

Nittany Museum

In March 1941 the College librarian was designated as archivist to "collect, catalog and protect records pertaining to the history of the College," and a large room on the fourth floor of the Library—known as the Penn State Room—was set aside for housing this material.

THE PENN STATE ROOM was a godsend to those who wanted to see facts of Penn State history and tradition retained in one permanent place. Not only that, but the Penn State Room, under direction of Mrs. Abbie H. Cromer, curator, has been and still is a treasury of information about the College. Mrs. Cromer daily answers questions about "What the class gift was in 1927?", "What were the circumstances in founding of the College?", "Who followed Evan Pugh as president of the College?"

But the College is fast outgrowing the Penn State Room. There is little space left for expansion in collecting Nittany lore and trivia.

One thing needed on campus—in addition to a student union building, field house, other modern dormitories and several other things befitting a university of this size and character—is a Penn State Museum.

THIS MUSEUM WOULD not supplant the Penn State Room but would be a worthy supplement to it, as a place for tangible facets of Nittany history and lore. Keep the records in the Penn State Room, but house concrete, tangible evidence of College history and tradition in a prominently-located museum.

One of these concrete Penn Statisms would certainly be a stuffed mountain lion—of the type which supposedly once roamed the Nittany vale. Another would be the desk of Evan Pugh, president of the College from 1859 to 1864; this desk is now in the Penn State Room.

And another would be the bones of Coaly, the mule that helped build old Main; Coaly's bones are now in a hayloft of the veterinary hospital on Ag Hill. The possibilities for museum items are endless, because Penn State is rich in historical color.

POSSESSING a rich color is no good if you don't show it.

Safety Valve...

New Dorm Occupancy

TO THE EDITOR: In a recent meeting of the Pollock Council, someone announced that the new men's dormitories will be assigned to entering freshmen in 1950, with no space reserved in them for upperclassmen.

We think this policy—if it is so—violates every tradition of seniority we've heard of. We think upperclassmen should live in the new dorms.

• Name Withheld Ed. Note: We are informed by an administration spokesman that the policy which will govern the new dorms is still being worked out, and will be announced soon. We have been assured that consideration is being given the problem of housing upperclass men students, "in the best possible manner consistent with the entire problem of housing all men students."

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"Oh-Oh, We May Need A New Building For This One"



Gleaned From Prints

By AL RYAN

20 YEARS AGO

With a net surplus of \$45,905.66, football was the only paying sport during the 1928-29 season, the annually-published report of the Athletic Association revealed, 20 years ago. Boxing, though showing a deficit of \$1,700, tabulated a greater gain than in the previous year.

TRACK WAS THE heaviest loser with a deficit of \$10,000 while rifle was lowest with \$300. Baseball, basketball and wrestling, in the order named, were the next heaviest losers.

The report indicated that the yearly income from all sources was \$193,887.62, while the current expenditures were \$162,721.19. On comparison with the previous year this record indicated a gain of more than \$50,000. A loss of \$8,248.52 was incurred during the 1927-28 season.

ANOTHER OF THE College's landmarks will be erased from campus by the hand of progress when the decision of the Bellefonte Central railroad to remove its station from the position it has occupied for 38 years goes into effect, it was announced 20 years ago.

The station was located on the north side of College Avenue, where the engineering units now stand.

IN THE DAYS before motor buses (after a fashion) won over passenger traffic from the railroad, students used this railroad to connect with Bellefonte trains and many were the pranks they played on Conductor Parker and his train crew. Each year the train was sure to be the center of a class fight.

Stripped of its past glory and relegated to serve as a freight depot, the old station had lost none of its appeal for returning alumni. They will always remember it as the terminus for Parker's Boat," the pet name of the student body for the B. C. R. R. train.

Gazette

- Wednesday, November 30
- NEW MAN Club, Discussion Group, Catholic Church basement, 7 p.m.
- PENN STATE CHESS Club, 4 Sparks, 7 p.m.
- KAPPA PHI, Methodist Church, 7 p.m.
- NAACP, Executive Committee, 7:15 p.m.
- ARCHERY Club, 304 Sparks, 7 p.m.
- BOTANY Club, 208 Buckhout Lab, 7:30 p.m.
- COLLEGIAN SENIOR AD BOARD, Business Manager's office, 7:30 p.m.
- INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS Club, 112 Osmond, 7 p.m.
- WRA BADMINTON Club, White Hall, gym, 8:30 p.m.
- WRA BOWLING Club, White Hall, 7 p.m.
- WRA DANCE Club, White Hall, 7 p.m.
- WRA DANCE CONCERT Group, White Hall, 8 p.m.
- WRA INTRAMURAL Board, White Hall, 6:30 p.m.
- WRA OUTING Club, White Hall, 7 p.m.
- WRA SWIMMING Club, White Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- COLLEGE PLACEMENT: Further information may be obtained in 204 Old Main. Arrangements for interviews should be made immediately.
- Procter and Gamble Dist. Co., Dec. 1 February grads in arts and letters, C&F, Phys Ed for sales work.
- General Electric, Dec. 5 and 6. February grads in EE, ME, IE, Physics for test engineering program.
- Armstrong Cork Co., Dec. 8. February grads in Chem, ChemE for research work; arts and letters, C&F, Econ ages 20 to 26, for sales work.
- DuPont Co., Dec. 12 and 13. February grads in Chem, ChemE, ME, MineE.
- AT THE MOVIES: NITTANY—Cannon City STATE—Easy Living CATHUM—Red Light

Safety Valve...

Forgotten People

TO THE EDITOR: On campus we have a forgotten group, a group that comprises almost one-tenth of the student population, the graduate students.

The housing facilities provided or being provided for the undergraduates are superb, but none are being provided for graduate students.

There are no graduate student activities only undergraduate activities.

The undergraduate activities, suitable and satisfactory for them, seem childish to graduate students many of whom have had several years of professional experience before returning to campuses.

Surely someone on campus has the capability and responsibility to aid this ever increasing minority, the graduate students.

—Mary Schuster

Where Do We Sign?

TO THE EDITOR: This letter is in reply to the printed plea of "The Third Party," those lonely secretaries of the College's Administration, which appeared in the Safety Valve of Tuesday, November 15, 1949. We are two inmates of this institution, who are sincerely fed up with the "Coalport Cleopatras, the Pittsburgh Portias and the High-School Harriets" of Penn State, who have let college rah-rah and the Ratio go to their pointed heads. We are not Wallace-ites or radicals, but we are progressive enough to want to meet with this "Third Party". Where do we go to sign up????

Ed Harinett
Mary Bahn

E. Note: If and when the secretaries let us disclose their location, we'll do it.

Curious Also

TO THE EDITOR: We're curious men who are curious about "curious secretaries". Our co-eds undoubtedly appear very captivating—however—not to a group of fellows who are somewhat older. You see, we are a hard-working crew of boys trying to better ourselves in this world, not a group of "sharp college Joes". Let's get together???

A Few Solid Boys from Dorm 8

• Name Withheld

Time To Change

TO THE EDITOR: Instead of the import letters which have been appearing in the Collegian I am submitting my poem for your approval to make a change.

A Quarter's Worth

Quarter for a hair cut,
Quarter for a shave,
Quarter for to fall in love,
To be my little turtle dove.

Quarter for the wedding ring,
Quarter for the parson,
Quarter for my loving wife,
To make me happy all my life.

Quarter for to build a home,
Quarter for the furnishings,
Quarter for a cradle,
To rock our little zaddle.

—Mary Dentworth

Can't Replace

TO THE EDITOR: In the November 16 issue of the Collegian there appeared in the Safety Valve column a letter suggesting Co-Ed Week as a better solution to the dating problem than a date bureau. I do not think there would be much objection to a co-ed week, but that plan cannot replace a date bureau. The date bureau is designed to facilitate a meeting of persons that have never heard of each other, while a co-ed must know who she is asking. Consider the schools of Engineering or Home Economics as a nexample of the necessity of a date bureau. In these two schools there is afforded very little opportunity to become acquainted.

—Bob Moberg

Grow Up

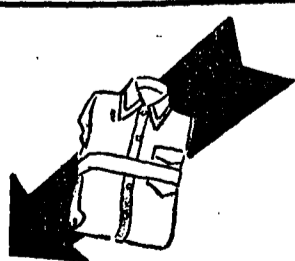
TO THE EDITOR: In answer to the letter in the Safety Valve which was printed Wednesday, Nov. 16, 1949, we think the entire business of girls squabbling about dates is extremely juvenile. We think that people in college should act as grown ups.

People their age should be able to acquire dates on their own and not require the services of agencies.

• Names Withheld

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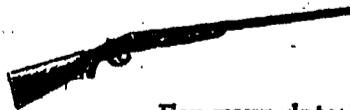
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