

The Kansan

The College Trustees have banged out a screaming triple. They have summoned up as hot a surprise package as ever rocked the ship of State. They have smote for the circuit, as the denizens of the press box are prone to say.

Choosing Dr. Milton S. Eisenhower to be Penn State's eleventh president, the Board selected a man with education, public affairs and agriculture woven in his background. What better qualifications can be found for the chief executive of a balanced land-grant college such as Penn State?

Dr. Eisenhower served as a journalism instructor at Kansas State College. Before that, he became city editor of the Abilene Daily Reflector while a student at Kansas State. He was American vice-consul at Edinburgh, Scotland. He was assistant to the U. S. Secretary of Agriculture. He headed the Agriculture Department's information service. He helped establish the National Farm and Home Hour—one of the oldest continuous programs on radio.

AS ASSISTANT DIRECTOR of the Office of War Information, he personally studied refugee relief and relocation problems in Algeria and North Africa at the direction of the President.

He directed and organized the relocation of Japanese-Americans evacuated from the Pacific Coast.

And he has authored many publications and magazine articles in agriculture, social and economic problems. He was chief of the U.S. delegation to the United Nations Economic, Social and Cultural Organization. He holds bachelor of science, honorary doctor of letters and doctor of science degrees.

HE HAS HEADED his alma mater—similar to Penn State in that it too is a land-grant college—since 1943.

We see these qualifications as complementing Penn State as do the vital Nittany traditions nurtured by the presence of the Mall, the Lion and Old Main. Eisenhower is a dramatic, dynamic name nowadays. It will add prestige and certainty to the College.

Others believe the same. Any doubts or fears over who would be the Trustees' choice have dissipated.

THE COLLEGE IS NOT taking the new president in the same stride a wife gives a dutiful kiss to her mother-in-law. The town and the College are presently lush with a feeling of satisfaction and downright enthusiasm. This enthusiasm stems partly from the fact that the new president is pictured in some circles as a man who has been to all the fires and doesn't easily choke up on the smoke.

The Trustees' persuading the Kansan to transfer to Pennsylvania climes has left a happy feeling hereabouts. We can see that the College is as pleasantly wrapped up in itself as an ear of corn.

Edit Briefs

We're amazed to hear that—as a result of a recent feature article on James MacCallum, all-College secretary-treasurer—a few folks now think he is regularly pilfering all-College student funds to pay his dorm fees. Absurd!

If anything, the intent of the article was to show his impeccable character in not being tempted to delve into these piles of student shekels which he helps administer as a member of the Inter-class Finance Committee.

Shirtsleeves in January! We have one comment on this warm weather. Its arrival at this time is not too propitious, since—in our case at least—final exams and spring fever in January do not mix well.

Safety Valve . . .

Thoroughly Impressed

TO THE EDITOR: I feel it is time to rake Mr. Gladfelter, the music critic, once over the coals lightly. I too attended the concert by the Orchestra in Air-Conditioned Schwab.

I went with a tongue in cheek attitude and intended to be very critical of the concert. In short I did not enjoy the concert by the timid amateur group. Instead I was thoroughly impressed by the professional group that interpreted the masters' works as has seldom been the privilege of a college to hear. Let alone this hot-bed of culture that imports so many out-standing musical units.

It would more please the critic if the symphony would play Schubert's music like Wagner whether or not you have parts for the brass let them play fanfares to warm up the tedious andante. My criticism consists of sadness that Mr. Hinkle and Mr. Karhan did not have encores.

• Name Withheld

Little Man On Campus by Bibler



"Would you call back? Professor Snarf is grading term papers right now."

Maybe White Hall . . .

TO THE EDITOR: With regards to the column "Conflicts Cause Problem" and the editorial "Feb. 11 Stew" both of which refer primarily to the registration and athletic schedule conflict, may I offer a suggestion that might very easily eliminate and terminate all the fuss.

Don't change either schedule, merely hold registration in a place other than Rec Hall. What would be the difficulty in holding Registration instead in either Schwab or Sparks, or both? Then there is the new Hort Buildings nearby. Coupled with Willard Hall, and last but far from least, White Hall which has a floor space nearly equal to that of Rec

Hall, I don't honestly see how there is much of a problem. Any heavy, bulky, equipment used during registration could be installed on the ground floor of any one of the buildings aforementioned.

Trusting that this suggestion will reach the proper authorities, I remain sincerely yours.

—Paul J. Cosgrove

Keep The Record Straight

TO THE EDITOR: In the Friday edition of the Collegian the editor's note attached to "Blue Band Fan's" letter stated "Cabinet's decision to refuse the \$144 was based on the assumption that the Blue Band is primarily a departmental (music) activity as, for example, Ag Hill's stock judging team. Cabinet maintained that funds it administers are primarily for All College activities."

To keep the record (and the cabinet) straight, it would be timely to note that 71 of the 81 Blue Band members you saw, heard, and applauded at the football games this past fall WERE NOT music or music education students.

An Ag student myself, I know that Ag Hill's stock judging teams are composed of AG STUDENTS ONLY, and therefore the teams are "departmental activities."

I should like to further point

out that 10 of the 14 musicians selected to go to the Intercollegiate Band Festival at Carnegie Tech next month ARE NOT music or music education students.

In view of the facts stated above, I would like to know how any member of All-College Cabinet or the Inter-class Finance Committee can justly claim that Blue Band is not an All-College function.

—Hubert H. Haugh
Manager, Penn State Blue Band

• Letter cut

Killing Spirit

TO THE EDITOR: Speaking of Penn State spirit, is it not true that the freshman class was applauded for its tremendous school spirit at the beginning of the year? What has happened to this spirit that was so openly displayed at former athletic events? Could it be that freshman spirit has been lost through the enacting of such long and drawn out customs, instead of a shorter period of regulations.

We freshman girls are not complaining about our hours, but about such enforcements as not being allowed to date for athletic events. Even on week nights freshman girls are not allowed to date until 9:15. Judicial has made a farce of this enforcement by waiting so long to start enforcing this restriction. Isn't the end of January, after we've been here four months, a little late? Even on a Saturday night, when

dating is legal, freshmen are not supposed to date for athletic events. Does this build school spirit? Of course not, it promotes a feeling of antagonism toward the ones enforcing these customs. This does not lead to a unified college body. Freshman girls are not looking forward to Move-up Day with the joy such an event would have brought a few months ago; rather, we are anticipating Move-up Day with the thought, "It's about time!"

—A Freshman

• Name withheld

On the Present Customs

TO THE EDITOR: I have been following the articles published on the subject of freshman customs and regulations. I would like to know how long the 500 freshman girls on campus are going to be penalized for coming to Penn State. By this I mean the no association with men after 5:30 during the week and only one 1 o'clock a week. These girls, it seems to me, would like to be considered coeds instead of prisoners of a few girls who think high school regulations should be practiced in college. For supposedly mature women, the upper-class women are acting rather small in their dealings with the freshmen. How would they like to be restricted the way they are restricting these girls.

Even the student church organizations here on campus seems to be suffering because of these restrictions. Most groups

have their social evenings Friday and the freshman girls with classes on Saturdays are not going to give up part of their one o'clock to get back and get ready for class on Saturday. As a result many don't attend these socials which for part of them has a great deal of significance.

I think it is high time something is done so that these girls have the same privileges that the rest of the coeds have instead of being treated like high school freshmen.

—A disgusted Senior

• Name withheld

A Chat With ARW

Ed. Note: This is the fourth in a series by Arthur R. Warnock, dean emeritus of men who—as dean of men under the late President Ralph Dorn Hetzel—had much to do with establishment of student government at the College.

Penn State has been fortunate in its major presidents—fortunate, that is, in their timing.

DR. EVAN PUGH (1859-63) was a young, but distinguished scientist with vision and imagination when he became the first president of a pioneering type of college, and in his brief administration he set a high standard of scientific and scholarly worth in it.

George W. Atherton (1881-1906) came to the campus at a time when the young college had badly slumped from the start which Pugh had given it, but he brought to the presidency the genius for discipline and organization which was needed to give direction and purpose to the institution's program.

Edwin Erle Sparks (1908-1919) was a scholar, a cultured gentleman and a warm-hearted friend. His regime was to bring rapid expansion, a flowering of scholarship and a growth of college spirit. Atherton was respected and held in awe; Sparks was respected and loved. The contribution of each was properly timed.

THE REVEREND JOHN Martin Thomas (1921-25) was an evangelist envisioning and preaching the Penn State of the new post-war future. As a part of a campaign to raise two million dollars for student welfare buildings, he went up and down the state, sowing the seed for public knowledge and recognition of the college.

In 1927 the institution for which Pugh, Atherton, Sparks and Thomas had laid the firm foundations was ready for un-dreamed-of growth, and Ralph Dorn Hetzel was found to do the job. Experienced in land grant colleges, an able, inspiring executive, and a warm hearted man—he was ideal for what good timing required.

Now Milton Stover Eisenhower? At least one fact makes good timing for him. At a time when colleges and universities are more closely associated with the Federal Government than ever before, he brings with him many years of experience of working in the national capital in various governmental fields.

—Arthur R. Warnock

Gazette

Thursday, January 26

- WRA BADMINTON Club, White Hall Gym, 4 p.m.
- CHRISTIAN SCIENCE Organization, 207 CH, 6:45 p.m.
- WRA FENCING, White Hall, 7 p.m.
- WRA BOWLING Club, Beginners, White Hall Alleys, 7 p.m.
- WRA SWIMMING Club, Advanced, White Hall Pool, 7:30 p.m.
- NEWMAN CLUB, Discussion Group, 305 Sparks, 8 p.m.

COLLEGE PLACEMENT

Further information concerning interviews and job placements can be obtained in 112 Old Main.

General Electric Co., Jan. 31. PhD candidates in Metal, Cer, and Solid State Phys.

Commercial Credit Co. of Altoona, Jan. 27. February grads in CF for auto financing. Men must be single and between ages of 22 and 29.

COLLEGE HOSPITAL

Admitted Tuesday: Robert Farris, John Kricher.

Admitted Wednesday: Gloria Thornton, Vance Genzlinger.

Discharged Wednesday: Roger Colburn, John Clark.

AT THE MOVIES

CATHAUM—Trapped
NITANY—Colorado Territory.
STATE—Quartet.

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