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Consider Well Plan For Rec Hall Seats

Yesterday we discussed Phys Ed Dean Ernest B. McCoy's recent suggestion that student tickets for Recreation Hall events be divided so that one-half the students would be assured of a seat at these events. Today we'd like to consider another of the dean's suggestions concerning Rec Hall seating.

This second suggestion offers a plan whereby a number of seats, arbitrarily set at 300, would be reserved for the use of faculty, alumni, and townspeople at Rec Hall contests. These seats would not necessarily be choice ones, and the tickets for them would have to be purchased.

The plan has several obvious good points, but we feel there are dangers in it. On the credit side is the goodwill toward the students and the College that could be built up among the groups benefitting by the plan. Secondly, as has already been suggested, the move would lead to better student-faculty relationships. Most students will agree that it is certainly a shame that most faculty members have never been able to see our indoor athletic teams in action. In addition, the sale of the 300 seats would provide some income to offset the annual deficit incurred by the intercollegiate athletic program, although it probably wouldn't even meet the salaries of the game officials.

But while a certain amount of goodwill is being built up with the faculty, alumni, and townspeople, we must not overlook the ill will that may result from the student body. The students, after all, have paid an athletic fee which entitles them to attend all athletic events held on campus. If 300 students are eventually denied admission to Rec Hall because their seats have been resold to other people, then we feel the plan is not a particularly good one.

Then, too, we must consider the effect that these reserved seats will have on the student body. We cannot help but feel that students will resent seats being saved right up until game time, perhaps even going empty, while they have had to arrive at Rec Hall an hour or more before game time in order to get a seat. Then, too, there is the problem of how to reserve these seats when throngs of students come pouring into the building. (A similar problem has arisen with the flashcard section at Beaver Field.)

Should the plan eventually be put into effect, we think the wisest method to follow would be to warn the purchasers of the tickets that they'd have to get to Rec Hall early if they expected to get a seat. This would undoubtedly be hard for some of those people who would like to see the game, and perhaps considered unfair by many of them. But the students have also, in effect, paid for their seats and yet are interested enough in the sport to get to Rec Hall before the seats are filled. In our opinion, the reserving of certain seats can only lead to misunderstanding and ill will.

And, assuming the plan is put into effect, what assurance will be given that further attempts to secure seats for relative "outsiders" will not be made? Is the present proposal merely the first in a series of moves designed to secure more and more "cash seats" in Rec Hall?

Perhaps the good points of this suggestion

outweigh the bad ones. It might be pointed out, however, that the All-College Cabinet subcommittee on recreation at the Student Encampment turned down the proposal.

Whatever the merits of Dean McCoy's seating suggestions, there will be ample opportunity for them to be discussed and considered before they are brought before All-College Cabinet. Perhaps by then further benefits of the proposals can be brought to light—perhaps additional arguments against the plans may emerge. In any case, the student body owes it to itself to carefully consider the suggestions and their ramifications.

Motorcade Entries

The deadline for entries in the competitive motorcade designed to portray the theme of Pennsylvania Week at Saturday's Homecoming game is 5 p.m. today. But to date entries in the motorcade have been far below expectations. Only 18 have been filed.

Fraternities, which usually are quick to undertake such projects, apparently have felt that their individual lawn displays will be time-consuming this week.

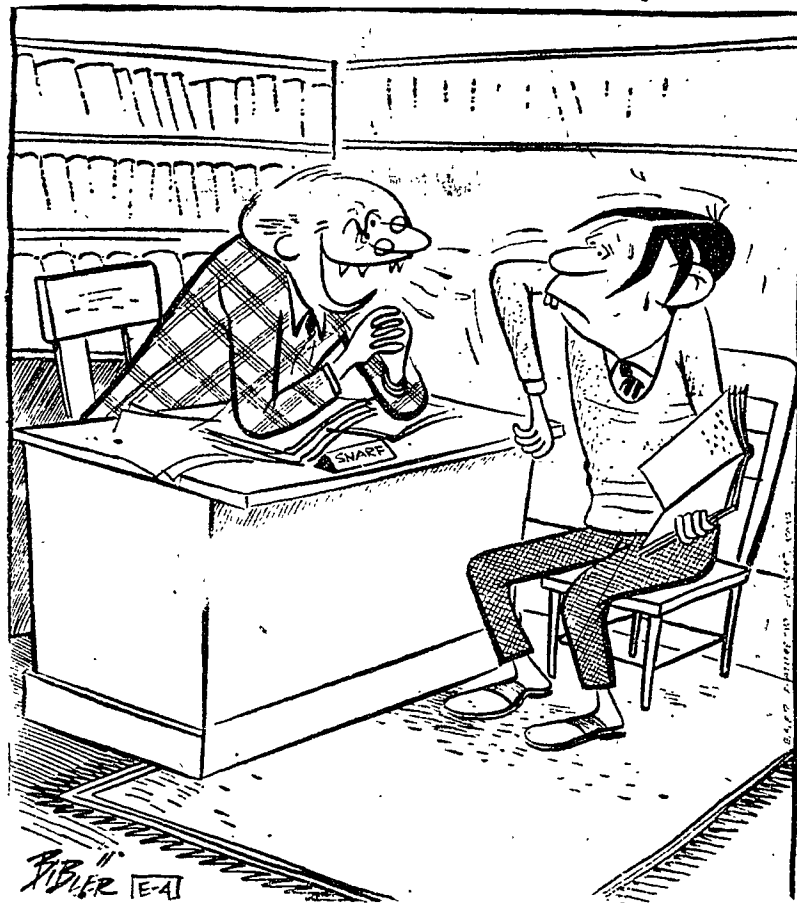
However, applications have now reached the point where those who do not participate will be appearing in bad light before alumni who will be expecting to see their house represented.

Arthur Rosfeld, Interfraternity Council president, has indicated that a fraternity which does not enter will stick out like a sore thumb.

The parade is scheduled to move around the track shortly after 12:15 p.m. And it is hoped that more groups, independents, fraternities, and sororities alike, will enter, so that the motorcade will be a real spectacle in color depicting the week's theme: "Pennsylvania Defends Freedom."

—Jim Gromiller

Little Man on Campus By Bibler



"Of course you could argue about this paper and prove me wrong—but why jeopardize your whole future?"

Gazette...

Thursday, October 16

- AIR FORCE HONOR GUARD, uniform, Class A, Armory, 7 p.m.
- ALPHA RHO OMEGA, 102 Willard, 7:30 p.m.
- CHRISTIAN SCIENCE ORGANIZATION, 304 Old Main, 6:45 p.m.
- DEMOLAY CLUB, 202 Willard, 7 p.m.
- INKLING EDITORIAL AND ART STAFFS, 208 Willard, 7 p.m.
- INTRAMURAL BOARD MEETING, White Hall WRA office, 5 p.m.
- HILLEL GOVERNING BOARD, Hillel Foundation, 7 p.m.
- LION PARTY steering committee, 314 Willard, 7 p.m.
- MARKETING CLUB, Phi Sigma Delta, 7:30 p.m.
- NEWMAN CLUB lecture-discussion, John Hammes in charge, 107 Willard, 7:15 p.m.
- NEWS AND VIEWS, 209 Home Economics, 6:30 p.m.
- NITTANY GROTTO, 316 Frear Laboratory, 7:30 p.m.
- WRA BRIDGE CLUB, White Hall game room, 7 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 REPUBLICANS, 304 Old Main, 7:30 p.m.

COLLEGE HOSPITAL

Norman Churchill, Esther Feldman, Howard Frank, James Garrity, Lorna Gray, David Grimes, William Johnston, Leo Kwaliik, Larry Lancaster, Norma Moore, Franklin Ross, Robert W. Smith, Gale Toke, Donald Zipin.

COLLEGE PLACEMENT

- American Locomotive Co. will interview January graduates in E.E., I.E., and M.E. Tuesday, Oct. 28.
- Atlantic Refining Co. will interview January B.S. and '53 M.S. and Ph.D. candidates in M.E., E.E., C.E., mining eng., chem. eng., phys., math., geol., and P.N.G., Monday and Tuesday, Oct. 27-28.
- Carter Oil Co. will interview January B.S. and '53 M.S. and Ph.D. candidates in geol. and January graduates in M.E. and E.E. Monday and Tuesday, Oct. 27-28.
- S. S. Kresge Co. will interview January candidates in A & L and com. and econ. Monday, Oct. 27.
- New Holland Machine Co. division of Sperry Corp. will interview January candidates in I.E. and accounting Monday, Oct. 27.
- Radio Corp. of America will interview January B.S. candidates in E.E., M.E., chem. eng., and phys. Monday and Tuesday, Oct. 27-28.
- General Electric Corp. will interview Ph.D. candidates in metal, phys., chem., and chem. eng. Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, Oct. 29-31.
- Standard Oil Co. of California will interview January B.S., '53 M.S. and Ph.D. candidates in M.E. and chem. eng. and '53 Ph.D. candidates in chem., phys., and geol. Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 29-30.
- Curtiss-Wright Propeller Division will interview January graduates in M.E., E.E., and aero. eng. Wednesday, Oct. 29.
- Curtiss-Wright Electronics Division will interview January graduates in M.E., E.E., and aero. eng. Wednesday, Oct. 29.
- Wright Aeronautical Division will interview January graduates in M.E., aero. eng., and metal. Wednesday, Oct. 29.
- Armco Steel Corp. will interview January graduates in M.E., C.E., I.E., E.E., mining eng., chem. eng., arch. eng., ag. eng., and metal. Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 29-30.

STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

Babysitters for Homecoming game Saturday. Senior engineers for evening or daytime work in electrical or mechanical drafting. For further information about job placements, contact Student Employment, 112 Old Main.

The Political Scene

By MARSHALL O. DONLEY

(This is the fourth in a series of interpretive political articles designed to inform the College student about the coming election. Nov. 4, and the issues and personalities surrounding it. The series is intended as a concise, unbiased discussion on a subject we feel should be stimulating and important to Penn Staters.)

(Your comments—in the form of letters to the Daily Collegian—are welcome, and the opinions stressed therein may well be used in the articles.)

4. John Sparkman, the Less-Known Candidate

In the verbal violence of the political campaign this year, many figures have played important parts. The presidential candidates from both parties have been talkative, and on both sides a number of men—Truman, Taft, Tom Dewey, even John L. Lewis—have expressed noisy and frequent opinions before the American public.

The Republican vice presidential candidate, Dick Nixon, had his share of publicity not too long ago when an \$18,000 fund in his name was brought to the public's attention. But what about Senator John Sparkman of Alabama, the Democratic candidate for vice president?

Sparkman has missed out. He has not caused any great scandals, never was page one material in the nation's press for any length of time. Are the Democrats hiding him?

Sparkman was selected as Stevenson's running mate as a third alternate, after Vice President Barkley and Georgia's Richard Russell were eliminated as choices. Sparkman was named for one main reason—he represented the South, and therefore his presence would be a type of compromise with the deep Southerners, who showed signs of bolting the party. A less forceful, but equally effective compromise was made in the 1948 election year.

There is little doubt that the Democratic Party recognizes the potentials of the South, and Sparkman is their way of showing the South they do so.

The Republicans realize that Sparkman is the civil rights counterbalance in the Democratic Party and, true to this knowledge, have attacked him on his civil rights "bias."

Early this week the Republican barrage of name calling against Sparkman began. Gov. Tom Dewey of New York, a great power in the Eisenhower camp, was given (or took) the

honor of striking the first blow. Dewey used his opportunity well, calling Sparkman a "white supremacist" and saying that he was campaigning on a "white supremacy" ballot.

The New York Herald Tribune published a protest by Senator Sparkman in which he struck back at Dewey and at the same time denounced the Tribune for its play of the Dewey speech, to which the paper had given a banner headline and considerable space.

Sparkman said he was "shocked" at the Tribune's selection of Dewey's speech, which, Sparkman said, was not newsworthy. The Tribune has come out for Eisenhower and the Republican ticket.

Hitting Dewey, Sparkman said, "What I wish to protest most strongly is Dewey's perverted attempt to label me with the Ku Klux Klan." He denied any affiliation with the Klan and called Dewey's charge an "open smear."

A few days after the New York governor's speech and Sparkman's consequent reply, Dick Nixon blasted away at Sparkman. Nixon, apparently taking his cue from Dewey, denounced the Alabamian on the same subject, civil rights.

Nixon said that Sparkman has been a lifetime foe of civil rights and that the Democratic platform's planks on the subject will be "deader than a doornail" with Sparkman in office.

Sparkman's record does show (Continued on page five)

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