

## The Daily Collegian

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## Rowdy Display

Having made similar displays in the past, the Penn State student body surprised few indeed with its rowdy performance during Saturday's basketball game with Syracuse.

A SYRACUSE PLAYER at the foul line was booed so loudly that it was necessary for one of the officials to announce that unless the visiting team was given the proper courtesy, the player would be allowed to shoot until he made the free throw. Then and only then did the spectators refrain from making a further disturbance.

Those who have sat through Rec hall contests in the past few years, witnessed the listless reaction of Penn Staters to the efforts of Nittany Lion teams, and seen cheerleaders hooted off the floor were no doubt delighted at the spirit demonstrated Saturday night. Inspired by a courageous Nittany basketball team that put on a spirited display before bowing to one of the top teams in the country, Penn Staters for once rooted for their team as if they really wanted it to win.

In their zeal, however, the students cast aside one of the leading principles of sportsmanship and fair play: give the other fellow an even chance. What happened to Syracuse Saturday night can happen to Penn State when it goes on the road, and in simple mathematical terms, the Lions play just as many at home as they do away.

Syracuse might have left Rec hall Saturday with the impression that the Penn State student body is solidly behind its teams and cheers them on in victory and defeat. Instead the Orange probably returned home with the impression that Penn Staters are a pack of hot-headed rowdies.

THE REC HALL INDOOR winter athletic program is a long one. It will bring many visiting teams to Penn State. Let's try to have them leave with a better impression.

— Marv Krasnansky

## Student Raids

Perhaps it is considered the "sporting" thing for students to scout the countryside in search of someone else's property. In mind is last week's raid on the forestry planting plots in which several students unsuccessfully attempted to escape with an 18-foot spruce tree.

ACCOUNTS OF STUDENT raids on the turkey farms for midnight dinners, liberation of building materials for use in student projects, and requisition of traffic signs for the house collection—such revelations may suggest a certain adventure to listeners. A second thought, of course, always reveals that these actions represent material loss for someone.

Criminal courts deal out jailhouse sentences for such offenses. Fortunately for offenders here, a more sympathetic view has been taken, probably because few of the offenses have been detected and because some people feel that this is about all that can be expected of college students.

In this latest case, the College lost a tree which won't easily be replaced. It is impossible to justify such abuse of others' property by tagging it "just a little hell-raising" or by similar rationalization.

— John Ashbrook

## Right To Vote

Now is the time for all good men to come to the aid of their party.

STUDENTS INTERESTED in voting while still in school can do just this by dropping a card to their representatives in the General Assembly on the subject of absentee ballots.

Interest in the subject is being stirred up again here by the College chapter of the National Student association, which will submit a suggested bill for the state legislature at an NSA regional convention later this week.

Personal notes from college students would impress the assemblymen with the statewide desire for an organized method of voting for those who cannot be at home on election day. College students will benefit as much as any group from such a plan.

On election days of other years, editorialists have complained about the plight of students who wanted to vote but would have to cut classes to do so. Election holidays were proposed. This plan was objected to by administration officials on the grounds that a majority of students, being under age, would not be eligible to vote anyway.

LEGAL CUTS for election day classes were offered on several occasions but this still left the student with the problem of making up work missed.

Regardless of which party you support, or even if you support no party, now is the time to display your interest in protecting the right to vote.

— Herbert Stein

## Safety Valve . . .

### West Dorm Rebuttal

TO THE EDITOR: I would like to take time to inform you of the true facts that were overlooked in the misinforming editorial, "Acting Hastily," in last Saturday's Daily Collegian.

First, the West dormitories council is an established, functioning campus organization; it is not in a formative stage. It is a well counseled group of level-headed maturing young men elected on their merits by some 1600 equally level-headed maturing young men.

Second, the council never acted "hastily" nor "ill-advisedly" nor is it dictated to by advisers. The council legislates for the best interests of the men it represents. This type of legislation was not and never will be a mistake. The organization never was "expected" to be mistaken.

Third, the council had all the facts pertinent to the incident.

Fourth, director of housing, Mr. Russell E. Clark, was not invited to the meeting "to explain his side of the story." He was invited to outline the undertakings of his department and to explain in full detail the problems faced that prohibit the immediate expedition of planned projects. His information was to be then forwarded to the West-dormitories area men to further the understanding between the men and the Housing department.

The council agrees that, "Hasty action seldom pays." It also agrees that facts are necessary for good government as well as for good newspaper publication.

### Letter cut

—Thomas A. Durek,  
President, West dormitories council

### Queens From The Campus

TO THE EDITOR: It seems to me that there are enough pretty girls on our own campus who would qualify for Military ball queen instead of some girl from Podunkville or Stumphollow. Not only that, after the queen is elected we would certainly like to have her on campus so that we can say that that's our Mil ball queen, instead of having to go to some far away place to find her. There should certainly be some steps taken toward revising the qualifying rules. Personally, I believe that this should apply to all Penn State queens and not just the Military ball queen.

— Edward Crossley

### Boost For The Grid Squad

TO THE EDITOR: After reading various campus publications, phone booth placards, blotters, etc., I am convinced more than ever that everything cannot be gotten at Metzger's. I am referring, of course, to Engle and Co's victory brought back from Forbes field.

Nice going fellows!

— Rudy Choman

## Gazette . . .

Tuesday, December 12

ALPHA DELTA SIGMA, educational sound film, "The Story of Printing," 121 Sparks, 4 p.m.

PENN STATE CLUB, 405 Old Main, 7 p.m.

NAACP meeting, 303 Willard hall, 7:30 p.m.

MI STUDENT COUNCIL meeting, 213 Willard hall, 7 p.m.

HISTORY ROUND TABLE, McElwain hall study lounge, 7:30 p.m.

CHESS club, 3 Sparks, 7 p.m.

PSI CHI meeting, initiation of new members postponed from Nov. 28, 7 p.m., talk on the psychologist's blind spot and a comprehensive test in psychology by Dr. Anderson of Wilson college, 8:15 p.m., 217 Willard hall.

COLLEGIAN BUSINESS CANDIDATES, 1 Carnegie hall, 7 p.m.

WRA bowling, White hall alleys, 7 p.m.

WRA fencing, White hall, 7 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.

Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing company is interested in January graduates for sales work. They prefer men who have taken part in student activities. If interested, contact College Placement service in 112 Old Main not later than December 19.

### STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

For information concerning the following jobs, applicants should stop in 112 Old Main.

Ten men for house to house sales in the Pennsylvania plan for local concern; commission basis.

### COLLEGE HOSPITAL

Patients: Robert Smith, Herbert Groff, John Miller, Eugene Goldbloom, Stanley Wampler, Charles Douds, Clifford Dennis, Emil Berger, Peter Knapp, Floyd Rough, Lawrence Day.

### AT THE MOVIES

CATHAUM: Rock Island Trail  
STATE: Union Station  
NITTANY: Private Life of Henry VIII.

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## Humor Angles



"I like a professor who lets his hair down once in a while!"

### Osculators Please Note

## Condemning The Kiss

Though Carol Channing asserts that "A kiss on the hand may be quite continental," and Cyrano de Bergerac defines a kiss as "The rose red dot on the letter i in loving," most good, old-fashioned mothers firmly brand this popular practice as "unhealthy."

BUT, SCIENCE IS A WONDERFUL THING: for now osculation—inclined individuals can indulge in that kiss good-night without fears of leprosy, elephantiasis, lock jaw, dropsy, or rabies.

According to the Illinois Health department, kissing isn't a dangerous germ spreader. On the contrary, it is—  
"A pleasant greeting—an agreeable salutation, and a boon to the mental health of mankind."

The department, in an article in the Illinois Health Messenger, attacked the old wife's tales which insinuate that bacteria are spread by kissing.

"Most people have a false conception of bacteria," it continues. "Each dust particle in the air is covered with hundreds of bacteria—most of them harmless."

THIS HEARTENING TREATISE went on to defend the much sinned-against bacterium.

"Some bacteria are useful to mankind; they make cheese, wine, beer, vinegar, yeast, and dough."

Indeed, these bacteria are amazing organisms. Their dough and beer-making qualities alone should be sufficient to win them a place in the Smithsonian institute.

So what are a few bacteria between friends—particularly if they are spread in this delightful manner? To follow the advice of the Illinois Health department: "Let us not condemn the kiss."

— Janet Rosen

## On Other Campuses

English professors at West Virginia university have reported they are making excellent progress with freshman English classes. The report was made after comparing scores made by new students with grades received by students who had spent one year at the school.

Fencing has taken an upswing in popularity at the University of Utah. Darwin Lees, instructor and sponsor of the fencing club, announced plans for an intercollegiate fencing team to begin this winter. The school now has fencing classes and a club.

Officials of the Michigan State college expect a drop of enrollment in February of approximately 500 students. Robert S. Linton, registrar, said the usual drop is around 200. He was not sure about the reasons, but he said the Korean situation probably had a great deal to do with it.

A group of medical students at the University of Wisconsin last week charged humane societies in the state of Michigan with "flaunting the laws of the state" because they refused to turn over stray dogs for vivisection. The student group claimed that by this action the education of medical students was being greatly hindered. Sy Goldberg, one of the students, said classwork was at a standstill as a result.

Faculty members of the University of Wisconsin recently formed a committee on human rights. The purpose of the group is to eliminate racial and religious discrimination against persons connected with the school.

Thirty seniors at Villanova college were selected recently for the national publication, "Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities." The usual number of students chosen from other schools is ten.