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Beaver Dam: A New Use for Old Money

All-University Cabinet last week acted like a scared old maid who suddenly discovers she is sitting on a mattress full of gold. Cabinet found it had a few loose dollars on hand. The money promptly began burning a hole in its pocket.

To put the fire out, Cabinet hurriedly decided the students needed a streamlined version of the old swimming hole. It therefore accepted the proposal of the Inter-Class Finance Board to sink \$5000 out of its treasury into what seems to be a sinking project—the Beaver Dam recreation area.

It certainly was a noble gesture for Cabinet to contribute one-third of its funds towards the project. The gesture has a bit of madness in it however, for at the time it passed the proposal, Cabinet had no idea where the \$50,000 necessary to complete the project would come from, or if it ever would be completed.

The appropriation, gigantic as it might seem, isn't even enough to start the project rolling. Approximately \$13,000 is needed to begin the first part of the program, constructing a swimming area.

In passing the motion, Cabinet had hopes of inducing a few other interested groups into underwriting part of the expense.

One of the angles, in the guise of the physical education college, turned out to be a flop when it was discovered yesterday that the funds Cab-

net hoped to obtain didn't even belong to the college.

In an attempt to place this dream on a solid foundation, a committee was set up under the provisions of the motion to determine where the money should be spent. It further stipulates that the funds shall be paid out through the office of the Director of Associated Student Activities on the belief that the director will insure the funds going to the right places.

If the other angles turn their backs on Cabinet's pleas, then the student activities office presumably will hold up the money until funds are raised to complete the project.

If this is the case, then Cabinet would be much wiser to make sure the additional funds needed to start the project are available before it signs away its own contribution.

The inexperienced group passed the motion without even determining whether the program would benefit, or even be of interest to the majority of the students. As it appears now, students enrolled in athletic programs and belonging to athletic clubs stand to gain the most from the project at the expense of all the students who helped towards enriching Cabinet's treasury.

We hope Cabinet acts more cautiously this week, and, instead of passing the motion for the final time, it will put a bit more study and attention into the proposal before scattering money to the winds.

—Rog Alexander

Little Man on Campus By Bibler



"It seems, Mr. Worthall, that you're late."

Ron Walker on assignment

Baseball's Local Characters

Last Saturday afternoon, as far as we were concerned, was just another one of those lazy Spring days—too cold for Whipples and certainly too warm to look at any kind of text book. We wandered over to Beaver Field, wandered back to get our AA book, and finally found ourselves watching a good Maryland tennis team down our men rather handily. We halfway expected the Terps to bring along a cheering squad, Maryland athletics being what they are.

Across the way the football team was scrimmaging ("they got some pretty good boys this year," a former gridder told us) and the baseball team was taking on Syracuse.

We casually strolled over to the diamond ("get out of the outfield, boy" a campus cop warned us), sat down behind the screen, and found three or four local street urchins (one of them wore a motorcycle jacket) in front of us who presented the appearance of trying to jump over the fence and never having made it.

"Hey, Lou," one of them said, "see that broad coming in over there in Bermuda shorts? Nice, huh?"

"Heh, she's all right," his companion replied.

"Neh, too skinny," another said, pulling a weed from his shirt pocket. "I dunno why she got 'em on anyhow. I'm freezing to death."

At this point we left them for more sane quarters, but in no time at all we found ourselves drifting back to pick up where we left off. One of the kids was buried in a comic book ("Tales of the Crypt") but the others were rather intently watching the in-field practice.

"Mike," one of them yelled, "ya see Baidy pick up that grounder? Man, he's almost as good as Weed was last year."

"Neh," with little effort at all, was the reply.

"What'a ya mean, boy? Next thing you'll say Larimer's better than Drapcho? Where ya been all ya life, boy?"

"All right, so ya right," he replied, "so what'cha want me to do?"

About that time we noticed several coeds—freshmen evidently, because they all stuck together—walk past the far stands, attired in the conventional white blazer and plaid Bermudas. One even carried a camera.

That was all our urchin friends needed.

One of them leaned over and whispered, in substance, "Mike, hey Mike. Looka there, will ya? O-o-o-o, man, nice, nice, nice! Man, when I get in college all I'm gonna do is look at women all day long. Just wait, man,

just wait!"

The one reading the horror comics never even looked up.

Headline in The Daily Collegian: "Ike to Sign Dam Bill."

No flowery adjectives, please, just the news.

The Society of Mall Bulletin Board Congregators last week unanimously elected Art Brener its president for the coming term, we are told, mainly on the strength of his long hours put in there. We used to time ourselves for our 10 o'clocks on the basis of Art's presence at the Mall Bulletin Board.

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Gazette

- Today
 - ALPHA KAPPA PSI, 7:30 p.m., Phi Kappa Tau
 - ARNOLD AIR SOCIETY, 7:30 p.m., Delta Upsilon
 - BIZ AD BULLETIN, 7 p.m., 11 Sparks
 - CHRISTIAN SCIENCE ORGANIZATION, 7 p.m., 304 Old Main
 - DAILY COLLEGIAN Business Staff, 7 p.m., 108 Willard
 - DAILY COLLEGIAN Business Staff Candidates, 7 p.m., 217 Willard
 - DAILY COLLEGIAN New Candidates, 7 p.m., 9 Carnegie
 - DAILY COLLEGIAN Promotion Staff, 6:30 p.m., 103 Willard
 - DELTA SIGMA PI Pledges, 7:30 p.m., Pi Sigma Upsilon
 - FIVE O'CLOCK THEATER, Basement of Old Main
 - FROTH Circulation Staff, 6:30 p.m., Hetzel Union auditorium
 - GERMAN CLUB, 8 p.m., 102 Willard
 - PHI EPSILON KAPPA, 7:30 p.m., 241 Recreation
 - PLAYERS MAKE-UP WORKSHOP, 7 p.m., Basement of Schwab Student Employment
- The following camps will interview at the Student Employment Service, 112 Old Main. Please sign up in advance for an appointment.
- April 18-19—Camp Conrad Weiser, Penna.
 - April 19-20—Camp Sinking Creek, Penna.
 - April 21—Trail Blazer Camps, N.J. University Hospital
 - Edward Atkins, Robert Brandl, Dennis Ann Downey, Richard Forry, Donald Gordon, Melvin Hertzler, Helen Isaacman, Georgia Koehler, Philip Lear, James Meeder, Richard Mortimer, William Murray, Michael Ott, John Rowland, Jerome Scheib, Leah Schwartz, Gaylene Stoner, Ingrid Strope, William Swaney, Ramasuba Venkapatthy, Betty L. Williams, and David Friedenberg.

Tonight on WDFM

- 91.1 MEGACYCLES
- 6:45 Sign On
- 6:50 News, Sports
- 7:00 Dr. Henry A. Finch Lecture
- 7:45 News, Sports, Romance Languages
- 8:00 Invitation To Relax
- 8:30 Time for Wein
- 9:30 Behind the Lectern
- 9:30 Agriculture News
- 10:00 This World of Music
- 11:00 Sign Off

Safety Valve

Pro and Con on the Sing Judging

TO THE EDITOR: There has been much discussion concerning the recent IFC-Panhel Sing, and we are among many who were not pleased with the way things were run. Here's why:

When there is as strong a feeling of competition as is present in IFC-Panhel Sing, there should be no question about the reliability of the judges or the fairness of the results. The students are not over-stepping their bounds in expecting this much. All criteria of standardization are violated in changing two of the five judges over the two nights of preliminaries. It was also understood that the four best sororities and four best fraternities were to be picked from the entrants of both nights.

The rules were changed in the middle of the contest to the effect that the two highest sororities and two highest fraternities of each night would make the finals. How can the judges be certain that the four best sororities or fraternities didn't sing on one night?

The judges were obviously unaware of the rules of the contest. We understood that sororities were to sing in three or four parts, but one finalist sang one song in two parts.

When a contest has reached such enthusiastic and near-professional levels as has this event, the groups deserve impartial judges who are imported from out of town and who are not affiliated in any way with the University. It seems that IFC-Panhel can afford to pay these judges rather than resorting to just anyone who can spare the time. Also, these names of the judges should be published more in advance and screened by a representative committee.

The tally sheets should be made available to songleaders to aid them in subsequent years.

What sorority or fraternity wants to enter a supposedly validly judged competition if the possibilities of being rewarded for superior performance are only equal to chance.

The whole contest was unfortunate—unfortunate for some of those who won and are now suffering the derogatory comments of other groups and unfortunate for those who didn't win and are hearing the equally disturbing comments to the effect that they were "robbed."

An occurrence such as this places a black mark on the Sing, Greek Week and the University and lowers the Greeks in the esteem of students and townspeople. Can we avoid its recurrence?

—Vanessa Edelen
Pat Jones
Carol Bauer

TO THE EDITOR: Much controversy has arisen over the manner in which the IFC Panhel Sing preliminaries were judged. We, as members of the sing committee, feel that certain facts should be made known.

The rules agreed upon by the members of the sing committee stated that eight groups were to be chosen as finalists on an overall point basis from the two night's competition. The eight highest scoring clubs were to compete in the finals. Winners would be decided by the same point system.

As it happened, four organizations, two sororities and two fraternities, were selected on

Thursday and again on Friday night. Was this fair?

The original method was not followed because the judges were not informed by the chairman on Thursday evening of the judging procedure which the committee had decided on at a previous meeting, even though he had been reminded to do so that morning by his co-chairman.

When they were given no instructions to the contrary, the judges determined upon their own method of selection the first night. This proved unfair to sororities in particular, since there were four more sororities singing on Friday night than Thursday.

The reports from last year's sing could not be located, hampering the committee's work; however, the chairmen and members did their best under these conditions.

We feel that this explanation is in order to the groups which participated, since they were not aware of this judging basis.

—Jeanne O'Conner
Richard Their
IFC Panhel sing
committee members

Probation: Justice?

TO THE EDITOR: Is this a university which functions upon democratic principles in coordination with the student body, or are the students merely puppets of the Dean of Men's Office?

Legal procedure in this country is based upon an old Latin principle—Stare Decisis, which means one of the precedents. There has never been a precedent on this campus in which the university rules or governs fraternity affairs without the consultation of the Inter-Fraternity Council or even the houses concerned in this latest injustice.

Not only have the organizations concerned been dealt with from left field, as it were, but they have been placed at an extreme disadvantage in relation to the other houses on campus. This as a punishment is not bad in itself, but the procedure involved was entirely without precedent and uncalled for. Had the fraternities in question or the Inter-Fraternity Council per se, been notified even one semester prior to the infliction of this injustice of the intent of the Dean of Men's Office in restricting social functions as the panacea towards higher scholastic averages, the fraternities as a whole could have, or at least would have made further provisions for raising the average of the houses.

Furthermore, the houses in question would not have made arrangements which now have left them with financial and social embarrassment.

Commitments have been made for the Spring Week and Senior Weekend. Is this not unfair to graduating seniors wishing to spend the final "Big Weekend" with their fraternity brothers?

Justice tempered with mercy . . .

—Bob Kaytes

WH Council to Accept Presidential Nominations

West Halls Council will accept first nominations for council president at 7 tonight in McKee lounge.

Students in the area should turn in entries for the Miss Penn State contest at the meeting.

Collegian Candidates to Meet

Candidates for two staffs of The Daily Collegian will meet tonight.

Candidates for the business staff will meet at 7:00 in 217 Willard.

News candidates will meet at 7 in 9 Carnegie.

Measles Case Reported

The University Infirmary reported that only one case of German, or three-day, measles was admitted over the weekend.

Temporary facilities for measles cases are still being maintained in Grange Dormitory.