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Dorm Raids Produce Of 'Silent Generation'

Now that the "fun" of having dormitory raids has spread over the entire country, Penn State can feather its cap with another honor—that of helping to perpetuate an action that has become malicious and dangerous.

The students of the College have already aided one campus "tradition" by taking part in the "enjoyment" of tearing down football goal posts in the fall. It seems students have decided to set aside each season as an excuse for destructive activities. Football season brings goal post raids and spring madness brings dorm raids. Perhaps some students can dream up a "harmless" stunt for the winter season too. When they do, it will probably be something equally useless and damaging.

These destructive activities of students throughout the country have already brought about much criticism from the older generation.

A few months ago Harvard contributed its bit, although at least less harmfully, by originating a "slapping contest." This game, as harmless as it is, brought the ax of criticism sharply down upon that college and upon college students in general.

Inez Robb, nationally known columnist for International News Service, pointed out, in a rather vitriolic way, that the Harvard students were not being very respectful of their brothers in arms in Korea and elsewhere by using the time they were granted through Selective Service tests to play at slapping games. In a column distributed by INS throughout the United States Miss Robb chopped violently against this college generation's inability to recognize the breaks it was getting. Her solution was to employ UMT.

Imagine what Miss Robb might say about dorm raids. If a slapping contest brought such vituperative comments, what may this raid of spring madness lower upon the heads of American college students?

Perhaps we should not consider Miss Robb as typical of the older generation's opinion of us, but we must recognize her ideas as representative of a part of the group. At the least she can raise the dust of non-activity from enough of her generation to breed contempt for college students.

The Associated Press has already referred to the students who took part in the dorm raids as "feverish young men" who were "baying, brawling panty raiders." Are these the same young men who were part of Time's silent generation just a few months ago?

Perhaps college students could redeem themselves in the eyes of the country and in their own eyes by learning to think before they act. A little forethought on the part of any rational person would prevent him from taking part in any activity that would not only bring dishonor to him and his college, but also cause unnecessary waste of money that could be used to better avail.

Why can't the silence of the generation, if there must be one, be a silence of forethought—of thinking before jumping? Is it necessary to woe the country's elders with new and better tricks?

—Marshall O. Donley

Mass Buying Plan Will Work If—

Penn State will have a large scale buying plan for fraternities this fall—if.

If fraternities cooperate in responding to a survey currently being taken among the fraternities, and if enough are interested to give their full support to a program that offers a substantial savings in food budgets.

The plan was proposed by the Fraternity Management Association, a committee set up by the Interfraternity Council. The committee investigated the possibility of instituting this large scale buying at the College after it was shown by other colleges and universities throughout the country that such a plan could work.

Perhaps the most outstanding example showing that the plan will work is Ohio State, where the program has been in successful operation for over 20 years.

The members of the FMA recently decided to set the program into motion this fall.

To assist in ordering foods when the plan is functioning, questionnaires have been sent to each fraternity house asking the types and quantities of food consumed each month in the house. Accompanying this questionnaire is an

explanation of the proposed plan and a list of the possible benefits to members.

The form explains that savings are possible through large scale buying. This is true, because anything bought in quantity is less expensive. It adds that credit expenses incurred through the carrying of accounts on the part of the dealer will also be less. This is possible because the dealer will be called upon to make up only one bill for the IFC. Members will then pay through that organization.

Foods will be ordered from the wholesaler offering quality foods at reasonable prices. It will be ordered through a purchasing committee on which each member house is eligible to place one member. The foods will be delivered every two weeks by the dealer.

A pilot plan was tried with potatoes, and supporters of the plan say that results showed that the fraternities could buy as a group and make a substantial saving.

Potatoes and canned goods will be the foods bought for members under the new plan. After the plan is in operation and if administrators see that it is working well, the list of items will be enlarged to include all types of foods.

Results of the survey asking for types, quality, and forms of food now in use in the fraternities, will be used as a basis for ordering foods next fall when the plan goes into effect. The Home Economics school will test and select foods, then suggest to the purchasing committee the best brands.

Applicants will be required to pay a deposit of \$100 on entering the program to guarantee payment to the dealer after goods are delivered. The money will be returned or will serve as credit for the member fraternity.

Until the plan is in full swing operation, administration and bookkeeping will be done on a voluntary basis by students, alumni, and faculty advisers. Later, a person will be hired full time to act as manager.

After joining, members will not be required to buy through the association. But, savings will result only if they do.

This is certainly a busy time of the year for everyone. But the fraternities should take the time to give the plan some serious thought and fill out the survey form which will be of great service next fall to the members.

This plan has worked successfully elsewhere and it can work here.

—Chuck Obertance

Radio Day Provides 'Baptism by Fire'

For the second time this year, students connected with the Speech, Dramatics, and Journalism departments will participate in a Radio Day. However, today's ether marathon will be expanded over last winter's eight hour stint. For today, Radio Day will start at 7 a.m. and continue until midnight.

And why all this activity? Why should over 100 students feverishly prepare copy, write commercials, warm up the turntables, and check the engineering board? Not only will experience gained under the actual broadcasting conditions be valuable to many of these students upon graduation but, now that a radio station is considered a possibility for the College's future, Radio Day will be more or less of a dry run.

Students listening to the broadcasts in 304, 305, and 307 Sparks must not expect Radio Day to be a complete representation of what programming for a campus radio station would be. Rather, programming has been planned as a station comparable to WMAJ would program a broadcast day.

Just the same, Radio Day, by using existing studio facilities, will be a chance for "radio-men" to seek out flaws which can be corrected when the campus station becomes a reality. Also, students participating in the all-day project will get a baptism by fire; they will see just how much stamina it takes to operate a campus station.

We sincerely hope students interested in new projects for the College will fill the rooms in Sparks which will be especially equipped with loudspeakers for the day. These students will be in on the birth of a project which may some day have an important spot in Penn State life.

—Moylan Mills

Gazette . . .

Thursday, May 22

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE ORGANIZATION, 304 Old Main, 6:45 p.m.

DE MOLAY CLUB, 108 Willard, 7:30 p.m.

NEWS AND VIEWS, 14 Home Economics, 6:30 p.m.

NITTANY GROTTO, 216 Frear laboratory, 7:30 p.m.

PHI MU DELTA ASSOCIATION, 410 Old Main, 8 p.m.

STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

Man to work for part of rent of downtown apartment. No children.

Work on College farms for Friday afternoons and all-day Saturday.

Clerking 20-30 hours per week during summer.

Boy for lunch counter work 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. daily.

Work for room and board for summer or for summer and fall.

Opportunity for foreign student to work in western section of country. Housework, Room, board, transportation, and good salary offered.

Agricultural instructor to work in camp in Penna. Counselor in wild life, outdoor sports, conservation, to work in State College area camp.

Couple for local summer employment.

COLLEGE PLACEMENT

Peck Hotel System representative will interview June graduates in Accounting and Hotel Administration, May 22.

Little Man On Campus By Bibler



"If you think THAT was a good kiss, Freda, just take off that catcher's mask."

Bargain Counter

By NANCY LUETZEL

From the Cornell Daily Sun:

POGO PINS—2,000 of 'em—have arrived from New York City headquarters of the possum's presidential movement.

Faithful campus adherents of the Pogofenokee presidential aspirant may obtain their buttons by writing a twenty-five (25) word paper on their favorite candidate, mailing it to

POGO for President
c/o The Cornell Daily Sun
109 East State Street
and enclosing one (1) self-addressed, stamped envelope.

Campaign Manager Walt Kelly confessed that more than 100,000 buttons have already moved off assembly lines, with 400,000 additional in the making.

The editor of the Marshall College "Parthenon," campus newspaper, says that all faculty members should take a quiz on English. The college president calls the suggestion "unjust and unfair."

The associate dean of students at M.I.T., Prof. Frederick G. Fassett Jr., has been charged with "disturbing the peace" in the East Cambridge district court. According to police, Professor Fassett was seen dropping water bombs on police cruising cars. Besides, he is accused of having "incited" his M.I.T. students, some 200 of them, to make a raid on a Radcliffe College dormitory in search of "dainty souvenirs."

Bearing testimony to the fact that college students will sign almost anything, at the University of Miami, Ilse Koch, the notorious Nazi concentration camp demon, is eligible to run for student government secretary by virtue of an official petition bearing the signatures of more than 300 unaware students. "What sorority is she in?" asked one coed.

The Royal Purple, yearbook of Kansas State College, is likely to be royally sued by a highly dissatisfied customer.

He's a senior who posed for yearbook pictures in a wig, a high stiff collar and pince-nez, and who has hinted he'll sue the yearbook if it doesn't use the photograph.

"I don't need to give them any explanation," he said. "I gave them my dollar and a quarter. That's enough."

The Royal Purple had refused to print it on grounds that students must pose in their normal wearing apparel. The senior calls this policy "discriminatory" and "characteristic of undemocratic institutions."—Wow!

From the Minnesota Daily col-



umn we get proof that Shakespeare must have disliked studying almost as much as college students:

Studying in the library: "More light, you knaves; and turn the tables up, and quench the fire, the room is grown too hot"—Romeo and Juliet.

Cramming at 3 a.m.: "How weary, stale, flat and unprofitable seem to me all the uses of this world"—Hamlet.

Cramming at 7 a.m.: "It is not for your health thus to commit your weak condition to the raw cold morning"—Julius Caesar.

Teacher hands out tests: "O most pernicious woman! O villain, villain, smiling, damned villain!"—Hamlet.

Composition exam: "Why, I will fight with him upon this theme until my eyelids will no longer wag"—Hamlet.

Fountain pen leaks: "Out, damned spot! Out, I say!"—Macbeth.

From the Michigan State News:

From several sources has come the suggestion that the neon traffic signs on Grand River be changed from "Walk" and "Don't Walk," to "Run Like Mad" and "Stop or Die."

From the Cornell Daily Sun:

Two coeds, were auctioned off to an Annapolis ensign and a Cornellian for coffee dates in a stunt to publicize the Straight Lost and Found Dance and Auction.

The Student Life at Washington University has one of those wise old sayings of Confucius concerning exams:

He who makes no noise in dorm before exam makes no noise to teacher after exam.

Research Engineer To Speak Tonight

Dr. S. K. Waldorf, research engineer for the Pennsylvania Water and Power Co. will speak to the Electrical Engineering Society at 7:30 tonight in 219 Electrical Engineering.

Dr. Waldorf's topic will be "Lightning Protection Demonstration of the Pennsylvania Water and Power Co."