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## Any Interest?

Some seven thousand dollars can be considered quite a delicious sum and how that amount will be spent for the senior class gift could make many mouths water. But from the lack of attendance at the senior class mixer on Saturday and the class meeting on Sunday night, the spending of the funds seems to be the thought farthest from the senior's minds.

Give it away! Throw it away! Who cares! It isn't as trifling a matter as apathetic thought would have it appear. This money has been accumulated over semesters and now its expenditure in the form of a gift to the College is to be decided.

People always have, and should have, ideas for improvements and necessities, but apparently the majority leaves the decision to only a few interested persons. It is usually these few who are interested in everything.

It is your class and your money, seniors. You must have ideas so why not take part in the senior class proceedings and express those ideas publicly. Certainly, if it were ruled that only a few were allowed to have a say in the spending of the funds, there would be a tremendous uproar about undemocratic procedures and pressure groups.

You're being invited and requested to have a say . . . your suggestion may be the one. At any rate, take an active part . . . not just hopping on the bandwagon. This rates more than following and paying lip service. A sincere voice and thought is what is requested.

—Arnold Gerton

## Don Quixotes

Some person or persons are evidently out to win the "meanest-man-of-the-month" award for their petty and childish uprooting and destruction of the grass committee's "wear-out-the-concrete" signs.

Their apparent disregard for public property and disdain for authority are evidence of dangerous tendencies completely out of harmony with the spirit of civic welfare which should be developed in university students.

True the signs are ugly eyesores. Certainly they are less than 100% effective. Granted that they may have been installed prematurely. (That is a debatable point.)

Yet the muddy gashes across our campus are even uglier and more disgraceful. The signs, or some other means of persuasion or prevention, are necessitated by the "thoughtlessness" of thousands of madly-scurrying students, hell-bent for education.

A problem exists. Practically everyone realizes the desirability of unblemished lawns. But when only a few minds attack a problem, the best solution may not always be found; perhaps this is an example.

To the Don Quixotes valiantly thrusting at signs, a humble suggestion. If you would expend as much energy attacking the problem instead of an attempted solution, you might hasten the day when the signs would disappear, from lack of need.

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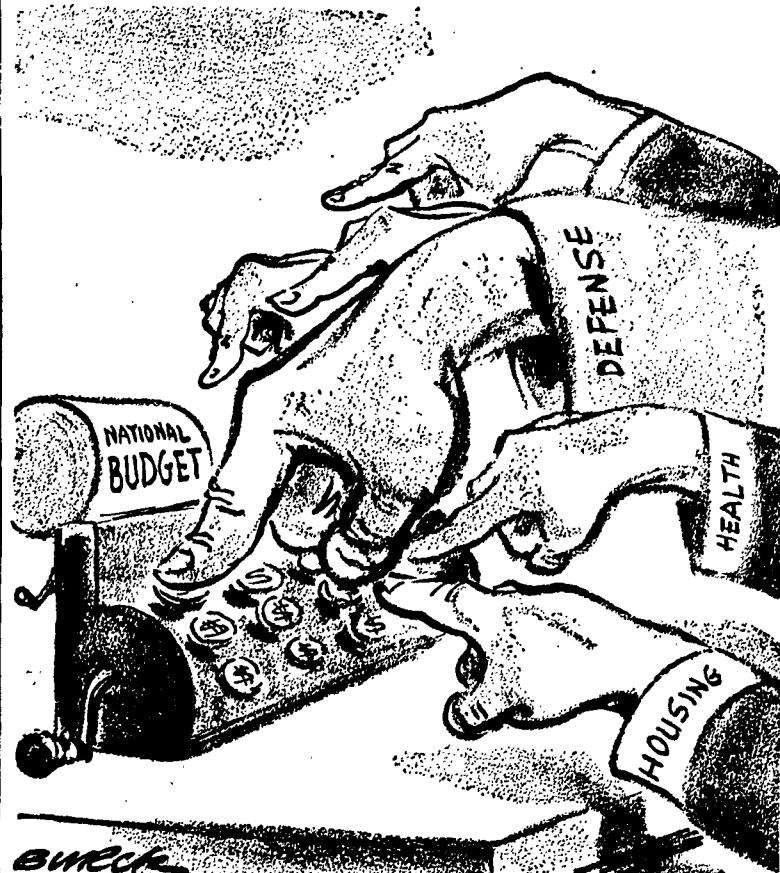
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## Will it add up?



## 'Seniority' in Reverse

Seniors are understandably dismayed at the complete reversal of "seniority" at registration, so suddenly announced last Saturday.

At the stated purpose of giving seniors priority for admission to classes, they have shown very little patience.

What's the purpose of first-phase registration if it does not establish the membership of each section?

We certainly cannot pick any quarrel with the principle of the system, but there is certainly room for question as to whether its advantages are completely exploited.

Past registrations have shown, that for the majority, final phase registration is a breeze. It is for the advantage of the minority of seniors who must seek the services of the Board of Control that the inverted registration schedule was established.

The priority of graduating seniors in class sections cannot be attacked either. It is, of course, their last chance to take the course in question.

Yet something is amiss. Why should seniors suddenly have to register first in order to assure themselves of a seat in the classroom? How have they managed in past semesters?

Isn't it true that seniors' required subjects are known far in advance? Aren't they also able to determine what electives to take during first-phase registration?

Knowing the section quotas and the number of seniors pre-registered for each, it should not require differential equations to figure out how many openings would remain for underclassmen.

Suspiciously, the promulgation of the priorities was made too late for student government to attempt a settlement on a mere equitable basis. However ample time remains to prevent a repetition next spring.

Just for the record, we'd be interested in learning just how many seniors will be benefitted by their special "priority."

## Very Brief

• The weather seems to be pointing toward spring. Now all we need is a communication about the first robin, or the first call for football practice to convince us. Lack of ambition has already decended upon us.

## New Low

What has happened to the senior class spirit? Where is the guiding light that graduating seniors are supposed to hold forth for the rest of the College to follow?

When only about 24 of the 2440 seniors in the class turn out for a mixer which was held in White Hall Saturday, things are hitting a new low in senior traditions.

An article in the Daily Collegian, made even more conspicuous by a box, in the middle of the page, emphasized the fact that those who attended the mixer should wear Lion coats. Prizes were to be awarded for the wearers of the best decorated Lion coats.

There weren't even enough people to have a contest! Why the seniors were nearly outnumbered by the campus patrol and Jack Huber's orchestra!

As it was, it was quite difficult to obtain permission to use White Hall as a meeting place. In view of this fact, the least the seniors could have done was to support their own function, especially one to promote class spirit.

Only about half of those who attended the mixer wore Lion coats. Most of the wearers were those seniors who were on committees, class officers or other "big wheels" on campus.

Most of the refreshments, in the form of punch and cookies, were left over.

It seems a pity that seniors haven't even the desire to make themselves stand out as the most active, enthusiastic group on campus. Where else should the rest of the College look to for leadership than the senior class?

—Charlotte Seidman

## The Safety Valve

### Complete Surprise

TO THE EDITOR: We accept! Needless to say, your offer to open your editorial columns to us, so that we can show you our idea of a dynamic policy, came as a complete surprise. We frankly never anticipated so generous a gesture.

We'd be more than willing to provide Collegian with a week's supply of editorials on a variety of subjects of vital interest to the students, upon several of which we've already conducted surveys.

It is not our intent, gentlemen, to be "armchair generals." We want to help you "brave men of action" to carry the "brunt of the battle" to the very doorsteps of the administration if necessary.

Please notify us as to the deadline for our first issue.

—Robert H. Leeper

—Michael R. Deckman

You are more than welcome to attend the candidates' meetings next semester. However, we are somewhat dubious of the tenor of your "acceptance" of our "offer."

Your words hint of a blatant oversight of all the hard work involved in "working your way up" — of the tedious hours of head-writing, proof-reading, reporting, etc., etc., etc.

Nevertheless your editorial material is welcome and will be used in a responsible manner for the good of the students.

Naturally, non-staff members need never be hampered by such plebeian devices as deadlines.

## Collegian Gazette

Tuesday, January 18

CLOVER Club, 103 Ag Bldg., 7 p.m.  
DELTA Sigma Pi, TKE Fraternity House, 7 p.m.  
COLLEGIAN Advertising Staff, CH, 7 p.m.  
PENN STATE Bible Fellowship, 410 Old Main, 11 a.m. and 4 p.m.

BLOCK & Bridle Club, 206 Ag Bldg., 7 p.m.

At the Movies

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