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AA Policy Changes Deserve Criticism

The College Athletic Advisory Board has come up with a series of policy clarifications and revisions, most of which are commendable, but several of which deserve some critical comment.

Allotting student seats for Pitt and Penn games all along the Penn State section will eliminate the situation which aroused so much student indignation this year.

At the same time, however, we can see no possible benefit to be gained by passing out applications for Penn and Pitt game tickets prior to the end of the spring semester and requiring that they be returned sometime during the summer. Contrary to what the board expects, such application will not give much of an indication of ticket demands for those games. It should be clear that although the Penn game is early next season, still student demand for tickets is in direct ratio with the type of season the teams gets off on, something which even Granland Rice cannot predict with accuracy in mid-summer. We see the application plan as a mighty mass of paper work out of which shall be gotten very little in the way of an indication of student ticket demands. One would be just as well off to take the much less tedious way out and examine demands for tickets in games in past seasons.

The establishing of a definite policy with regard to parades and floats at games was certainly needed, and the policy as outlined appears fair in all respects. Likewise, the clarification of policy with regard to complimentary tickets to members of athletic teams also seems fair . . .

X-Country Change?

. . . But, buried in among these clarifications there is a definite policy change. According to the board's announcement, all future cross-country meets will henceforth be held at some time other than during football games as was past policy. Harold R. Gilbert, graduate manager of athletics, has indicated that the meets probably will be held prior to the games. We can see no reason for this change which could possibly outweigh continuing the system in use so long. Cross country is a sport which receives no widespread recognition of itself. Of its very nature it does not draw thousands of spectators, nor do the members of the team, despite their tedious hours of training get the recognition which members of the "spectator sports" receive. Penn State's cross-country team in the past has received what recognition it has gotten largely from the scheduling of the start and finish of the meet inside Beaver Field during the Saturday football games when this was possible. As a result the thousands in the stands as well as the huge radio audience were made aware of the team's showing.

Why change this in such a way that the sport will almost assuredly lose much of that recognition? It is hard to understand how such a ruling should come from the Athletic Advisory Board, whose main job is to boost sports at the College and not cut down publicity.

—Jim Gromiller

Scholarship Fund Needs More Capital

Last year All-College Cabinet set up a scholarship fund designed to give money to needy students who must work part-time to continue at the College. Since its inception the fund, known as the Penn State Student Scholarship Fund, has made one money award of \$25 and plans to make more and larger awards.

Plans call for the establishment of a number of \$100 scholarships given each year to students who will benefit from the money. The money will come from interest raised from a principal continued and strengthened through student donations. Only students and student groups will contribute to the fund.

The principal of the fund is now about \$1100, mostly the result of a \$1000 donation from the Spring Carnival in 1951. The \$1100 principal is not sufficient to accrue an interest that will allow any \$100 stipends, although a couple \$25 gifts may be made this spring.

That is why the committee of cabinet which handles the fund is now asking about 70 campus groups to contribute. Additional money raised now may be added to the fund's principal before January, the beginning of the next fiscal period. Thus, by June, interest on this increased principal may be used for the much-needed scholarships.

William Hay, chairman of the Penn State Student Scholarship Fund committee, has said he hopes to have the fund included in Campus Chest next year. We hope this step is taken. The student fund is at least as worthy, if not more so, than many groups now included in the Chest.

Until the time when Chest will collect for the student fund, we hope that students will contribute through their organizations to this most worthy cause.

—Marshall O. Donley

Snowball Fights

This shouldn't have to be said—but little boys must NOT throw snowballs at windows. The reason for this is obvious—windows are broken easily.

If any student wishes to have a snowball fight, why not get together with some kindred souls on Beaver Field where (1) windows will not be broken, and (2) students who don't want to play won't be bothered.

—Robert Landis

Gazette . . .

Friday, December 5

CHECKER CLUB, Hamilton lounge, 8:30 p.m.
INTER-VARSITY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP, 405 Old Main, 7:30 p.m.

WRA HOCKEY CLUB, Holmes Field, 4 p.m.
WRA SWIMMING PLUNGE HOURS, 7:30 to 9 p.m.

COLLEGE HOSPITAL

Norman Basehore, Virginia Chesley, Arthur Cusick, Vivian Drayer, David Ericson, Henry M. Gerson, David Grimes, Edward Gruber, Alice Mae Haviland, Nancy Linthurst, Celeste McDermott, John McNeill, Barbara Newquist, Phyllis Rishel, Lloyd Sand, William Shifflett, Audrey Shulz, Clayton Uhler.

COLLEGE PLACEMENT

Owens Corning Fiberglas Corp. will interview January B.S. candidates in C.E., I.E., E.E., chem. eng., arch., LA. and C&E Dec. 15 and 16.

National Supply Co. will interview January B.S. candidates in C.E., I.E., M.E., metal, P.N.G. and C&E, Dec. 9.

Ohio Box Co. will interview January non-technical graduates interested in sales or production trainee program, Dec. 12.

Boy Scouts of America will interview January graduates interested in a scouting career, Dec. 16.

West Virginia Pulp & Paper Co. will interview January B.S. candidates in M.E., C.E., and chem. eng., Dec. 12.

Representatives of the Grange League Federation (GLF) will meet with January graduates at 7 p.m. Dec. 9 in 105 Forestry. Opportunities available for majors in C&E as well as various departments h. ag.

E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. will interview January B.S. candidates in A&L, C&E, HA, home ec., and accounting, Dec. 8 and 9.

North American Aviation, Los Angeles, Calif. Div., will interview January B.S. candidates in C.E., M.E., E.E., aero. eng., and arch. eng., Dec. 8.

Research Division of Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co. will interview January B.S. and '53 M.S. and Ph.D. candidates in M.E., chem. eng., chem., and comm. chem., Dec. 12.

Mesta Machine Co. will interview January B.S. candidates in I.E. and M.E., Dec. 12.

U.S. Atomic Energy Commission will interview '53 M.S. candidates in E.E., M.E., chem. eng., chem. phys., and metal, Dec. 10.

Firestone Tire & Rubber Co. will interview January B.S. candidates in C&F and LA, Dec. 11.

Boiler Division, Tubular Products Div. and Research and Development Labs., Babcock & Wilson Co., will interview January B.S. candidates in M.E., C.E., E.E., I.E., and fuel tech., Dec. 10.

Budd Co. will interview January B.S. and '53 M.S. and Ph.D. candidates in E.E. and M.E., Dec. 11.

Bendix Products Division will interview January B.S. candidates in M.E., E.E., C.E., and aero eng., Dec. 10.

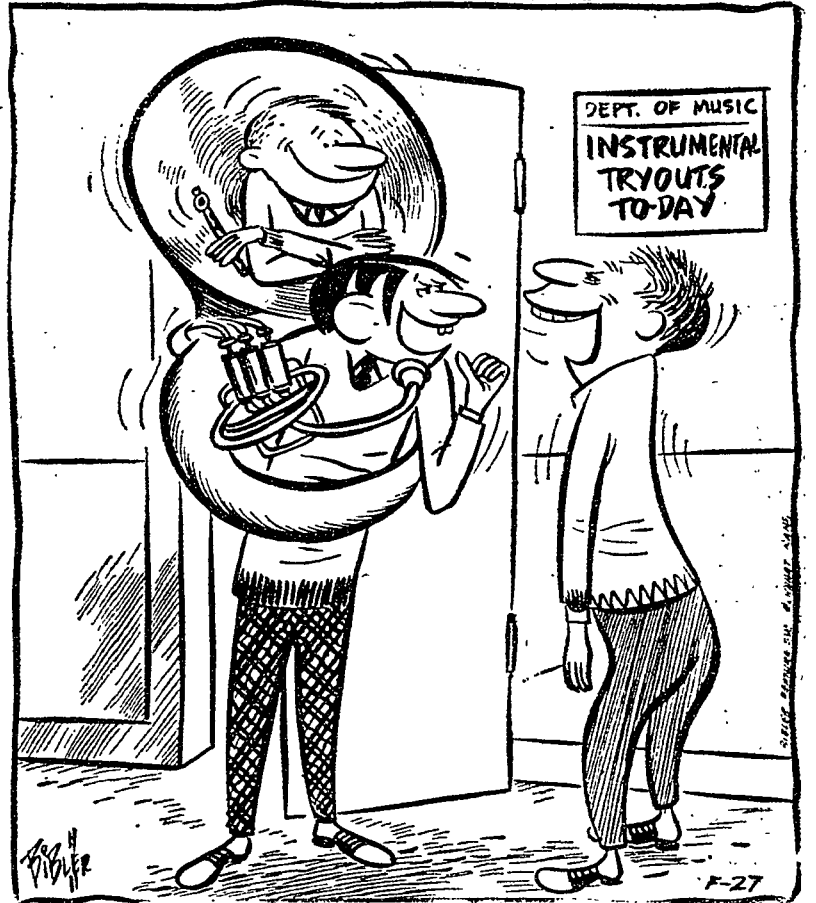
Rural Electrification Administration of U. S. Dept. of Agriculture will interview January B.S. candidates in EE, Dec. 17.

Bell Telephone Laboratories will interview '53 Ph.D. candidates in chem. phys., metal, M.E., E.E., Dec. 15.

STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

Couple to work for room and board.
Boy to work from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. three evenings per week in restaurant.

Little Man on Campus By Bibler



"You shoulda seen th' dean's face when Floyd started playin' his piccolo."

Interpreting the News

Durkin's Appointment Designed for Unity

By J. M. ROBERTS JR.
Associated Press News Analyst

Martin P. Durkin, president of the AFL Plumbers Union, says he was greatly surprised to be chosen as President-elect Eisenhower's secretary of labor.

So were a lot of other folks, including Senator Taft, who called it "incredible."

There are, however, some logical answers to some of the questions raised.

Some people wondered first of all why a Democrat was chosen for a regime dedicated to sweeping out the Democrats. The first natural answer to that would be Eisenhower's opinions of Durkin's personal qualifications. That would be included in the answer to another question: Why choose directly from one of the two great opposing labor organizations, CIO and AFL? Wouldn't the favoring of one damage relations with the other?

Eisenhower's advisers must have believed that Durkin's experience as director of labor in Illinois for eight years, under both Democratic and Republican administrations, and his interest in reconciliation of the CIO and AFL, would eventually take care of that.

It should be remembered, too, that the secretary of labor's functions have been circumscribed by Congress in recent years. His office handles wage hour administration, public employment offices, keeps track of trends. But he is primarily an adviser of the president.

The most important labor laws, such as Taft-Hartley, are administered by the National Labor Relations Board. Labor management disputes which arise under them are handled by the also separate mediation service.

Durkin may think these functions should come back to the department. He said he thought "some functions" now handled by other agencies would. But Congress, regardless of which party was in control, has given no in-

dications of changes in this direction.

So, as it now stands, the secretary's job is to use the department to keep track of the labor situation and inform the President, and the country, about it.

In selecting such men, a president traditionally is allowed wide personal leeway.

The appointment also may be taken as a nod to the campaign impression acquired by many, and to the fear of a large section of labor, that the Republicans intended to turn the clock back. It could be calculated to ease labor administration relations right at the start, until actions can speak for themselves.

Eisenhower goes into office for a period which promises terrific stresses both on national and international policy, which are now tied together in a way which transcends the national experience to handle them.

Eisenhower has cited national unity as the first requirement in meeting these stresses. The appointment of members of the minority party, and of representatives of important factions, has long been a standard maneuver to achieve unity.

34 Students Withdraw

Thirty-four student withdrawals from the College were listed in the Dec. 5 Faculty Bulletin. Reasons given for withdrawing were: personal 14, scholastic 1, military service 9, financial 5, illness 2, and unknown 3.

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