

Nittany Co-op Feeds Men, Houses Women

By DAVID HYMAN

The sound of the ping pong game could hardly be heard above the turmoil of the singing and dancing that was going on at 244 E. Nittany avenue. A visitor scratched his head and mumbled, "All this and a 1.5 average too. How do they do it?"

If you haven't already guessed, the visitor was sitting at the Nittany Co-operative, better known as the College Co-op, relaxing after one of Mrs. Mateer's succulent roast beef dinners.

In one corner of the room the guest could see some fellows enjoying a game of bridge; in another corner two fellows and two girls were testing their knowledge playing "20 Questions"; around the piano were gathered another half dozen couples singing popular songs. How the dancers could hear the phonograph music over the melee at the piano is still a mystery.

"What's the story on the College Co-op?" the guest asked his host.

"It's really simple," was the friendly reply. "The Nittany Co-op is one of a chain of college co-operatives located on campuses all over the country. This year's local president, Michael Sabo, was national president last year. The girls you see all live here. The fellows board here."

Held in Esteem

"Then the Co-op is primarily a boarding house for fellows and a rooming and boarding house for girls."

"Not at all," corrected the host. "The Co-op is held in as much esteem by its members as any fraternity house is by the fraternity brothers. It's nothing unusual for the Co-op to welcome as many as 200 or 300 alumni every homecoming weekend. Good fellowship and close bonds of friendship are as important a function of the Co-op as the material benefits.

"Sounds like a good deal. It must be kind of expensive to run a big place like this though."

"Wrong again." The Co-op works on the famous Rochdale principles. Every member of the Co-op, both male and female, becomes part owner. Charges are made after the month has ended and these charges are based on the expenses for that month. If there is any money left over at the end of the year, it is returned to the members. There is no profit."

Only Cook Hired

"That's fine, but that doesn't prove that expenses are low."

"You're right. I guess I should have added that the only person hired is the cook. The members do the rest of the work on an equal basis. At the Co-op, one is just as likely to see the president waiting on tables as a brand new member."

"Oh, I see. The old story of low overhead, low costs."

"That's about it."

"One more question," said the visitor as he dipped into a tray of pretzels being passed around.

High Finance

"Shoot."

"Do you mean to say that the students who are members here run the whole financial end of this deal too?"

"Yep. James Summerville, house manager, Thomas Lewis, treasurer, and Robert Hetrick, bursar, work out the financial end of the deal. We even have one member, Ruth Hammell, who does all our menu planning."

"That sounds like great training for the future."

"A lot of our alumni agree with you there."

"Well, I'd like to thank you for having me over to dinner tonight; tell me, would I be eligible to join the Co-op?"

"As I said, we're governed by the Rochdale principles. Anybody, regardless of race, religion, or politics is eligible to join. The only requirement is a 1.0 all-College average."

"If the only requirements are a 1.0 all-College average and a desire to belong to swell group like this, I'd like a membership application."

"Right you are. You become an applicant member as soon as you are accepted and start boarding here at the Co-op. After two weeks you can be voted in as a full member. From the moment you become an applicant member though, you can start considering the College Co-op your home at college."

Co-Edits

Lambda Chi Alpha

New initiates of Lambda Chi Alpha are Terry Stuver, Gordon McCartney, Neil Walp, Warren Maurer, Charles Witmer, Terry Mish and Joseph Kane.

The Reverend and Mrs. Luther H. Harshbarger and Dr. and Mrs. Paul L. Lehman were guests for Sunday dinner after the fraternity attended Chapel in honor of the new initiates.

Alpha Xi Delta was entertained for dinner on Monday. Lambda Chi Alpha pledges furnished entertainment which was followed by dancing.

Kappa Sigma

New officers of Kappa Sigma are George Bortle, grand procreator; Thomas Wilson, grand scribe; Donald Eno, house manager; Louis D'Angeli, Interraternity Council representative; and Russell Johns, pledgemaster.

New chairmen are Russell Teague, social; Richard Gelatt, alumni affairs; George Bicklehaupt, athletics; Richard Favco, rushing; and Jerry Donovan, publicity.

Delta Chi

Delta Chi recently entertained Alpha Omicron Pi sorority at the chapter house. Dancing and refreshments followed a pledge skit.

Sisters Seek Revenge As Pledge Duty Begins

By AL MUNN

What is the seventh letter in the Greek alphabet? Just ask any sorority pledge on campus and she'll tell you (after consulting her pledge book.) The tables have been turned, and sorority girls are making up for all the time, energy, and cigarettes consumed during rushing.

The first must on most sororities' "duty" list is to clean the closet. How 50 girls could possibly collect so much stuff in such a small space is a mystery, especially to pledges, as they spend hours on Saturday afternoon cleaning out blue book files, finding space for party left-overs, washing dishes and screaming, "Where does this go?"

Phone duty is probably the most interesting requirement. It includes answering the telephones in all the rooms as well as in the suite. One necessity is to distinguish voices (mostly male). Many a sister has pulled out her paddle after answering a call from someone on her "absolutely impossible" list. Pledges have to learn how to disconnect an insistent boy who no one wants to hear from.

Girls are required to make stuffed animals, take care of children, and attend social affairs with fraternities. That's a hindrance? The penalty for failure to do their duty runs from extra pledge duty to fines.

Engagements

Lemyre-Rhoad

Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Rhoad of Mount Airy, Philadelphia, announce the engagement of their daughter Winifred to Joseph Lemyre, son of Mr. and Mr. Clarence W. Lemyre of North Merrick, Long Island, N.Y.

Miss Rhoad is a seventh semester arts and letters major and a member of Kappa Alpha Theta.

Mr. Lemyre, a member of Sigma Chi, was graduated from the College in June. He was chosen for "Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities."

McCarty-Paakh

Mr. and Mrs. Albert C. Paakh announce the engagement of their daughter, Constance, to Daniel McCarty Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel J. McCarty of Drexel Hill.

Miss Paakh, a fifth semester elementary education major, is secretary of Modern Dance Club, and is a member of Thespians and Delta Delta Delta.

Mr. McCarty is a senior medical student at the Pennsylvania Medical School. He is a graduate of Villanova College.

Charter Member Attends Banquet

Kappa Sigma's recent alumni banquet was attended by Milton Speer McDowell of State College, the only living charter member of the College chapter.

Other alumni were Speer's son, Milton Speer Jr., also of State College; Newell A. Norton, professor of wood utilization; Arthur F. Davis, professor of physical education, and Roger Clinton, WMAJ announcer.

Following the candlelight supper, the alumni were guests of honor at the initiation ceremony of Jerry Donovan.

Smoker Vainly Tries A 'Quitting Formula'

By DON SHOEMAKER

"I quit; I have smoked my last cigarette!" At least once in his life, and probably more often, the average smoker is heard to make this statement.

He has decided he must give up smoking once and for all. This belief is especially prevalent around the Lenten season. Feeling he must give up something, the smoker turns on cigarettes, because some magazine article has convinced him that they are bad for his health anyhow. He has visions of becoming a glowing picture of health after six weeks of abstention from the dreaded weed.

Instead, he usually finds himself on the verge of a nervous breakdown at the end of the third or fourth day. This condition may be partly due to the fact that the ex-smoker is not using the right method of "breaking the habit." There are many ways of going about it, but here is a sure-fire cure that has withstood the test of time.

Remove Temptation

This method involves unflinching trust in one's willpower. The first thing to do is make a solemn oath to stop smoking. Every night, before going to bed, repeat to yourself ten times: "I will stop smoking . . . tomorrow; I will stop smoking . . . tomorrow." By the end of a week you should have mustered enough courage to give it a try at least.

After you have finally decided to stop, the next step is to remove all sources of temptation. Throw that pack of butts in the nearest ash-heap. Of course, some night you may wake up with a tremendous desire for a smoke. You may even resolve to get out of bed and trudge the six blocks to the all-night filling station. Resist that impulse! Remember, you have willpower.

'Jealous Friends'

If you feel that you must have something to take the place of cigarettes, try eating a lemon drop every time you want a smoke. The idea behind this theory is that you will get so tired of lemon drops that you will lose the desire for cigarettes. This may not make you give up smoking,

Hebrew Classes Begin Wednesday

The first class in beginners' Hebrew given by the Hillel Foundation will meet at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday. Weekly sessions will be held each Wednesday night thereafter. Barbara Lock will be the instructor. The class is open to everyone and no fees are charged.

Independent upper class men and women will hold an organizational meeting at 2 p.m. tomorrow in the Hillel Library. Graduate Night will be held at 8 p.m. tomorrow in the Hillel Lounge.

Registration for the annual men's and women's bridge tournament sponsored by the Hillel Foundation will close Monday. Hillel members may register at the Hillel office or call Grace Bassel, 138 Simmons Hall.

Theta Xi

Theta Xi and Sigma Phi Sigma recently gave a joint skating party. Afterwards they held a party at the Sigma Phi Sigma house.

but it is guaranteed that you will give up lemon drops.

Stick to the program religiously, even if your friends tell you that you have become so grouchy that they can't stand the sight of you. They're just jealous because they don't have your willpower.

After you have finally overcome the nicotine habit, you will be able to face them with a confident feeling that you are a superior being. Your friends (if you still have any) will respect you for your perseverance.

Remember, this method is absolutely guaranteed. It has been tried and tested by millions with successful results . . . Say, does anyone have a match?

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