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## Customs Critique

Neil See's announcement of the end of men's customs at Saturday's game brought a yelp of delight from freshmen and a sigh of relief from hatmen.

THAT HARD FEELINGS were not so deep-seated as some had thought was evidenced by the immediate cheer for hatmen from the frosh grandstands.

In review, we would say the program has been a success. It accomplished its principal function. It revived a spirit that has been absent from Penn State since before the war, and we defy anyone to disprove this.

Hotheads both in the freshman class and in the hat societies were responsible for several unfortunate incidents. However, since both sides, on the whole, accepted customs in the same spirit in which the program was intended, we see no reason why it should not be continued.

Modifications will be necessary. Few would hold that the program ran smoothly. But this is to be expected since almost none of those administering customs had ever been connected with a like program before.

FIRST THERE OUGHT to be a more thorough orientation for hatmen next year to be sure they understand that customs is not a punishment. Along with this there ought to be a plan to nail hallucinated hatmen who get the idea that freshmen are like personal servants or fraternity pledges. Freshmen fearing retribution are not likely to report their punishers.

We disagree with the policy of making a present of the end of customs. Freshmen ought to work for it. With more organization, the tug of war would have been a complete success and we would like to see more projects of this kind. Both sides were trying to put on an honest battle, but with the milling crowds and false starts, we don't see how anyone could tell who won.

WITH A LITTLE reflection on this year's fumbles, future hatmen should be able to administer a customs program stern enough to keep a constant check on the frosh, but one that is also free of hazing.

—Herbert Stein

## Remembrance

At the Alumni luncheon Saturday, Bill Jeffrey, soccer coach at the College for 25 years, received a "thank you" from the people who really count as far as any mentor is concerned, his players.

IN PRESENTING the affable Scotsman with a silver service, these men who spent so many hours on the practice field receiving his instruction and guidance, showed him what every coach wants to know. They told him, "You've done a good job."

The players were not only from the 1950 team, but from all the teams he has directed since he came here in 1925. After the game with Colgate Saturday, the locker room was the scene of meetings between stars of years past and the young boys of today.

EACH HAD his share in building the fabulous record which Jeffrey had compiled and each was there to show how much he appreciated being part of that record.

Penn State leads the country in soccer because of all their efforts and many awards have found their way into Jeffrey's coffers for his very great part in this.

But to have men who represent a quarter-century of teaching and development suddenly rise up in a body to pay such a tribute, is indeed worthy of mention, and it seems probable that Bill Jeffrey will remember it, too.

—Bud Fenton

## More Lung Action

At a few points during Saturday's gridiron tilt with Temple, it almost sounded as though there were a college football game being played on Beaver field. But, most of the time, had a blind man walked into the stadium he would not have been able to guess from the quietness of the place that a pigskin struggle was in progress.

Penn Staters—particularly frosh and sophs—showed occasionally that they knew how to yell. Most of the time they merely sat back quietly and let the cheerleaders do the yelling for them.

WE DON'T COME from the old rah-rah school, but neither do we think it would hurt student spectators to exercise their lungs more often at football games. Particularly at the homecoming game.

## Punitive Power

Although the Interfraternity council proposal on the drinking question basically is sound, there is one point on which it could and should be strengthened.

THIS IS THE PROPOSAL that chaperones should have the power to report certain violations of the rules to IFC. Since chaperones apparently would have no further punitive power, it would seem that responsibility for actual enforcement and punishment would fall upon IFC shoulders.

Just how IFC would handle such cases is not clear at this juncture. Should enforcement by fraternity men themselves become lax, the proposal would be nothing more than a farce. Of course, IFC must realize that it would be up to the council to make the plan work, if it is approved, and that failure to make it work could result in its abandonment.

Thus, it would be in the interest of IFC to enforce drinking regulations strictly, for the sake of keeping a sane social drinking system—if they can get it in the first place. It might be noted, however, that strengthening of this provision of the proposal to serve as insurance against IFC laxity in enforcement could make the proposal more acceptable to the administration and more likely to survive.

## Safety Valve . . .

### Boston College Communique

TO THE EDITOR: The Heights in cooperation with the student council and the Dean of Men, has arranged a plan in which we will attempt to accommodate all the students who are planning to attend the Boston College-Penn State game. It would be appreciated if some advance data on the number of students planning to attend the game would be supplied.

The plan is: If arriving before 5 p.m., the student is to go to the Dean of Men's office in the Tower building to be allotted a room. If after 5 he is to call:

Bill McSweeney Ar 5-6187J  
Paul Dunbar My 8-5452  
Paul Lauzon Ly 2-0882

However, if arrival is later than midnight, please do not call until Saturday morning. There are stag dances on both Friday and Saturday nights on the campus. The one Saturday is especially for the voyagers from Penn State. Every attempt will be made to make the weekend an enjoyable one.

—William L. McSweeney, Jr.  
Boston College

E d. Note—All-College President Robert Davis has asked that persons needing rooms leave their names at the Student Union desk in Old Main so that Boston college officials can be notified.

### Values Of Hort Woods

TO THE EDITOR: I should like at this time to place the name of Alpha Phi Omega (national service fraternity) among those who are in opposition to the proposed depredations of Hort woods. We feel this area will be far more valuable for its aesthetic and educational values than if it were utilized for parking and future buildings.

• Letter Cut

—James E. Richards, Jr., President,  
Alpha Beta chapter.

## Gazette . . .

Tuesday, October 31

PSYCHOLOGY CLUB, 204 Burroughs, 7:30 p.m.

BETA THETA PI, executive committee meeting, 7:30 p.m.

REGULAR BETA THETA PI meeting, 8 p.m.; COLLEGIAN Promotion Staff, Collegian office, 6:30 p.m.

COLLEGIAN Business Candidates, 1 Carnegie hall, 7 p.m.

PI LAMBA SIGMA meeting, 125 Sparks, 7:30 p.m.

PHI MU ALPHA meeting, 11 Carnegie hall, 8:45 p.m.

WRA Bowling, White hall, 7 p.m.

WRA Fencing, White hall, 7 p.m.

### COLLEGE PLACEMENT

Shell Development company will interview graduate students in chemistry who have completed one or two years of post-graduate work toward their PhD degree, on Thursday, Nov. 2. They are interested in candidates for temporary summer employment at their Emeryville, Calif. laboratories. No priority.

Shell Development company will interview physicists at the PhD level with both experimental and theoretical backgrounds in solid-state physics for research work on Thursday, Nov. 2. No priority.

General Fireproofing company, Ortho Pharmaceutical corporation, Youngstown Sheet and Tube, and Timken Roller Bearing company will be represented by Dr. Paul E. Williams, who will interview January graduates on Wednesday, Nov. 8. Dr. Williams is interested in students in C&F, A&L, Met., Mining Eng., zoology, Phys. Ed. C.E., I.E., M.E., Pre-Med. and accounting. Applicants should be in the upper half of their class. Positions available are primarily sales. The priority system will not be in effect for this announcement.

Radio Corporation of America, Radio Victor division, will interview January graduates in Chem. Eng., E.E., I.E., and M.E. on Wednesday, Nov. 6. Men interested in manufacturing should have an average of 1.5; those in design and development, 1.8 or better.

Westinghouse Electric Corp. will interview January graduates at all levels in Ch. Eng., chemistry, physics, Aero. Eng., E.E., I.E., M.E., ceramics, and metallurgy on Tuesday, Nov. 7.

Carbide and Carbon Chemicals division, Charleston W. Va., will interview January graduates in chemical engineering, chemistry, and a few in mechanical engineering on Friday, Nov. 10.

E. I. DuPont De Nemours & Co. will interview January graduates at all levels in chemistry, chemical engineering, industrial engineering, metallurgy, and physics on Monday

## Little Man On Campus

By Bibler



"I'd say something to Professor Snarf, only Lord knows we're not paying our teachers enough."

## Womanless Haunts

Contrary to the opinion held by the male segment of the College population, there are more unfortunate, yea, more dateless men on other campuses. For example, there is the case of the all-male, educational institution—and, that doesn't mean a monastery. At these womanless haunts, the only female forms appear in the guise of faculty offspring, physiology texts, or married women.

BUT EVERY MAN—like his best friend, the dog—has his day; so, a few times a year a mass importation of wilesome women wends its way to the male meccas. Of course, there are those unfortunates who don't manage to bring home the beauty, and, for such hapless lads at Princeton, the college rag, the "Daily Princetonian" is sponsoring a contest, awarding prizes to men who are spurned for football weekend dates.

The man submitting a letter with the most unusual excuse from his prospective date is to receive a copy of "How to Win Friends and Influence People."

In addition, to him who receives the largest number of date rejections will be donated a book, entitled, "For Men Lonely."

AT ANOTHER INSTITUTION for the enlightenment of men, Harvard college, love found its way, in the form of "couple sitters". The college boys are hiring these modern-age duennas to circumvent the regulation that prohibits a girl's staying in an undergrad's room after 8 p.m., unless accompanied by another girl.

The "couple sitters" make only one request, i.e., that the couple for whom they sit, furnish adequate illumination for studying.

—Janet Rosen

## Life In A Stable

The stables are almost a mile from Old Main as the crow flies. By road it is infinitely longer. The hapless person who wants to ride horseback must spend half an hour walking out and half an hour back in order to ride for forty-five minutes.

BETTER THE PEOPLE should ride to the stables and back and spend forty-five minutes walking around the paddock. Much wear and tear would be eliminated and the horses would not grow old before their time through the sheer monotony of their lives.

Imagine spending your life in a stable. You would be given hay and grain to eat, nothing but water to drink, and would be expected to sleep standing up. There would be no carpets on the floor and no pictures on the unpainted walls. And worst of all, when you were allowed out into the world, you would be expected to trot around and around in a dusty paddock seeing nothing but the white fence and the manure spreader in the next field.

The road to the stables is a hard one to walk. It goes up and down and around and is pitted with mud and puddles.

There is a short cut through the fields but six fences lie across the way and there are cow droppings to be avoided. A good high jumper can navigate the fences, but it should be kept in mind that they are barbed wire and electrified.

THIS WRITER once vaulted over one of the fences but his aim was low and he scraped on one of the barbs. Hurt, he was thrown off balance and fell heavily on the top strand of wire. The barbs dug deep and just at that moment a great surge of electricity came rushing along and into the tender body astride the wire.

This writer then collapsed to the ground screaming, crawled under the fence and went home. For who can ride a horse when his seat has been barbed and electrified beyond repair.

—Jack Garretson-Butt

## Squeaks And Gibbers

Tonight, beneath the lascivious leer of a great harvest moon, sheeted things will squeak and gibber in the streets of State College, the graves will stand tenantless, and witches will fill the air with their eerie shrieking. Not coeds, other witches.

FOR TONIGHT IS HALLOWE'EN, when the spirits of all that is evil, imps, incubi, wizzards, and grade school children prowl abroad for one night of revel before returning to the bells whence all were spawned. Brave indeed the female student who ventures alone into the haunted vales of Hort woods tonight—almost as brave as the ones who go there with boys the rest of the year.

Look, there in the corner of the room! Is that merely a grotesque shadow, a distorted mental image. Or is it real, a living breathing thing from the Pit waiting with gaping mouth to seize and claw and rip and . . . It's moving! It's—My God, roomie, you look like hell tonight!