

# Coaching Rumors

"I hear Mike Milligan is in line for the coaching job at State. Is that correct?"—So goes a telegram to a sports official at the College.

"Will you confirm a rumor that Clark Shaughnessy is being considered as next Penn State football coach?"—So goes a telephone call to a member of the Athletic Advisory Board.

**OFFICIALS AT THE** College are now swamped with such calls about Milligan and Shaughnessy, and Earle Edwards, who was end coach here for 13 years before resigning last year to accept a similar post at Michigan State. Nine times out of ten, little or no firm basis exists for them.

Such inquiries by individuals and newspapers in every nook and cranny of the state (the Collegian does it too) are pure, unsullied speculation. They are a bald attempt to gain a lead story for tomorrow's edition of the Rural Junction Bugle, and everybody on both ends of the telephone call or telegram know them as such.

These queries and rumors can conceivably be detrimental to a coaching candidate's chances and embarrassing to the schools concerned, but they are the rye and butter of newspaperdom, a necessary tool for sports scribes.

**IN THE MIDST** of this bandying of coaches' names and rumors that will cloud the sports picture until a successor to Coach Joseph Bendick is named, a natural question is: **HOW WILL HIS SUCCESSOR BE NAMED, AND BY WHOM?**

The answer lies in machinery set up by the Athletic Advisory Board, a student-faculty-administration-alumni group. Here's how it works:

1) On behalf of the Board, Dr. Carl F. Schott, dean of the School of Physical Education and Athletics, has already announced that the Board will accept applications, and that applications are already being received.

2) No coaches' names will be divulged by the Board, except perhaps in a case when Dr. Schott may choose to deny or confirm a reported application if a coach's statement appears in print that he has applied for the job.

3) The personnel committee of the Athletic Advisory Board will meet soon to study and screen applications for the job. Members of this group are Harry D. Robb, chairman, prominent alumnus and sports official; J. C. "Hap" Frank, ex-Penn State football great; Howard J. Lamade, College Trustee; Hummel Fishburn, head of the departments of music and music education; Dean Schott, ex officio, and Harold R. Gilbert, graduate manager of athletics, ex officio.

4) No coach will be approached, in terms of possibly switching to Penn State, until the personnel committee has performed this important preliminary job. In a case where the committee may be interested in a coach not submitting application, protocol dictates that the committee seek permission of the college which employs him before contacting him personally.

5) After preliminary spadework, the personnel committee will recommend a name to the full Athletic Advisory Board. Members, besides those already mentioned, are Prof. Burke M. Hermann, Board chairman, history professor and former Nittany basketball coach; Prof. Franklin L. Bentley, head of the department of animal husbandry; Prof. Norman R. Sparks, department of mechanical engineering head; James H. Olewine, professor of organic chemistry; H. K. Cochrane, prominent alumnus; W. K. Rice, prominent alumnus, and three students, Ted Allen, all-College president; James Gehrdes, Athletic Association president, and Thomas Morgan, Daily Collegian editor.

6) If the Athletic Advisory Board agrees with the committee's recommendation and the coach named is not already on the Penn State staff, Dean Schott will submit the recommendation for College Trustee approval.

6) If the recommendation involves only a switch in staff personnel already here, more-or-less routine approval of the President's Office is necessary in place of both administration and Trustee action.

7) **THEN THE COLLEGE'S** new football coach will be revealed. Until that time, rumor of any name being considered—as some have already emerged—will hold no official sanction of the Athletic Advisory Board, unless—of course—Dean Schott chooses to confirm or deny certain applications for the job.

THAT IS HOW it works at Penn State.

# Little Man On Campus by Bibler



"I wonder why the Sigma Phi Nothings can't learn to use the phone like the other fraternities do!"

# Juke Box Jag

Hoping I didn't look as worn as I felt, I wearily slid into a booth in a small restaurant. I had slouched over the typewriter half the night before. My eyes burned, my back ached, and I still saw blurred type when I squinted. All I wanted was a quiet meal and a few cups of coffee.

**SUDDENLY MY NERVES** were jarred out of their lethargy by the banging, screaming discordance of "Twelfth Street Rag." The notes poured out of a large juke box and raged around my head like a host of stinging hornets.

With a strained voice I gave the waitress my order, having to repeat twice over the din. Suddenly, from my right, came the loud staccato report of what sounded like a machine gun, followed by jangling bells and gongs. Some guy was wrestling with a complicated looking device, the like of which are found in almost every tavern and restaurant in America; that fiendish creation made to plague the irritable and designed to make neurotics of the addicts—the pinball machine.

Now I consider myself a normal fellow and not obsessed by illusions of persecution, but I will strongly defend my right to be able to enjoy a meal without wearing earmuffs to ward off the ear-splitting rendition of the latest bop or having to duck the flailing arms of a sadist who knocks himself out putting body English on a steel marble.

**SURELY A MAN** should be able to linger over a tall glass of foam or cuddle a martini in a tap room without being forced into a state of auditory confusion by clanging bells and jangling knells.

Places that feature the largest music boxes and loudest pinball machines should cater to the trade that desires this uncouth form of entertainment with their food and drink.

A friend has told me that he has noticed that eventually establishments do get this select group, and people like myself seek more peaceful sites. However, too often one is forced, due to unfamiliarity with the city, to do business with these sources of nervous indigestion. What's more, these breeding grounds for eyes that twitch, and hips that jerk uncontrollably—from unnumbered hours in the pinball crouch—are becoming more numerous.

Let me say that I have not always had such contempt for music devices. In years past, I even tried my skill with the tilt machines. But, I contend that flashing lights, clacking bumpers, and grinding polkas should not accompany a steak dinner or a glass of port.

**WHAT'S THE USE** of kidding the younger generation? Why not condition them to what they must face in later years? Let's bring the phonograph and ten of the latest Spike Jones records into the dining room, turn up the volume, and let the baby rattle a can of marbles through the meal.

Now, I've tried to be fair and objective in my observations. Apparently there are many folks who can quietly sip a Manhattan or sell insurance over a dinner table while wallowing through the gentle strains of "Slap 'Er Down Again Pa."

However, if I am to become the champion of a new lunatic fringe, I take up the torch. Return the pinballs to the pool rooms and let me listen to the snap, crackle, pop of my rice crispies instead of the neighing of Beetlebaum and braying of Mule Train.

—BILL DICKSON

# Gazette . . . .

Thursday, March 9

- AMERICAN CERAMIC Society, Delta Tau Delta House, 7:30 p.m.
- FORESTRY Society, 3 White Hall, 7 p.m.
- CHRISTIAN SCIENCE Organization 207 CH, 8:45 p.m.
- NAVAL VOLUNTEER Electronics Warfare Co., Naval Lecture, Eng E, 7 p.m.
- NAVAL RESERVE Composite Group, Naval Lecture Room Eng E, 7:30 p.m.
- PHILOSOPHY CLUB, 316 Sparks, 8 p.m.
- WRA FENCING, 1 White Hall, 7 p.m.
- WRA BADMINTON Club, Gym, White Hall, 4 p.m.
- WRA SWIMMING Club, Pool, White Hall, 7:30 p.m.

## COLLEGE PLACEMENT

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

Seniors who turned in preference sheets will be given priority in scheduling interviews for two days following the initial announcement of the visit of one of the companies of their choice. Other students will be scheduled on the third and subsequent days.

GE Chem & Metal Division Mar. 9, 10. June MS and BS grads in ChE, Chem, and Metal. Single men are preferred.

Duquesne Light Co., Mar. 13, 14. June grads in EE, ME, and CE.

General Electric Co., Mar. 13 to 16. June grads in EE, IE, ME, and Phys. for its test engineering program.

Bell Telephone Co. of Pa., Mar. 13, 14. June grads in EE and IE. The work consists of technical and business operations, and engineering planning. Applicants must not be over 24 years of age and should have a 1.5 or better average.

Dupont Co., Mar. 16, 17. Men and women BS and MS candidates in ChE.

Bell Telephone Laboratories, Mar. 14, 15. MS candidates in ME, EE, and BS candidates in EE who have specialized in communications. Bachelors candidates must have a 2.0 average or better.

Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co., Mar. 17. EE (power majors only) and ME.

General Motors Corp., Mar. 20, 21, 22. June grads in EE, IE, ME, ChE, Metal, CF for product engineering, production operations, and accounting. Applicants must have a 1.5 or better average. Also PhD and MS candidates in Physics for research and development.

Sears, Roebuck, & Co., Mar. 21, 22, 23. June grads interested in Retailing.

Boy Scouts of America, Mar. 22, 23. June grads interested in professional scouting. Scouting experience is a prerequisite. Grads 24 years of age or over are preferred. Will also interview sophomores and juniors who are considering scouting careers.

## COLLEGE HOSPITAL

Admitted Tuesday: John Kalfas, Donald Attwood, Aaron Hoffman, Curtis William Klaus, Richard Myers, Florence Lauzar, Rudolph Valentino.

Admitted Wednesday: Ruth Ellen Sher, Lewis Stone, Joe Colone, James Barclay.

Discharged Wednesday: Helen Jaskol.

## AT THE MOVIES

CATHAUM—Backfire.  
STATE—Intruder in the Dust.  
NITTANY—Beautiful Blond from Bashful Bend.

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