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## New Handbook For Freshmen

The 1951 Student Handbook, which will be distributed to the freshmen and new students next September, seems to be the type of publication which will become the real "Freshman Bible."

The Handbook, being compiled and edited now, is being published by All-College Cabinet for the first time, and is designed to include all information that might be necessary or useful to the "neophyte" at Penn State.

By combining several other pamphlets and booklets with the usual Student Handbook, All-College Cabinet intends, through the staff of the book, to give the new student everything he or she needs in facts about the College.

The new combined Student Handbook, including the student government handbook, the All-College constitution, undergraduate regulations, and customs regulations, is a step by student government to aid the students in their initial campus days and can be fully appreciated by those who recall the confusion that marks that period.

## Little Man On Campus By Bibler



"They're ready but I think they're wise to our early-morning-duck-hunt — They wanna know if we're taking guns."

## Change In Housing Is Only Solution

Yesterday's announcement that part of the West Dorm area would be taken over for women's housing next fall will undoubtedly be the cause of much campus discussion.

The outcome of all the talk must be that the action, although unfortunate, has been taken in the best interests of the College. An intelligent view of the action cannot reach any other conclusion than that the world situation has made the move necessary.

Because of the world situation and the draft, enrollment next fall is expected to drop to around 8000. Currently there are more than 10,000 undergraduates enrolled here. In an effort to offset this anticipated drop in enrollment the College has opened up admissions to allow 700 more women to enter Penn State in the fall.

Classroom and laboratory facilities are available. The only difficulty is housing. This problem can only be met by turning some of the male housing over to the women. There is no other solution.

The additional women are necessary since the College must operate its dormitories at 95 per cent of capacity in order to meet its financial obligations. Currently the College has a debt of \$16,300,000. Financially there is no other way out.

The President has said that a quota of rooms in the West Dorms has been set aside for upperclassmen. A priority system, not yet worked out, will determine what upperclassmen will live in the area. We feel certain that student leaders will be consulted to assist in the formulation of this priority system.

The President has stressed that this is a temporary policy. As soon as male enrollment returns to normal, the College will return to its former policy.

We take that as the solemn pledge of the President. We have never known him in the past to go back on a pledge he has made to the students. He will not this time.

## AIM Necessary For Independents

If nothing else is accomplished, yesterday's exposure of an organized attempt to discredit and destroy the Association of Independent Men should put an end to that effort.

And the end to the effort to destroy AIM comes none too soon. The death of AIM would have been the worst thing that could have happened to the independent man on campus.

It is a truism that the weakness of the independent man is that he is not organized. It has been said that if independents were to organize, they would be the most powerful group on campus. Perhaps.

There is no doubt, however, that the future of the Penn State independent lies in one organization, not in two, or three, or four. At the same time, AIM can be no stronger than the groups which compose it. This is true of every organization.

AIM speaks for all independent men on campus—all 4000 or more—not the 1500 in the West Dorms, or the 1100 in the Nittany-Pollock area. And as the spokesman for all independent men, it carries much more influence than can a body representing any single group.

An attempt to destroy AIM is an attempt to strike a blow at every independent on campus. AIM is every independent man. Without AIM the independent man would be without a voice.

AIM must continue to function and grow.

## Safety Valve—

### Mr. 'X' Ripe For Business

TO THE EDITOR: Re: Article appearing in the letters to the editor column under the title "Language Hindrance" in the issue of May 10.

I often wonder why names are withheld from your letters to the editor column, but in the case of the person writing about the School of Liberal Arts, the answer is quite plain. Mr. "X" was not very sure of himself. I should like to answer his letter point by point.

He first writes of the "ambitious high school graduate who enters Penn State to learn all about accounting." According to Webster's infallible definition, a university is "an institution for teaching and study in the higher branches of learning and empowered to confer degrees in theology, law, medicine, or the arts." It is to be noted that a university does not confer a degree in accounting. Since the Department of Commerce and Finance finds itself within the School of Liberal Arts it is to be expected that its students are of a calibre to follow the curriculum of the other students in the School of Liberal Arts. If the "ambitious high school graduate" is of that calibre he will be able to do so. If Mr. "X" would like to learn only the difference between a debit and a credit, he obviously belongs in a business school where only commercial subjects are taught and certainly has no business obtaining an A.B. degree.

He believes that a student studying one of the foreign languages receives no benefit from that study. It is a well known fact that a student gets out of a course what he puts into it.

—Eleanor K. Paucker

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### COLLEGE PLACEMENT

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

United States Steel will interview students for summer work if enough are interested. Interested students should leave their name in 112 Old Main before Thursday, May 17.

Clusters, Lock Haven, Pa. will interview June graduates in C.E. Monday, May 21.

Fire Association of Philadelphia will interview June graduates in C&F and A&L Wednesday, May 23.

Pennsylvania Water and Power Company representative, Mr. Robert Neyer, will be on campus through Thursday, May 17. He will be glad to discuss the power industry and types of opportunities with any students in M.E., E.E., or C.E. He may be reached at the hydraulics Lab. or at the Nittany Lion Inn.

### STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

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

Student with car to distribute Sunday papers for Student News Agency; cash remuneration.

Stenographer available half-time and until November.

Man to lay church carpeting; must be experienced; must have transportation; excellent pay.

Man over 21 to act as bartender; local job evenings to finish semester; can continue through summer.

Ten to twelve men to work on college farms today and tomorrow beginning at 1 p.m.; transportation provided; \$5c per hour.

### COLLEGE HOSPITAL

David Bain, Herbert Basselman, John Citron, Carolyn De Hart, Gerhardt Eckelmann, Eugene Finkelstein, Ruth Fry, Carolyn Green, Thomas Owens, Thomas Huntley, Harry Laver, LeRoy Loy, Ben Lukas, Bob Malburg, Don Powers, James Ramsay, George Rosenkranz, Bill Schumacher, Charles Wagner, George Weber.

### AT THE MOVIES

CATHAUM: Goodbye My Fancy  
STATE: Follow The Sun  
NITTANY: A Life Of Her Own  
STARLITE DRIVE-IN: For Heaven's Sake plus—Down Dakota Way

### Interpreting The News

## China Embargo Recalls 1935

By J. M. ROBERTS, JR.  
Associated Press Foreign Affairs Analyst

For the second time in 16 years the nations which compose the world's peace-loving community are about to try an embargo to curb aggression.

Its effectiveness will depend heavily on something which hardly existed the first time—the sincerity of the individual members of the embargoing group.

People everywhere got excited in 1935 when the League of Nations voted sanctions against Italy after Mussolini's troops invaded Ethiopia. The British government, which had gotten on the bandwagon only after some serious dillydallying, found itself so popular that it called a general election immediately to extend a term of office which was about to expire.

The league started out with a bang to enforce a virtual blockade against Italy. Arms were embargoed, along with certain financial transactions and purchases from Italy. But oil, coal, iron and steel were never embargoed.

### Pierre Laval

It developed that France's infamous Pierre Laval had made a secret agreement with Britain's Sir Samuel Hoare, before any sanctions were adopted, that they would not take steps leading to military sanctions, naval blockade or closure of the Suez Canal to Mussolini's shipments. They also agreed on partial dismemberment of Ethiopia to appease Italy. Sir Samuel lost his cabinet job when the public found out.

The United States Government tried to cooperate with League aims. Having no embargo powers, it obtained a voluntary agreement with the major oil companies not to supply Mussolini. When Washington was unable to assure Britain, however, that it could control some of the small independent companies, London declined to include oil in the first sanctions. And later it still resisted as Mussolini's military successes made it appear an oil

embargo might lead to military sanctions. Americans and Europeans continued a large part of their business with Mussolini throughout the "incident."

As the United Nations tries to do something about war shipments to Red China, whose troops are fighting men from some of the seller countries themselves, there is no appearance of such undercover tactics as scuttled the League of Nations effort.

Some of the member countries, such as Indonesia and India, however, have indicated openly that they will not go along. The British ban on rubber sales already is being evaded. And more evasions are likely amid the intrigues of the Far East.

But despite all the shifting and evasion by United Nations diplomats these days, morals do seem to be somewhat higher than in 1935.

## 'Farmer' Scheduled To Appear Today

The Penn State Farmer is scheduled to come out today, David Stabler, editor, announced yesterday.

The main feature of this issue of the Farmer will be the new soil testing lab being installed in Plant Industries Building.

Distribution points are the lobbies of the Ag Hill buildings. The magazine will be distributed both today and tomorrow.

Anyone who does not get a copy may pick one up in the magazine room in the basement of the Agriculture Building.

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