

# SU Progress

Some haze has lifted on that perennial fondest dream of Penn Staters, students and alumni alike—a permanent Student Union building.

For years student leaders have been genuinely sorry—and Collegian editors have been apologizing—for the lack of a permanent Student Union building, as each new class of Nittany newcomers arrive on campus.

They've been apologizing because Penn State does not have a permanent SU of the size and caliber one ought to expect on a campus as large as this.

WHY THIS HAD to be, students have not understood, for there have certainly been enough voices raised in clamor for a Student Union. And recognition of its need has persisted for many years.

STUDENT UNIONS AS they exist on many major campuses throughout the country are complete, detailed student centers. Most of them contain ball-rooms, lounges, bowling alleys, snack bars, auditoriums, banquet halls, hobby rooms, book exchanges and meeting rooms. Certainly that the College's permanent Student Union will contain any or all of these does not yet exist.

But we can be sure that when the College's permanent SU advances from dream to reality, it will be worth the price, both in dollars and in man-hours of work and planning put forth in its behalf.

Before his death, Prexy Ralph Dorn Hetzel appointed a 13-member Union committee headed by Samuel K. Hostetter. Its duties were to survey facilities in other Union buildings and make recommendations for such a structure on the Penn State campus.

THIS COMMITTEE, which has yearly included students as well as faculty and administration members, meticulously set forth to plan Penn State's Union. The enthusiasm of the committee members, and the warnings and suggestions they received on planning served to assure Penn State's acquiring one of the finest Student Unions in the nation.

Plans are now reportedly complete and will soon be submitted to the Board of Trustees. This is a heartening step.

Perhaps next year's Collegian editor will not have to apologize for lack of a Union.

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### Under A Bushel



## The Gripes of Roth

By RED ROTH

The veterans bonus is here, and we're stuck with it.

By a three to one vote, the electorate Tuesday accepted the \$500,000,000 burden on the Commonwealth's economy, necessitating the largest debt in Pennsylvania's history.

FLAG-WAVING stumpers and high-pressure veterans' organizations made the voting populace see things their way. It may be a case of crying after the milk is spilt, but I think ALL taxpayers, including the veterans, will live to rue Tuesday's rash act.

Servicemen of the last war undoubtedly have a legitimate argument when they say they deserve compensation for "the best years of their lives" lost in the Army, Navy, or Air Force.

But compensation in the form of a bonus is an economically unsound and short-sighted way to receive this deserving compensation.

To many vets, the immediate payment of a lump sum up to \$500 sounds attractive. Still, no sensible provision for raising the money has yet been proposed by the Legislature. Talk of lotteries, legalized parimutual betting, and the like will probably remain just that—talk.

EVENTUALLY, THE money will have to be provided in the form of new and higher taxes. Statistics released last year by an organization which opposed the bonus, conclusively demonstrated that in the lifetime of an average veteran, he will actually pay back to the state, in these new taxes, more money than he will receive from the bonus.

Another point to remember is that the dollars to be dispensed now are inflationary currency. The real buying power of the compensation will be approximately 60 per cent of a similar sum before the war.

Repayment, on the other hand, will be in a more deflated currency, in all probability. Thus the ex-serviceman will not only have to pay back more than he receives in actual dollars, in real buying power his taxes will be worth for more than the amount the state treasury will dole out in the next year or two.

As previously stated, it's a little late to cry the blues now. The voters accepted the proposal and its ours to deal with. Shuffle the cards, boys, and hope the stakes don't get too high.

(Author's note: The writer IS a veteran, IS entitled to the bonus, and STILL opposes it on the ground it is economically unsound.)

## Tracking Down Tales



A milestone in the history of administration offices was reached Saturday when the first out-of-town callers visited Royal M. Gerhardt, dean of admissions, in his new office in Willard Hall.

Mr. Gerhardt was still in the midst of moving when two prospective coeds from Erie and their parents dropped in to help initiate the new officers.

Students in Professor Julia C. Brill's composition class take turns each Tuesday serving refreshments. The host for this week was Frank McChesney who, when he found he must go home to vote thoughtfully sent a pledge to serve in his place.

A excited Froth saleslady dashed into the Corner Room exclaiming that it had taken her only ten minutes to sell a Froth to two genuine, slide-rule girded engineers. Penn State Engineer take note!

## Safety Valve...

### Give Us Time

TO THE EDITOR: We certainly think a girl should be given some time to get ready for her date. The so-called men of Dorm 32 happened to call us at 8:00 p.m. on Saturday. They want to go out with the most beautiful women on campus and yet only give them a half hour to get ready. Then if we make them sit in the lobby an hour they become annoyed. If the "men" in Dorm 32 have always been so inconsiderate we'll bet they have yet to get their first dates.

—Some McElwain Coeds

• Names Withheld.

## Gazette . . . .

Friday, November 11

COUPLES CLUB: Covered-Dish Supper, Grace Lutheran Church, 6:15 p.m.

PENN STATE Bible Fellowship, 405 Old Main, 7:30 p.m.

### COLLEGE HOSPITAL

Admitted: Wednesday: Donald Ashenfelter, Raymond Gomez, Joan Zerden, and Walter Morris.

Admitted Thursday: Muriel Levin, Donald Kienholz, and Robert Kreider.

Discharged Thursday: Donald Ashenfelter, George Hallal, Richard George, Evelyn Shakespeare, Mary Mackey, Jay Hartman, Gerald Lesse, Jane Gilbert, Richard Hughes, Robert Wilson, Nancy E. Cox, Gerald Brand, and Nan Saylor.

### COLLEGE PLACEMENT

The National Supply Co. Nov. 18 February grads in accounting.

Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Co., Nov. 17. February grads for non technical sales work. Single men only.

Sharples Corp., afternoon Nov. 30. February grads in ChemE and ME for development work. Applicants must have 1.55 or better average.

New York State Civil Service, now February and June grads who are legal residents of that state.

### AT THE MOVIES

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