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Another Skeleton in Penn State's Closet?

The roll call of Penn State literary magazines which are now corpses, preserved only in the dusty files of the Penn State Room in the Pattee Library, is a long and honorable one.

It starts with the Catalogue of the Washington Literary Society, published at the University in 1860. In 1873, a yearly literary effort, the Cresson Annual, appeared and lasted only two seasons. Then came the Photosphere in the spring of 1874.

The struggle continued. The Student's Miscellany put in an appearance and a rapid disappearance in 1887. In April of that year the Free Lance, predecessor to The Daily Collegian, appeared. It survived in its magazine format for 17 years.

Others slowly came, had a moment or two of glory, then disintegrated. The Lemon and the Lemon Squeezer, a pair of juicy jokesters, were circulated from 1906 to 1908, only to turn sour and wither. They were followed by El Dorado, the Blue and White, and finally The Old Main Bell, which managed to remain alive for 15 years and was the most successful of all.

In the spring of 1940, Portfolio succeeded the silenced Bell. It, in turn, gave way to the New Portfolio, in 1950, which then yielded to Critique, which was destined to bow to Inking, the campus' last late-lamented literary publication.

Inking was recent enough to be remembered by some upperclassmen. But since it has failed to appear since April, 1954, it may be assumed to be dead.

Today, however, drawing a deep breath and haunted not at all by the ghosts of some 13 or

14 forerunners, a brand new literary magazine ventures upon the campus.

The babe is Lantern. It owes its existence to two groups: the editors, authors, and illustrators, most of whom are students, and the members of the Liberal Arts Student Council, who, finding themselves with an excess in their treasury, decided to become a patron of the arts, Penn State style.

In so doing, the council removed the villain which was responsible for the deaths of most of Lantern's noble predecessors: a sorry lack of money.

The only thing that can kill Lantern today, apparently, would be an even sorer lack of interest.

We think that Lantern fills a need: it will, we hope, live on to offer incentive and opportunity for students who are interested in serious fiction writing. Froth, which is and should remain a humor magazine, cannot do this.

Providing incentive for writing is no less important than providing a radio station for would-be broadcasters or providing an intramural program for amateur athletes. It is right that support for this venture has come from students, in this case the Liberal Arts students who automatically pay a 25-cent fee each semester to the L. A. Council.

We think students should continue to support Lantern by reading it. Despite its painless financing, Lantern will die a death no more glorious than the deaths of its host of forerunners, unless it's read.

Lantern is literary and highbrow. Are Penn State students illiterate and lowbrow? Today's sale of Lantern may supply an answer to this question.

—The Editor

Little Man on Campus

By Bibler



"One nice thing about this course—you only have one text to buy."

Quips and Quotes

By RON LEIK

Looking over last year's Battle of State College (or not State College), we observe that the new names suggested for the borough weren't very original.

You newcomers will be enlightened by learning that last year the townspeople voted not to change the name of the borough to Mt. Nittany or Lyin' Valley or Univer-City or something like that.

We think these mental gems weren't as refreshingly different as they might have been. Take a for-instance; why didn't someone come up with a name like "No Parking This Side" or just "No Parking, Pa."?

Imagine the money that could be saved in name signs. Or if you prefer to have the sign nearer the borough limits, how about "No Left Turn Beyond This Corner"? (We're just kidding, councilman. Put down that telephone.)

But here's something on the level. You've often heard that familiar phrase "two for the price of one"? A local diner makes that offer—in doughnuts. It sells one doughnut for 10-cents or two doughnuts for 10-cents. Take your choice.

The ship's bell which the Navy has given the University will be exhibited this spring. At last we'll know "Who's got the Ding-Dong, Who's got the Bell?"

It will be erected in the courtyard of the Hetzel Union Building. From tub to HUB!

As a token of appreciation, why doesn't the University give the Navy something in return. Perhaps the chimes in the tower of Old Main—the ones that ring at 2 o'clock in the morning.

To go foreign for awhile, we can't resist passing on some of Steve Allen's "Predictions for '56," which he read on a recent program. This year, he says: 1. Peter Townsend will become MC on Queen for a Day. 2. The Ford Foundation will receive CARE packages from overseas. 3. Nashua will buy his own stud. 4. The New York Times will fold. 5. Foreign pedestrians will be imported for foreign car drivers.

MISCELLANEOUS DEPT.: "The Gaines Dog Research Center of New York is looking for dog 'centenarians' to take part in some scientific research in canine longevity."—a recent news item.

Probably want to ask them what they've been eating all that time. Who wants to tell the telephone company we have Freedom of Speech? "The Centennial envelope bears the University's seal, an imprint

of the tower of Old Main, and a few lines about the University on its left side."—taken from a news story.

You'd think they could spare a few more lines about an oddity like that.

Say, would you like to see your name in the paper? No, you don't have to bite a dog.

Just contribute a quip, pun, joke or even a short poem to this column. The subject should be local, but other subjects will be accepted.

Prizes will be given to contributors over 80 whose fathers deliver the entry in person.

Seriously, if you want to submit an item bring or mail it to: Column, c/o The Daily Collegian, Carnegie Hall.

Dance Committee To Choose Theme

A theme for the sophomore class dance to be held on March 10 will be selected by the sophomore dance committee at 7 p.m. Sunday in 114 Hetzel Union.

Committee members are Arthur Schraivesande, chairman; Samuel Griffiths, fourth semester arts and letters major from Drexel Hill; Anne Nitraur, fourth semester education major from Stroudsburg; and Richard Moon, fourth semester business administration major from Drexel Hill.

Agriculture Engineers To Meet for Field Trip

The American Society of Agricultural Engineers will meet at 6:30 tonight at the Agricultural Engineering Building for a field trip to the Titan Metal Corporation in Bellefonte.

Graduate Coffee Hours

Graduate student coffee hours will be discussed at the Graduate Student Association Council meeting at 8:30 p.m. Thursday in 218 Hetzel Union.

Chess Tournament to Be Held

The Penn State Chess Club will hold the club tournament at 7 to night in 7 Sparks.

Tonight on WDFM

91.1 MEGACYCLES	
7:15	Sign On
7:30	News and Sports
7:30	Marquee Memories
8:00	Behind the Lectern
8:30	Music of the People
9:00	BBC Weekly
9:15	News
9:30	Virtuose
10:35	Sign Off

Gazette

- Today
- AMERICAN SOCIETY OF AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERS, 6:30 p.m., Agricultural Engineering Building
 - ASSOCIATION FOR CHILDHOOD EDUCATION, 7 p.m., Atherton lounge
 - DAILY COLLEGIAN CIRCULATION STAFF, 6:30 p.m., Collegian office
 - NEWMAN CLUB CHOIR PRACTICE, 7:30 p.m., Our Lady of Victory Church
 - NEWMAN CLUB DAILY ROSARY, 4:15 p.m., 209 Hetzel Union
 - NEWMAN CLUB RADIO COMMITTEE, 7 p.m., 201 Willard
 - NITTANY GROTTTO, 7 p.m., 105 Forestry
 - NOVENA FOR CATHOLIC STUDENTS, 7 p.m., Our Lady of Victory Church
 - PENN STATE CHESS CLUB, 7 p.m., 7 Sparks
 - PENN STATE PLAYERS, ADVERTISING CREW, 7 p.m., Schwab loft
 - PENN STATE VETERANS CLUB, 7 p.m., 106 Forestry
 - PERSHING RIFLES, class A uniform, 7 p.m., Armory
 - PHI MU ALPHA, 9 p.m., 117 Carnegie
 - RIDING CLUB, 7 p.m., 217 Willard
- Tomorrow
- AIR FORCE DRILL TEAM, 7 p.m., Armory
 - HILLEL HOUR, 7:30 p.m., WMAJ
 - LECTURE ON CATHOLICISM, 7:30 p.m., 304 Old Main
 - NEWMAN CLUB DAILY ROSARY, 4:15 p.m., 209 Hetzel Union

University Hospital
David Bamford, William Bliss, Gerald Bogus, Elizabeth

Safety Valve

The University and Discrimination in Town

TO THE EDITOR: Two weeks ago an article appeared in the Daily Collegian which was concerned with discrimination in off-campus housing; it quoted Mr. W. E. Kenworthy, director of student affairs, in part as follows, "... there is nothing the University can do to eliminate any discrimination in town. It has no legal or moral right to enter into the private lives of the townspeople. However, the University does not practice discrimination in any form."

This statement by Mr. Kenworthy disturbs me very much. ... If this is a sample of University policy, several questions are raised by it. ... Wouldn't Mr. Kenworthy be more accurate in saying there is nothing (the University) will do? Surely it has the authority to act on behalf of the students if it desires to do so. There seems to be some sacredness about the town of State College, however, that keeps the University from making a real effort to prevent mistreatment of the students by the townspeople. Is this fair?

Does the University really find itself handcuffed by "legal or moral rights" of townspeople or does it, instead, fail to recognize the legal and moral rights of the students?

A second question arises as to the legal or moral right of the University to enter into the private lives of the townspeople. Such an idea seems to be out of place. Hasn't the University already entered into their private lives? Hasn't it done so by over-matriculating to such an extent that campus housing is inadequate and a huge excess of students is forced to go into town in search of housing? This seems to imply that the University expects the townspeople to provide housing for those excess students. Doesn't

this constitute entry into the private lives of the townspeople?

Also it is true that any householder who wishes to be recommended by the University must maintain minimum physical standards of safety and comfort in the rooms that he offers to students. This certainly is entry into the private lives of those householders who do not wish to provide such minimum standards.

The third question asks why the University does not recognize its obligation to the students to uphold their legal and moral rights as members of the student body of a non-discriminating state university. Does the University have the right to over-matriculate, thereby forcing some students who are subject to discrimination to reside in a discriminating community in order to get the "liberal and practical education" which the University is pledged to provide for them? Shouldn't the University either cease to matriculate at a point where it is able to provide adequate housing for all students or else take definite steps to provide those students who are unable to secure housing on campus with a guarantee of at least a minimum amount of respect for their own dignity and and their own legal and moral rights?

Doesn't the University have an obligation to face the issue of discrimination in off-campus housing squarely and come up with a solution that is reasonable to the students?

Here is a clear-cut matter of conflict between the legal and moral rights of the townspeople and the legal and moral right of the students. Where does the University stand? Is it willing to fulfill it's obligation to the students of Penn State?

•Letter cut

—Allen N. Marshall, Jr.

It's In the Book

Today may yield black things at University Park. It seems that Feb. 8, 1956 will be written in the pages of history. University Park during the last few days has experienced light drizzly rain, hard downpours, little bitty snow flakes that melt when they strike concrete (steam heated or otherwise) and big fat snow flurries that quickly mount, melt and turn to ice. There has been a quick glimpse of the sun, and a few hours of balmy zephyrs.

There is only one thing left. The 1955 World Almanac reports that there has never been a major earthquake on Feb. 8.

With Penn State's reputation for weather, it's inevitable. But even if the ground does erupt, Penn Staters will probably never notice it through the rain and snow.

—Dottie Stone