

Editorial Opinion

Why Has SCCA Closed Shop?

The Student Check Cashing Agency has closed its doors until the second week in February and in doing so has left students in the same situation they were before SCCA was created.

It is quite reasonable that members of the agency should want to study for final examinations. However, the fact remains that there is as much a demand by students to cash checks during these last weeks of classes and during finals as at any other time.

Since the agency will be closed until new matriculation cards are issued, this will mean it won't be back in operation until during the first week of classes next semester. The agency will be closed during the period when most of the students will be buying books and supplies for the new semester.

We certainly do not advocate that students on SCCA not study sufficiently for finals. However, some provision should be made to have the agency staffed by outside personnel during this period.

Students don't necessarily stop spending money when they start taking final examinations.

Assembly Questioning

SGA Assembly's earlier decision to ask that administration members attend its meetings to be interrogated on discussion on the Assembly floor paid off last night.

Albert E. Diem, vice president for business administration, and Dean of Men Frank J. Simes provided valuable information on direct questioning by Assemblymen. This policy undoubtedly will be continued in the future.

The policy serves to cut out the middle man which in most cases is a committee. And it prevents the possibility of misinterpretation of administrative policy when a committee or individual reports back to the Assembly.

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Ike Gives State of the Union Message

By ARTHUR EDSON

WASHINGTON (P)—And so, in the final year under Dwight D. Eisenhower, we came to the dramatic moment of his new familiar ritual.

William N. (Fishbait) Miller, the House doorkeeper who greatly relishes this moment of glory, bawled out: "The President of the United States!"

The rear door swung open, and one could spot the bald head and the wide grin that have become international trademarks. President Eisenhower had arrived to tell Congress what he thinks of the State of the Union.

This democracy has few rituals to match these State of the Union appearances.

For one thing, they attract an all-star cast.

Long before the President

appears, the spectators begin to arrive. One of the earliest yesterday was Mrs. Richard M. Nixon, who, like the vice president, appears to believe in going places quickly. She was in her seat 41 minutes ahead of time, and 23 minutes ahead of Mrs. Eisenhower.

Then came the officials, segregated by their positions—the Senate, the ambassadors and other foreign officials, the Supreme Court, the Cabinet.

This was the eighth of Eisenhower's State of the Union messages. Seven of them he delivered in person. In 1956, while he was recuperating from a heart attack, he sent the message up to be read by a clerk.

And quick now—can you recall one thing he said in the other seven.

For all the commotion; these State of the Union things usually deal with lofty, general thoughts couched in highly forgettable words. Yesterday's

Letters

More Criticism Levied Toward Proposed Ban

TO THE EDITOR: One can not possibly see how justice would be done if the proposed Sophomore ban on driving became a rule. Speaking as a member of the freshman class, I would like to be given logical reasons as to why the sophomores should not drive.

As it now stands, parking for students is allotted to sophomores, juniors, and seniors. If the same parking facilities are available next year and sophomores are not allowed to drive, the juniors and seniors can park closer to classes.

I mean, the stalls previously filled by sophomores would be empty and we all know that the sophomores park as close to classes as possible. Wouldn't you?

With this thesis I say that it would be a greedy rule rather than a just rule. Oh, yes! The sophomore's social life on rainy nights would be curtailed, but this would delight the juniors and seniors who have warm and dry cars to transport their dates to and from the movies. Is this just or is this greed? What are the safety reasons for the ban? Or is this just a cover for the stingy?

—Curtis Bonser Class of 1963

Gazette

TODAY WRA Open House, 7-9 p.m., White Hall Christian Fellowship, 12:45-1:15 p.m.; 7:30 p.m., 111 Boucke

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Jocelyn Binns, Shelia Cannon, Michael Cariera, Sandra Dallmeyer, Thomas Durbin, Lynn Eckert, John Frehn, Neal Friedman, Mary Jo Hall, John Janetka, Richard Johnston, Julia Kahl, Joan Kemp, David Kiser, Bart Klimkiewicz, Elwood Kyper, Nancy Langsner, James Mackereth, Irene McDonald, Richard Morrow, Frank Moves, Maria Shopay, Jean Slayton, Richard Smith, Robert Teifeld, Joanne Thompson, Carol Trout, Martin Zivic.

Players Choose Crew Managers

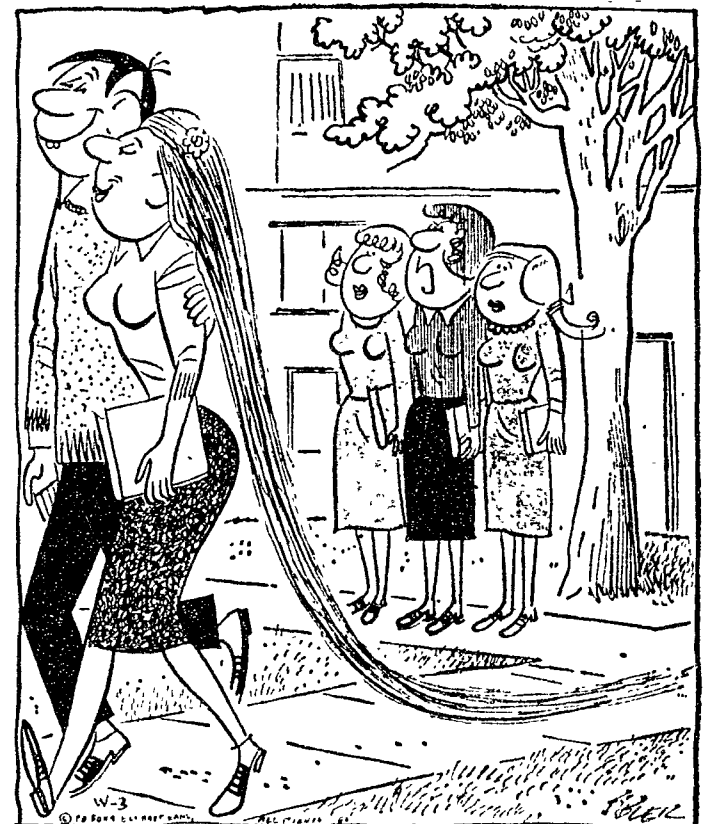
Crew managers for the humorous French farce, "Italian Straw Hat," were announced yesterday by Frank Neusbaum, director for the Players' production.

They are: Karen Weston, construction; Sibyl Sheer, lights; Ned Thomas, sound; Jane Trevasakis, advertising; Barbara Foster, properties; Robert Mandelstam, house; Patricia Berry, make-up; and Lurene Jochem, costumes.

Students interested in working on one of these crews should contact the crew manager or sign up on sheets in the Greenroom, second floor of Schwab Auditorium.

This light play was written in 1851 by Eugene Labiche and Marc Michel. It will open on Center Stage Feb. 19 and will run, week-ends only, until March 26.

Little Man on Campus by Dick Bibler



"REFUNZEL WON'T TELL HOW SHE DOES IT, BUT SHE MANAGES TO SNEAK SOME BOY UP INTO HER ROOM ALMOST EVERY NITE!"

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Are You in the Know About Political VIP's?

by zandy slosson

Do you know the vital statistics of the major political names in the news?

According to a survey reported in the January Redbook magazine, many of our younger voters are ignorant and confused about the best-publicized figures in America today. They are ignorant of who they are and confused about what they believe.

Redbook asked an independent research organization to question a representative sample of 500 voters between the ages of 21 and 40. They were tested on their personal knowledge of the health, financial status, public office, religion, political party of seven presidential candidates (including Rockefeller.)

More than one out of four interviewed did not know that Sen. John F. Kennedy is a Catholic, and only about 50 per cent knew that Sens. Johnson, Humphrey and Symington are democrats.

This is appalling! Penn State and other seats of learning in this country should tear up their charters and move to a totalitarian state if the student body can not at least answer these basic questions.

Every political science teacher since eighth grade has stressed the importance of an edu-

cated electorate that is well informed on political matters and can distinguish truth from biased propaganda.

Yet most voters are neither well informed nor alert.

Why? The answer is obvious; the American people on the whole can not be bothered. They are more concerned with such day to day problems as the grocery bill, next week's dance, the Jones' new color television set and getting a longer coffee break at work.

So in true Penn State fashion, let's meet in the HUB Lion's Den tomorrow and talk about our responsibilities as citizens and voters. And don't forget to bring your New York Times' "News of the Week in Review."

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WDFM PROGRAM SCHEDULE FRIDAY

- 6:55 Weatherscope
7:00 Sophisticated Lady
7:30 The Guest Disc Jockey
7:55 News
8:00 Starlite Review
9:00 Music of the Nations
9:30 Spoken Words
9:45 News and Sports
10:00 Light Classical Jukebox
11:30 Sign Off

WDFM PROGRAM SCHEDULE SATURDAY

- 6:55 Weatherscope
7:00 Hi-Fi Open House
9:00 Offbeat
1:00 Sign Off

WDFM PROGRAM SCHEDULE SUNDAY

- 6:55 Weatherscope
7:00 The Third Programme
11:30 The Week in Review
11:45 Sign Off

