongahela Connecting Railroad Co., November 22 and 23, eighth semester men in CE.

Pennsylvania Railroad, November 23, eighth semester men in EE and ME.

United States Civil Service Commission, November 23, eighth semester men in Aero Eng, Arch Eng, CE, EE, IE, ME, Sanitary Eng, Metallurgy, Petroleum & Natural Gas Eng, Chem Eng, and Chemistry.

Babcock & Wilcox Co., November 22, eighth semester men in IE, ME, Fuel Tech, and Metallurgy.

Firestone Tire & Rubber Co., November 30, eighth semester men in CE, EE, IE, ME, Chem Eng, and Chemistry.

Philadelphia Electric Co., December 1, eighth semester men in EE and ME.

North American Aviation Corp., November 30, eighth semester men in Aero Eng, Civil Eng, EE, and ME.

Douglas Aircraft Co., December 2 and 3, seventh and eighth semester men in Aero Eng, EE, ME, and Physics.

J. C. Penney Co., December 2 and 3, eighth semester men in IE, C&F, Arts & Letters, Advertising, Education, Hotel Adm., Ind. Ed., Psychology.

Ingersoll-Rand Co., December 2 and 3, seventh semester men in IE, ME and EE.

Standard Oil Company of Indiana, November 30, Ph.D. candidates who will receive their degrees during 1949 in Chem Eng and Chemistry.

Standard Oil Company of Indiana, December 1 and 2, seventh and eighth semester men in ME and CE.

Student Employment

Contact Mr. Allan Rees, TUB
Substitute waiters and dishwashers.
Experienced clothes presser.
Men with upholstery experience.
Man or woman with experience as a dental assistant.
Girls for modeling.

At the Movies

CATHAUM—Fighting Squadron.
STATE—Julia Misbehaves.
NITTANY—Out of the Blue.