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Editorial Opinion

Peer Judgment

The Women's Board of Review, recently initiated by the Association of Women Students and the dean of women's office, is to be considered a positive step forward.

Under the former system, in which coeds cited for more serious infractions of University regulations were brought before the Senate's subcommittee on discipline (composed of faculty members), "peer judgment" was actually impossible. The subcommittee is now used only as a board of appeal, which is as it should be.

The three members—all women—of the new review board should be expected to bring more understanding to disciplinary proceedings than would a disinterested group of faculty members (men among them).

Two of the board members (a representative of the dean of women's staff and the coordinator of the individual coed's living area) have been trained in dealing with problems that might come before the board. The third, chairman of women's judicial, is herself a student, familiar with the feelings of her contemporaries.

Particularly in instances of moral misconduct, it is obvious that a group composed solely of women could provide a better sounding-board. Although a resultant penalty might be the same as that imposed by the Senate committee, women affected would find it more difficult to say they had been "misunderstood," when they may be accompanied to their "hearings" by individuals with intimate knowledge of the case in question.

A further innovation of the new board is the counseling program. Accusation and punishment are not sufficient when the original infraction might have evolved from an emotional disturbance. The program should be respected; women should take advantage of it.

With the advent of the board of review, both AWS and the dean of women's office have given further evidence of their genuine concern for the welfare of the Penn State woman.

Hello, Terps!

To provide the "voiceless" Penn State cheering section with some incentive during tomorrow's football game, approximately 4,000 students from the University of Maryland will descend on University Park this weekend.

Penn State is favored in the contest, but 4,000 voices raised in encouragement away from home can't help but mean something to the visiting team. The least we can do for the Nittany Lions is to see that this vocal encouragement doesn't mean too much.

Actions during the game are one thing, behavior afterwards is another. The Maryland students aren't expecting special treatment; nevertheless, they should be treated as guests.

Looking forward to the Maryland "invasion," those connected with The Diamondback, Maryland's student newspaper, have sent stories and pictures which will be used in tomorrow's issue of The Daily Collegian. We, in turn, intend to make a point of listing "things to do" on campus for the benefit of the visitors, who will receive 2,000 copies of tomorrow's edition.

Penn State has a reputation for hospitality, and there's no reason why this shouldn't be substantiated this weekend. As far as tomorrow afternoon is concerned, though — Tame the Terps!

TODAY ON CAMPUS

Artists Series, 8:30 p.m., Schwab; Emlin Williams as Charles Dickens.
Biophysics seminar, 11:10 a.m., 105 Walker Lab; Speaker: Walter R. Guild, Department of Biochemistry, Duke University, on "Mechanism of Transformation and Transcription in Pneumococcus."
Football team, 5 p.m., Hetzel Union assembly room.
Jazz Club, 9 p.m., HUB card room.
Junior Class Jammy, 7:30-12 p.m., HUB ballroom.

WDFM Schedule

4:15 The Philadelphia (Lynne Hopewell)
5:00 Classical Carous
5:55 News
6:00 The Week in Science (Wayne Winston)
6:15 Evening Moods (Linda Kissinger)
7:30 News (Frank Goshey) (WMAJ)
7:40 Sports
7:45 Spotlight on Sports (Walt Pilgr) (WMAJ)
8:00 Sound of Folk Music
9:00 Sendoff (Ted Lux)
12:00 Night Sound (Jon Little)
2:00 News

