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Add a Field House To Building Needs

Thursday, Director of Student Affairs Wilmer E. Kenworthy released a list of 14 building requests pending before the General State Authority and the state legislature. Included in the list was a request for permission to complete the College Infirmary. We feel this is a "must" on any tentative list that could be submitted to the state.

However, by far the second most needed building is a new athletic field house. This was not mentioned on the list.

At the present time we have a "recreation building" which houses all varsity indoor sports, intramural activities, and physical education classes—and it is not really adequate for any one of these.

One striking example can be cited in regard to Chick Werner's indoor track team. The squad is forced to practice on the Rec Hall balcony, the most deplorable indoor track in the country, at least in a school the size of Penn State. There is no room at all for high jumper Jim Herb and pole vaulter Dan Lorch to practice, and the runners must share the balcony with boxers, wrestlers, soccermen, and any other Penn State athlete who happens to be getting a "workout." They even have to be careful of the weight lifters who occupy one end of the cramped two lane "track."

In fact, the track is so poor, that in some ways it does more harm than good for the Lion runners. A trackman's prime requisites are good lungs and legs. The Rec Hall track can help develop the lungs, but not the legs. Lion runners are frequently victims of shin splints, and twisted ankles are always a threatening menace on the poorly built turns.

Penn State has always been a highly regarded track school. This year, as in past years, Chick Werner has a group of high caliber performers. Werner is one of the best, if not the best track coach in the country, and is doing a magnificent job once again. The Olympic mentor has taken his team to the top ranking indoor meets in the country this year, pitting his men against the best trackmen in the world. They have been outstanding in these events, considering the practice they get—or better yet, the practice they don't get.

But back to Mr. Kenworthy's list. Included among the list of requests was one for "facilities for the swine herd." This was one of four requests for buildings which would be used by the School of Agriculture, and evidently the College officials feel it is needed.

But what about the human herd which uses Rec Hall constantly, many in an effort to build for future careers? They need facilities also. The inclusion of the field house to the list would, we feel, make it a complete one.
—Dick McDowell

News Clampdown Seems Unjustified

Freedom of the press in the state of Pennsylvania received another serious setback yesterday when Gov. John S. Fine placed a gag on all state groups under his jurisdiction. Governor Fine's statement directed officials to clear all proposed news releases for all information media through his office.

The news clampdown came at a time when news relations in Harrisburg were far from perfect. Newsmen have been complaining bitterly about generally poor press conditions, and the new stringent action will certainly bring much editorial wrath upon the capitol.

However, the action by Governor Fine is apparently only one more indication of a growing tendency to defeat freedom of writing and thinking in the entire country. In Washington, similar news blocs have been hinted by sources near President "Ike" Eisenhower's office.

It is our hope that some substantial method can be found to correct this tendency to restrict thinking.

Under some conditions, such as wartime, or periods of national crisis, there can be many and good justifications for news blocs. It is perhaps legitimate, for example, for the Pentagon to clamp down on Korean news.

But why should the people be refused their right to observe critically the working of ordinary government? What reason could Governor Fine have for such a restriction of rights? Does he fear the people?

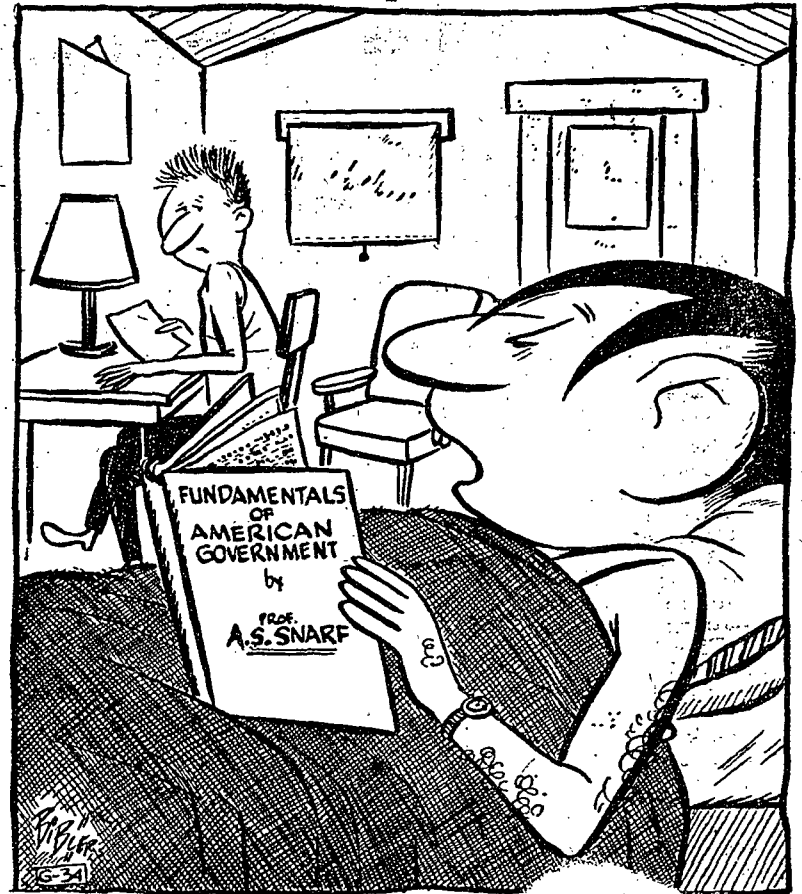
Dr. Andrew Cordier, United Nations worker who spoke recently on campus, said this country may be fearing itself into World War III. He pointed out that this is not a time for fear but a time for calm, clear thought.

Thomas Mann, the great writer, recently left the United States, giving for his reason—America is restricting its freedom in the very attempt to preserve it.

The time has come to heed the words of these men; the citizens of this country do not want restriction—they want freedom. They want a free press, not a press hampered in its presentation of the truth by political expediencies.

America must not have its liberty whittled away to nothing on the grinding wheel of politics. Free press, free thought, clean politics—these are the deserved heritage of all living Americans.
—Marshall O. Donley

Little Man On Campus By Bibler



"No, I'm not studying it—I use it to go to sleep by."

With Open Mind

By MARSHALL O. DONLEY

Plato described love as a grave mental disease, Lord Dewar called it an ocean of emotions entirely surrounded by expenses, and Antoine Bret said the first sigh of love is the last sigh of wisdom. And at Penn State love might be identified as a stopping-place in the race against ratio.

Nevertheless, each year on this day—Feb. 14—millions of people

celebrate the infamy of love under the disguise of a martyr from the days of ancient Rome—St. Valentine. Thinking back to olden days, we were imagining some of the great romances of those days brought into a present-day setting in the Nittany Vale.

THE EPIC OF SAMSON AND DELILAH, A LA PENN STATE:

On the football team of the mighty Blue and White is this player, name of Samson. Now Sammy is a pretty tough guy and a good handsome kid too, so he's a real catch, not only for the team, but for any woman what can get her claws into him. And a lot of them are trying. Each evening after football practice a number of women—Penn State's finest—hang around outside the locker room, waiting for Sammy to come out so they can get him. Now in this bunch of glamorines

is a cute little trick name of Delilah (named that way by an eccentric father). Now Delie ain't just no ordinary coed, she's a real looker, in addition to being quite a smart cookie. She hangs around, and when Sammy finally comes out and pushes his way through the crowd of women, Delie is pushed aside and never even gets near him.

This goes on for a couple of days, and Delie is getting sort of mad. "This won't get me nowhere," she thinks, so, being the brain she is, Delie hoofoots it back to her room and works on a plan to ensnare pretty boy Sammy.

"Think, Delie," she says to herself, and puts all her five-foot-five, 115 to work. So Delie thinks up a plan.

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Gazette...

Saturday, February 14
HILLEL FOUNDATION, EGG NOG PARTY: after game, Hillel Foundation.

WRA PLUNGE HOURS, 7:30-9 p.m., White Hall.

Sunday, February 15
HILLEL FOUNDATION MOVIE, 2 p.m., Hillel Foundation.

Monday, February 16
ALPHA PHI OMEGA, 7 p.m., 304 Old Main.

CHIMES, 9:15 p.m., Grange.

NAVAL RESERVE ELECTRONICS UNIT, 7:30-9:30 p.m., 300 E.E.

WRA BOWLING CLUB, 7 p.m., White Hall.

COLLEGE HOSPITAL
Doris Berkowitz, Harold Corderman, Bernard Davis, John Feverlicht, Burton Forman, Charles Gross, Richard Hayes, Clifford Holgate, Arthur Jacobowitz, Dorothy Kauffman, Zelda Levin, Raymond Long, David Lucas, Terence McNamee, Samuel Mento, Marilyn Moore, Eleanor Nicaastro, William Ream, Walter Riegel, Robert Rossi, Richard Rostmeyer, Marjorie Seymour, Temma Shames, Carroll Shaw, Vernon Sones, William Sweeney, Joann Terhune, Allen Votta, Archie Williams, Dorothy Williams, and Jane Yahres.

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