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Poll Will Disclose Frosh Dating Data

We read with interest one freshman's views on the no-fraternity ruling for freshman women in Tuesday's Daily Collegian. We held particular interest throughout because we are a member of the organization sponsoring the poll referred to.

Let us look at the poll—considering just why it is being conducted. First, there has been much dissension on the no-fraternity ruling ever since we have been on campus. Reasons include those presented by the freshman and those on the "other side of the fence." The main argument has been the drinking problem, which many of us seem to overlook.

Unlike the freshman woman expressing her views in Tuesday's Daily Collegian, many women are not permitted to drink at home. What's more, the Commonwealth forbids the selling of alcoholic beverages to persons under 21, making it even more necessary to abide, since Penn State is a state-endowed school.

Dissension on the no-fraternity ruling has been justified to a great extent. The question arises, "Where does one go?" The freshman woman made the comparison between Hox Woods or fraternities—a relatively good comparison. But, does this mean that there can be no improvement?

This leads to the second reason for the poll. Most talk in the past has been based on generalizations, mere assumptions. The organization sponsoring the poll wants facts—cold facts, and the only way to obtain them is to ask every freshman woman whether she has been in a fraternity house and whether she has drunk intoxicating beverages while there.

What will we do with the results?—the third reason for the poll. We will have a set of fairly accurate statistics upon which to base any action to be taken. Many say, and we think the freshman woman implied it, that the present fraternity setup has no flaws.

Granted, the no-fraternity rule is a confusing one to many persons—it was to us. But to say that the present system is perfectly desirable is a misconception. We have not consulted every fraternity on campus, nor have we consulted Interfraternity Council's record books. But, we do know that IFC checkers do good business now and then. One fraternity suffered the ultimate consequence last year when it lost its charter for one year.

This doesn't happen out of mere coincidence. There is room for much improvement. If we could remove the no-fraternity ruling and improve the setup, drinking and otherwise, in many fraternities, we would indeed be making great strides. That's what the sponsors of this poll would like to see. The result of the poll will go into a recommendation to be presented to IFC—a recommendation advocating improved social affairs, and conditions. Comments made

on the questionnaires will also be included in the recommendation.

It is only fair to let freshmen as well as all other students have a place for social gatherings. The present ruling is by no means effectively enforced or accepted. It probably is "time for a change." But, in making that change we should not and cannot glibly look at the gripe.

We are obligated to ourselves, the College, and the state to improve ourselves in two distinct ways.

If we can improve the environment in some of the fraternity houses (we are NOT saying all) and remove the often referred to "unfair no-fraternity" ruling, we will virtually conquer the problem from both the administrative and student sides. We think it can be done with combined efforts of interested groups.

—Mimi Unger

Safety Valve—

Fraternity Guarded Lion

TO THE EDITOR: Apparently the Daily Collegian was misinformed when it printed that pledges from Zeta Beta Tau have served as guards of the Nittany Lion shrine for the past two years.

As a former Pi Lambda Phi I clearly remember that the first fraternity group to guard the Lion shrine were the pledges of Pi Lambda Phi, as was printed in the Daily Collegian of a few semesters back.

Unfortunately we are not in the position to send our pledges to guard the Lion, as was done for past semesters.

Letter cut —A.B.G.
Ed. Note: Sincere apologies are extended to the brothers of Pi Lam. The error appeared because of misinformation given our reporter by the Campus Patrol and the Interfraternity Council.

Gazette ...

- Thursday, October 9
- BLUE KEY, 218 Willard, 7 p.m.
 - CHRISTIAN SCIENCE ORGANIZATION, 304 Old Main, 6:45 p.m.
 - FRENCH CLUB, Simmons lounge, 7 p.m.
 - FUTURE TEACHERS OF AMERICA, 405 Old Main, 7 p.m.
 - HILLEL FOUNDATION discussion on 'Life in Modern Israel', Hillel Foundation, 8 p.m.
 - INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS RESEARCH ASSOCIATION, 317 Willard, 7 p.m.
 - INKLING editorial, art, circulation, and promotion staffs, 208 Willard, 7 p.m.
 - MOUNT ALTO class of 1952, meeting 7:30 in 105 Forestry.
 - NEWMAN CLUB discussion on 'Theories of Determinism,' John Hammes in charge, 107 Willard, 7:15 p.m.
 - NEWMAN CLUB movie, 'How Green Was My Valley,' 119 Osmond, 7 p.m.
 - SCABBARD AND BLADE, Phi Gamma Delta, 7:30 p.m.
 - WRA BRIDGE CLUB, White Hall game room, 7 p.m.
 - WRA INTRAMURAL BOARD, WRA office, White Hall, 5 p.m.
 - WRA OFFICIALS CLUB, 2 White Hall, 6:30 p.m.
 - WRA SWIMMERS CLUB, White Hall pool, 7:30 p.m.; beginners, 6:30 p.m.
 - YOUNG REPUBLICAN mixer, McElwain lounge, 7 p.m.
 - COLLEGE HOSPITAL
 - Edward Birkinshaw, Thomas Brown, Joyce Buchanan, Gordon Connors, James Dowrick, John Epler, David Fishburn, Robert Grimmer, Huber Kline, William Lechler, Eleanor McKenzie, Del Rene Millner, Joyce Mitchell, Kenneth Moses, Chester Potash, James Richardson, Loretta Schlemmer, William Shaw, George Skawski, Lee Smith, Gordon Stroup.
 - COLLEGE PLACEMENT
 - West Virginia Pulp and Paper Co. will interview January B.S. candidates in M.E., C.E., and Chem. Eng. Monday, Oct. 20.
 - General Electric Co. will interview January B.S. and M.S. candidates in E.E., M.E., I.E., Chem. and Phys. Wednesday, Oct. 22.
 - Westinghouse Airbrake Co. will interview January B.S. candidates in M.E., I.E., C.E., and E.E. Friday, Oct. 11.
 - STUDENT EMPLOYMENT
 - Substitute waiters for girls' dormitories.
 - Boy to work for room.
 - Girl to cook main meal in evenings for two people five days per week.
 - Person to upholster and refinish chairs.
- Studies serve for delight, for ornament, and for ability—Bacon.

Little Man on Campus

By Bibler



"Would you think it strange if I ask that we sit in the back seat—it's just that that's the only place I can carry on a decent conversation."

Bargain Counter



By NANCY LUETZEL

Lehigh's Campus Chest drive got a five-day head start this year, thanks going to two juniors who were helping with registration. On the last day of registration, they set up three boxes, plainly marked "Homes for Homeless Pedigree Pups," "Old Age Registration Fund," and "Stamp Tax," with the idea of turning over all proceeds to Campus Chest. Over 500 already confused frosh contributed \$5.62, mostly in pennies!

The classified ad section of the Daily Kansan recently listed as "Lost": Typist, experienced in theses, term papers, reports, etc.

Cornell freshmen and sophomore students will be able to get a better view of the phenomena demonstrated in physics courses by the use of a special television installation set up by RCA in the main lecture room. Experiments will be televised from the instructor's desk to several viewing screens visible from all corners of the room.

Buried deep on the front page of the Lehigh University Brown and White, we found this little gem under the heading of "Little Lena Lures Lobos to Lush Lair":

All gay Lehigh dogs are looking forward with great anticipation to their big party of the fall season at the Phi Delta Theta fraternity house Saturday night. The party is in honor of Lena, the Phi Delt Great Dane, who will be seven years old Saturday.

Invitations have been sent out to all university canines, and eight have eagerly accepted. They are to bring with them a friend on the other end of a

leash, preferably the president of their own house.

The party will be held on the back porch of the house. A table cloth will be laid out on which will be set the feast for Lena's guests. At each place there will be a party hat, a name card, a bone and the thing closest to every collegiate canine's heart, a plateful of beer. Topping this off will be a tremendous three-layer birthday cake for Lena.

(Editor's Note: And then there are some papers that find news to print!)

From the Michigan State News: "What is the heroic couplet?" challenged the English professor at an eight o'clock.

"It's two lines of iambic pentameter which..." the student hesitated.

"... it took guts to write!" concluded a wit in the last row.

From the Cincinnati News-Record, University of Cincinnati:

Bachelor: One who has been lucky in love.

Self-made man: Horrible example of unskilled labor.

Jury: Group of 12 individuals selected to see which party has the better lawyer.

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