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Ticket Complaints Are Well-Founded

A great deal of bitter criticism of the ticket policies of the College has arisen as a result of the generally bad seating accommodations handed to students for this week's Penn game. Much of it is well-founded.

The College received 16,000 tickets for the game. Of this figure, 11,000 were in the \$3.90 sections, and about 1000 were \$5.20 box seats running all along the north stands at Franklin Field. The remaining 4000 were \$2.60 end zone seats.

According to original plans, alumni applications were to be filled from the sections from the eastern 40-yard line to the east end zone; student applications were to be filled from a corresponding section on the other side of mid-field; and the areas between the forties would provide the necessary tickets for special applications handled through the President's office, for tickets for the Board of Trustees and other officials.

A great many of these special cases arise, a great many more than the average person realizes.

From the student section first were allocated about 260 seats for the Blue Band (that's a fair estimate of the area the band will take up in Franklin Field).

Then came the cut of tickets for the football players. For this game any player, according to Harold R. Gilbert, graduate manager of athletics, could purchase any number of priority seats on the 35-40 yard line.

At this point the following apparently happened: the demand for tickets by alumni groups, principally in the Philadelphia area, overflowed the seats set aside for alumni on the eastern side of the 50, and the Athletic office began to steal seats from the student side to fill the alumni requests.

As a result the 3000 or so student applications filed were filled from the \$3.90 seats in the poorer sections.

The Athletic office had to decide whether to cater to the alumni or to the students—and the decision fell with the former.

Although Gilbert feels very badly over the poor quality of the student sections, we cannot agree in any measure with this decision to fill alumni requests at student expense. The argument that many alumni also got poor seats, we feel, does not enter, since the last in line should wind up with the poorer seats.

But what has apparently not been realized by the Athletic office is that the 3000 students who have been following the team all season will be going to a great deal of effort and expense to travel to Philadelphia for the game. If it were a case of admittance via athletic book, where the cost to the student is only a fraction of the actual price of a ticket, there might be some reason for discrimination. But here students are paying \$3.90 just the same as Joe Alumni, class of 1928.

Student representatives were not consulted on the actual ticket apportionment. They were merely asked their views and helped form the procedure for the filing of student applications.

The great majority of student seats as a result of the "borrowing" for alumni applications, in the student section, are in section NB—15-yards behind the goal line and directly next to where the \$2.60 seats begin.

True, someone must sit there, but it does not seem fair to shove the students into this undesirable location, just to be sure that it will be filled, realizing that the better seats will easily be sold to alumni, who might otherwise sit at home rather than in such a poor location.

The damage is done for this week's game, and it will not soon be forgotten by the student body.

The problem of filling ticket requests was poorly handled in 1948 when a line six abreast trailed all the way to what is now the Dutch Pantry waiting to get tickets. Many students also made a very nice haul that year by purchasing a large number from the College and scalping them in Philadelphia.

This year the College attempted to eliminate the scalping by requiring that AA books be presented to get tickets. This probably would not have been too effective in cleaning up the scalping racket in itself, but the College did eliminate the problem in another way—simply by giving the students seats

that a scalper would have a hard time getting rid of at cost even at a sell-out!

We feel very strongly that the College, when faced with anticipated sell-outs in the future, should set aside reasonably good seats for the student body—and then not borrow from them until the students have had an opportunity to have their needs filled.

At the same time let's put a limit on the grade A seats football players can get. Otherwise the temptation of their becoming scalpers will be overburdening.

It places the College and Athletic office officials in a particularly bad light when students are shoved into minus 15-yard line seats, and a week later 50-yard line tickets are handed out as bridge prizes at the local country club!

—Jim Gromiller

Pennsylvania Needs Absentee Voting

One week from today is Election Day. For weeks now citizens have been bombarded with reminders to vote. It is unfortunate that they do have to be reminded that voting is not only a privilege but a duty as well.

We add our urging to those students at Penn State who are eligible, but if many of them don't vote it is understandable. Perhaps a person's vote isn't worth traveling for a hundred or more miles.

It would seem that the State of Pennsylvania would make some provisions for this. In 1942 there were only six states which did not have civilian absentee voting of some kind. Pennsylvania was one of them, and no progress has been made since then.

Perhaps there are not many who would be affected by the passage of such a law, but even these few should not be practically denied their privilege of voting. Most College students now are not eligible to vote, particularly since the decrease in the veteran enrollment. But the passage of Public Law 550 will again bring an influx of vets to the College. It's time for Pennsylvania to start looking toward the future.

It is said that training should be started when young. What better place is there than college to train people in their responsibility of voting? Yet, too often, this training goes to waste because students can't afford to miss a whole day's classes.

Civilian absentee voting has proved successful in practically all of the 48 states. This is no time for Pennsylvania to lag behind.

Gazette...

Tuesday, October 28

CAMPUS RED CROSS UNIT, Old Main Student Employment Office, 9 p.m.

COLLEGIAN ADVERTISING STAFF, intermediate and junior boards, 9 Carnegie Hall, 7 p.m.

COLLEGIAN BUSINESS CANDIDATES, 1 Carnegie Hall, 7 p.m.

COLLEGIAN CIRCULATION STAFF, junior and intermediate boards, Collegian Office, 7 p.m.

COLLEGIAN EDITORIAL CANDIDATES, 2 Carnegie, 7 p.m.

DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB, TUB, 6:45 p.m.

EDUCATION STUDENT COUNCIL, 108 Willard Hall, 8:30 p.m.

FROTH ADVERTISING WORKSHOP, 200 Carnegie, 7:30 p.m.

PANHELLENIC COUNCIL, Alpha Gamma Delta, 6:30 p.m.

RADIO GUILD, 304 Sparks, 7 p.m.

COLLEGE HOSPITAL

Lucy Barr, Bertha Beahm, Jay Best, Joan Gillette, Walton B. Jones, Donald Malinak, Dwayne Martin, Walter Mazur, Winston Mergott, Clarise Rosenberg, Ira Ross, Ronald Sauters, James Spangler, John Stewart, Donald Sweitzer, Bernard Vanzyl, Roy Williams, and Joe Yukica.

COLLEGE PLACEMENT

General Electric Co. will interview Ph.D. candidates in E.E. and M.E. Wednesday, Oct. 29.

Naval Research Laboratory will interview January B.S. candidates in E.E. interested in electronics Wednesday, Nov. 5.

Champ Hats at Sunbury has openings in production, quality control methods, etc., for January graduates in I.E., M.E., and com. and finance; also openings in sales for non-engineers. Those interested must contact College Placement Service, 112 Old Main, before 5 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 30.

Ortho Pharmaceutical Co., General Fireproofing Co., Youngstown Sheet and Tube Co. and Einco Corp., represented by Dr. Paul E. Williams, will interview January B.S. candidates in L.A., M.E., I.E., C.E., chem., metal., zool., chem. eng., fuel tech., sanitary eng., and com. Wednesday, Nov. 5.

West Penn Power Co. will interview January B.S. candidates in M.E., I.E., and E.E. Thursday, Nov. 6.

Colgate Palmolive Peet Co. will interview January B.S. candidates in M.E., E.E., I.E., C.E., chem. eng., and chem. Thursday, Nov. 6.

Armstrong Cork Co. will interview January B.S. candidates in M.E., I.E., E.E., C.E., arch. eng., com. and econ., L.A., journ., dram., and advertising and Ph.D. candidates in chem. Thursday and Friday, Nov. 6-7.

United Aircraft Corp. will interview January B.S. candidates in M.E. and aero. eng. Thursday, Nov. 6.

Penna. Railroad will interview January B.S. candidates in M.E. and E.E. interested in railroad work Nov. 6.

Bendix Radio Corp. will interview January B.S. candidates in Phys. and E.E. Mon., Nov. 10.

Columbia Southern Chemical Corp. will interview January B.S. and M.S. candidates in Chem., Chem. Eng., I.E., and M.E. and '53 M.S. and Ph.D. candidates in Chem. Mon., Nov. 10.

Pittsburgh Consolidation Coal Co. will interview January B.S., M.S. and Ph.D. candidates in Chem. Eng., and Chem. Mon., Nov. 10.

Toledo Edison Co. will interview January B.S. candidates in M.E. and E.E. Mon., Nov. 10.

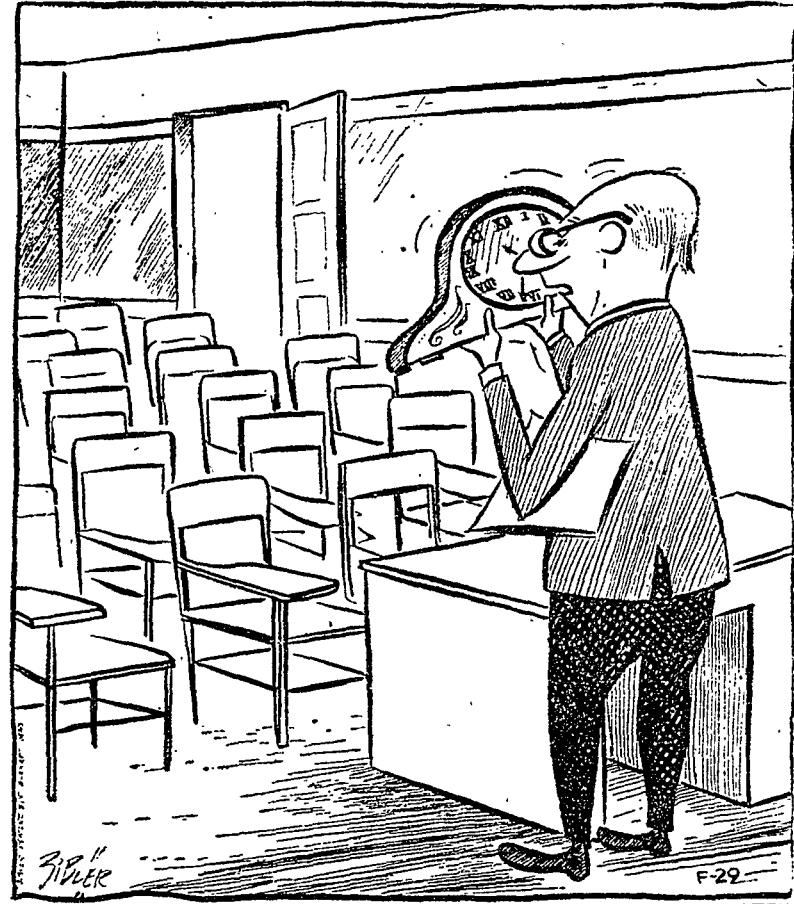
U. S. Rubber Laboratories will interview January B.S., M.S. and Ph.D. candidates in Chem. and B.S. candidates in Chem. Eng. Fri., Nov. 7.

Aluminum Co. of America will interview '53 candidates in Chem. and Phys. Friday, Nov. 7.

STUDENT EMPLOYMENT
Senior engineers for evening or daytime work in electrical or mechanical drafting.
Messenger boy from 10 a.m. to noon or from 9-11 a.m. five days a week.
For further information about job placements, contact Student Employment, 112 Old Main.

Little Man on Campus

By Bibler



"Oh, I'm so sorry, class—I see by my watch I've lectured past the bell again."

The Political Scene

By MARSHALL O. DONLEY

(This is the sixth in a series of seven interpretive political articles designed to inform the College student about the coming election, next Tuesday, 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 State.)

6. The Campaigns-Analysis by Comparison

Just last week the communist radio in Moscow let the Russian people know what they should think about the American political campaign—not who was the best candidate, but why both candidates were equally despicable. Both Ike and Adlai obey the will of American multi-millionaires, the Red radio said, and election skirmishes between the two men are just propaganda, for after all there is no difference between them.

The Red commentator, as usual, was completely wrong. For there is a difference between our candidates, difference not seen between presidential runners for a number of years. It is a difference in not only policy (or lack of policy) but a difference in type of campaign and type of appeal.

A look at the speeches of General Eisenhower and Governor Stevenson will show us these differences.

The same day of the communist radio broadcast, Ike was speaking in Boston, reading a prepared text before about 75,000 on the Boston Common. In the speech he said, "We can conquer Communism if we have a leadership of high purpose and moral stamina, a leadership that draws strength from its spiritual faith. And it is to seek out these qualities and place them at the nation's helm that my associate and I have embarked on this second crusade, this 'Crusade in America.'"

A day later, in Hartford, Conn., Ike said, "I love this land. As I look into the future I can see what the dedicated leadership of America's ablest citizens can accomplish to bring peace and prosperity to ourselves and the free world. If you share that vision, you can be one of the moulders of America's greater destiny."

These two excerpts, which are fairly typical of Eisenhower's written speeches, point out his declaration of a need for leadership and a stress on the need for, and expression of, patriotism. These excerpts contain also one other thing which is typical of Ike's speeches—a use of many generalities, such as "faith," "leadership," and "crusade," words which are useful, but which say nothing unless related to more concrete expressions.

These abstract words do have the advantage of the "good sound" of however, and they embrace the idea of emotionalism which Eisenhower has been accused of using as a basis for his campaign.

But what about Stevenson? Here are two excerpts, typical of the Governor's oratory. Re-

cently at Salt Lake City Stevenson said, "Yet the same Republicans (the dinosaur wing of that party) who object to service from our government—who call everything 'creeping socialism,' who talk darkly of 'dictatorship'—these same men begin to hint that we are 'subversive,' or at best the tools of our country's enemies, when we boast of the great strides toward social justice and security we have already made, and of the still greater strides we plan; they laugh at us, superciliously, when we say we are the political party with a heart."

And this from Adlai, discussing the Communist—"He is primitive, but he is also advanced. He goes with a piece of black bread in his hand, but in his mind he carries the awful knowledge of atomic energy. He is careful, cool, calculating and he counts time, not impatiently like we do, not by the clock, but by decades, in terms of centuries."

These typical examples of Stevenson show a definite difference in type of campaign and method of thought used by the two candidates. Stevenson's speeches are more concrete, not only in use of terms, but in use of symbols. Stevenson, not Eisenhower, uses the figures of speech such as the representation of the Communist enemy as both primitive and advanced.

Two other tricks of speech, evidenced by these examples, demonstrate differences between the candidates. The one is the humor, usually dry and implicit, expressed by Stevenson in his talks, such as his reference to the Republican Old Guard as the dinosaur wing.

(When the general criticized Stevenson for his overuse of humor, Stevenson replied that GOP stands no longer for Grand Old Party, but for Grouchy Old Pessimists.)

The other is Stevenson's use of larger, more grandiose wording. Stevenson alone of the candidates and their "second string assistants" would use words such as "superciliously." And Stevenson

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