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## New Services

This is the first issue of a new Collegian, made possible by the increase in the newspaper's student fee. We hope the Collegian, with its new services and expanded content, will find acceptance and approval among the student body.

It is a new Collegian in two senses. First, enlargement of news content makes it possible for the paper to function more efficiently in its specialized field, that of recording events and conditions on the Penn State campus. Secondly, this enlargement also makes it possible for the Collegian to cease to be, in a strict sense, merely a specialized newspaper, and rather to report also events from the outside world which are affecting the lives of students.

**OF COURSE**, the Collegian never can become a complete general newspaper—for example, it does not print comics and wouldn't have the space even were the inclination present. However, we feel that this step beyond mere specialization is one which should benefit every reader.

We also would like to ask our readers, including those who have news for publication, to bear with us during the early days in which we will be experiencing growing pains. It's a big jump to eight pages daily, and a newspaper can't do it one page at a time. Our work now will become more extensive and more intensive, and this necessitates working out new methods of handling news. Some of these new methods already are in operation, but by and large they still are in the experimental stage and cannot be perfected immediately.

Coverage of campus news will be our major problem, and in it we ask the cooperation of every group in the news. Our files, we suspect, are not complete, and organizations which have not been covered regularly will do us a great favor by so informing us and requesting news coverage.

**TO THOSE** who supported the Collegian in its request for additional money to enlarge the paper, we wish to extend our sincere appreciation. To those who opposed the request, whatever their reasons may have been, we express the hope that the expanded and, we believe, improved newspaper will convince them that the project was justified.

To be seen in its proper perspective, the expansion of the Collegian must be viewed as a step in the march toward a bigger and better Penn State.

## Colloquy Plans

In looking about for worthy projects on which to expend its energy, All-College cabinet could do far worse than take steps toward holding a colloquy on drinking problems. Recent appointment of chairmen for a committee to investigate possibility of holding such a colloquy was an action for which few, if any, will deride cabinet. John Barleycorn has been with us for many years, and our crystal gazer, when he's not occupied in Bellefonte, keeps telling us he will be around for a good many more years.

**JUST HOLDING** a colloquy to discuss John Barleycorn won't scare him away from these parts by a long shot. But, if planned and executed properly, it should throw some light on a problem that has been with institutions of higher learning since their founding. Drinking is a problem for all society, but in colleges, where young people are just beginning to feel their oats, it is of special significance.

Last fall's dispute over bars in fraternity houses shows how close to home the problem comes. Such a colloquy will not provide automatically the answers to this and other questions, but it should go a long way toward helping students to understand aspects of drinking and how it affects them.

Personally, we believe in moderation and we can't see the merits of either the Omar Khayyam hell-bent-for-guzzling school or the prohibitionist viewpoint. The only way one can be moderate about drinking is to understand drinking. Few will disagree that many college students need education on the question of drinking.

Such education the colloquy, if plans for it are successful, should be able to provide. The colloquy can contribute greatly to the welfare of the student community by helping students to meet intelligently the problem of liquor.

## Little Man On Campus

By Bibler



"Aham a lookin' fer a snap course, ma'am."

## Gazette . . .

Tuesday, February 6

- COLLEGIAN photographers, 7 p.m., 1 Carnegie.
- COLLEGIAN editorial candidates, 7:30 p.m., 1 Carnegie.
- COLLEGIAN senior editorial board, 8:30 p.m., 1 Carnegie.
- COLLEGIAN sophomore and junior business boards, 7 p.m., 9 Carnegie.
- COLLEGIAN junior circulation board, 7 p.m., Collegian office.
- FROTH circulation staff and all new and old candidates, 7 p.m., 3 Carnegie.
- FROTH art staff and candidates, Froth office, 7 p.m.
- CHESS club, 7 p.m., 3 Sparks.
- WOMEN'S DEBATE tryouts, 6:30 p.m., 2 Sparks.
- NAACP, 7:30 p.m., 303 Willard.
- INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS club, 7:15 p.m., 218 Willard.
- ENGINEERING STUDENT COUNCIL, 7 p.m., 107 Main Engineering.
- PENN STATE CLUB, 7 p.m., 110 E. E.
- WRA BOWLING, 7 p.m., White Hall alleys.
- WRA FENCING, 7 p.m., White Hall.

### COLLEGE PLACEMENT

Further information concerning interviews and job placements can be obtained in 112 Old Main.  
Bethlehem Steel company would like to have preliminary application blanks from June graduates in M.E., E.E., C.E., Chem. Eng., Mining Eng., Metal, and Ceramics. Blanks may be obtained in 112 Old Main before Feb. 9.  
National Bureau of Standards will interview M.S. and Ph.D. candidates in Physics, Electrical Engineering, and Mechanical Engineering Monday, Feb. 19.  
R.C.A. Victor division will interview June Graduates in Chem. Eng., E.E., and M.E. on Monday, February 19.  
E. I. Dupont de Nemours company will interview June graduates at the B.S. and M.S. levels in Chem., Chem. Eng., C.E., E.E., M.E., Mining Eng., Pnr. Eng., I.E., Ceramics, Metal, and Fuel Tech. Monday, Feb. 19.

### STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

For information concerning the following jobs, applicants should stop in 112 Old Main.  
**SENIOR GRADUATE** student for organic chemistry research; permanent part-time job on campus.  
**MALE STUDENT**, liberal arts major preferred; to work in exchange for room; must have late part of afternoons free.  
TUB hours open to busboys and dishwashers—Monday, 1 to 5 p.m.; Wednesday, 9 to 12 a.m.; Friday 9 to 12 a.m.

## Safety Valve . . .

### Exam Files For All Students

**TO THE EDITOR:** The Collegian recently reported that a final examination given in a previous semester had been offered for sale as "worth \$30 because none of the fraternities had it in their files."

At some institutions old examinations are bound like books and placed on open shelves in the college library. Why not at Penn State? If an old examination is worth \$30 on this campus it should be available to all. The open shelf system would give every student a better understanding of his courses and allow him an honest and intelligent means of measuring his ability against the probable demands of his instructors.

It would also discourage the notion that there is something clandestine about last year's questions. This guessing-game atmosphere is childish and suggests what, let us hope, is not true—that our courses are so limited or stereotyped in their ideas, facts, and techniques that examination questions have to be frequently repeated.

—L. F. Peck

### Objects To Exams In Schwab

**TO THE EDITOR:** On Friday, Jan. 18, I was one of the multitude who took a final exam in Schwab auditorium. The conditions under which the exams were given not only discouraged concentration but eliminated the possibility of turning in a coherent bluebook.

The seats in Schwab were surely never meant to be used as desks, and the art of balancing boards upon shaky knees and writing upon them is particularly difficult to master under stress. The lighting in the building is horribly inadequate, and the chimes of Old Main sounded unbelievably loud and nerve-wrecking.

Perhaps it was because of excessive anxiety that these physical characteristics were so terribly annoying, but it seems to me that in a school such as ours where so much emphasis is placed upon

the results of the final examination, and on a campus vast enough to lavishly accommodate farm animals, better rooms should be made available to those who are taking final examinations and aspiring to do well.

—Name withheld  
**Ed. Note**—Scheduling Officer Ray Watkins yesterday told Collegian that the College recognizes the inadequacy of Schwab auditorium as an exam room but that it is the only room on campus now which will hold the large numbers enrolled in some courses.

• Some 3000 persons, most of whom are freshmen, take full-time College work under the extension services. Some 12,000 take part-time evening instruction, while approximately 6000 others pursue correspondence courses. The informal instruction services reach hundreds of thousands annually through short courses, institutes, conferences, lectures, demonstrations and the like. Last year over two million persons were served by the film library alone.

## First Anniversary

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