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PRICE FIVE CENTS

## Students to Indicate Desire in Seating

Present plans for the proposed preferential seating plan call for students to indicate their desire to sit in the special section during spring pre-registration, James Wharton, committee chairman, said yesterday.

Under the plan presented to All-College Cabinet last week, section EH in the student stands of Beaver Field will be set aside for a preferential cheering section to be used primarily in the operation of a flash-card system. The plan was tabled for further consideration and is scheduled for another hearing Thursday.

## 'You Can't' Tickets Go On Sale

Tickets for Players' "You Can't Take it With You," which opens Thursday in Schwab Auditorium for a three-night run, are now on sale at the Student Union desk in Old Main.

Opening-night seats are 60 cents. Tickets for the weekend performances are priced at \$1.

The George Kauffman-Moss Hart comedy concerns the philosophies of an eccentric family which includes a snake-lover, a ballet dancer, a playwright and a character who spends all his time dabbling in fireworks.

Over forty students are working on crews for the show. On the sound crew are James Simpson, Dona Hooper, and John Reppert. Richard Patterson, Frank Baxter, Margaret Altoeff and Harold Astrich are working on lights.

The advertising group includes Sally Johnson, Thomas Owens, Raymond Ferguson, Cathy Keister, Elizabeth Lacock, Ruth McSparran, Theodore Matlow, Moylan Mills, Terese Moslak, John Phillips, William Raymond, and Lynn Kahanowitz. The makeup crew is Nancy May, Barbara Silberman, and Alma Gratz.

Polly Williams, Pearl Kane, Wilma Jones, Carol McKrell, Virginia Rogers and Harriet Rakov are on the costume crew. The technical crew includes Richard Speiser, Frances Stridinger, Daniel Loucks, Mary Carstensen, Margaret Roberts, Mary Melvin, Cordell Murtha, Mae Moses and Donald Dalton.

Renee Kluger is property manager, and Ruth Wehofer is bookholder. Shirley Gallagher is stage manager.

Settings were designed by Michael Forgacs. The play is being directed by Warren S. Smith, of the Dramatics department; Messerop Kesdekian is technical director.

As now envisioned, the plan would give seniors first preference, juniors next, and so on down the line, Wharton said.

When students return in the fall those who had been selected to sit in the section on the senior priority basis would be issued special Athletic Association books. Wharton said. These books would entitle them to sit in section EH, Wharton explained.

There are some 780 seats in the section, Wharton said, of which about 140 seats will be used by the Blue Band, he explained. Approximately the same number of seats will be set aside for members of hat societies in order to even off the flash-card area and to place hatmen in a location where they will be able to fill any vacancies that might occur, he said.

Students who sit in the section will have a seat reserved for them so that they may come to the game just prior to kickoff and still be guaranteed a good seat, Wharton said. If a seat is empty or if the student fails to cooperate in the flashcard system, he said, the seat number will be noted and the student will be compelled to turn in the special book for his regular book, Wharton said.

## Glenn Reports Infection Quieted

The upper respiratory infection that hit the College last week has "passed its peak," according to Dr. Herbert R. Glenn, College physician.

The infection is quieting down and is not quite as severe now as it was last week, he said.

The infirmary reported 12 students hospitalized with the infection yesterday. Last week's reports showed up to 34 in the infirmary with the malady.

Glenn said "around 100 students a day" were passing through the dispensary. Totals were running higher last week.

## Forum Committee To Reconsider Close

### Debaters Lose Trophy Opportunity

Penn State's chances of permanently winning the state debate and forensic tournament trophy went awry this weekend as the men's team was defeated in the semi-finals at Lehigh University and ended up in third place.

Entrants in individual contests went no higher than second place. David Lewis was runnerup in the men's extemporaneous speaking contest on the subject "Should the French change their policy in Tunisia?"

Marian Ungar, women's debate manager, received a bronze medal for third place in the women's oratorical contest. Her speech, "Prince's Palaces," dealt with man's inability to translate his thoughts into moral actions.

In preliminary bouts the men's negative team of Clair George and Robert Alderdice beat Cedarcrest College, Seton Hill College, Swarthmore College and Juniata College.

Lewis and Eugene Kolber, the affirmative team, scored wins over the University of Pittsburgh, Lehigh University, and Dickinson College. They lost to Carnegie Institute of Technology.

A loss to St. Joseph's College in the semi-finals took the Penn State men out of further competition.

The women's negative team including Joan Dobson and Miss Ungar, beat the University of Scranton and lost to Wilkes College, Temple University, and Grove City College.

The women's affirmative team, composed of Guyla Woodward and Ethel Brown, defeated Westminster College at College Misericordia, Dallas, Pa.; St. Joseph's College, and Slippery Rock State Teachers College.

### BX Opens Tomorrow To Return Dividends

The Book Exchange in the TUB will be open tomorrow and Wednesday to return a 20 per cent dividend on all receipts on items purchased before Jan. 21.

The BX office will be open each day from 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon and from 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., but will close from 11:00 a.m. to noon on Wednesday.

The Community Forum's general committee will meet in special session tonight to reconsider the naming of the controversial Upton Close as bonus forum speaker April 7, it was learned yesterday.

The action is being taken following the uncovering by Daily Collegian reporters of the fact that Close has been labelled as anti-Semitic by the B'nai B'rith, Friends of Democracy, and other groups, and individuals.

A forum official, who refused to be named, admitted that Close had been engaged without any knowledge of his questionable record. "We knew he was a controversial figure," the official said, but there was no knowledge of his allegedly anti-Semitic record.

### Would Pay Speaker's Fee

It was known that several members of the committee and local B'nai B'rith and Hillel officials are now opposed to Close's appearance under forum sponsorship. It is reliably reported that the committee will consider cancelling Close's engagement.

Should the committee vote to cancel Close's appearance, it would probably be necessary to pay the speaker's fee, since the contract has already been signed.

Close has been dropped from the radio at least three times, the Daily Collegian learned. He was removed by the National Broadcasting Co. in 1944 in what NBC chief Niles Trammel described as a move to balance coverage.

### Close Denied Charges

The Mutual Broadcasting System dropped Close without explanation in 1947, according to a report issued by B'nai B'rith's Anti-Defamation League. Philadelphia's independent WIBG dropped him in 1946.

Close has repeatedly denied that he is anti-Semitic, but the ADL labels him as "the kind of bigot who always finds it necessary to deny his anti-Semitism." In its 1950 report, A Measure of Freedom, ADL cites such Close quotes as:

"The greatest sorrow in my career and which may become America's greatest tragedy is the communist control of the Jewish minority. Only in a few cases do the better minds among the Jews do anything about this menace to America." (Cleveland University Club speech, 1945).

### 'Truth Being Suppressed'

"Thirty million Americans of German descent should arise united and fight the present administration and the B'nai B'rith and Anti-Defamation League." (Milwaukee Steuben Society speech, 1949).

"The small anti-communist segment of our Jewish community (Continued on page eight)

## No Action Slated for Parking Lot

The proposed Hort Woods parking lot plan, which would consume one-sixth of the woods, cannot go before the March meeting of the College Board of Trustees, Samuel K. Hostetter, comptroller, said yesterday.

The plan cannot go before the trustees because more discussion among administration heads is needed concerning costs and suitability of present plans, Hostetter said.

The parking lot plan was first introduced at the Agriculture Student Council meeting in January, where it was given approval. Plans call for construction of a 181 car lot along the fringe of the woods by Beaver Field, between Park avenue and Curtin road.

The lot's construction would necessitate removal of 79 trees in the woods, the Forestry department reported in January. The department classified only 13 of those as "good risk" trees.

The new lot is the first step in a long-range plan that would make the woods a natural park, Walter W. Trainer, supervisor of lands construction, said.

Last year, a similar proposal to construct a parking area in the entire Hort Woods area brought strong protest from portions of the students and faculty, resulting in abandonment of the plans.

## College Student Begins Fight, Is Suspended

A student was suspended from the College last week after being involved in a fist fight which grew out of a snowball battle, the College disciplinary committee reported yesterday.

The suspension came about after the student admitted snowballing a car and then beginning a fight with its driver on Feb. 16. The student was suspended under regulation W-6 of the Senate Regulations for Undergraduates which pertains to moral conduct of students.

The fight took place near the corner of Pollock and Burrows roads. The suspended student was snowballing another student's car. When the second student stepped from the car and protested, the suspended student began the fight.

The disciplinary committee said the suspended student may seek reinstatement by submitting a petition to the committee and giving evidence that he should be readmitted to the College.

### Collegian Candidates To Meet Tonight

Candidates for the Collegian business staff will meet at 7 tonight in 1 Carnegie Hall, Carolyn Alley, personnel manager, announced yesterday.

Anyone interested in advertising, promotion, circulation, classified advertising, or office work may attend. Men are especially needed, Miss Alley said. Candidates do not have to be advertising majors.

## Collegian to Conduct Political Race Poll

Penn State students will get an opportunity to express their preference in the Presidential race Thursday when the Daily Collegian will conduct the first in a series of political polls.

The poll ballot will be printed in Thursday's Daily Collegian and ballot boxes will stay open that day as well as Friday. The boxes will be located at the Student Union desk in Old Main, the lobby of the West Dorm lounge, and in the lobby of the Agriculture Building.

The ballot will list the names of eight men in both the Democratic and Republican parties who have declared themselves candidates for the presidential

nomination or have been prominently mentioned as possible candidates. In addition, space will be left for write-in candidates.

The eight whose names will appear on the ballot are Gen. Dwight Eisenhower, Sen. Robert Taft, Gov. Earl Warren, Harold Stassen, President Harry Truman, Sen. Estes Kefauver, Gov. Adlai Stevenson, and Sen. Richard Russell.

In an effort to provide material for an analysis of the results, students will be asked to fill in answers to three other questions.

Participants will be asked:

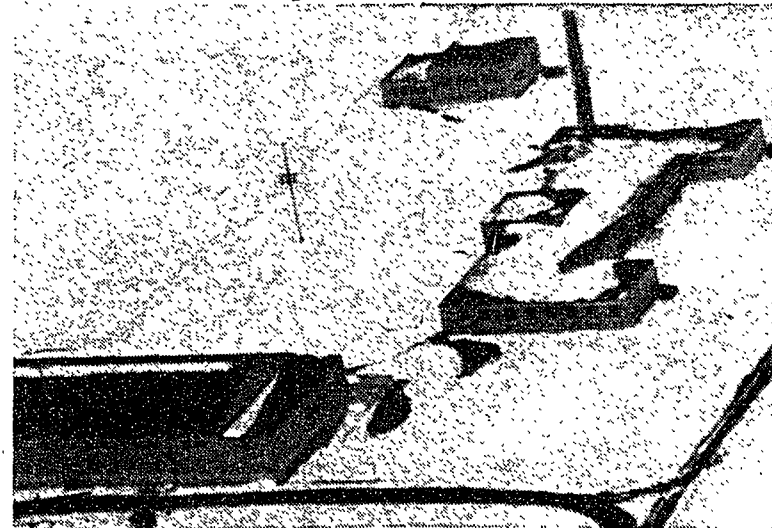
Are you a Democrat, Republican, or independent?

What is your family income; under \$5000 per year, between \$5000 and \$10,000 or above \$10,000?

What is the size of your hometown; under 5000, between 5000 and 500,000, or above 500,000?

Ballot boxes will be open from 9 a.m. to noon at all three locations and from 1 to 5 p.m. at the West Dorm lounge and the Agriculture Building. The Student Union ballot box will be open in the afternoon from 1:30 to 5 p.m.

## New Armory



NEW ARMORY, recently acquired by the College after the 112th Aircraft Warning squadron was called into active service last month. Aerial photo was taken from a plane piloted by Henry Myers, president of the Penn State Flying Club.

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