

Editorial Opinion

'Hitting the Road'

Approximately 14,000 undergraduates will "hit the road" tomorrow, destined for virtually all parts of Pennsylvania and a good many parts of neighboring states.

Perhaps the bulk of the traffic will be headed toward Pittsburgh, where the Nittany Lions will close out their season in an attempt to topple the Pittsburgh Panthers on Thanksgiving Day.

Unpleasant weather predicted for today and tomorrow may be expected to further complicate hazardous traffic conditions.

Safety figures show an ever-decreasing percentage of traffic accidents per population and per miles driven, but this is of little consolation to the students who have become accident statistics.

An automobile fatality or a major accident involving students is reported after almost every vacation period. Most are accidents that need not have happened, that might have been avoided by more careful driving.

Highway regulations, police enforcement, safety campaigns, newspaper editorials—these can do only so much to prevent automobile accidents. The burden of carefulness must always rest on the individual driver, who alone can be responsible for his own and his passengers' safety.

Students will have many blessings for which to be thankful when they sit down at their Thanksgiving dinner on Thursday. But they may be doubly thankful if they find on their return that the student body has not been marred by death and destruction on the highway.

WSGA's Judicious Step

The Women's Student Government Association is considering an expansion of its judicial system—a practical and timely step.

Women's Judicial, the only court provided for under WSGA's constitution, is overburdened. Minor cases which carry standard penalties take up too great a proportion of Judicial's time. And as the number of women students increases, the number of judicial cases will increase.

WSGA Senate last week tentatively approved by straw vote a plan to establish unit courts, which would consist of four or six members chosen in the spring—one from each residence hall unit. The chairman of each court would sit on Judicial.

Under this system Judicial would be relieved of the time consuming task of hearing the many minor cases which arise. This job would be taken over by the unit courts.

Judicial could then limit itself to cases for which a standard penalty is not prescribed. It also could hear appeals on decisions made by the unit courts.

This year's Student Encampment came up with a proposal for a new, coordinated student judicial system which could expand to accommodate a much larger enrollment.

The plan WSGA Senate is now considering could fit quite easily into an integrated court system for the future. In addition, it would provide the present women's judicial body with more time to spend on major cases.

The proposed unit court system must be approved at two Senate meetings before it can become a part of the WSGA constitution.

The Senate should waste no time. An expanded judicial system is needed—now.

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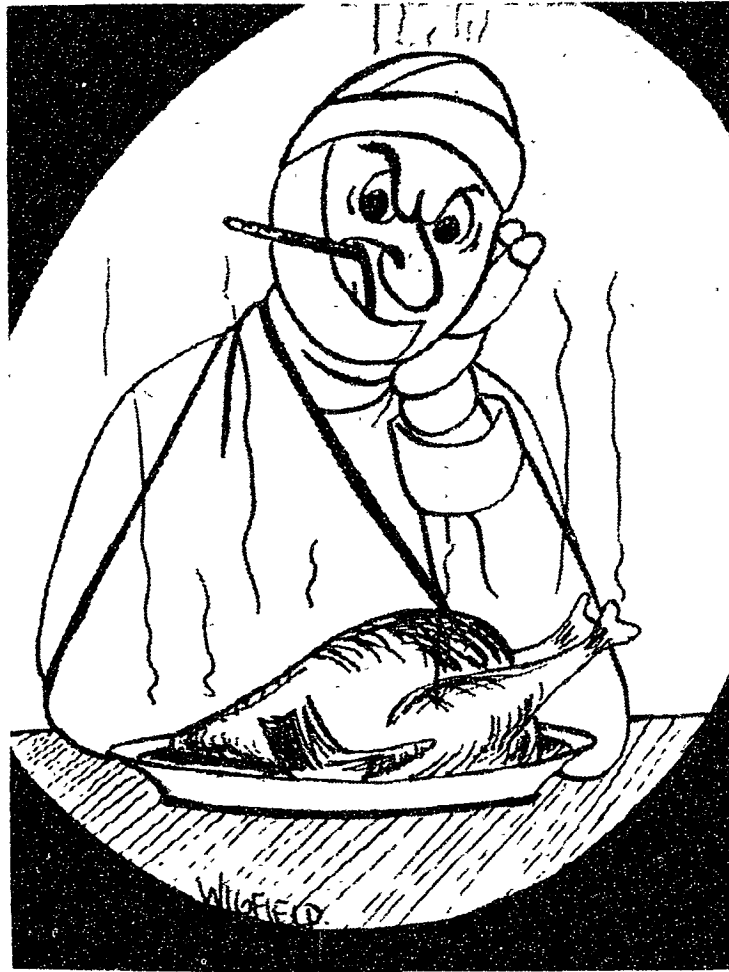
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No, Thanks!



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Paintin' Pranks 'n' Campus Capers

by bob thompson

Shaved heads, shaved lawns, painted pavements and lacquered libraries . . . The "woods is full of 'em" these days, both here and at scores of other campuses across the nation.

Most of the pranks do little more damage than raise the ire of campus officials and the consternation of many a police department . . . not to mention the wrath of physical plant workers that have to clean off paint from library walls, gymnasium steps and football fields.

Some years back, the idea of painting up the campus was the rage with the high school set. And for a while, school officials had their hands full trying to cope with their painted porticos. According to those from the previous generation we have talked to, officials and police found a remedy to the situation—have the culprits clean up their own mess—if they were caught, that is.

One friend tells us of the football game between his high school and its rival team that started an hour or so late because most of the football team took time out to clean paint off the front of the rival school's steps.

To add insult to injury, the team finished the game with housemaid's knees and dishpan hands. Actually, the judge did give the offenders a choice in the matter. It was "clean-up or the calaboose."

Then there were the "innocent students caught a while back who lamented that: "we were innocent, and had the police convinced until they saw the cans of paint in the back of our car."

Actually, there have almost been some tragic consequences as the result of rival pranks. Three weeks ago, students from Swarthmore painted several big S's on the Ursinus College grid field.

The plan backfired when the lime they used for the painting turned out to be unslaked. Half the team ended up with second-degree burns while playing on the field the next day.

Things were so bad that the annual classic between Swarthmore and Haverford College was



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Letters

Coed, T-Shirt Issues Aired

TO THE EDITOR: Who cares whether Nittany men wear T-shirts in their "cracker boxes?" When we see them they look pretty sharp. Given appropriate surroundings, they do dress and act well.

Nittany-ites have a lot more spirit in their student government and in Penn State activities than many of those who refer to them as "slobs."

- Peggy Powell '62
-Rhoda Segur '61
-Lois Blake '62
-Jean Sullivan '62
-Nancy Headley '62
-Stella Hulsberg '62
-Barbara Statmore '62
-Rhonda Horvitz '62
-Lucinda Littlefield '62
-Mary Loker '62

TO THE EDITOR: In reference to the comments of "one representative group—coeds" concerning the repeal of the Nittany T-shirt ban, a few questions have risen in my mind.

Does this "representative group" that made such statements as "what slobs" and "and they wonder why we won't go out with them," include the members of the sockless coeds and the canvas shoe clans? Why should coeds be concerned about the clothing worn by students in the Nittany or any other dormitory area?

To me, it sounds like the pot calling the kettle black.

-R. A. Dauber, '59

Alumna Praises Special Edition

TO THE EDITOR: CONGRATULATIONS ON COLLEGIAN'S EXPANSION ISSUE (Sat., Nov. 15) STOP NEWSPAPER COLLEAGUES AND SQUIRREL HILL ALUMS IMPRESSED.

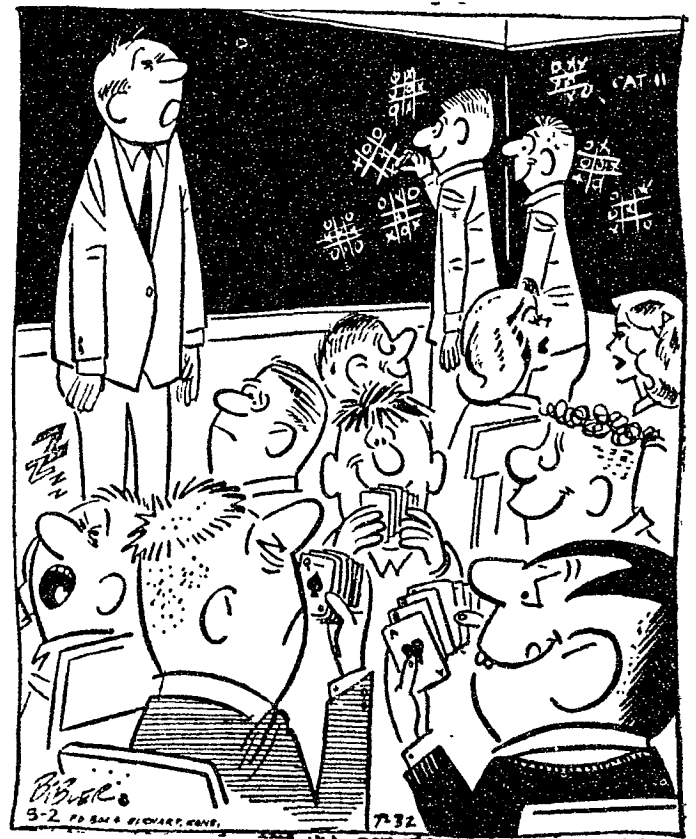
-Ginny Miller, '58

EDITOR'S NOTE: Miss Miller is a reporter for the Homestead Daily Messenger.

Gazette

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Freshman Council, 6:30 p.m., 217 HUB
Freshman Regulations Board, 12:30 p.m., 212 HUB
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Neu Bayerischer Schuplatzler, 9 p.m., 4 White
Pep Rally Dance, 8 p.m., HUB ballroom
TOMORROW
Sigma Xi, lecture on "Rocket Investigation of the Ionosphere," Dr. Sidney A. Bowhill, 8 p.m., 111 Boucke
UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL
Ronald Castellanos, Kay Esslinger, Thomas Ferrier, Paul Haberman, Ronald Heist, Richard Hoak, Donald Lloyd, Nancy McNear, Rodney Nunemaker, John Parks, James Pringle, Jacquelyn Ralston, William Robbins, Ann Robbins, Frederick Root, Sheron Rowles, Frank Sadowski.

Little Man on Campus by Dick Bibler



"In conclusion—I hope my lecture hasn't been too difficult for you to follow in your text—I expect my glasses will be repaired by tomorrow."