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Little Man on Campus by Bibler



"That's Mr. Haywick—he's in charge of freshman orientation."

The PhD: A Problem in Costs

The costs of a college education have skyrocketed so much in the last decade that an old joke may soon become true if something isn't done about the situation. Yes, a PhD after man's name might well mean "Poppa has Dough" if costs are not curbed.

The New York Times has conducted a survey of 35 colleges and universities with reference to the rising costs and rising fees. The survey shows tuition fees up 50 to 100 per cent in the last 10 years. Yet, on the average, these increases covered but half the cost of what is offered the student. The total income from tuition, endowments, scholarships, and tax money—however these college and universities received their operating money—is running behind the costs, the survey showed.

The Christian Science Monitor notes that the Times survey "does not take into account the hidden subsidy from faculty members who teach for less than they might earn on the outside."

The Monitor asks, "What is the answer. Raise tuition and other fees until college incomes balance costs—let only those go to college who can pay for it? . . . Expropriate the private colleges and let tax money bring higher education within the reach of anyone prepared and desirous of it?"

Most Americans pride themselves that this land is the "melting pot," that a butcher's son, assumingly, can one day become President, that everyone has "equal rights." The first question posed by the Monitor is, to us, and we think a good many Americans, out of the question.

Can we then "expropriate private colleges and let tax money bring higher education within the reach of anyone prepared and desirous of it"? This surely would not win approval of most Americans. Undoubtedly many would cry "socialism." We do not think this to be the perfect answer, for we believe we should keep our balance of private and tax-supported institutions. However, if we had to choose between the two, we would side with this solution.

At present, there is a national drive in the planning stages at the National Advertising Council headquarters. The drive would encourage businessmen—big and little—to donate more money to support higher education.

The Ford Foundation should be commended for its huge donations last year. However, business—big and little—seems to give most of its donations to private schools, as anyone can see by reading the list of institutions receiving Ford Foundation grants. This is quite natural since the businessmen feel that private institutions are the underdogs since they receive little in tax money and have to compete for students with state-supported schools.

Take Pennsylvania for example. Lehigh, Gettysburg and the many other private colleges would have an easier time attracting students if there were no tax-supported Pennsylvania State University. Even the other state-supported schools complain that Penn State gets "the lion's share" of tax support.

This drive for money from businessmen should aid the private institutions somewhat, but they will still probably have to continue raising tuition fees to meet costs. Just pick up any newspaper and you can read headlines like "Princeton Raises Tuition Fees." Last summer you read, "Penn State Ups Tuition Fees," and there's a good chance you will read it again before too long.

The public institutions are sure to be left out in the cold when it comes to donations from business—big and little. The public institutions therefore must lobby, plead and even play politics to some extent to obtain hard-come-by tax money. This comes on top of increased costs of running state governments and the hesitancy of state legislators to raise taxes to meet rising costs.

It's like the old saying about the weather. "Everybody complains about it but no one does anything about it." Everyone wants services, such as the services from a land-grant institution, but no one is willing to pay for them.

More money—from businessmen for private institutions and from states for land-grant institutions—seems the only answer.

The problem is immense. The complications are a nightmare. But more people—businessmen and taxpayers—are just going to have to dig deep to keep that PhD from meaning "Poppa has Dough."

—Ed Dubbs

Instruction to Start Grads Schedule In Post-Natal Care Three Lectures For Semester

Classes in mother and baby care will begin Monday under the sponsorship of the State College area chapter of the American Red Cross.

The course consists of seven two-hour lecture demonstrations, an evening of film and a trip to the maternity division of the Centre County Hospital.

Classes will be held on Monday nights from 7:30 to 9:30 at the Associated Services offices, 330 W. Beaver Ave. The course is being taught by Mrs. Marjorie Rix, community nurse, and is given free of charge.

Grads Schedule Three Lectures For Semester

Three lectures have been scheduled by the Graduate School for the spring semester.

The first speaker will be Dr. Henry Margenau, Eugene Higgins professor of physics and natural philosophy at Yale University, at 8 p.m. Feb. 13. His topic will be "Philosophical Perspectives of Modern Physics." This lecture will be co-sponsored by a science society, Sigma Xi, and will be held in 10 Sparks.

"The Older Worker in the American Economy" will be the topic of a lecture by Dr. John W. McConnell, dean of the Graduate School of Cornell University, at 8 p.m. March 11 in 10 Sparks. This talk will be co-sponsored by the Colleges of Business Administration and the Liberal Arts.

The third lecture will be given at 8 p.m. May 21 in 10 Sparks. The speaker will be Dr. Max A. Lauffer, dean of the division of the natural sciences, University of Pittsburgh. His topic will be "Horizons in Virus Research." The College of Agriculture will be the co-sponsor.

Open Houses---

(Continued from page one) sity from other colleges or the centers, and for students who were ineligible to rush previously because of their averages.

Moore also said that this third open house will give students who have not joined a fraternity, a chance to look at other houses.

Open houses for fraternities in Section I will be held from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Monday. These fraternities are Alpha Chi Rho, Alpha Epsilon Pi, Alpha Gamma Rho, Alpha Rho Chi, Alpha Sigma Phi, Alpha Tau Omega, Beaver House, Chi Phi, Delta Chi, Delta Tau Delta, Delta Upsilon, Kappa Delta Rho, Lambda Chi Alpha, Phi Epsilon Pi, Phi Kappa Phi, Psi, and Phi Kappa Tau.

Also Pi Kappa Alpha, Pi Lambda Phi, Pi Sigma Upsilon, Sigma Pi, Theta Delta Chi, Tau Kappa Epsilon, Theta Kappa Phi and Theta Xi.

Moore also reminded rushees and fraternity men alike that a student must have a semester of an All-University average of 2.0 to be eligible for pledging.

Tri-Delt Grant Forms Available to Women

Application forms for the Delta Delta Delta general scholarship competition are now available at the dean of women's office.

Any woman student may apply for the scholarships, which will be forwarded to the winners at the beginning of the term for which the awards are granted.

The scholarships may be used for the 1957 summer session. Applications are due Feb. 23.

Hungarians---

(Continued from page one) rolled in electrical engineering, one in chemical engineering, one in metallurgy, and one girl who is still in one of the New England schools will be enrolled in the College of the Liberal Arts.

Other colleges and universities in the United States are also arranging for the admission, and support of refugee students.

In the Chicago area 30 colleges are taking 300 students, New York University is granting several full scholarships, and Dickinson will enroll one refugee for every 300 American students.

Text on Machine Tools Written by Professor

William H. Armstrong, professor of industrial engineering, has written a textbook, "Machine Tools for Metal Cutting," being published by the McGraw-Hill Book Co.

The book concerns machine tool laboratory equipment and manufacturing processes.

Leader's Hirings and Firings

As anyone who even lightly scans the newspapers has noticed, the governor of our commonwealth has been a very active and much publicized man during the past few weeks.

Two of the top issues involved the Governor's recent purge of his own party's office holders which some people keep hinting was very coincidental in that they were firings based on the promise that the Governor was getting rid of a few extravagant spenders, and which were followed Tuesday by the 1957-58 budget address.

Maybe the Governor does have good political timing, but I like to think that Pennsylvania finally elected a realistic political liberal who is utilizing the best political thinkers in the State.

I don't mean that the Governor is a socialist, communist or even the leader of a new form of government; just a man with a few ideas and the intelligence, tact and guts to push ahead.

As an example, I offer the Torquato firings. The Secretary of Labor and Industry may not be known to many, but he does control a position that can make or break the state economy. Torquato could be considered a spoils appointment in that the ex-secretary was, and still is to the best of my knowledge, the big boss of Cambria County.

Whether Torquato got the heave-ho because he was not the man the Governor wanted to run that office or whether the Governor got a scent of opposition "research" into the files of the department and was forced to retire Torquato to get credit for the firing, I do not know.

But I do know the Governor played his cards right and showed the politicians his desire for a better administration by his choice of a replacement for Torquato.

The Pennsylvanian whom he chose to be his new Secretary of Labor and Industry has devoted a large part of his life to government service and proved to be a capable administrator of labor, commerce and the now-famous Toledo Industrial Development.

His name is William L. Blatt Jr. Besides helping make the Toledo project one of the prides of industrial organization, Blatt has a long background of service in labor, commerce and foreign aid for the Federal government during the reigns of Roosevelt, Truman and Eisenhower.

The newly appointed 40-year old secretary also served as senior economist to the President's Committee on Foreign Policy (Randall Commission 1953-54.)

Blatt is the type of man to whom I am referring when I speak of the Governor's utilization of the best administrators, advisers and liberal thinkers. Also included in this group is the likely choice of an engineer, Dean Merritt Williamson, to help run the Turnpike Commission and even such unsung advisers as Leader's secretary, David H. Randall (contrary to Rep. H. G. Andrews' thinking) and the political science profs who have been spending more and more time in the capitol.

Keep at it Governor.

—Matt Podbesek

Gazette

Today
ALL-UNIVERSITY ELECTIONS COMMITTEE, 5 p.m.,
9 Carnegie

NEWMAN CLUB, ICE SKATING, 7:30 p.m., front of
McElwain
WESLEY FOUNDATION MARDI GRAS, 8 p.m., Methodist
Church gymnasium

Cupid says be sure to see the big selection of . . .

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Of Course The Best Valentines are from The Pennsylvania Book Shop 120 West Beaver Avenue

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