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Good Conduct May Mean Future Holidays

The University is watching the students when they journey to Philadelphia this weekend. What is seen may determine the policy and attitude toward possible football holidays that might be requested next year or the year after.

Annually, before this fall, the University Senate committee on the calendar set aside one Saturday morning free from class to be used as a football half-holiday, the date being set by All-University Cabinet. This year it was dropped, however, since a larger number of classes was set for Saturday morning and it was not felt this class time should be sacrificed.

Student opinion ran strongly in favor of requesting the return of this holiday and, through cabinet, a petition was forwarded to the Council of Administration for consideration. It was approved canceling the scheduled classes, but it was stipulated that the work missed be made up, no more football holidays be asked for this semester, and student conduct at Penn be exemplary.

It seems this last condition offers the key to the future of the football half-holiday which was nearly lost this year. The first two requirements are fairly easy to fulfill. If the students can come back without a conduct record prejudicial to the name of the University, they should be in a position to petition for the return of the half-holiday.

There has been much discussion of this football vacation, but so far no plan is being considered for its operation. It would differ from the old holiday in that it would be put in the calendar without causing the missing of any classes. It would still be floating, however, and cabinet would probably be called upon to decide the date to observe the holiday.

Before any plan can be argued for, students must be able to go to the University fathers with a clean slate and speak strongly for what they have earned. This could be accomplished if conduct in Philadelphia this weekend was beyond reproach.

This is a large order and the University must be prepared to receive some complaints that this Saturday night "was the worst night in my life" due to the actions of Penn State students. The University must remember that everyone "lives it up" in Philadelphia on a football weekend and the persons that are always blamed are the visiting team and its supporters.

The possibility of the re-establishment of a floating football half-holiday in the University calendar rests on two things: the conduct of the students in Philadelphia this weekend and the intelligent appraisal of the reports following the weekend by the Administration. Both can be satisfactory and should lead to a permanent football holiday.

Elections Forecast

Newsweek has made an elections forecast in its current issue, based on computations by 50 leading Washington correspondents and political reporters.

The majority of the reporters say, the Democrats seem to have it made in both House and Senate. The average of the 50 forecasts is a Democratic net gain of 25 in the House and three in the Senate. Eleven of the correspondents are holding out for Republican retention of the Senate.

There are 37 Senate seats at stake. According to the forecast, the Democrats seem certain of taking eleven of them and the Republicans six. Twelve of the remaining 20 are key seats . . . control of the Senate will depend on who takes these 12. The Republicans need eight of these to keep control; the Democrats can take over with seven victories.

If the two parties break even on these 12 seats, control will depend on the other eight. "The odds will favor the Democrats," the reporters predict.

The 12 key seats are California (Republicans favored); Iowa (Democrats ahead slightly); Delaware (a toss up); Massachusetts (Republicans); Idaho (about even); Michigan (Republican, barring Democratic sweep); Illinois (Democrats ahead); New Jersey (Democrats); New Mexico (Democrats fairly certain); Ohio (slight Republican edge); Oregon (leaning toward Republican); and Wyoming (Democrats ahead).

Influences cited by Newsweek as favoring the Democrats are chiefly economic factors: unemployment or underemployment and farm unrest. Only four of the correspondents think Sen. Joseph McCarthy will be a major issue.

Favoring the Republicans, according to Newsweek, are the factors of no "hot" war anywhere; prosperity; President Eisenhower's personal popularity; and the rooting out of "Communists" and "corruption".

—Peggy McClain

Gazette . . .

Monday
CIVIL AIR PATROL CADETS, 7 p.m., Armory.
CIVIL AIR PATROL SENIOR MEMBERS, 8 p.m., Armory.

UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL

Jesse Arnette, John Arnst, Stephen Behman, Charles Blockson, Donald Brisbane, Mrs. Mary Conklin, Robert Dennis, Myron Feinsilber, John Frey, Marian LaBuskes, Sally Laughlin, Fred Reho, Lewis Shay, William Straub, Edward Suley, Harold Willits and George Zensen.

UNIVERSITY PLACEMENT SERVICE

Those qualified for interviewing are: undergraduates who will receive degrees in January, 1955; M.S. candidates who have completed at least one semester of study; and Ph.D. candidates who will receive degrees in 1955. Arrangements for interviews may be made now in 112 Old Main.

GULF RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT: M.S. & Ph.D. in Phys., Geo. Phys., EE, Chem., Chem.E., Geo. & Min. on Nov. 5.

PROCTOR & GAMBLE COMPANY: Ph.D. in Chem. on Nov. 5.

SHELL OIL COMPANIES: Ph.D. in Chem. & Chem.E. on Nov. 5.

SYLVANIA ELECTRIC: B.S. in EE, ME, Chem.E., Chem., IE, Metal, & Phys. on Nov. 5.

COLUMBIA SOUTHERN CHEMICAL CORP.: B.S. in Chem. E., Chem. & ME on Nov. 8.

PHILADELPHIA NAVAL SHIPYARD: B.S. in EE, ME, CE, IE, Chem.E., Arch.E. on Nov. 8.

GENERAL ELECTRIC: Ph.D. in Chem.E., Chem., Comm. Chem., Phys., EE, ME, Ceramics, G & M, Metal. on Nov. 8 & 9.

AMERICAN CYANAMID COMPANY: B.S., M.S. & Ph.D. in Chem. & Chem.E. on Nov. 8 & 9.

SHELL COMPANIES: B.S. & M.S. in Chem., Chem.E., CE, EE, IE, ME, Min. & Pet. Engr.; Ph.D. in CE, EE, IE, ME, Min. & Pet. Engr. on Nov. 8 & 9.

ELECTRO-METALLURGICAL COMPANY: B.S. in Bus. Admin., Ind. & Labor Relations, Comm., Economics, Ind. Psyc., Acctg., Finance, Metal., Chem., ME, EE, IE, Sel. & CE on Nov. 9.

Safety Valve—

On Student Trust . . .

TO THE EDITOR: The half holiday declared by the administration for the Penn game will be a welcome relief both for those students who will be making the trip to Philadelphia and for those who, for some reason or other, will be remaining behind.

But more than this, it serves as a milestone in student-faculty and student-administration relationship here at Penn State.

We have been placed in a unique position of trust, and our actions in Philadelphia may well determine our ability to live up to that trust. Education, the primary reason of our being here at Penn State, consists of much more than "rote" learning. It is essentially a process of maturation, of the ability to apply what we have learned, in order that we may become masters of ourselves.

This weekend in Philadelphia will provide the opportunity to discover just to what extent we have become educated. If the Penn State Spirit, as enunciated by Dr. Hetzel, prevails then we shall have passed this test with flying colors.

For this is the greatness of Penn State and it is not a greatness brought about by mob violence, by disorderly behavior, by any action which, while reflecting no credit on ourselves, will certainly detract from the credit of the institution which is greater than ourselves . . . Penn State.

We hold much of great value in our hands as we leave for Philadelphia. We hold a trust in ourselves, a test of our ability and education, a great step forward in the evolution of student self-government at Penn State. Student rights and privileges are wholly incumbent upon the acceptance by the students of student responsibility. This is the challenge of the Penn Weekend. Let's show that we are worthy of facing it.

—Bob Dennis
President of the
Association of
Independent Men

It's Time for a Change

There have been a lot of changes made at the University. And since changes are the fad, we think it's time for a very special one.

Beaver "Field" has outlived its era. Let's rename it Beaver "Stadium." At Penn State we grow Nittany Lions, not Dandi-lions."

- SUN OIL COMPANY:** B.S. & M.S. in Chem. & Chem.E.; Ph.D. in Organic or Phys. Chem. on Nov. 10.
- CURTISS WRIGHT (PROP. DIV.)** B.S. in Aero.E., ME & EE; M.S. in ME & EE on Nov. 10.
- UNION CARBIDE & CARBON CORPORATION:** Ph.D. in Chem., Chem.E., ME & Phys. on Nov. 10, 11 & 12.
- PITTSBURGH PLATE GLASS COMPANY:** Ph.D. in Phys., Chem., & Ceramics on Nov. 8.
- I.T.E. CIRCUIT BREAKER:** B.S. in EE & ME on Nov. 3.
- PAUL E. WILLIAMS, PERSONNEL CONSULTANT:** B.S. in Ag. & Bio. Chem., Pre-Vet., Zoology & Entomology; Bus. Admin., Pre-medical, Lib. Arts & Phys. Ed. on Nov. 3.
- LOCKHEED AIRCRAFT:** B.S., M.S. & Ph.D. in Aero. E., ME & EE on Nov. 3, also want C.E.
- PITTSBURGH GROUP COMPANIES OF THE COLUMBIA GAS SYSTEM:** B.S. in ME, EE, PNG, Chem.E., CE, IE and Home Ec. on Nov. 4.
- CREOLE PETROLEUM CORPORATION:** B.S. & M.S. in ME, Chem.E., EE, PNG, Geology & Min., Acctg. & Phys. on Nov. 4.
- CROWN CENTRAL PETROLEUM CORPORATION:** B.S. & M.S. in Bus. Admin. & Lib. Arts on Nov. 4.
- FORD MOTOR COMPANY:** B.S. in Bus. Admin. in Acctg. or Finance, EE, IE, ME & Chem.E. on Nov. 4.
- IBM CORPORATION:** B.S. & M.S. in EE, ME & Phys. on Nov. 4.
- SYLVANIA ELECTRIC:** B.S. in EE, ME, Chem.E., Chem., IE, Metal, & Phys. on Nov. 4.

Little Man on Campus

By Bibler



"Well, we WERE going out tonight, but Herb gave three lousy tests today and forgot this was Halloween night."

Finally!

Adam's Other Rib

By PEGGY McCLAIN

Revolution hit campus politics last night when, for the first time in many years, unique and workable party platforms were set up by campus political parties.

Unique . . . because they are workable. Campus politics have been the subject of criticism, "blasts," and general charges of corruption since the parties began operating this fall.

They have undergone re-elections for clique officers and re-voting because of stuffed ballot boxes.

Last night the Lion and State Parties solved what has been possibly the worst curse on campus politics—futile, meaningless party platforms—and drew up party platforms that might well serve as an example of realistic procedure for every phase of student government.

The Lion Party platform, the first presented to the Elections Committee last night, was indeed a startling renovation in campaign promises. It is essentially a policy statement, recognizing the limitations placed on student government by Administration jurisdiction. It lists no specific planks; its authors pledge only "deliberate and constructive solutions" to student problems whenever they arise and promise to work "to the limit of our jurisdiction" for the welfare of "each and every student as our ultimate goal."

The platform offers no tangible objectives. Learning from years of past experience, the party has been farsighted enough to rid its platform of futile planks and instead pledge itself to the only thing students ask of their government—a degree of integrity and a conscientious effort to be an asset to the University.

The State Party too has profited from student criticism of worthless unworkable planks, and last night submitted a platform that might well be invaluable to the University. Recognizing the value of student recommendations, this party has pledged itself to goals which can, through proper channels, be carried out completely and effectively.

The State platform, as compared to the Lion, contains the more tangible objectives. It has promised to delve into laundry facilities in dorms, student parking areas, activities' listing, the grading system, and cabinet appointments.

The Lion platform, as compared to the State, carries an impact of new experience and adventure . . . a pledge of conscientiousness which frequently has been, quite obviously, missing in preceding campaigns.

Neither platform alone can be absolute criteria for judging its supporting candidates and authors. There still remains the challenge of upholding these platforms' principles, of being

capable of effecting a thoughtful student government, and generally of being qualified to represent such a policy.

These things are for the student voters to decide.

The platforms do, however, begin a solid foundation for a more forthright and authentic campus political program, and assuming that they were composed in all sincerity, they are an encouraging innovation.

The platforms are quite definitely a revolution in party procedure this year. If the planks and the policy statement are fulfilled, and if they don't become "patented products" of one group, they might well be the first step toward the much-needed reform in campus politics that students have been crying for. So be it.

Ag Hill Magazine To Appear Today

"The Penn State Farmer, Forster, and Scientist" will make its first appearance this semester today with a new staff and a new style.

Previously, the "Farmer" utilized technical articles and technical terms, but this year the policy has been revised to suit student interest.

The contents of the magazine include an activities directory for the freshmen on Ag Hill and a feature on Delta Theta Sigma. "From City to Farm" is the title of a human interest story by Norman Wood, seventh semester agricultural economics major.

The editorial staff includes: Harry Nichol, editor; David Morrow, managing editor; Louis Gallicker, business manager; Douglas Moorhead, national advertising; Eleanor Cober, local advertising; Judith Corfield, editorial layout; John Robinson, feature editor; Frederick Wilcox, assistant feature editor; and Robert Brown, circulation manager. Photographers are Gerald Bretts, Daryl Heasley, and Ronald Hershberger.

Tonight on WDFM

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9:25	-----	News
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