

Editorial Opinion

Tea and T-Shirts

The first full-scale community living project will become a reality when the new Pollock Circle Residence Halls are completed.

The present Nittany area dining halls will be torn down when the new halls are completed, Director of Housing Otto E. Mueller said yesterday, and men from Nittany will dine with coeds in the new dorms area.

Along with the change for Nittany residents, the men in the new Pollock Halls will be split into three groups and will dine with coeds in McElwain, Simmons or Redifer Dining Halls. All of these halls are now being used exclusively by coeds.

The new dining arrangement should prove to be an effective step toward the overall community living setup which has been the goal of many students and administration members for years.

Probably the outstanding benefits of the new system will be the boost it should give to the social life of the students involved. Men in Nittany now have very little chance to meet coeds, except in classes, and are virtually "shut out" socially because of their isolated living area.

But the new arrangement should give them an opportunity to make contacts which should make their social lives much more enjoyable.

Another benefit of the new system is the improvement it should bring to the dining standards currently prevalent among many Nittany students. The complete lack of decorum which is often so evident in the Nittany Dining Hall should vanish when the men begin dining with coeds.

We assume that such practices as dining in T-shirts will not be tolerated in the community dining halls.

These are just a few of the benefits which the new system should provide. In general, community dining should be a lively and interesting experience for all students involved, and should be especially important in building morale.

Open Season on Voters

The political campaign season is upon us. Office-seekers are scurrying from town to town throughout the state and nation.

The voter who follows the campaigns closely often appears to be subject to more mental exhaustion than the would-be senators, governors, congressmen, legislators, councilmen and poll-watchers.

While the office-seeker may set his campaign on a high plateau or in the mud, the voter is subject to a barrage of almost every conceivable level from every direction.

Since it is difficult to determine whether a voter goes to the polls to cast a ballot for or to cast it against a candidate, it isn't easy to tell how hard the voters are on the office-seekers.

But we hope that during this campaign the office-seekers won't be too hard on the voters.

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Letters

Frosh Asks More Spirit

TO THE EDITOR: Upon coming here as a freshman, we were told by our hat girl that we should give our ideas and viewpoints since we, just arriving, could see things more objectively than those who had been here.

I would like to say a few words about the so-called pep rallies. My high school had more spirit than I saw displayed in front of Old Main last Thursday.

First of all, the percentage of the 14,000 campus students in attendance was not very good. And I don't believe that those who were there put their hearts into it.

I think the techniques of the cheerleaders need revision. I believe that they could have done a better job if just four or six of them faced the crowd and the rest mingled through it.

Isn't there a more peppy song than the one that was sung? We were there to cheer the team on, not let them down. Instead of bellowing out with lots of spirit, everyone sounded as though they were trying out for a chorus.

I like the Alma Mater and I think it's one of the most beautiful I've heard. That's just the sort of thing that shouldn't be the finale of a pep rally. If it must be sung at such a meeting it ought to be at the beginning so that the crowd will know just exactly for what it is cheering.

To be a successful pep rally, it should be put into high gear and kept there. Everyone should leave Old Main feeling keyed up and ready to ROAR.

-Suanne Catterall, '62

Gazette

TODAY

- Accounting Club, 7 p.m., Mineral Science Auditorium
Ag Hill Party Committee, 6:30 p.m., 212 HUB
All-University Cabinet, 7 p.m., 203 HUB
Androcles, 10 p.m., Beta Sigma Rho
Chimes, 4 p.m., 212 HUB
Christian Fellowship, 12:45 p.m., 218 HUB
Christian Science Organization, 7 p.m., 212 Chapel
Cwens, 8 p.m., 212 HUB
Dancing Class, 4:15 p.m., HUB Ballroom
Eastern Orthodox Society, 7 p.m., 214 Boucke
Education Student Council Coffee Hour, 4 p.m., HUB Dining Room C
Hillel Library and Public Speaking Committees, 7 p.m., Hillel Foundation
Junior Class Advisory Board, Office Hours, 1-3 p.m., 203-B HUB
Management Club, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., HUB Lobby
Navy Recruiting, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., HUB Ground Floor
Newman Club, 6:45 p.m., 214-215 HUB
Outing Club-Ski Division, 7 p.m., 111 Boucke
Philosophy Club, 7 a.m.-10 p.m., 217-218 HUB
Science Institute for Teachers, 8 p.m., 214-215 HUB
Thompson Hall Dance, 6:30 p.m., HUB Ballroom
UCA Interfoundation Council, 6:30 p.m., Wesley Foundation Classroom
UCA Service Committee, 7:15 p.m., 213 HUB
WRA Officials Club, 6:30 p.m., 2 White Hall

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Joseph Bohart, Barbara Burket, Pamela Enander, Harry Hager, Linda Hunt, Philip Johnson, Wanda Knepp, John Larimer, Bennett Levin, Andrew Moconyi, Francis Paolone, Matilda Scott, Freya Welster, Ann Yacabitis, Jack Miller, Margaret Porter, Russell Noll, Stanley Clarke, James Roads.

Alumni Will Register

For Annual Homecoming

Thousands of alumni will return to the campus this weekend for the annual Homecoming.

Alumni registration will begin 1:30 p.m. tomorrow in the Hetzel Union lobby and will continue through Saturday.

Tomorrow night's program includes a showing of current football films at 8:30 in the HUB Assembly Room.

Little Man on Campus by Dick Bibler



"Masterfully written, Professor Snarf—it's seldom my pleasure to see a test with so many ambiguous questions."

Behind the News

Please Don't Steal The Buildings

By Bob Franklin

"It looks like the unbelievable has happened," exclaimed State Auditor Gen. Charles C. Smith. "It looks like the bridge has been stolen."

Smith, according to an Associated Press dispatch, was referring to a 100-foot span that disappeared on its way to a highway shed at Rochester.

The bridge spanned a stream at Fombell, Beaver County, until September 1955, when it was hit by a car—and promptly collapsed.

The State Department of Highways Pittsburgh district office ordered the remains removed. But the remains never got to where they were supposed to go.

However, part of the bridge has been traced. A highways department spokesman said more than 15 tons of steel from the span has been used in bridgework throughout the county—including a replacement for the original bridge at Fombell.

To this, Smith has replied, "Actually, it is immaterial whether the dismantled bridge ever reached the highway shed at Rochester or not. The fact is that it disappeared and there is no record that the state was ever paid a cent for the salvageable material."

Now this is a serious situation. If the state highways department really needs the

money—and after driving on many state highways, we are sure that it does—there are a number of ways it could go about collecting:

Perhaps toll should be charged on the new bridge to pay for the old span. Or perhaps tolls should be collected on all those Beaver County bridges that now contain parts of the old bridge—on a directly proportional basis, of course. But this could become troublesome. Toll booths would have to be set up and this might necessitate another complete reconstruction of the bridge (or bridges).

Another alternative would be for the highways department to repossess the pieces of steel used in other bridges. But this would be pretty messy, too, and might tend to have an undesirable effect on transportation in Beaver County.

Perhaps steps should be taken to prevent a recurrence. Montgomery County parks, for instance, specifically prohibit removal of buildings.

The University is fortunate in that it has only one span—a foot bridge in front of the President's mansion. But we wonder what regulations cover removal of "temporary" buildings, Walker Lab, Graduate Residence Hall, McAllister Hall and the Armory.



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