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Zeta Beta Tau, Discrimination: A Good Move

The governing body of Zeta Beta Tau social fraternity took an important step this week in the fight against discrimination when it formally adopted a non-sectarian policy that goes into effect immediately in all fraternity chapters. It was a step not too easy for Zeta Beta Tau to take and the fraternity is to be congratulated for its efforts.

In adopting the non-sectarian clause, the governing body—the Supreme Council—upheld a decision of 47 undergraduate chapters. Delegates from the undergraduate chapters met last month in Miami Beach at the fraternity's 56th anniversary national convention and passed the non-discriminatory resolution.

The undergraduate delegates, who represented Zeta Beta Tau chapters throughout the United States and Canada, voted the change in their constitution that would open membership to all college men, regardless of race, color, or religion. It would be an important and courageous decision for any fraternity to make, but it was an even more important one for Zeta Beta Tau, the oldest and largest fraternity of men of the Jewish faith.

The fraternity was founded in New York City

in 1898 as a college fraternity limited to Jewish men. One of the reasons for its organization 56 years ago was to offer to Jewish college men the opportunities and benefits of fraternity membership, which was denied to them at that time.

The national fraternity is to be commended on its decisive action. We on the Penn State campus should be proud to have a chapter of Zeta Beta Tau. The move to end discrimination was an undeniably difficult one to make, yet the fraternity felt that, in keeping with the times, the problem was one that must be met. As in 1898, the men who chartered Zeta Beta Tau met their problem squarely, so, today, in 1954, the governing body of the fraternity wisely moved ahead.

Perhaps if more fraternities with original discriminatory clauses in their constitutions would follow the steps of Zeta Beta Tau, fraternities could take the lead in eliminating discrimination on college and university campuses. Zeta Beta Tau, without a doubt, has the right idea and others may profit by it.

—George Bairey

On the Kick-off Dance

This year's Campus Chest fund will attempt to get off to a flying start tonight at Recreation Hall with the annual Kick-off Dance. And it will do just that if everyone pitches in and does his part to help.

The dance will provide a lot of fun and good music for all attending. But besides the fun, those attending will share in the knowledge that they are aiding a worthy cause, in fact, many worthy causes.

The Campus Chest, which conducts a year-long campaign, combines into one drive campaigns for funds to go to the Salvation Army, the University Christian Association, and the World Student Service Fund—to mention only a few.

Admission to the dance is 50 cents, and tickets are being sold at the Student Union desk in Old Main, at various points about the campus, and will be sold at the door. Profits will go into the Campus Chest fund.

This is the first major event planned for the purpose of raising money for the fund, and also the first big dance of the year.

And with the obvious enthusiasm and spirit so far displayed by the freshman class, this year's net gain could easily surpass the \$1050.18 collected by the dance last year.

It's a guaranteed good time, and for a cause worthy of the contribution of every Penn Stater.

—Al Klimcke

The whole trouble is that we won't let God help us.—George MacDonald

There is no darkness but ignorance.

—Shakespeare

Safety Valve—Criticizes Spirit

TO THE EDITOR: I believe that Wednesday night's "pep rally" was one of the saddest exhibitions of school spirit that I have ever witnessed at Penn State. We upperclassmen did a very fine job of killing the enthusiasm of the freshmen who were attending their first college rally.

The freshmen were in fine spirits when they arrived, but the vast majority left wondering if this was an example of the Penn State spirit we talked about during Orientation Week and in relation to the customs program. I personally was ashamed of having gone through Nittany dorms urging the frosh out to send off the team and I now wonder how many of these new students will turn out for future events of this nature.

I do not put the entire blame on the group sponsoring the rally, but also believe that the group for which the event was held was very negligent in its responsibility to the student body. In the future let's have the cooperation between the sponsoring group and the athletic team involved and stage a rally that is becoming to a great university of this size, whose athletic teams perform so well.

I sincerely urge the freshman class to overlook Wednesday's farce and give the upperclassmen, the rally sponsoring groups, and the teams themselves a chance to show you real Penn State spirit at all future rallies.

—Dick Favro

President, Business Administration Student Council

Gazette...

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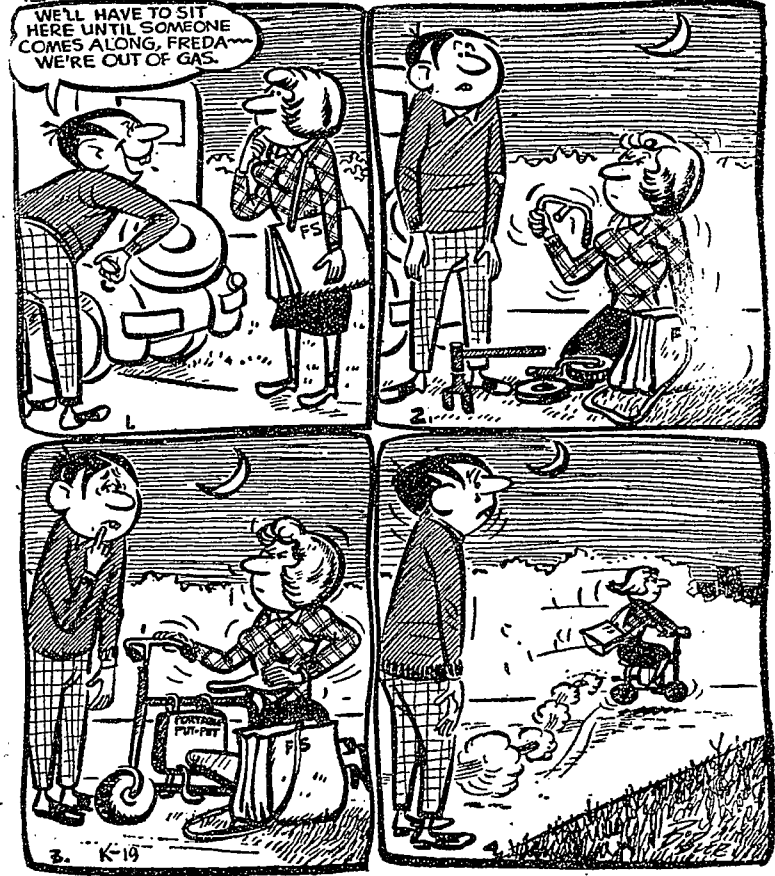
THE TRANE COMPANY will interview January graduates in EE, IE, and ME Oct. 7.

ROME AIR FORCE DEPOT will visit the campus Oct. 7 to interview January graduates in EE, and Physics; M.S. candidates in EE who have completed at least one semester; and PhD candidates in EE expecting to receive their degrees in 1955.

WAGNER ELECTRIC CORPORATION will interview January graduates in EE and ME Oct. 5.

Little Man on Campus

By Bibler



Bodies and Iceboxes

Singing In The Wilderness

By EDMUND REISS

After reading one of Poe's short stories about somebody drinking amontillado and ending up being sealed in a wall, we became very interested in dead bodies.

Upon returning to the University, we decided to go over to Frear Lab and visit the anatomical laboratory there, having heard that several very interesting corpses were staying there.

Entering the building we met Harrison M. Tietz who goes under the challenging title of professor of anatomy and physiology. Explaining our purpose, Tietz explained that the University had not received any new bodies since 1937. Seeing our look of amazement, he added regretfully that there was a shortage of cadavers in Pennsylvania.

"Bodies are obtained only through the Anatomical Board of the Pennsylvania Department of Health, and we can't go outside the state. It's not like the old days when bodies were a dime a dozen."

When asked about this shortage of corpses, Tietz explained that with old age pensions, there is a provision that the dead will be buried at public expense.

"The medical schools can get almost all the bodies they want," continued Tietz with a note of envy in his voice. "They could easily send us at least one body a year, but they don't. I guess they are jealous of anyone else handling them."

Proceeding down to the anatomical laboratory, or as it is affectionately called among

pre-med students, "the icebox," Tietz gave us some background information on the cadavers. The late Hugo Bezdek, former Penn State football coach and later manager of the Pittsburgh Pirates, first suggested using human bodies for students to work on.

He wanted corpses in order to give physical education majors a chance to "get at the real thing." Later pressure from the pre-meds increased the need for more corpses.

"Sometimes," added Tietz with a faraway look in his eyes, "we would get up to ten new bodies a year. Now we can't get any."

Hoping to perhaps solve his problem, we naively mentioned that perhaps cadavers could be willed to the school. We were blasted backwards by the amount (Continued on page five)

Tonight on WDFM

91.1 MEGACYCLES

7:30 Starlite Serenade
8:30 Marquee Memories, "Fajama Game"
9:15 News
9:30 The Maestro's Palette
10:30 Sign Off

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