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Work or Loaf?

Statistics prove summer loafers lose out when hiring time comes around.

This startling bit of figures and facts is the result of a study conducted by one Alice Ramsay, director of personnel at Connecticut College for Women. Her deduction, based on questions asked officials from business, industry, and colleges, was that students who had summer work experience to supplement their degrees were the sought after applicants.

"I am convinced," she reports, "that students learn a great deal about themselves and other people in the summer while being a factory worker, cook, chauffeur, department store detective, ranch hand, radio station handy man, Christmas ornament decorator, bamboo drape processor, or as a member of an archeological expedition.

Ms Ramsay goes on to say the three most profitable ways to spend your summer are working, studying, or traveling. Most work, while the fewest occupy their summers by continuing their studies.

While the above observations may not apply specifically to the University, we feel the general results apply to any student, anywhere. The student who spends his summer engaged in constructive activity is way ahead of the chap who lounges around and takes it easy, saying he will "have enough time to work after he graduates."

There are several considerations to be looked into in studying the question. These jobs are more than something to keep one from loafing they provide an income. Possible earning is limited only by the time element, and, for example, one group of 770 students studied earned \$132,683 during the summer months.

In seeking summer employment, the student should also realize it is often possible to find jobs directly related to his field of study. Thus, the work becomes more than just a summer job—it is a chance to train for a future career.

Lastly, there are those things less tangible than money or experience. In these summer jobs one can develop himself physically and mentally and observe society at work. It is the golden opportunity to sample living and working with people before being forced to do it by graduation.

Numerous openings are available, from factory work at home to educational tours. The chances to broaden and still have a change of pace are indicated by the University placement service. For example, they now are arranging interviews for positions as counselors in summer camps.

The opportunities are there and it is impossible to challenge the fact that summer work is an asset to post-graduation hiring. Consider this.

All Women Included

Women students were confused yesterday over just where they could visit for the Centennial exchange dinners. Apparently freshman women and those eating in the MacAllister Hall dining room thought they had been "left out" of the birthday party plans.

For clarification, all women interested have been included in the plans. Those from Simmons, McElwain, and Atherton will visit fraternities; those eating in Mac Hall will either visit or entertain men from the Nittany-Poole area; and freshman women in Thompson will meet with men from the West Dorm area.

So far, women students' interest in the program has lagged, especially in Simmons and Atherton. Those students hesitating to sign up for an exchange dinner are passing up fine chances to "socialize."

The program was planned so all students, and not just those invited to the Birthday Party in the HUB, could feel a part of the celebration. Assuming that everybody likes a party, this hesitancy to join in the fun is hard to understand.

It is possible women will receive 11 o'clock permissions the night of the dinners. This favor, combined with dinners and a multitude of hosts, should be incentive enough for any coed.

—Peggy McClain

Jazz and Charity—

Students will have a chance to go to bat for a worthwhile organization tonight—Campus Chest—and have fun at the same time.

The Campus Chest is bringing Max Kaminsky to campus to give a jazz concert tonight in Schwab Auditorium. The project is a means of making up the deficit in the goal set by the chest in its fall campaign. In its initial drive, the chest fell short of its goal by approximately \$2000.

Many organizations, such as the Red Cross and American Cancer Society, receive benefits

Hellweeks—

Those men wandering around campus in a semi-conscious state are not necessarily victims of third-degree brain-washing grills. They are most likely Penn State fraternity pledges. If they survive their sordid hellweeks, we hope they have the spunk—as brothers—to throw such stuff back in the cradle where it belongs.

We had assumed that such distorted routines as night-long "push-ups" sessions and contests to see who can go the most nights without sleeping went out with the flapper age. Evidently we were wrong.

Hellweek, hazing, pseudo-homicide—call it what you will—has been justified throughout the years as a means of uniting the pledge classes, even if such must be accomplished at the risk of the pledge classes' health and mental stability. Because few actual deaths have ever resulted from these forms of hazing, men laugh at it (after it's over) and call it a necessary evil for fraternity "oneness" and loyalty.

The resulting "oneness" is inevitable. No man that's risked life and limb for a brother's badge would have the energy to oppose conformity after the ordeal ends. Beat a dog for a few hours straight. When you stop, he won't leap up and bite you, or scamper away either, for that matter. He'll just lie there and pant, if he's got that much breath left in him.

Shape them up, fraternities! Maybe in the long run it's the best way—that is, if straightforward leadership, companionship, and just plain appeal won't do the trick.

—P. M.

Stamps Prove Spirit

Congratulations!

Critics of Penn State spirit can swallow their words this week.

Students, faculty, and townspeople alike have combined to give the Centennial celebration a grand kick-off.

In two days the borough post office has sold the amazing total of 911,111 Centennial stamps commemorating the 100th birthday of the University. The University accounted for 800,000 stamps in the sale but that still leaves an imposing number of over-the-counter sales.

In addition to the Centennial stamps 10,000 special envelopes bearing the University seal, a replica of Old Main, and a few lines about the University have been sold by the Student Centennial Committee at the Student Union desk in Old Main. The initial supply was exhausted by yesterday afternoon; demand for the envelopes was so great that a new batch had to be printed to go on sale this morning.

We have been assured by Student Centennial Committee chairman, Diehl McKalip, that envelopes will be available as long as there is a demand.

And judging from the long lines in Old Main and the borough post office, Penn State students will be "demanding" these tributes to their school for some time yet.

Critics of Penn State spirit can well afford to take an accounting of their judgment. When people are willing to stand in line to do honor to their school they certainly must have a lot of pride in the University.

—Mike Miller

Gazette...

- Chess Club, 7 p.m., 3 Sparks
- Marketing Club, 7:30 p.m., Phi Mu Delta
- Mineral Industries Student Council, 7:30 p.m., 209 Willard
- Newman Club, Daily Rosary, 4:30 p.m., Novena, 7 p.m.
- Nittany Grotto, 7:30 p.m., 105 Mechanical Engineering
- Pershing Rifles, Class A Uniform Inspection, 7 p.m., Armory
- Players' Advertising Crew, 6:45 p.m., Schwab Loft
- UCA Assembly, 7 p.m., 804 Old Main
- Women's Chorus, 7 p.m., 1 Carnegie

UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL

Joseph Bellwoar, Bois Berquist, Jerome Breiter, Clarence Bryan, Carl Busch, Christine Donchez, Barbara Foss, James Garrity, Harryetta Gerhart, Vincent Girard, William Grif, Harold Harding, Doreen Hayward, Andrew Hibler, Irene Jacob, Marilyn Krieger, John Kurts, Bernardino Malabed, John McNeill, Vincent Odhner, Sandra Pogesky, Robert Reid, Joan Shaddinger, William Shawley, Barbara Shafer, Carl Skoglund, Robert Sprouke, John Szendrey, John Tunell, David Williams.

from Campus Chest. The chest-sponsored program to help these and many other groups will need strong student support to be successful.

Students going to the concert will be doing a double favor—having a good time and helping a worthy project at the same time.

—Becky Zahm

Little Man on Campus

By Bibler



Classes—Obsolete?

Adam's Other Rib

By PEGGY McCLAIN

Are classes—fresh, sophomore, junior, and senior—obsolete as parts of student government at Penn State? The more we try to figure out just why they are needed, just what they do, or in short just what good they are, the more we are convinced that class organization is way out of date.

For instance, try to list the functions of each class. Traditionally speaking, the freshman class as a whole sits together at football games.

The sophomore class, by virtue of Senate regulations, holds a minimum of one class meeting a semester.

The junior class sponsors the Junior Prom and usually two or three special events such as a talent show on the dance weekend.

The senior class sponsors the Senior Prom on Spring Weekend and its various related social events, and votes for the senior class gift and the winners of several personality contests.

It seems to boil down to the fact that the essence of class organization is the sponsorship of social events. To go further, to carry out this organization (and hence the class social events) 12 men and women are elected each year (via month-long political campaigns), four of the winners are given seats on All-University Cabinet (campus legislative body, to be distinguished from social council), and these four presidents are given a portion of student fees, slight though these portions may be.

To go even farther, these 12 officers are expected by the student body to keep the classes organized, think up reasons for calling class meetings (to which approximately 10 students including the officers and Daily Collegian reporter turn out) and manufacture some facsimile of "class spirit" which the classes themselves have evidently run out of sometime within the past 10 years.

This is by no means a reflection on the class officers. This year especially, many of them have spent considerable hours trying to find means of "reuniting" the classes and building them into organized bodies. The majority of these officers will probably admit it's like beating one's head against a stone wall.

Two reasons seem to predominate in those given by students for maintaining the class system: tradition, and encouragement of class spirit.

"Tradition" is both a frequently pointless argument and one around which many people base their entire lives. Henry Ford ran into the same argument when he invented the automobile; even Columbus got opposition with his theory that the world was round. We'd be living in a weird environment were we still fans of the "square-earth-horses-are-better-than-cars" train of thought. The opinion that class organ-

Tonight on WDFM

- 7:25 91.1 MEGACYCLES Sign On
- 7:30 Stand By
- 8:00 Open to Question
- 8:30 Jazz Concert
- 9:00 Call Card
- 9:15 News
- 9:30 Light Classical Juke Box
- 10:30 Thought for the Day