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Formal Rushing Analysis: The Fallacies

This is the first of two editorials analyzing formal sorority rushing.

The morning after ribboning or the rushing hangover will not be cured by a few hours of sleep or a lot of tomato juice.

It is good that all the formalities of recruiting new women for Greek membership are over, but until a lesson is learned from this rather unsuccessful season, now is not the time to relax.

Now is the time to recognize rushing-code fallacies and to make changes in spite of tradition.

Most of the difficulties stemmed from the unusually short period of time allowed for rushing.

From the standpoint of sisters considering individual rushees for membership, five brief meetings—open house, two coke dates, a party, and a coffee hour—was not enough time to make fitting selections.

Coffee hours found many sororities in doubt about rushees, yet hampered by the no-cutting-after-coffee hours ethical standard.

As a result some women who would otherwise have been cut, were ribboned last night in gay hypocrisy.

Rushed rushing also handicapped the sophomore prospects. They were required to narrow down their preference list long before they had real preferences. The 'choose a sorority, any sorority' phrase can be applied in sincerity rather than in jest.

Technically, the reduced time period worked the greatest hardship on the post office through which exchanges between sororities and rushees were made. Mistakes were made and although none have been found to affect the actual bidding, some rush chairmen as well as some rushees were given incorrect and incomplete information which necessitated time-consuming checking.

Concentrating the rushing activities was effected mainly so that an undue amount of time would not be taken away from study hours. But because of the intense planning the short season required, not only study time was missed, but classes as well. Sisters who stayed up late to attend rushing meetings arose early to clean and decorate chapter rooms.

Formal rushing is finished, but relief that the season is over will little compensate for tension that careless ribboning may cause. —Jackie Hudgins

Wild Men's Reign in da Bronx

They're coming—by train, plane, boat, car, chariot, ox-cart, and foot. The crowd is swelling. You can hear the roar from Long Island. The crush is terrific. Only the strong will make it. They're breathing heavily as they approach the Bronx. They have fire in their eyes, and some in their hip-pockets, too. They are wild men (and women). They are the fans.

They're going—by train, plane, car, chariot, ox-cart, and foot. The crowd is small. But you can hear the moans from Poughkeepsie. The crush is terrific—against them. Only the strong will make it. They're breathing heavily as they leave the Bronx. They have fire in their eyes, but not in their hip-pockets—they didn't have time to buy it. They are wild men (and women). They are the non-fans.

In the Bronx the fan reigns. Also in Flat-bush—home of the beloved/hated invaders. These motley boroughs are twin capitals of the world today. It's World Series time!

All else is forgotten. TV cameras, movie cameras, radio beacons, and tom-toms all are in readiness to convey the news to the waiting world.

The Senate is emptying, ditto the House, also the stock exchange. But there is a bull market in hot dog sales; also peanuts, and crackerjack. Tums for the Tummy will spurt shortly.

The non-fan looks on in wonder. Has the world gone out of its mind over a silly game? What of the important things in life?

Important! What could be more important than Mickey's leg? Will he play?

But they still have Scooter. And Old Casey has a few tricks up his sleeve. You can bet on that. And don't forget that indomitable Yankee spirit.

Will the Bums fold again before it? How's Big Newk's arm? Is the Duke in good shape? Is Jackie too old? Has Campy got the miseries again?

These are the questions the world is interested in today. And they will never be completely answered. No matter who wins the old cries of "Wait until next year!" and "We wuz robbed!" will be raised.

Anyone have an extra ticket? —The Editor

Safety Valve...

Art Gallery Paint Job

TO THE EDITOR: In regard to the item by Robert Saunders appearing under the "Safety Valve" last Saturday.

The Mineral Industries Art Gallery has been closed since August 15th for the purpose of re-decorating. Typewritten notices placed on the art gallery doors indicate this fact.

Although it has been realized for some time that a general reconditioning of the art gallery was sorely needed, only recently has this project been within the means of the departments concerned.

The art gallery will re-open for the Pennsylvania Painters Exhibition.

—David E. Snell
Curator, The Mineral Industries Museum

Sally's Served Well...

TO THE EDITOR: I would like to correct the general impression given in an article on ice cream and milk machines published in last Friday's Collegian and, further, to correct several specific points of information.

Sally's sandwich service was a University authorized vendor and for many years provided regular late evening snack service to students in the women's halls, and at Nittany Hall 20. This met the student's request for such service and provided some student jobs. Snack charges were comparable to those of other vendors for such services and to my knowledge the students were not overcharged, although no business goes uncriticized.

What I meant to convey was that few complaints were registered by the students, but not that I was expressing my evaluation of the general service.

As to specific points of information, the milk and ice cream machines will not be placed in all residence halls, but only in areas where a comparable service is not offered by the University. Thompson Hall did not have Sally's sandwich service as was stated in the article. At this point, private vendors may not make deliveries on the University campus, and particularly to the University residence halls, without specific authority.

The article in the Collegian was an attempt to give information on the proposed machine vending of ice cream and milk. It was in no way an attempt to be derogatory toward Sally's sandwich service, which for many years has served the students well.

—Otto E. Mueller
Director of Housing

UPPERCLASS WOMEN DEBATE TEAM TRYOUTS, 7 p.m., 2 Sparks

University Hospital
Rosa Adams, Robert Allen, John Clifford, Sidney Cohen, Phoebe English, George Fijo, Thomas FitzPatrick, Peter Grever, Frank Harrison, Fred Katnack, Benjamin Malesky, Carolyn O'Donnell, David Pappert, Norman Pison, Fred Smith, Gaylord Smith, Jerome Summerly, Mary Veale, and Richard Williams.

Gazette...

Today
ACCOUNTING CLUB, 7 p.m., Theta Chi, 523 S. Allen street
AIM JUDICIAL BOARD OF REVIEW, 8 p.m., 109 Old Main

Chess Club, 7 p.m., 3 Sparks
CIRCULO ESPANOL, Spanish Club, 7:30 p.m., N.W. Lounge, Atherton Hall
C.P.A. CIRCULATION STAFF, 7:30 p.m., C.P.A. Office, HUB

DAILY COLLEGIAN SENIOR BOARD BUSINESS STAFF, 8:30 p.m., 111 Carnegie
DAILY COLLEGIAN EDITORIAL STAFF, 7 p.m., 1 Carnegie

ELECTIONS COMMITTEE, 8 p.m., 218 Hetzel Union
FRESHMAN WOMEN DEBATE TEAM TRYOUTS, 7 p.m., 2 Sparks

FROTH ADVERTISING STAFF MEMBERS AND CANDIDATES, 7 p.m., Froth Office, HUB
FROTH ART STAFF AND CANDIDATES, 7 p.m., Froth Office, HUB

LEADERSHIP TRAINING SESSION, 7:30 p.m., 119 Osmond
NITTANY GROTTTO, 7:30 p.m., 105 Mechanical Engineering
PENN STATE BARBELL CLUB, 7 p.m., 102 Willard
PERSHING RIFLES RUSHING SMOKER, 7 p.m., Armory
HIDING CLUB EXECUTIVE MEETING, 7 p.m., 217 Willard

Tomorrow
HORT CLUB, 7:30 p.m., 108 Plant Industries
SOCIETY FOR ADVANCEMENT OF MANAGEMENT, Penn State Student Chapter, 7:30 p.m., Lambda Chi Alpha, 351 E. Fairmount street

THETA SIGMA PHI, 8 p.m., 111 Carnegie

Collegian Senior Board

The Daily Collegian business staff senior board will meet at 8:30 tonight in 111 Carnegie.

Barbell Club to Meet

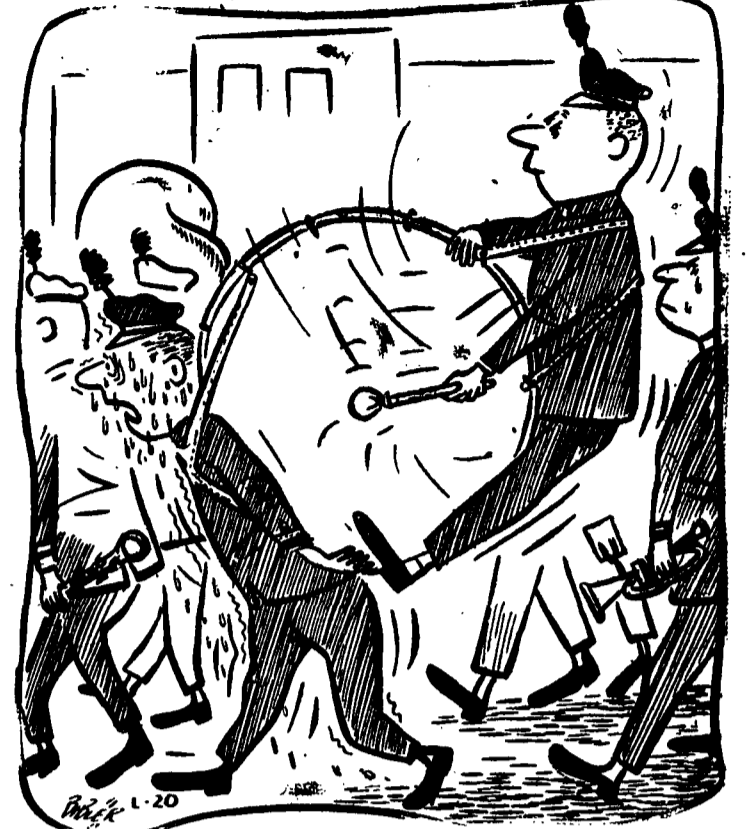
The Penn State Barbell Club will meet at 7 tonight in 202 Willard.

Nittany Grotto to Meet

The Nittany Grotto will hold a meeting at 7:30 tonight in 105 Mechanical Engineering.

Little Man on Campus

By Bibler



"You're right Dick, those big drums get heavy on a long march."

Big Four Conference

Fishbowl Talks Not Desirable

By J. M. ROBERTS JR.

Associated Press News Analyst

The old argument about service diplomacy has been revived in the United Nations by the demand of Iraq that interested small nations be invited to Geneva next month along with the Big Four foreign ministers.

"No impression should be left that the Big Four are meeting to make decisions for other nations and behind their backs," said Delegate al-Jamali.

Secret diplomacy, he said, should be finally abandoned for the sake of peace and mutual confidence.

Well, there are all different kinds of secret diplomacy. The phrase got an especially bad name in the world because of what happened in 1914 after the tugging and bungling which went on in Europe during the early years of the century. Americans, especially, insisted that European diplomats were going to change their ways if they wanted American cooperation.

Since that time, open covenants openly arrived at have been an objective, although few have been arrived at without a great deal of work in private, the details of which have not been published. Some nations lay their cards, or most of them, on the table, and some don't. Some make unilateral interpretations and reservations, and some don't.

The truth of the matter is that in any negotiation where nations are required to compromise, a complete fishbowl operation is not possible, any more than the details of a bank merger can be worked openly. Step by step approaches can actually be hindered by publicity which makes it difficult to change preliminary attitudes as the negotiations continue.

If the representatives of a dozen or so small nations should be present in Geneva next month, all demanding the ear of the foreign ministers on every point affecting their interests, an almost impossible situation would develop.

The principle that the large nations would have to make the peace, with the smaller ones cooperating to guard it once it once it was made, was accepted at the founding of the United Nations as the only practical method of procedure.

This did not mean a reservation by the great powers of any right to sell small nations down the river while arranging balances of power, as was the 18th and 19th century practice. The small nations have their forum in the United Nations, where their views can be made known and where they will be weighed at least by the Western Powers.

Centennial Lore

Cadets Asked Dancing Rights In New Armory

Coeds and their dates today enjoy a privilege many former students at the University had to forego.

In its early years, the University frowned on dancing and forbid it in any of its buildings. When in 1888 the Armory was completed, making available a spacious dance floor, the students decided to try and change this attitude.

A petition addressed to the Board of Trustees by the Cadet Corps pleaded:

"We, the undersigned Corps of Cadets, Pennsylvania State College, in order to promote social intercourse among ourselves and friends and interest in our general welfare, do respectfully ask permission to hold a reception (with privilege of dancing) once a month in the new Armory during the coming college year."

The Cadets did not stand alone. A second more modest petition, this one from the senior class, was also sent to the trustees.

The Board, with President George Atherton concurring, stood firm, however.

Undaunted, the next year an all-college committee of nearly 100 students devised an even more eloquent petition.

Despite the force of these cogent arguments, President Atherton marked a crisp "Not granted" on the back of the petition.

The following year, 1890, the ban was at last lifted and henceforth the Armory echoed to the sounds of both marching and dancing feet.

Tonight on WDFM

7:15	Sign On
7:30	News
7:50	Student Encampment
8:00	Behind the Lectern
8:30	Phi Mu Alpha
9:00	Call Card
9:30	Music You Want
10:30	Sign Off