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## Thefts Threaten News Agency in WD

For a week, light-fingered students have separated the Student News Agency from about between \$6 and \$7 of its cash. Since the thefts started, almost \$50 have been taken from the agency's West Dorm newsstand.

Chances are that the number of students involved in the thievery is small. It is possible that the thefts may be traced to just one person. Whoever is responsible for the thefts is not now the important thing. What is important is that unless the thefts stop, the SNA will be forced to discontinue its operations.

The agency will be forced to discontinue its operations because at the current rate it is losing more than it is making. And that just is not good business.

Right now the agency is—because of the thefts—"giving away" about 130 newspapers every day. That cannot go on indefinitely.

The more romantic among us might be inclined to look at the thieves as modern Robin Hoods—the poor stealing from the rich—were the agency a commercial venture. But it is not. The agency is student-operated, providing employment for about 15 students. The profits—which are far from fantastic—pay the wages of the student employes. So the thieves are only taking money out of the pockets of other students.

The agency was started as a service to students. By placing newspapers at strategic points, the agency hoped to make daily newspapers easily accessible to all students. Business has been good—as the thieves can testify—and the agency has provided a long-needed service to students.

But the agency will discontinue operations if the thefts continue. West Dorm residents can help the agency—and themselves—if they are alert, if they keep a vigilant eye, and turn in those who have been lifting from the till.

## AIM Has Made A Good Start

Realizing its defects last year and working hard to overcome them, the Board of Governors of the Association of Independent Men has improved its organizational procedure to such an extent that the board will have its first full business meeting tonight weeks ahead of its initial meeting last fall.

With the completion of West Dorm elections last night, each of AIM's four councils is organized and in operating condition. Last year, Town Council held up board organization for at least a month, but this fall Town Council was one of the first councils to be set up. This was mainly due to the introduction of the Dean of Men's male housing card file instituted by AIM in cooperation with Interfraternity council and the dean's office.

This week also marks two AIM innovations. First, Nittany, Pollock, and Town Councils have set up window displays in over 20 downtown stores. The displays feature Homecoming and Pennsylvania Week themes and are similar to IFC's Homecoming lawn displays.

Second, AIM will sponsor its first alumni dance in the West Dorm main lounge Saturday night in honor of independent alumni and their guests.

Later this semester, AIM plans to take to the radio waves for the first regular broadcast sponsored by a governmental body at Penn State. Also, AIM's male housing card file system has helped all students and student organizations immensely since its inception several weeks ago.

So AIM starts off the semester with its best foot forward. And if AIM continues its wise policy of profiting by past mistakes, as it did with last year's Town Council debacle, we predict a successful, fruitful year for the independent men's governing body.

—Moylan Mills

## Women's Election Is More Organized

In the spring the WSGA-WRA election codes were changed. The mass nomination meeting where sorority sister nominated sorority sister and best friends praised best friends was eliminated. Instead each candidate must now file her own nomination petition and appear before a nominating board for screening. She is a better candidate for having been informed, by the board, of the responsibility she will assume if elected.

Elections have become more organized. The women have been given an ample opportunity to know who the candidates are through housemeetings and special posters containing photographs of all nominees. The old complaint, "I don't know who is running," is no longer valid.

The elections have been publicized enough so that there is no excuse for not knowing when the elections are to take place. The polls will remain open long enough for everyone to vote.

In spite of the conveniences provided for the voters, many coeds will fail to cast a ballot. This failure can be attributed to nothing but a sheer lack of interest or initiative.

It would seem that students would want the best people possible to present their problems to the governing bodies, which have a much more immediate contact with the administration when important questions arise.

Tomorrow final elections will be held. Those women interested in better government will cast their ballots.

—Carloyn Barrett

## Hidden Returns

Today, the Daily Collegian announced the winners of the Women's Recreation Association's and Women's Student Government Association's primaries.

The number of votes received by each candidate was not released, by either organization "so that no one's feelings would be hurt."

Neither WSGA nor WRA is a clandestine group. Both are represented on All-College Cabinet. Women have the right to see how many votes were received by the leaders who will govern their lives, especially in the dorms.

The figures should not be hidden just so a few women, who entered the elections as a matter of choice, will not get their feelings hurt.

—Lynn Kahanowitz

## Washington Tour

On Oct. 28, 29, and 30 the Penn State Christian Association, in cooperation with the Political Science department and the School of Education, will sponsor another of the annual "See Your Government in Action" seminars in Washington for students and faculty members of the College.

The purpose of the tour, according to the seminar brochure, is "to see at first-hand the machinery of government at work; to have interviews with senators and representatives, to sit in on committees and sessions of the Senate and House, and to study at first-hand the work of specialized departments such as the State Department, UNESCO, the Supreme Court, Mediation and Conciliation Board, etc."

This is an opportunity for college students to see democracy in action. Arrangements have been made to interview some top government officials and to see the workings of important agencies of national and international government. The cost is approximately \$25 dollars, including transportation and registration. Isn't it worth considering?

Lavonne Althouse

### COLLEGE PLACEMENT

Combustion Engineering company will interview January graduates in M.E. Thursday, October 18.

Continental Oil company will interview January graduates in Chem., Phys., and P.N.G. Monday, October 29.

United States Steel company will interview January graduates in M.E., E.E., I.E., C.E., and Metal, Monday, October 29.

Sohio Petroleum company will interview January graduates in M.E., and P.N.G. Tuesday, October 23.

Columbia Gas system will interview January graduates in C.E., E.E., I.E., M.E., Ch.E., P.N.G., and Home Ec. Friday, October 26.

Union Carbide and Carbon corporation will interview Ph.D. candidates in chemistry Monday, October 29.

Brown Instrument division will interview January graduates in M.E., E.E., C.E., I.E., and physics Tuesday, October 30.

The Franklin Institute will interview January graduates in E.E., M.E., Ch.E., Phys., and Fuel Technology Wednesday, October 31.

Youngstown Sheet and Tube, Eimco corporation, General Fireproofing company, Ortho Pharmaceutical corporation and Ethicon Suture laboratories, inc., will interview January graduates in M.E., E.E., C.E., Metal, I.E., C & F, A & L, P.M., Zoo., Chem., and San. E., Monday, October 29.

### STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

Man to set pins for bowling league.  
Babysitters for October 20.  
Men with several half days for farm work; should have own transportation.

Because it grew out of China's effort to prevent the importation of opium from India, the war between China and England, is called the Opium War.

Only 1/9 of the mass of an iceberg appears above water, the bulk below being the most dangerous to navigation.

The reign of Queen Elizabeth is notable for the surging vitality of the nation in literature, commerce, and war.

## Little Man On Campus By Bibler



"Why don't you boys spread out a little more—there's no need for all of you to flunk this bluebook."

## Poor Man's Paradise



By PAUL POORMAN

We saw a monkey this weekend. Maybe that doesn't sound like much of a weekend to you, but we had never seen a monkey before, so it was quite an event. The monkey seemed rather unimpressed in general.

As is sometimes our habit, we were calling on Friend Coed one evening. Upon being invited into the living room, we came face to

face with the monkey. Things happened fast for a moment. We started back out the door, and the monkey climbed on its owner's head, chattering furiously and hurling nasty words at our departing back.

We were persuaded to return only on assurance that the monkey was securely chained. We needed have no fears, however, for the monkey was as frightened of us as we were of it. The strained conversation for the next few minutes was carried on with the monkey peering at us around the owner's ear. The monkey, and owner, were also calling at Friend Coed's house.

Eventually, we became bolder, seeing that the monkey had no more intention of getting close to us than we had of getting close to it.

"The poor thing's afraid of us," we said in a condescending manner. "Why?"

Feet scuffled self-consciously and eyes refused to meet ours. Everyone was evading the question, it seemed. Finally we changed to subject, and talk once more brightened up.

The monkey's name was Chipper, and he was of the small black-faced variety known as Humboldt's Woolly Monkey, native to South America. There, it seems, the Humboldt's Woolly has two choices; he is either eaten

by aborigines or eaten by alligators. We remarked that this wasn't much of a choice, and the monkey seemed quick to agree.

Chipper, it developed, was less than a year old, but had already had several hair-raising experiences along culinary lines. And to the completely hirsute, woolly monkey, a hair-raising experience can be quite a trial.

So a pleasant hour was spent conversing around the monkey. Incidentally, if you have never seen a monkey, they are, from our observation, small with black faces and protruding ears. They need either a shave or haircut, depending on your own viewpoint, and they have no legs or feet, merely two sets of hands and arms.

Eventually, monkey and owner had to leave, and we told them how much we had enjoyed the conversation. We still wondered, however, why the conversation had wilted every time we asked why the monkey was afraid of us.

Pausing in the front yard for a moment to survey the moon, we heard hysterical laughter from the car, including some weird noises we assumed to be monkey yaks.

"How could I tell him," the owner's voice chortled, "That Chipper thought he was an alligator?"

## Gazette...

Wednesday, October 17

AIM BOARD OF GOVERNORS, 201 Old Main, 7 p.m.

BARBELL CLUB, Alpha Gamma Rho, 7:30 p.m.

BIRD CLUB, 228 E. Prospect avenue, 7:30 p.m.

COFFEE HOUR, fraternity presidents and dean of men, 109 Old Main, 4 p.m.

COLLEGIAN photographer candidates, Collegian office, 7 p.m.

De MOLAY CLUB, 418 Old Main, 7 p.m.

KAPPA PHI KAPPA, 204 Burrows, 7:30 p.m.

MINERAL INDUSTRIES-STUDENT COUNCIL, 107 Willard Hall, 7 p.m.

NEWMAN CLUB, lecture-discussion, Prof. Case in charge, rectory basement, 7:15 p.m.

NEWMAN CLUB, lecture-discussion, on science and religion, Dr. Rix in charge, 317 Willard Hall, 7 p.m.

PHI EPSILON KAPPA, Sigma Nu, 7:30 p.m.

RIDING CLUB, 217 Willard Hall, 7:30 p.m.

WRA BOWLING, White Hall alleys, 7 p.m.

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