

Editorial Opinion

Perpetual Complainers

Since the long-sought-after revisions in the women's rules became a reality last Monday, coeds have been voicing complaints over the matter of signing in and out.

WSGA came a long way in offering later hours to coeds on week nights. An extra hour and a half is now allowed each night for all women. Is it too much to ask that these women sign out?

Coeds are not required to state where they are going or with whom. Signing out is merely a convenience for the hostesses to see if any of the coeds are absent from the residence halls after hours.

In a letter to the editor a few weeks before the changes in the rules went before the WSGA Senate, Jessie Janjigian, president of WSGA, asked all coeds for opinions on what the new rules should be. She received little response. And now that the changes have been made, coeds are complaining and asking for more privileges.

Many favorable revisions have been made throughout the year to give Penn State women more freedom. But changes take time and coeds should make the most of what they have now in the way of privileges.

Why not give WSGA a vote of thanks for moving coeds out of the Victorian era in which they had been submerged instead of griping about minor details?

Werner—NCAA Champion

Penn State's Jay Werner reigns as the NCAA all-around gymnastic champion after a sterling performance last night. Down 3 points entering the last event, the Lion ace displayed his tremendous talent by scoring 92.75 on the difficult long-horse vault.

Congratulations to the University's first NCAA champion for the 1959-60 school year and the seventh titleholder for coach Gene Wettstone.

Other Views

No Smoke Room

Again the controversial issue has come up in Women's House discussion. "Do Juniata women want and need a smoke room on campus?" Once again, the women will vote upon the issue.

Let's hope, that the policy will continue as it has been previously established. "Juniata women do not smoke on campus." In the recent survey made by the intro to statistics class it was found that less than one third of Juniata's students smoke. Although no data was revealed as to what percentage were women and men, it is logical to assume that the majority of smokers are male since they already have smoking privileges.

Morally and ethically we admit that our present society accepts the woman smoker. No longer is she a social taboo or outcast.

However our campus society has not yet accepted women smokers. People regard and respect Juniata as a private institution of higher learning with high standards. Since smoking may be regarded as a social practice, the institution of a smoke room may tend to lower some opinions of our school.

It is also important to note the addition of a smoke room with respect to the College's drive for funds in the redevelopment program. A significant part of the College budget is obtained through the funds from the alumni, churches, and church-affiliated organizations. How would these groups react to helping finance a smoke room. Antagonizing these groups could result in a decrease in their contributions. Can we afford to risk it?

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Letters

Coeds Criticize Rooming Rules Set by Housing

TO THE EDITOR: As second semester freshmen and as students not too well acquainted with all the regulations of the University's administrative offices, we feel that Housing has done us, the girls of Thompson Hall, a great injustice with reference to room assignment applications.

The argument that Housing uses is this, and we quote: "Upperclasswomen who request reassignment to their present rooms must file their applications February 29 to March 11. For all other upperclasswomen, the dates are from March 28 to April 8." Were the girls in Thompson included in this reassignment plan?

The meaning of reassignment according to Webster's Dictionary is, "to assign again" but it is a well-known fact that Thompson Hall is going to be a boys' dormitory; consequently, the only sensible conclusion that could be drawn from this bulletin is that we should file our application during the period of March 28 to April 8.

Housing, in their so-called informative bulletins expresses their views in an extremely vague way so that the rule may have different shades of meaning. Housing did not state that the girls from Thompson who wanted to be assigned to McKee Hall were to hand in their applications during the period of February 29 to March 11, but they did state that we would be given preference for the vacant rooms in McKee.

Are second semester women considered to be upperclass women? According to WSGA standards we are not. Why then did Housing want us to file our application on the dates set aside for upperclasswoman reassignment?

—Patricia Le Roy, '63
Maryanne Williams, '63

Gazette

TODAY
Center Stage, "An Italian Straw Hat," 8 p.m.
Freshman-Sophomore Dance Committee, 1-15 p.m., 212 HUB
NCAA Gymnastics Championships, 8 p.m., Rec Hall
Outing Club, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., HUB first floor

TOMORROW
Zoller Reception, 2 to 5 p.m., HUB main lounge
Chapel Service, Dr. Nicholas Goncharoff, 10:55 a.m., Schwab Auditorium
Chess Club, 2 p.m., HUB card room
Christian Fellowship, 2 p.m., 217 HUB
Election Commission, 2 p.m., 218 HUB
Eisenhower Society, 6:30 p.m., Eisenhower Chapel lounge
Executive Committee, 5:30 p.m., 218 HUB
Freshman Advisory Board, 3:30 and 8:30 p.m., 203 HUB
Graduate Students' Bridge Club, 7 p.m., 212 HUB
Newman Club, 7 p.m., 214 HUB
Penn State Blue Band Concert, 8 p.m., Schwab Auditorium
Protestant Service of Worship, 9 a.m., Eisenhower Chapel
Reception, 8:15 p.m., HUB main lounge
Roman Catholic Mass, 9 a.m., Schwab Auditorium
Student Movie, 6:30 p.m., HUB assembly room
Swedenborg Service, 10:30 a.m., 212 HUB
University Lecture Series, 8 p.m., Schwab Auditorium
USF, 9:30 a.m., 218 HUB
Westminster Graduates, 6 p.m., 217 HUB

MONDAY
A Phi O, 7 p.m., 212 HUB
Christian Fellowship, 12:45 p.m., 218 HUB
College of Education Tea, 3:30 p.m., HUB main lounge
Color Slide Club, 7:30 p.m., Mineral Sciences auditorium
Disarmament Discussion Series, 12 noon, Eisenhower Chapel main lounge
Engineering Mechanics Seminar, 4:15 p.m., 203 Engineering "A"
Faculty Luncheon Club, 12 noon, HUB dining room "A"
Greek Week Banquet Committee, 8 p.m., 214 HUB
ICCB, 7 p.m., 214 HUB
IFC, 7 p.m., HUB assembly
IVCF, 7 p.m., 217 HUB
Leadership Training, 7 p.m., 215 HUB
Leonides, 6:30 p.m., 203 HUB
Marine Physical, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., HUB cardroom storage
Marine Recruiting, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., HUB ground floor
Mathematics Logic Conference, 10 a.m., 228 Sackett
Model Railroad Club, 7 p.m., 216 HUB
Outing Club, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., HUB first floor
Placement, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., 203, 212-218
Physics Colloquium, 4:15 p.m., 117 Osmond
SGA, 8 p.m., 218 HUB
UCA Forum Series, 8:15 p.m., Eisenhower Chapel lounge

HOSPITAL
Jack Bergstein, James Danilovitz, Howard Deardorff, Stephen Engle, Richard Heesa, Robert Johnson, Harlan Mone, Douglas Obeck, Reuel Schappel, Sandra Spitz, Sandra Upmal, Robert Wenner, Bela Vasandy, Russel Yaw, Beverly Yurick, Eugene Zuckerman, Katie Perrin, Frederick Riegel, Lois Rothenberg.

JOB INTERVIEWS

March 23
American Stores: group meeting, 7 p.m., 200 Armsby
March 24, 25
American Stores, individual interviews, 211 Armsby

Little Man on Campus

by Dick Bibler



"MARVELOUS! I WAS WONDERING IF THEY WOULD EVER GET AROUND TO IT."

Letters

Coeds Bemoan 'Signing In'

TO THE EDITOR: The letter in Thursday's Collegian asking for a more feasible means of signing out made me wonder why coeds must sign out at all. When the new rules were announced, the reason given for signing out on week nights was to know if a girl were out or not in case of a possible accident. This is absurd. I'm sure that girls were just as accident prone under the old rules as they are under the new ones.

As for locating a girl, the fact that she has signed in only means that she is in the building. Her signature gives absolutely no help in finding her if she's not in her room. If not

in the building, she could be virtually anywhere.

It may be said that at least a girl's absence is known if she has not signed in. But, if keeping track of dorm residents is so important, why are there no similar rules for men? Obviously, the coed is governed by rules that have nothing more to offer in their defense than their traditional origin. This is an excuse, not a reason.

"It is important to learn to distinguish between that which is established because it is right from that which is right only because it is established." Samuel Johnson said that quite a few years ago. It seems particularly appropriate here today.

Marilyn Tischer, '62

TO THE EDITOR: We were naturally complimented when WSGA recently exhibited their faith in the integrity of Penn State women by finally allowing us later permissions. But they also require us now to sign out every night of the week if we expect to be out after 8 p.m.

There seems to be a contradiction between these two decisions which perhaps the reader can detect. Up until March 14, WSGA by requiring us to sign out and state destination, distrusted our integrity only on Friday and Saturday. Now they distrust our integrity every day of the week.

They are implying that we

just might not return by curfew, and if we do not, they feel that they can locate us at our stated destination. But who can predict or care to state all the various places likely to be visited in an evening?

Other invidious aspects of signing out are the increased bookkeeping for hostesses, the bottlenecks at sign-in-posts and the unnecessary mechanical nuisance we must tolerate. We appeal to Penn State women to express their views to any member of WSGA if they agree in any way with our considerations. What is your opinion?

Carolyn Evans, '60
Carolyn Greer, '61
Serena Rashid, '60

Keep Rink Open

TO THE EDITOR: The University skating rink is scheduled to close Sunday. I think this unfair for the following reasons.

First, the skaters have had their season shortened a whole month or more by the rink's late opening.

Second, the girls' gym classes paid for eight weeks of skating and will only get six weeks.

Third, the weather is still un-

fit for spring sports such as tennis or golf.

It seems to me if the University runs the rink as a University activity, and is willing to pay one quarter million dollars for a new roof, that they would do all they could to further the skating season. This would lengthen the skaters' season, give the girls their two weeks of skating and also give the University a chance to regain some of the money they lost by the short season.

—David Ward, '62

TO THE EDITOR: The University ice skating rink is scheduled to close its doors for another season this Sunday. For the following reasons it seems logical to me that the rink should remain open beyond this date.

First, regardless of the calendar, our current weather is far from spring-like. Because of cold weather and recent snows, spring sports such as

golf and tennis will not begin for some time yet.

Second, ice-skating fans here at the University have had the season severely shortened by the late opening of the rink due to construction.

We still have ice-skating weather and we still have interested skaters, so why cut the season short? Let's give ice skating an even break.

Mike Thomsen, '63