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Carefully Consider Fee Consolidation

The chief stumbling block in the consolidated fee proposal lies in determining some method of equalizing school fees. At present, only two schools, Agriculture and Home Economics, have such fees. The ag fee is 75 cents, of which 50 cents goes for the publishing of the Penn State Farmer. The remaining 25 cents is used on other Ag Hill activities such as the Ag Hill Party. The entire 25 cents collected by the Home Ec school goes toward the publication of the Home Ec News and Views.

Both schools claim it would be impossible for them to continue their present activities without those fees. On the other hand, students in the other schools do not want to be burdened with an additional fee just because two schools must have them.

The College has long realized the need for a consolidated fee plan. Too much money is lost each year because of students who drop out before the time for fee payment rolls around. In addition, the College is without the fee money for three weeks or so, which causes extra expense because loans must be arranged.

There are benefits to the student under this plan too. Many parents want to know just how much money their son or daughter will need in order to meet all expenses. Such a plan would solve this problem and would also put a stop to the loss or theft of large sums of money which some students carry about with them until the payment of fees is due.

There is something to be said for a school fee in any school. The Ag school with its 25 cents can carry out a number of social affairs which tend to draw the school into a more closely knit group. Such an intra-school feeling is desirable.

On the other hand, 25 cents from every student in the Liberal Arts school would amount to a sum more than adequate to take care of special events which the school council might plan. And if a 25 cent school fee were to be passed, the Ag school would still have the problem of getting its other 50 cents.

The Interscholar Council Board is now considering the consolidation problem, since it is the group most directly concerned with it. The plan will be brought before All-College Cabinet again tomorrow night. If any motion is made, it must receive a two-thirds vote at two consecutive meetings. This will give plenty of time for the proposal, whatever it may be, to be discussed at various group meetings.

The answer to the problem is not any easy one. A school fee for each school has its definite advantages, but at the same time care must be taken to be fair to all schools. A great deal of debate on the subject can be anticipated before final action is taken.

Spring Is Here

Spring has come and so has blue book time. It is unfortunate that the two must conflict, particularly before spring vacation.

When spring comes, it is often said that the fancies of the young men and women turn to finer things than classes and books. But, spring has the quality of being here to stay—until summer. On the other hand, blue books roll around only at certain times during the semester. If students accidentally lose sight of this fact, they may not be at Penn State to stay.

All the jokes about spring make life a little more interesting and entertaining. But, it shouldn't be forgotten that classes are still going on and students are at Penn State to attend classes. Save the spring fever for the sandwich hours and the ten minutes between each class. It will work out much better in the long run.

Mimi Ungar

Good Sportsmanship Needed for NCAA's

Tomorrow about 200 collegiate wrestlers will arrive on campus to compete in the National Collegiate Athletic Association wrestling championships. Penn State will have nine men in the competition which promises to be as keen as it has been in the past.

Although many of us at Penn State have our eyes on a possible championship—perhaps the first team in the east to win the award—since the NCAA's organization 23 years ago—we should not forget at any time during the approaching competition that we are hosts to one of the biggest collegiate athletic events of the year.

There will be hundreds of persons on campus who will not know their way around Penn State, and who will probably ask students for some guidance. Even though there are some guides already scheduled to be located at various places on campus, it is hoped that all students will aid someone who is lost.

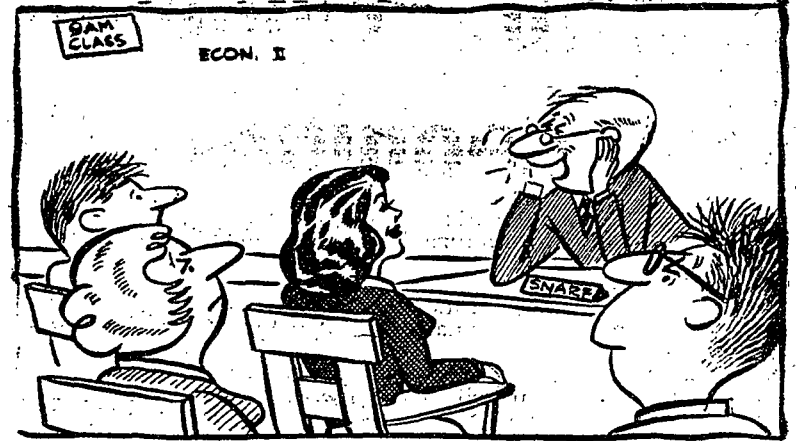
Then, too, as hosts, and as college students, it should be reemphasized that we control our personal desires and not let them take away from our sportsmanship. The best sports are the good sports—and as hosts, each individual student should consider this of utmost importance at the contests in Recreation Hall.

There are additional qualifications for a good host which are not necessary to reiterate here. Win or lose, Penn State wrestlers are bound to make an admirable showing, as they have done throughout the past season.

The Daily Collegian should like to express at this time—Good luck to Charlie Speidel and his boys.

—M.U.

Little Man On Campus By Bibler



"Whadda-ya-mean, you don't have today's assignment ready?"

Independent Coeds Should Vote Today

Independent women will have the opportunity today to determine next year's leadership in Leonides, the organization which represents them in College activities. We hope that the majority of them will realize that opportunity—and responsibility—before the polls close at 5:30 p.m.

Representation in student government is a privilege. Certainly, most students are not conscious of the importance of representation until there is a threat that it might be taken away. And since the majority of independent women seldom participate directly in Leonides activities, they aren't conscious of their role in determining policy until election day. Unfortunately, many women don't even realize their role then.

Leonides leaders have been careful to nominate their most outstanding people for key positions. The elections committee is going one step further by announcing the candidates' qualifications. Now, the sole responsibility rests on the voter. A strong vote on election day will afford the confidence that makes officers sure of their position, their policy. And two minutes at the ballot box for every independent woman will help make Leonides a more successful organization than it has ever been.

—Baylee Friedman

Don't Cut Corners

With the approach of warm weather, the perennial problem of keeping students off the grass comes up. Several times yesterday we heard coeds complaining because they got mud all over their shoes. They seemed to be entirely unaware that the mud didn't have to be there. The constant tramping on certain areas of grass about campus not only destroys the grass that is trying valiantly to grow, but creates sore spots which detract from the beauty of the campus in the eyes of visitors.

The time saved by cutting corners usually amounts to only a few seconds. The damage that is done to the grass may take weeks to repair. So, please don't cut those corners.

Gazette...

Wednesday, March 25

- AMERICAN SLAVONIC ORGANIZATION, 8:15 p.m., 208 Willard.
- CHESS CLUB, 7 p.m., 3 Sparks.
- ENGINEERING STUDENT COUNCIL, 7 p.m., 107 Old Main.
- FRENCH CLUB, 7 p.m., 405 Old Main.
- FROTH PROMOTION STAFF, 7 p.m., Froth office.
- FLYING CLUB, 7:30 p.m., 233 Sparks.
- LION PARTY ORGANIZATION meeting, 6:45 p.m., 8 Sparks.
- MARKETING CLUB, 7:30 p.m., Beta Theta Pi.
- PENN STATE HELLENIC SOCIETY, 7 p.m., TUB.
- PETROLEUM ENGINEERING SOCIETY, 7:30 p.m., 317 Willard.
- ROD AND COCCUS CLUB, 7 p.m., 206 Paterson Hall.
- Camp Wood Haven. Reading, will interview girls, March 29.

The Osier Cage

By BARRY FEIN



Sen. Joseph McCarthy has been investigating everything from the music of Prokofiev to the tape measure used on Marilyn Monroe, but he has still overlooked one ripe category—the 8 o'clock class.

While no Constitutional ban against it can be found, members of the "I-Hate-Eight Club" would like to see some legislative measures taken.

Let's examine the facts:

1. Most Penn Staters are in bed by 9:30 (except juniors and seniors who sometimes stay up 'till 10).
2. Being a clean-living bunch who neither drink nor smoke, we like at least 12 hours of sleep a night.
3. We have homework to do which interferes with our sleep.
4. It doesn't get light during the winter in State College until 10 a.m., anyway.

Therefore, why take the long trek up the Mall? It's a gruesome way to begin Monday morning. The deserted streets echo to the hollow sound of your dragging feet. Shapes move slowly past your eyes in a mist of ethereal blacks and grays. You settle into the vault-like niche in the classroom, and the sepulchral voice of the instructor drones in the background. So, for 50 minutes you sit, and to what end? Who can recall things at 8 a.m. when the mind does not awaken until 9:30, the stomach until 10, and the Islands of Langerhans until 10:30?

Let this, therefore, be the sonorous note that spells 'la muerte for the 8 o'clock class.

Ever take that AFROTC course in military transportation? If not, perhaps you know of someone who has. One of the officers teaching it ran into this little situation.

Coming to State at the end of the last vacation, the instructor fidgeted and squirmed at the slowness of the train. (What approaching State College isn't slow?) The train pulled over to let other trains pass it. It even pulled over for freight trains and hand cars. Finally, the officer got so impatient that he called the conductor.

"Would you allow a mere military man to offer some advice?" said our friend.

"Certainly," replied the conductor, "if it's done in a peaceful manner."

"Well, I suggest you take the cow-catcher off the front of the train and put it in the rear. It's obvious we'll never overtake a cow, but what, sir, is to prevent a cow from strolling into the last car and biting some innocent passenger?"

So help me, it could have happened!

Then there's that radio station downtown. You must have heard it. The call sign is "WMAJ, the voice of Beaver avenue, serving the entire SAE area."

"Famous Last Words" Department
Typical professor to class: "If you don't know something, be sure to ask questions. I might not know the answer, but I'll sure as heck find out for you."

The next time you ask a question, you're deluged with selected bibliographies with which to look up the answer.

In keeping with the holiday spirit, let us offer a suggestion for parties: beer-filled Easter eggs. This would take care of the guy who's always saying, "What do you want, egg in your beer?"

Weather Group To Interview

A representative of the Air Weather Service will be available tomorrow to talk with graduating seniors interested in the service.

The representative will hold interviews from 9 a.m. to noon and from 1 to 4 p.m. tomorrow in the Temporary Union Building.

Applicants selected for the service will be commissioned as second lieutenants before they attend a civilian institution for a one-year course in meteorology. To qualify for consideration, seniors should have a knowledge of mathematics, including integral calculus, and one year of college physics.

They must be younger than 27 as of September, 1953; must be physically qualified for military service as officers; and must not have been ordered to report for processing under Selective Service.

Legion Scholarships

Barbara Rice, and Carolyn Goyer, seventh semester arts and letters majors, have been presented the final installments of four-year American Legion scholarships by Herbert M. Walker, commander, Pennsylvania Department of the American Legion.