

# Band Finances

All-College Cabinet's recent refusal to allocate \$144 to the Blue Band to send ten or twelve members to the Intercollegiate State Band Festival points up a few pertinent things about the Blue Band's status and history at the College. We think they throw much light on a genuine need for overhauling the Band's financial sources.

The Band celebrated its 50th anniversary this year, and its sources of operating income in this half-century seem as multiple as its years spent injecting spirit into campus life and boosting its famous fleet-footed pace to the 180-per-minute neighborhood.

Organized as a six-piece drum and bugle corps in 1901, the predecessor to the present Blue Band was born through dint of Mr. George H. Deike, class of '03 and now an active College trustee and benefactor of the Blue Band. This first Cadet Band begun by Deike in '01 was made possible through financial contributions from Andrew Carnegie, steel manufacturer and philanthropist. (Carnegie also gave money for other things at the College, among them the present Carnegie Hall).

THROUGH THE YEARS, as the band's size multiplied, its finances have remained dependent on gifts from graduates, and upon aid from such diverse sources as the department of military science and tactics, school of physical education and athletics, department of music, the Athletic Association, and—last but by no means picayunish—undergraduate students at the College.

AS AN EXAMPLE of the last-named source, in 1941 and '47 the Band asked the student body through All-College Cabinet for money to buy new uniforms. In elections those years, the students complied by voting to allow increased assessments as part of regular College fees.

Right now the Blue Band is still reliant on an occasional gift to help endure the slings and arrows of trying to operate without a clear-cut year-to-year budget. A recent windfall along the gift line was the presentation early this year of six matched sousaphones by Mr. Deike. We understand that it would have taken several years under the present music department budget to pay for the equivalent of Mr. Deike's generous gift—amounting to about \$4,000.

Besides gifts, the Blue Band receives a year's \$3,000 from student funds, appropriated by All-College Cabinet, to pay for one trip to an away football fray. Another yearly football trip to the band is paid for by Athletic Association funds administered by Harold "Ike" Gilbert, graduate manager of athletics.

This \$3,000 student appropriation for the Band amounts to virtually a quarter of the Cabinet budget. It was this prime fact above any other that prompted All-College Cabinet to turn thumbs down on the \$144 festival request. Cabinet believed that Blue Band—although a worthy all-College activity—already bites a big chunk out of all-College student funds when it eats a quarter of the pie. Cabinet thought that's enough.

THIS ACTION should—if nothing else—serve to show the inadequacy and perplexing complication of Blue Band's multi-stringed finances. What Blue Band—an established College function—needs is a College budget.

# Little Man On Campus

by Bibler



"Oh, come now, Miss Swarf! That's the reason why we start you out on these little one-minute speeches, so you won't be so nervous."

# Gazette . . . .

Wednesday, February 15

- BAR BELL Club, Rec Hall, 7 p.m.
- NEWMAN CLUB Discussion Group, Church Basement, 7 p.m.
- FROTH Candidates Meeting, 1 Carnegie, 7 p.m.
- WRA BOWLING, Advanced, White Hall, 7 p.m.
- WRA DANCE Club, White Hall, Dance Room, 7 p.m.
- WRA OUTING Club, 1 White Hall, 7 p.m.
- WRA CONCERT Dance Group, White Hall, Dance Room, 8 p.m.
- FROTH EDITORIAL Staff, 1 Carnegie, 8 p.m.
- WRA BADMINTON Club, White Hall Gym, 8:30 p.m.
- IFC Meeting, 219 EE 7:15 p.m.
- IRC Business Meeting, 8 Sparks, 7:30 p.m.

### COLLEGE PLACEMENT

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

Bethlehem Steel Corp. is interested in receiving preliminary applications for their loop training course from June grads in MngE, ME, EE, IE, CE, ChE, Metal, and Cer. Applications must be returned to Placement Service by Monday, Feb. 20.

Linde Air Products, Feb. 21. Advanced degree candidates in Organic and Physical Chemistry interested in research and development work with silicones, ozones, and rare gases.

Procter and Gamble Co. is interested in receiving preliminary applications from June grads, and also sophomores and juniors interested in summer employment, in Chem, ChE, EE, IE, and ME. Applications must be returned to Placement Service before Thursday, Feb. 23.

Sylvania Electric Products, Feb. 21, 22. June grads in EE, ME, ChE, Chem, Phys, Metal, and Cer. Applicants must have 1.5 or better average and should be single, or married without children.

### COLLEGE HOSPITAL

Discharged Tuesday: Robert Bowen.  
Admitted Tuesday: Rhoda Levin, Stanley Ginsburg, Raymond Sipe.

### AT THE MOVIES

CATHAUM—Battleground.  
NITTANY—Red Danube.  
STATE—Dancing In The Dark.

# The Daily Collegian

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# Safety Valve . . .

## Refuse Your Support

TO THE EDITOR: Sweater girl contest: Are we, the students of Penn State, going to support such vulgarity? Can't we realize what kind of publicity we are giving to Penn State? In a recent Collegian,

Professor Banner is quoted as saying, "The whole world is looking on American universities. Young men and women everywhere are eager to come here to learn."

Is this what we have to offer them?

This contest cannot stand if the students refuse to support it.

I ask that you do refuse to support it. Show your disapproval by writing to the Collegian. After all, it is our paper. Why permit it to carry on activities we are ashamed of? I, too, am disappointed in Collegian.

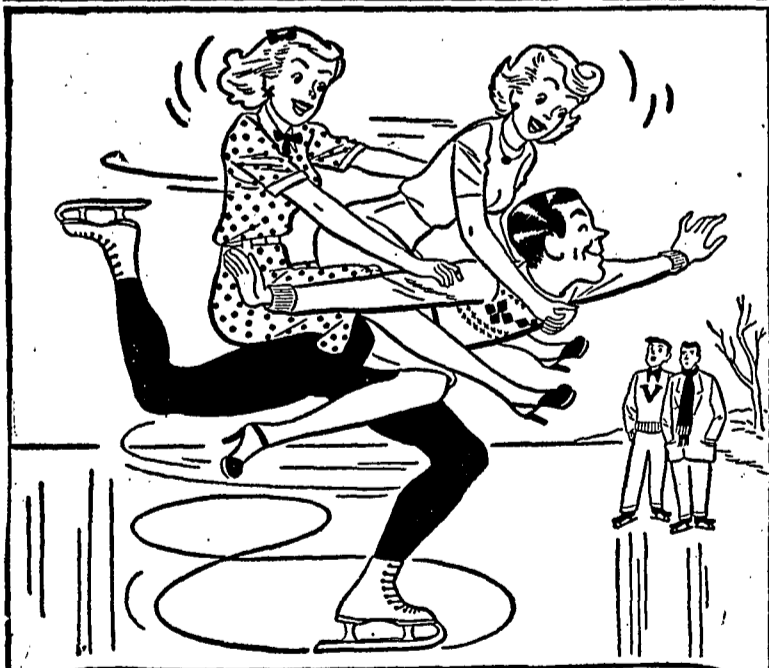
—Flo Freeman

## College Alma Mater

Not until the spring of 1901, did Penn State have an authorized College song. In that year, the "Alma Mater" was written by Dr. Fred L. Pattee, professor of English Language and Literature, and officially accepted.

## Penn State ROTC

In September, 1917, the War Department created the first unit of the Reserve Officers Training Corps at the College. The unit was composed of 175 members of the junior class.



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