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Gazette

Thursday, May 4

NSA MEETING, 20 Sparks, 7 p.m.
WRA LACROSSE, Holmes Field, 3 p.m.
WRA FENCING, 1 White, 7 p.m.
WRA BADMINTON, White Hall Gym, 4 p.m.
WRA SWIMMING, White Hall Pool, 7:30 p.m.
COLLEGIAN EDIT candidates, 8 CH, 7 p.m.
AIEE-IRE JOINT Student Branches, 110 EE, 7 p.m., movies.
NAVAL RESERVE Composite Group, Naval Lecture Room, Eng E, 7:30 p.m.
SIMMONS CLASSICAL Musicale, Program: Beethoven Sonata No. 1, Schumann Symphony No. 4, Wagner Orchestral Excerpts from Die Gotterdammerung, Simmons Lounge, 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.
Strawbridge & Clothier, May 5. June grads for their retail training program.
Reliance Life Insurance Co., May 5. June grads in LA and Education for underwriting work.
Corning Glass Works, May 6. June grads in Chem Eng., ME, and Ceramics for their technical training program.
Cincinnati Milling Machine Co., May 9 and 10. June grads in IE and ME, and a few in Chem E, EE and Metallurgy for their training program.
Geological Survey, May 4. June grads in CE who took the junior engineering civil service exam.
Department of Properties and Supplies, June grads in Architecture, CE, EE, and ME. Must be residents of Penna. No priority.
Department of Properties and Supplies, May 5. June grads in Architecture, CE, EE, and ME for construction work. No priority.
Aetna Casualty and Surety Co., May 9. June grads interested in sales work. No priority.
Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co., May 10, 11, 12. June grads in CE, Chem E, EE, IE, ME, and Ceramics.
E. I. Dupont De Nemours and Co., May 9. June grads in ME for development, production, maintenance, and trouble shooting.

STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

Information concerning these positions can be obtained at the Student Employment Office in Old Main.
Director needed for camp operated by Pa. Society for Crippled Children and Adults. Students in Psych and Soc with camp experience desired.
Student barbers who have, or can obtain, Penna. license. Interviews for Camp Christmas Seal. Openings in various categories.
Boy Scout Camp, Mt. Run, Penna. Ass'ts in foods, commissary, and purchasing.
Interviews on May 9 for student chef's ass'ts at Cat skills Resort.

AT THE MOVIES

CATHAUM—East Side, West Side.
STATE—Cheaper by the Dozen.
NITTANY—Sands of Iwo Jima.

Safety Valve . . .

Letters to the Editor should be addressed—The Daily Collegian, Box 261, Boro. The writer's name will be withheld upon request, but no letter will be printed unless it is signed.

Ordinance Not Right

TO THE EDITOR: " . . . I believe you erred in the use of the word Ordinance in the headline of your feature front page article.

From all reports that I have seen the proposed laboratory is an Army Quartermaster Research Laboratory. The U.S. Army has an Ordnance Department and a Quartermaster Corps; both are distinct and separate branches of the Army. Furthermore, both have different functions and fields of endeavor.

The Ordnance Department is mainly concerned with the procurement, storage, and issuance of weapons and vehicles. Food, clothing, general housekeeping supplies, diet and messing facilities are the principal interests of the Quartermaster Corps. I doubt that this proposed installation could be constructed to be an Ordnance Laboratory by any manner or means.

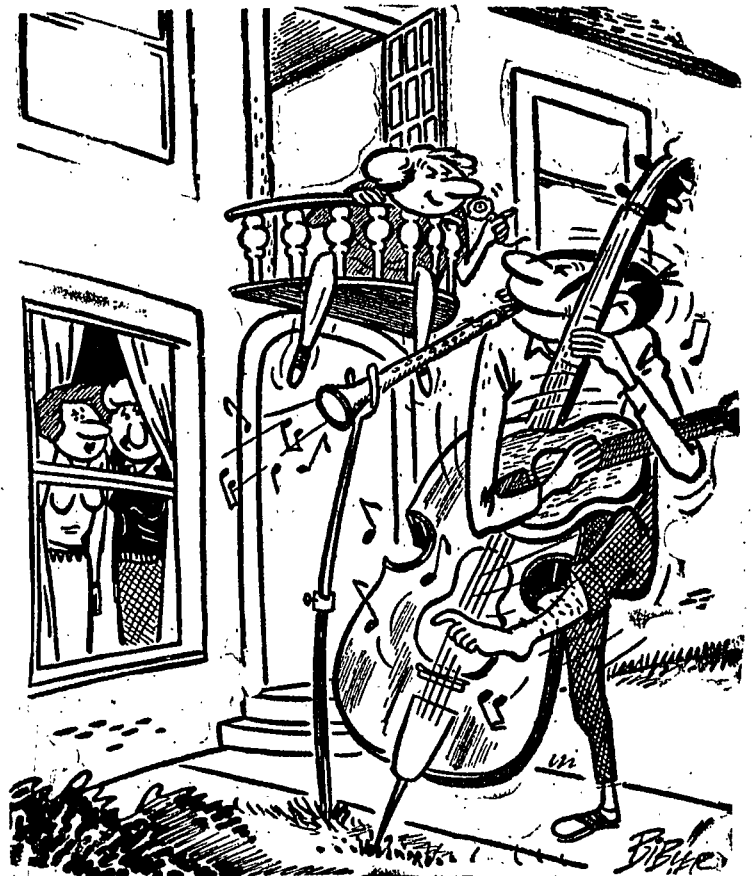
—Homer E. Harris

● Ed. Note—Dean Harry P. Hammond of the Engineering school informs us that the proposed lab would be used for Quartermaster stores and equipment but not Ordnance material. We therefore bow to the correction.

STAFF THIS ISSUE

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Little Man On Campus by Bibler



"One of his fraternity brothers told me he was going to ask Louise to go steady tonight."

Fiat Traditions

One misconception apparently popular among student leaders is that it is possible to establish college traditions by fiat.

MUCH HAS been said this year—largely in connection with freshman customs—about establishing traditions. Those who take this tack seemingly are unaware of the real meaning and value of traditions.

The viewpoint of some could be paraphrased thus:

"Traditions are valuable to a college and to a student body. Penn State is in need of good traditions, many of which went by the board during the war. Therefore, Penn State should have traditions. The best thing for us to do is to think up some good traditions and establish them. This would do much to foster school spirit."

Traditions are valuable, but they are not something that can be bought at the five-and-dime store. Nor can a group of people, no matter how high up in the student hierarchy, sit down around a table and decide what traditions should be best for Penn State. You can no more say "this tradition shall be" than you can decree that two people with no interest in each other shall fall in love.

THE VALUE OF TRADITIONS springs from the very nature of their origin, and is inversely proportional to the amount of fiat involved. Traditions are simultaneous expressions of sentiment which must spring from the students and have a deep root in their habits. They are valuable to the degree that they are universally accepted and have become a part of the students' lives.

Establishing traditions by fiat will result in artificiality that is meaningless. Traditions are something that develop from the entire college atmosphere and build up slowly over a period of years. Like Topsy, they just grow.

Votes and Gripes

The Senior Class, Tuesday night, demonstrated an amazingly apathetic attitude toward the selection of a class gift. Although \$8,500 was to be spent, fewer than 30 people out of a class of approximately 2,200 cared enough about where the money goes to show up at the class meeting.

THEN TOO, in the poll taken of over 600 seniors who were graduated in February on the subject of a gift, four per cent bothered to answer. And they were sent post cards which only required dropping them in a mail box.

Presumably it can be inferred from these actions, or lack of actions, that the seniors are simply not interested in what happens to the money. They are willing to leave the selection of a gift, supposedly presented by them, to the minute percentage of seniors who turned out Tuesday night.

As far as most of the class is concerned then, this group could decide to spend the money anyway at all—for instance giving it to this year's class officers. They have worked hard all year and like the rest of us could probably use it.

THIS IDEA, of course, has not and undoubtedly will not even be suggested, but it seems to us that such a proposal would be justified in light of this apathy.

The seniors will have a chance to redeem themselves when the class is asked to vote on the three possible gifts, listed in the news columns of today's paper. But we would like to note here that future complaints on the selection, by any who don't bother to take part now, will be distinctly not in order.

—Herbert Stein

YOUR NITTANY LION

This majestically modelled animal is inscribed with YOUR NAME, CLASS YEAR, PENN STATE or FRATER-NITY SEAL in official colors, and the name PENN STATE. IT is 12 inches long, stands 7 inches high, is made of fine china and is decorated with vivid fired-on ceramic colors. Only direct mail to you makes this low price of \$4.95 post-paid possible. Send check or money order now for delivery before end of school year.

THE KING CO.
P. O. Box 293, Trenton, N.J.

Remember Your "Best Gal" on her Day

May 14th

Thrill her on Mother's Day with a thoughtful gift. Beautiful handbags, gloves, costume jewelry, frilly handkerchiefs, reasonably priced, await your selection. Choose Her gift today. We will gift wrap and ready your package for mailing.

Egolf's
126 W. College Ave.

Tribunal Hears Traffic Cases

Five cases dealing with traffic violations were heard by Student Tribunal this week at the last meeting of the present semester's board. The next meeting of the judicial group will be in charge of the new members who are to be appointed by Cabinet within the next few weeks.

Two of the fines were suspended because the violators had neglected to obtain guest permits for the persons who were driving their cars.

Robert Keller, head of Tribunal, said that guests are not under the same supervision as students with regard to campus traffic. He advised that students who expect to have a guest drive on campus to get a guest permit from the campus patrol located in the third floor of Old Main.

Graduating seniors on Tribunal are Robert Keller, Carmen Cialella, George Dallas, David Greenwald and John Orgo. Juniors are James Richards, Neil See, and Edward Sykes.

Engineering Council Representatives Meet

Newly elected Engineering Student Council representatives were introduced to the council in its meeting Tuesday night. Jack Artz, Charles Falzone, Albert Fegley, John Frantz, Bernard Gutterman, John Hennessey, John Hrivnak, David Margolf, Raymond Markle, Raymond Miller, Karl Miller, Edward Ruch, Lawrence Schneipp, Donald Stalcup, and Robert Thornton are the new representatives.

Show Time Changed

The News and Views Fashion Show, originally scheduled for 7 o'clock tonight, will be held instead at 7:30.

Riding Club Lists Events in Meet

The Intercollegiate Modified Olympic will be one of the unusual features of the first annual Horse Show of the College Riding Club to be held here on Saturday and Sunday, May 6 and 7.

The events will be held on Sunday at 2:20 p.m., 4:20 p.m., and 5:20 p.m. The first phase will be judged on individual performance in the ring, the horse to be shown at a walk, trot and canter. Performance, manners, way of going and obedience will be scored.

In the second phase, horses will be judged as working hunters over the outside course, while in the third phase, horses will be shown in the ring, over several jumps, starting at three feet. The jumps to be raised in case of tie. Only performance will count.

The Grier School has entered 12 riders and nine horses, and Penn Hall will send ten riders and eight horses. Among the horses to be entered will be "Our Socks," a Pennsylvania champion in 1946, and "Copperhead," another champion.

A cup, donated by the College, and designated the "Pennsylvania State College Riding Trophy," will be awarded to the winning team. A team will have to win the trophy in three consecutive years to acquire it permanently. Twenty-one trophies and 160 ribbons will also be awarded for other events in the show.

Organizational Meeting

An organizational committee meeting of the Students Labor-Management Relations Club will be held tonight at 7:30 in 5 Sparks.

A student chapter of the Industrial Relations Research Associations will be organized. Anyone in the labor-management curriculum may attend.

Players Proudly Present

Romeo And Juliet

May 11, 12, 13 — Schwab Auditorium
(Mother's Day Weekend)