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Housing Poses Touchy Problem

How to place more than 900 students in 225 rooms is the problem facing the student-faculty committee which must decide on a priority system for the West Dorms.

The conversion of four of the West Dorms to housing for women has created a touchy problem. The committee, consisting of H. K. Wilson, dean of men; Russell Clark, director of housing; John Laubach, Nittany Council president; Thomas Durek, West Dorm Council president; and Leonard Tomazin, Pollock Council president, will have to solve it. No matter what their decision is, there will be griping.

How to get more than 900 men into 225 rooms is a problem that cannot really be solved. A man who could solve this problem would rate a fabulous salary.

What shall be the criteria to be used in setting up the priority system?

Shall upperclassmen who have already lived in the West Dorms be given preference over those who have not lived in the area? This is one problem the committee will have to face, for almost 300 students in the Nittany-Pollock area have indicated that they wish to live in the West Dorms in the fall.

Obviously, seniors should be given preference over juniors. It is just as apparent that the freshmen who have lived one year in the West Dorms should be on the bottom of the scale.

Scholarship and activities are also two factors the committee should take into consideration in choosing the 225 who will live in the West Dorm area. It is rather apparent that upperclassmen with high scholastic averages would have a beneficial influence on the 700 or more frosh who will be living in the West Dorms in the fall. The same is true of those upperclassmen who have shown an interest in extracurricular activities.

Upperclassmen will be outnumbered three-to-one in the West Dorms, so it would be a good idea to see to it that those who are in the area are qualified to exert a guiding influence on the frosh, many of whom will be away from home and on their own for the first time.

No matter what decision the committee makes, the students who will not be able to live in the West Dorms in the fall will be disappointed.

We're glad we don't have to make that decision.

Alumni Is Leading Progress Factor

The announcement that the Alumni Association has reduced its dues for the benefit of the graduating class officially opens the annual drive for members.

It is regrettable that the seniors must be coaxed into the organization each year, but being what we are, it is probably the only way to make the drive successful.

Most of the senior class of any year leave with a kind of love for the 'old place', but even they have spent a good part of their time here decrying this or that phase of the education they were receiving.

The only real way to improve, change, or eliminate any of these things for the new students is through the Alumni Association.

By joining the already 40,000 strong group, graduates can maintain a close and active interest in the school. This interest can be beneficial to the future Penn Staters.

The alumni, by combining their knowledge of the school with what they know of the necessities of education in the world, can present a comprehensive approach to the improvement of the College.

As students, we know how much this could mean to us. As graduates, we should realize how much can be accomplished through the Alumni Association and its 62 district groups.

—Bud Fenton

Paint Party

Last fall the Penn State Christian Association again organized one of its social service committees called the Paintslingers. This group has been a working organ of PSCA for several years and last year it painted a parsonage at Milesburg and three schoolhouses.

This year, the Paintslingers decided that first on their agenda would be the painting of the Stony Point schoolhouse. Unfortunately, this turned out to be the only job of the year. The group gradually dwindled down and paint parties became few and far between leaving the project incomplete.

During the past few weeks PSCA has been trying to complete the job, as it promised it would. Weekly open meetings have been devoted to paint parties.

One side of the building remains to be painted. Tonight is the last paint party this year. If enough interested students called 304 Old Main to make sure there will be transportation for all, the job could be finished.

How about it? Will you go?

—LaVonne Althouse

The Moths Are 'All Washed Up'

HARRISBURG—State Secretary of Agriculture Miles Horst has written "finis" to a 19-year-old victorious warfare against one of the most damaging insect pests ever known in Pennsylvania.

This was done when he signed an order lifting "Gypsy Moth Quarantine No. 24" and its various supplements, thereby declaring the State to be entirely free of the pest.

We hope that all the moths read the order before they come blundering back to Pennsylvania for another 19-year war.

Was this one of those 'limited wars'?

The Secretary's statement that "The job is completed—there are no more gypsy moths in Pennsylvania," is the kind of thing we would like to hear come out of Harrisburg more often.

Nineteen years is a long time. We hope that this little skirmish hasn't taken the starch out of our agriculture department.

—B. F.

Safety Valve—

Correction

TO THE EDITOR:

I would like to correct an impression created by the May 17 issue of Collegian. In that issue Collegian said that I had denied being approached. I only denied having been approached to vote for a bloc of four Lion candidates.

—Richard Klingensmith

Gazette . . .

Wednesday, May 23

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.

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

PENN STATE GRANGE, 100 Horticulture, 8 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.

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.

Columbia Malable Casting Co. will interview freshman, sophomores, and juniors for summer work Thursday, May 24.

Koppers Company will interview June graduates in M.E. Monday, May 28.

Koppers Company will interview June graduates in Chem. Eng. and C.E. Monday, May 28.

STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

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

Girl or boy for one day a week house cleaning now and through the summer.

Positions open to summer students for work in the Snack Bar: remuneration in meals.

Positions now and through the summer at local diner for countermen.

Janitor for campus building; 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. six days a week.

Goed for room and board position in exchange for baby-sitting and simple housework, for the summer.

Summer opportunity for male "combo" of three (over 21); also short order cook, boatmen with motor know-how; janitor for resort in Poconos; to start as soon as possible; excellent arrangement.

COLLEGE HOSPITAL

Henry Albright, Agnes Barth, Troy Conrad, William Crummy, Elvy Christner, Standley Gardner, Bob Holler, Helene Houtz, Allan Jacobson, Sue Ladd, Ben Lukas, Clint Swingle, George Weber.

AT THE MOVIES

CATHAUM: Men of Music
STATE: Molly
NITTANY: Dallas
STARLITE DRIVE-IN: Born Yesterday

Roving Reporter



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"You're new here, so I may as well tell you—that snap-brim effect is definitely outre!"

Poor Man's Paradise



By PAUL POORMAN

Friend Coed dragged me off again last week, this time far into the mountains to a place called Black Moshannon. We went with a Collegian candidate and an acquaintance, and were all set for a delightful afternoon. Armed with portable radio, lunch, swimming suits, and all manner of sporting equipment, we descended upon the

helpless mountain lake. We also had a bunch of bananas, and thereby hangs the tale.

Collegian candidate, acquaintance, and Friend Coed decided to play baseball. As may be gathered from a previous bout with Mount Nittany, I am not the athletic type, and demurred from the festivities. This put a damper on the party, and before long we decided to leave. Getting in the car, Friend Coed sat on a banana.

I don't know whether any of you have ever seen anyone sit on a banana before, but it's an unforgettable experience. Bananas don't just give up the ghost and flatten out, they fight back. They squirt all over the car. They make weird noises, and form a sticky, mucky-looking mess all over the seat, dash board, and anatomy of the person who sat on them.

In this case, Friend Coed didn't even know she had done the deed until she kept sliding off the seat onto the floor every time I stopped the car.

Now there's another interesting occurrence. You've all heard ladies in distress before, but did you ever hear one who just discovered she sat on a banana? It is

impossible to capture on paper the shrieking, wailing, flailing of arms, and cries of "Oh, my beautiful slacks," "They're sticky!" and "Gimme that kleenex." Suffice it to say, we caused quite a sensation at Black Moshannon. People were still standing around watching when we finally cleaned up the remains of the defenseless banana and drove away.

But we hadn't reckoned with the banana's friends. The rest of the bunch was still lying on the seat, and before the afternoon was over, three more of them managed to find their way under the relentless sitting of Friend Coed. After the first couple, she bore it manfully, and maintained a dignified silence the rest of the way home.

After dropping the girls off, Collegian candidate and I agreed that it had been a most delightful afternoon. But we got something more out of the afternoon's activities. Other people have been sat on by girls before, in various ways, and Collegian candidate and I both felt a certain kinship to bananas which may bloom into a lasting friendship.

1950-51 Seniors Had Full Year

By PAT NUTTER
(First of a Series)

With graduation only 15 days away, seniors have begun reminiscing over cups of coffee about the past year. We found from looking thru Collegian files that last October was a big month at Penn State.

It started off with a bang. The campus was astir when Milton S. Eisenhower, the 11th president, was inaugurated. Fifteen thousand students and visitors vied for good seats in Beaver Field to watch the one-eighth mile long academic procession march onto the field.

Cameramen were everywhere. Some students with sharp eyes picked out the Prexy's brother Ike in the black-gowned throng.

Football Trip

It was a discouraging trip for the Penn Staters who traveled 560 miles to see Army whip the Nittany Lion. However, the Lion fans closed their eyes to the 41-7 score, and hoped for a better showing next time.

Joe Lane, blond center forward on the soccer team, thundered his way into the all-time record books when he scored 7 goals against Bucknell. Its 11-2 victory over the Bisons was the highest since a 1939 game with Carnegie Tech.

Only 800 students turned up at the pre-Syracuse pep rally. However, it was considerably enlivened when the Prexy came over

to help cheer. His remark on looking over the small gathering was, "I'm glad to see so many here tonight, but where are the other 11,000?"

Dungaree Drag

The dungaree drag was an artistic challenge to every coed. A prize was to be given to the girl making the most original corsage for her date. Dorothy Hogan was the winner. Her corsage was designed from a yellow toy banjo, popcorn balls, cigarettes, ribbon, and an airplane with three-inch long propellers.

The senior class appointed a committee to investigate eliminating finals. IFC asked for a change in the no-drinking ban.

With the end of no-dating as a (continued on page eight)