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## Good Hell Week Program Needed

Some time ago when the Interfraternity Council forbade all detrimental hell week activities, the move was hailed as a step toward a saner fraternity system. And it was.

In these times of stress, college students can little afford the kind of cutting-up for which fraternities have made newspaper headlines in the past. With this in mind, the IFC put the ban on unnecessary horseplay.

While the IFC move was a step in the right direction, the fraternity leaders could have gone further. The IFC action simply put in writing those activities which were frowned upon and forbidden. It did not set up a program of activities which would be helpful to the fraternity system itself and in establishing good will with the public.

Many fraternities have embarked upon such programs themselves. One recently helped to clean the Centre County Library. Other fraternities have turned the energies of their pledges loose on constructive work within their own houses.

Individual action such as this indicates that some of the more responsible fraternity leaders are aware that it is just as important to have a list of "do's" as it is to have a list of "don'ts."

Encouragement of constructive hell weeks within the houses and joint efforts by fraternity pledges on constructive projects should be the next step. It is a program which deserves the attention of IFC leaders.

## Local Track Meet

On the bulletin board in the track team's locker room is tacked the Penn State track schedule with the unfortunate holes in the schedule sarcastically filled in with Illinois, USC, and Texas.

It is to late now to cry about the fact that a good team like State's has so few dual meets or that avid State track fans cannot even see the Lions in home meet action.

But, rather than constantly wailing about the situation, Nittany coaches Chick Werner and Norm Gordon have contrived to give to Penn State a track meet anyway.

This Saturday several former Lion stars in track and field have been invited to return to the Beaver Field cinders to help put on a bang-up show with the frosh and varsity men, who will be evenly divided into two teams.

Thus through enthusiasm and keen interest by the coaches in the great sport track, Penn State students can get a glimpse of some really fine athletes in a meet which figures to be more

## Dorm Decision On Dances Regrettable

The recent decision of the West Dorm Council to allow only free dances in the West Dorm lounge should prove to be another decision that body will have to regret.

Faced with a touchy problem whether or not to allow the Women's Student Government Association to hold a paid admission affair in the lounge, the council went off and barred all dances for which admission would be charged.

The feeling among council members is that if admission is asked for a dance, West Dorm residents should not be charged. Their contention is that they are paying for the facilities with their rent and, therefore, should not be made to pay twice.

The fallacy in this argument is that West Dorm residents are not the only ones paying for the luxurious new living units. Rent collected from all students living in College-owned housing facilities is placed in a single fund. All expenses are met with this fund.

If we were to accept the reasoning of the council members, West Dorm men, by reason of their residence in the area, would be entitled to privileges not extended to others.

The West Dorm council has been given the power to say who shall and who shall not be able to use the lounge. Until now it has acted with generosity and fairness. The council must, of course, first consider the men living in the area and arrange for the use of the lounge as best suits the needs of those men.

The action arbitrarily barring the use of the lounge for those campus groups who wish to charge admission is a move not in the best interests of the College as a whole.

## Gazette . . .

Wednesday, May 9

CHEM-PHYS student council, old and new members, 204 Old Main, 7 p.m.

COLLEGIAN business freshman board, 9 Carnegie Hall, 7 p.m.

COLLEGIAN editorial sophomore board, 1 Carnegie Hall, 7 p.m.

DUPLICATE BRIDGE club and tournament, TUB, 6:45 p.m.

HILLEL, lecture-demonstration of Hebrew and Israeli folk dances by Vyts F. Beliajus, Hillel Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.

NEWMAN CLUB, 108 Willard Hall, 7 p.m.

WRA BRIDGE, White Hall play room, 7 p.m.

WRA DANCE, White Hall rhythm room 7 p.m.

### COLLEGE PLACEMENT

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

Koppers Company will interview Juniors in Chem. Eng., C.E., and Chem. for summer work Friday, May 18. A 1.5 average and veterans are preferred.

The Otis Elevator Company will interview June graduates in M.E. and E.E. Wednesday, May 16.

Harshaw Chemical Company will interview June graduates in Chem. if enough students are interested. Interested students should leave their name at 112 Old Main before May 14.

National Gypsum Company will interview June graduates in Chem., Chem. Eng., and Col. Chem. Wednesday, May 16.

Stewart & Co., Inc. will interview June graduates in C&F, A&L, and Ed. Monday, May 21.

### STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

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

Three experienced waitresses for noon service Sunday May 13 and possibly evening service Friday, May 11; 60c per hour plus meals and tips; transportation provided.

Baby-sitter to take care of 1 year old boy mornings 8 a.m. to 12 noon Monday through Friday each week.

exciting and closer than a regularly scheduled meet would be.

It should be a great treat for track fans who certainly deserve at least one peek at their own team.

—Jake Highton

## Little Man On Campus

By Bibler



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"I wish to enroll."

## Safety Valve . . .

### Objects To MacArthur Ridicule

TO THE EDITOR:

Some time has elapsed since General MacArthur gave his speech before Congress upon his return to the states. We were under the impression that all responses had been made shortly thereafter.

However, people still can't seem to stop making their slurring remarks. Maybe they have nothing else to discuss. If that is the case, we suggest these individuals use their spare time to do a little profound thinking as mature Americans.

The incident that spurred us to write this was the auctioning of a radio at the PSCA auction. "If you'd had this, you could have heard that 'old soldiers never die,'" followed by a chuckle, was the bait used to interest the people buying the radio. This was hardly the place to ridicule a great speech by an equally great general.

We have also heard remarks concerning the age of our returning hero. "It's the old ones you have to watch out for" would not be music to the ears of that one who issued it when he reaches the age of seventy-one. We thought that ours was a country in which the longer one kept working toward his goal and the closer he came, the more praise he deserved. One so consecrated to his ideals should not have his work terminated in such a manner that he thinks he is no longer wanted by those he served so well.

As for the closing of the gen-

eral's speech, this was, as he said, one of the sayings at West Point and a favorite of his. Whoever laughs at the general's statement laughs at one of America's greatest and most revered institutions; that of the United States Military Academy at West Point.

If such an eloquent speech did not inspire each and every listener to realize the magnificence of our military tradition, then he should take stock of his American heritage.

There are few of us who would give up 14 years of safe and protected living in this country; or would devote a lifetime to the service of our country.

No matter what our political affiliations are as voters, our pride that swells when we see Old Glory waving should have brought us to reverent silence and humiliation at the conclusion of Douglas MacArthur's speech.

—Names withheld

The Pennsylvania state flower is the mountain laurel; the state tree is the hemlock, and the state game bird is the ruffed grouse.