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Present Gift Coverage to Continue

A policy concerning senior class gift publicity recommended to the senior class gift committee by an All-College Cabinet committee needs some clarification.

The policy set forth is intended to control publicity given to senior class gift suggestions. The amount of publicity, including arguments favoring or condemning gift suggestions, is expected to have some bearing on the gift selection.

The cabinet committee's suggestion is intended to prevent the wholesale distribution of propaganda by a group that will receive some particular benefit from the choosing of a gift. This was the case last year when the Radio Guild distributed cards urging seniors to vote for using the gift money to help establish a student radio station.

The cabinet committee wishes The Daily Collegian to devote equal space and play on the page "so far as possible," concerning stories on the gift suggestions. However, backers of particular gift suggestions should keep in mind two points: (1) the Daily Collegian has the final say as to what story is run and where it is placed,

and (2) mechanical limitations will in some cases restrict the length of stories.

To explain the first point, a story on a gift suggestion is not necessarily the biggest story of the day and must be used accordingly. The use of any story will be relative to the other news of the day.

On the second point, it is ridiculous to assume that a story describing a gateway to the campus, no matter how beautiful it may be, will take up as much space as a story, for example, that describes the complexities of a radio station.

In the past there have been both attacks and praise in the editorial columns for various gift suggestions. This was particularly true when the policy followed by the Radio Guild in supporting a campus radio station and the desire of some members of the Daily Collegian editorial staff to see a student press established came into conflict.

In order to maintain a newspaper of integrity, the honest expression of opinion on the editorial page must exist. Without this freedom to responsibly express opinion, the newspaper merely becomes a propaganda organ for a chosen few.

—Dick Rau

Little Man On Campus By Bibler



"Since the end of the semester has slipped up on us and we've only studied from this book, we're going to have to cover quite a bit before the finals."

Short 'Change

By GUS VOLLMER

With the revision of the staff for the Daily Collegian, the position of exchange editor, formerly held by Bob Landis, was vacated.

With this position assigned to me, I was given the job of writing this column and finding a suitable name for it.

Mimi Ungar, just like all the other retired senior board members, is still putting up her last struggle before going down for the third time. It was through her efforts that the name "Short 'Change" was born.

The UCLA Daily Bruin reports that as a part of its Greek Week activities a chariot race is being scheduled.

"A chariot" is any three wheel vehicle drawn by six men with drivers weighing between 190 and 310 lbs.

"Some of the chariots will include a three-wheel bathtub and a rickshaw driven by Herm McCoy, 245, and Mason Knight, 235."

The following classified ad appeared in the Daily Northwestern: "Lost, Beta pin. Last seen on west-bound Alpha Chi. Finder may keep pin, please return girl."

A University of Illinois student thinks college cheers are not dignified enough, so he recommends the following changes:

1. For "Get that ball"—"Obtain the oblate spheroid."
2. Rather than "Hit 'em again harder"—"Henceforth, smite them more fiercely than you smote them heretofore."
3. Instead of "Go team go!"—"Proceed, oh valiant, proceed."
4. For "Hold that line!"—"Impede the foe's forward thrust along the two-dimensional entity."
5. In place of "We want a touchdown"—"We demand a thrust forward maintaining as our ob-

A headline in the Rutgers Tar-gum read "Dancing Girls at Beer Blast?" The story which followed read: "The possibility of having dancing girls as entertainment at the senior class beer party has definitely not been eliminated," declared Myron Linder, publicity chairman for the affair.

"There had been rumors that since the affair will start at 9 o'clock we could not import any exotic entertainment. This is definitely not true," the story said.

Misrepresentation

In every society there are those who find it difficult to tell the truth, and, unfortunately, some can be found at Penn State. Saturday night, someone called at least one women's dormitory and said that he was taking an official Daily Collegian poll concerning dating habits of the coeds. We have not been able to locate the person who made these calls and thus misrepresented the Daily Collegian.

The Daily Collegian has not taken a poll on any subject for some time, and certainly not on Saturday night. In fact the chances of Daily Collegian personnel working Saturday night are rare, and the possibility of a Daily Collegian staff member refusing to disclose his or her name is even more rare.

In the future, if the Daily Collegian conducts a poll, an announcement will be made before the poll is conducted. If no such announcement is made, any poll in this paper's name will be a false one.

—D. R.

Safety Valve— Hits Student Apathy

TO THE EDITOR:

A brief article in yesterday's Daily Collegian was, no doubt, overlooked by many readers. It announced that Alan McChesney had extended a cheer writing contest deadline. Why was this necessary? The reason must be quite obvious to the majority of students who are well acquainted with the general apathy displayed by their fellow classmates concerning such matters.

Mr. McChesney received only four entries in the contest. And students continue to gripe about the lack of decent cheers employed at football and basketball games. The cheerleaders, like the rest of the student body, must be rather tired of spelling out NI TT AN Y and STATE every five minutes.

Certainly Penn State and its athletic achievements offer more sources of material than a lion and a mountain.

Letter cut

—Betty Koster

Interpreting the News

By offering \$50,000 for any Communist pilot bringing in a modern jet fighter, and \$100,000 for the first one, Gen. Mark Clark is adopting a most intriguing form of warfare.

Even if no plane ever shows up it can be extremely effective, especially under the Communist military system in which a clean gun is not nearly so important as "clean" thought.

For the purpose of the offer is not merely to get Soviet planes for engineering analysis, although some of them are reported to carry some extremely interesting electronic devices which the U.S. doesn't know all about yet.

Its principal effect can be on the morale not only of the Chinese who have been taught to fly the Russian planes, but also on units of the Red army itself in the Far East, on Russian soil as well as Manchuria.

Aviation units, especially, are tight little bands of men whose lives depend more heavily on each other than in any other

form of war. Among Communists, as everywhere else, they demand and get a freedom for relaxation not attained by other troops. But also, in Communist units as nowhere else, suspicion is carried to the nth degree, and the slightest oddity in a man or a unit, in the face of such an offer, will produce extremes of discipline, and encouragement of the men to spy on one another. Enough of that could wreck the effectiveness of a unit.

The offering of bribes in warfare is close kin to another form of war which has often been considered but never used extensively. That is financial infiltration, by flooding an enemy country with bogus currency.

You would say offhand that it would have little effect in areas like China, where currency is little good anyway, and Russia, with its complicated controls of sales and spending.

But there have been secret currency expansions in peacetime before now, and they have

By J. M. Roberts Jr.
Associated Press News Analyst

in time wrecked the economy which some of them were actually designed to bolster.

The effect in wartime, however, would come primarily from the exploitation of greed and suspicion among enemy officials, who would soon become aware of what was happening, but would be interested in cleaning up for themselves before the money became worthless, or would be suspected of doing so whether it were true or not.

Some people who know China well have suggested already that Communist war lords may not be too different from the old-fashioned kind, and that a little money judiciously spent might buy them off as it did during the internecine wars. That, of course, referred to real American money, rather than inflationary bogus.

Nobody has ever tried any of these schemes on a big scale, but the present experiment in a kindred field is going to be interesting to watch.

Gazette...

April 29, 1953

ANDROCLES HAT SOCIETY, 7 p.m., Phi Epsilon Pi.

CHESS CLUB, 7 p.m., 3 Sparks.

GERMAN CLUB, 7:30 p.m., 105 Willard Hall.

WRA LACROSSE CLUB, 4 p.m., game on Holmes Field.

COLLEGE HOSPITAL

Roger Ahlers, Howard Bachman, Sidney Blecker, Emil Borra, Charles Cole, Joan Cressman, Nancy Fortna, Alice Guthrie, Leroy Harris, Robert Homan, Lee Kummer, Donald Long,

Charlotte Lutinski, Philip Matin, Barbara Schmidt, Jordan Smith, and Abing Sorriatmadja.

STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

Lillian Taylor Camp, Pa. will interview men and women May 14.

Sagamore, Pa., an adult resort in the Poconos, will interview men May 6.

Students' wives for evening counter work.

Tuscorora Inn, Pa., will interview men and women May 8.

Waiters and dishwashers wanted.

Debaters Rank Council Voting Set for Fall

Penn State's men's debate squad finished fifth at the Duquesne Novice tournament Saturday in Pittsburgh, winning four out of eight debates. Dickinson College finished first among the 10 schools competing in the tournament.

The affirmative team composed of Murray Horewitz and Ronald Isenberg won three out of four starts. They defeated Duquesne, University of Pittsburgh, and Carnegie Tech, and lost to Canisius.

Representing the negative, Carl Saperstein and Burton Triester returned with one win and three losses. Their lone win came from the University of Pittsburgh, with losses at the hands of Dickinson College, Duquesne, and Kent State.

Elections for student council members for the School of Business will not be held until next fall. Philip Greenberg, president of the new council announced yesterday.

The postponement of the elections was necessary because many students were undecided as to the school in which they would like to enroll.

Greenberg said that questionnaires will be circulated this spring to determine which students wish to enter the new school. The results of these forms will be tabulated, and the students preferring the business schools will be separated next fall.

A constitution for the school has been written and approved by cabinet. The constitution contains provisions for elections.