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## TV Project Poorly Organized

A war is being waged in Simmons Hall between the housemothers and the students over the purchase of a television set.

Buying a television set is a matter of major importance to those concerned and considerable foresight should have been given to the matter before plans were put into action.

In Simmons the housemothers leaped before they looked. Confusion resulted.

Several weeks ago unit meetings were held throughout the dorm and the students were told that it would cost .25 to .50 cents to buy the television set.

A straw vote was then taken to see how many students would be in favor of having a set for the dormitory.

Feelings were split. Some favored the idea, others didn't but felt that they would be willing to pay the .25 to .50 cents, and still others absolutely refused to have anything to do with the idea.

The next thing anyone heard of the matter was last week at another series of unit meetings. The students were told that they would have to pay a certain amount of money toward the TV's purchase.

However, the amounts being collected from

coeds varied from unit to unit. Some were asked for .50 cents, some for .75 cents, and others for \$1.00.

One housemother explained that \$1.00 charge would be used to ensure TV maintenance for the rest of the year. But why should this expense be concentrated in only her units?

These discrepancies indicate lack of sufficient planning among the housemothers.

A large number of students were led to believe that two sets would be bought. One would be placed in one of the main lounges for entertaining dates and the other would be placed in an upstairs lounge. Students have been paying their money with this in mind.

However, it would be impossible to have television in an upstairs lounge because of the poor acoustics.

If the facts had been compiled before the plan was presented to the students none of this confusion would have resulted.

If careful planning had gone into the project, it might have been a success. The way things stand now the whole thing is a flop and more confusion will result.

—Ginny Philips

## Safety Valve

### Controversial Concert

TO THE EDITOR: In a recent letter to the editor Mr. Robert Blefkoe expressed the opinion that Beethoven's Fifth Symphony "is a great enough piece of music" and then boomed out a quo warranta as to why a group of the stature of the Pittsburgh Symphony should be asked to play such music to a Penn State audience.

Please permit me to say that the program was selected from four submitted by Dr. Steinberg, the conductor; that the Board of Directors of the Association included eight students, of which six were present when the vote was taken; and that these students were the culture representatives of Interfraternity Council, Panhellenic council, Association of Independent Men and Leonides; and that the students preferred the program which included the Symphony in question.

I am sure Mr. Blefkoe will agree that a 40 per cent participation by the students in this year's concert sell-out warrants consideration of student wishes by the Board. Relax Mr. Blefkoe, and if you think you will be too bored with the program borrow my pocket flashlight and miniature score for the Beethoven Fifth and observe some of the inner parts and bridge passages which continue to interest even the most sophisticated of conductors.

As to the rest of the program we regret the omission of the 1812 Overture and the Strauss waltzes. Instead the audience will hear the medieval panoply of Die Meistersinger and the resplendent tone color of Moussorgsky-Ravel's Pictures at an Exhibition.

—David McKinley  
President  
State College  
Concerts Association

### Rise and Fall of Spirit

TO THE EDITOR: I attended Saturday night's pep rally which was staged at Rec Hall for the team's return from Syracuse University. The rally was attended by approximately 150 people.

Where were the cheerleaders? Some were at Syracuse, but of the 16 I counted at the West Virginia game surely there were two or three left at Penn State to lead us in welcoming the team home.

Where was the Blue Band? I realized that

some were at Syracuse backing the team. The fans that were at the rally Saturday night did not need the support of the complete band. A few members would have helped show the team that we were behind them, win or lose.

I realize that 10 p.m. on a rainy Saturday night is not a convenient time for a rally. However, am I being too naive in assuming that Penn State students can spare a few minutes of their precious time to support a great team? Those thousands who celebrated the Ohio State victory were made conspicuous by their absence after the Syracuse defeat. Where is the vaunted school spirit which your newspaper was lauding so highly two weeks ago?

—Barry Hemphill

Ed. Note—I don't know.

## Gazette

Today  
AIR FORCE ROTC DRILL TEAM, 7:00 p.m., Armory.  
BASIC CONCEPTS OF JUDAISM, 7:00 p.m., Hillel Foundation.  
BIBLE TEXT AND INTERPRETATION, 8:00 p.m., Hillel Foundation.  
CAMERA CLUB, 7:30 p.m., 217 HUB.  
COLLEGIAN BUSINESS STAFF, Senior Board, 8:30 p.m., 111 Carnegie.  
DELTA PHI ALPHA, 7:30 p.m., 102 Willard.

HILLEL PUBLICITY COMMITTEE, 8:00 p.m., 209 HUB.  
INSURANCE CLUB, 7:00 p.m., Sigma Nu.  
MARKETING CLUB, 4:00 p.m., 110 EE.  
NEWMAN CLUB, Discussions, 7:00 p.m., 104 Chapel.  
WRA OFFICIALS CLUB, 6:30 p.m., 3 White Hall.  
YOUNG DEMOCRATIC CLUB, 7:00 p.m., 196 Willard.  
University Hospital  
Barbara Barnes, David Faust, George Goldstein, Cecile Reansome, Terry Shepherd, Mary Vereb, Walter Voigt, John Williams.

## Little Man on Campus

by Bibler



"Worthal's particular—he won't be seen with just anything."

### Through My Lens

## Wives, Weekends And Rallies

by Dave Bavar

Upon my arrival at Archbald Stadium in Syracuse for last Saturday's game, a middle-aged man approached me as I was unloading my equipment from the car.

To say he was angry would be the understatement of the semester, because all he could do was shake his fist at me. When he finally recovered his voice, he angrily shouted "What did you do to my wife?"

I stood there speechless as he continued on about how I almost killed his wife at the last game they attended. All I could do was stand there and stare, not knowing what to say or do. After regaining my composure, I managed to tell him that I had never been to the Syracuse field before, and that I was a photographer for the Penn State Daily Collegian. Now it was his turn to become speechless.

As it turned out, his wife had been hit on the arm by a tripod which had been dropped from the roof of the press box. He was under the assumption that I was a member of the television crew that dropped it. Two minutes of apologies followed.

This last weekend was Parent's Weekend at Syracuse. Really is a great idea. We devote just one weekend a year to our parents—Mother's Day, which is stiff and formal, nothing like our big weekends. The parties at Syracuse were on the order of our big weekends only with Moms and Dads joining right in on the parties. One party which I remember was a "Roaring Twenties" party with the parents and everyone else dressed for the occasion. The men came as the gay blades of the 1920 era, complete with ukeleles, loud jackets and straw hats. The women dressed as flappers. The idea of a parent's weekend could really be developed into something if the students would show interest in it. A dance could be planned at Rec Hall on Friday evening with a

nationally known band playing for the occasion.

A Players or Thespian production would highlight Saturday afternoon, with theme parties that evening sponsored by different fraternity, sorority and independent groups.

Too many of us don't realize that our parents are younger than we make them out to be. They are still young enough to enjoy the same things we enjoy. This weekend would be just a small token of the appreciation they deserve. Let's hear some views on the subject.

This Friday night there will be a pep rally, complete with the Blue Band and a snake dance. I don't see why it is necessary for the people who are in charge of the rallies to spend several hours thinking up some new kind of gimmick to get the students to attend rallies. It shouldn't make any difference whether there is going to be a snake dance or Marilyn Monroe performing, students should still be out there cheering for the team.

### Correction: Blood Typing

The Rod and Coccus Club will type blood for students from 6:30 to 9:00 tonight in 207 Patterson for 25 cents a person, not as reported in yesterday's issue.

### Tonight on WDFM

91.1 MEGACYCLES  
Today  
6:55 Sign On  
7:00 Record Rack  
7:50 News  
8:00 As You Believe  
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8:30 Just Out  
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