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Proposed Change Short of Purpose

In reviewing the lengthy debate in All-College Cabinet brought on by the introduction of the constitutional amendment dealing with fee changes, one point stands out as a key to the controversy.

The amendment as proposed by senior class president David Olmsted would have required a statistical poll on all cabinet recommendations involving a fee change, when such a poll is requested by ten per cent of the students.

In the discussion, Clair George, president of the Board of Dramatics and Forensics, indi-cated that under the initiative procedure of cabinet any student may bring a proposal before cabinet and that body must take action within 30 days. It was also noted that under the present constitutional provisions, any member of cabinet may introduce a regular motion asking cabinet to conduct a referendum. A simple majority vote of cabinet would facilitate this.

The reply to the point was made by Thomas Jurchak, All-College secretary treasurer. This may be true, Jurchak said, but most students did not know of this procedure.

A question not asked then but which is an important consideration is this: if students do not know of the constitutional means by which they may now obtain a referendum on the recommendation of fee increases, what makes anybody think they will know or use any additional means?

What cabinet is attempting to deal with is student apathy. It is an apathy which extends right down through scholastic attitude to interest and participation in extracurricular activities. It is an apathy over international affairs, national affairs, local affairs, and campus affairs pus affairs.

The proposed amendment does not strike at the heart of this apathy; it doesn't even deal with it. Instead the proposed amendment pro-vides another item over which students can become apathetic.

Students now have the right to petition. Students now have the right to appear before cabinet to voice their opinions. Any member of cabinet may introduce a proposal for a referendum—which unlike the proposed amendment would be binding on cabinet.

The means for voicing student opinion are available. What is needed is a program for making students aware of these means and a program for dealing with apathy.

What is not needed is an amendment to the

All-College Constitution.

Hollywood Chances

News item in a recent issue of the Salt Lake

City Desert News:
"The newest party game to catch on in Hollywood is 'toothpick golf!' A toothpick held between the teeth is used to flip a bean across a rug and into a coaster or some other small, flat object. Each flip of the toothpick is counted like a stroke in golf, and the idea is to make the lowest score."

Just like they always tell us—"We actors and actresses is all normal."

5 O'clock Theater Begins 4th Year

At 5 p.m. today one of the College's most unusual and challenging activities will begin its fourth year of operation in the basement of Old

Five O'clock Theater will again present a roster of student-written and experimental productions in the Little Theater. These oneact play productions have become an integral part of the work of the Dramatics department; they give aspiring playwrights at the College a chance to write without considering the commercial aspects. The results, while not al-ways great, are always exciting.

Plays are performed weekly every Tuesday at 5 p.m. The theater is student managed, acted, and directed, thus providing more stimulation and opportunity for State students interested in these fields.

Penn State students often fail to realize the importance of Five O'clock Theater. But several out-of-town papers recently did spreads on the experimental set-up, proving that it is appreciated and respected off campus.

If students with 20 minutes to spare on Tues-

days at 5 p.m. wish to find out what all the copy in their home-town papers is about, we advise them to see a stimulating performance at Five O'clock Theater for themselves. -Moylan Mills

Slapping Record

The recent story of the record-setting Harvard students who won themselves \$128 for a 48-hour face slapping marathon makes us chuckle slightly when we hear tales of intellectual greatness among the "nation's best students."

It seems the two sophomores involved decided to break a rather vague Russian face-slapping record of 17,280 slaps. They, and their seconds, staged a little "competition" which involved red eyes, red faces, aching muscles, and iwo very, very tired "wise

Another interesting point includes one irate Harvard grad who, on hearing of the record setting event, promptly blasted such a pastime by saying that hard-earned money and the desire for education were apparently being mis-

wsed.
We tend to feel the same way. It seems to us that the apparent "idea" that Harvard means superior education needs a somewhat vast re-

vision.

In order to maintain the contest, students fed the participants with coffee, orange juice, and bananas. Harvard cheers were shouted and jazz records were played full tilt to prevent dozing

Such "newsworthy" events especially from the "tower of learning" could very well be done without. It brings to mind the goldfisheating incidents which were also Harvard products. We feel such practices could well be avoided by running around the block a few

-Bob Fraser

Gazette ...

Tuesday, February 12

ALPHA NU, 101 Willard Hall, 7 p.m.

AMERICAN MILITARY ENGINEERS SOCIETY, 2 Carnegie Hall, 7:30 p.m.

AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR METALS, Mineral Industries Art Gallery, 8 p.m.

AQUACADE, 3 White Hall, 6:30 p.m.

COLLEGIAN business candidates 1 Cornegie

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7 p.m.
COLLEGIAN sophomore editorial board, 2
Carnegie Hall, 7 p.m.
CONCERT OF JEWISH MUSIC, Kozenn and

Chajes, Hillel, 8 p.m.
DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB meeting can-

FROTH advertising staff, 100 Carnegie Hall, 6:30 p.m. FROTH, candidates for all staffs, 203 Willard

Hall, 8 p.m

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INKLING art staff, 102 Willard Hall, 7 p.m.

NEWMAN CLUB business meeting, 217 Willard Hall, 7:15 p.m.

PANHELLENIC COUNCIL meeting canceled.

RADIO GUILD, 304 Sparks, 7 p.m.

TRIBUNAL, 201 Old Main, 7 p.m.

WRA OUTING CLUB, White Hall playroom, 7 p.m.

Little Man On Campus



"The dean of women sent his picture around. He's inconsiderate, brutal, illmannered, fresh, wild—and stay away from him when he comes to pick me up tonight."

Poor Man's Paradise



By PFC. PAUL A. POORMAN

(Ed. note-Poorman, former Collegian staffer, is now stationed at Grenier Air Force Base, Manchester, N. H. As a graduate of the College, he gives his fond recollections with a free hand.)

Things become increasingly more like home every day. Our latest discovery was that we don't get away from station WMAJ even by traveling some 500 miles, rapidly, in the opposite direction.

For three and a half years,

while we were an undergraduate at the College, we were awakened every morning by Jack Pfft-quarries. . . ." We got so sick of hearing from Whiterock that we almost stopped buying our limestone therê.

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