

College Bound

by Bruce Hopkins

Making the Grade

Panic struck the campus of Bloomsburg State on Sunday, Nov. 14. It takes so little to touch off such panic. The whole thing started when someone happened to stroll by the post office and notice that there were little pink slips in every box. "Hey," said this person, "what's with all the pink slips in the mailboxes?" Panic! The pink slips in the mailboxes were mid-semester grade reports!

The grading system at Bloom is similar to that of most colleges. A perfect cumulative average is 4.0. In order to student teach, and to graduate (and also to avoid the draft), a student must maintain a cum. (short for cumulative average) of 2.0; and to make the Dean's List, a 3.5 is required.

As each student reluctantly pulled the slip from his mailbox, the expression on his face, and the phrase he uttered, told all!

One girl gleefully began jumping up and down, and shouting, "I got a 3.0! I got a 3.0!"

Meanwhile, a sad-faced guy standing next to her said dreamily, "Good grief, if I had a 3.0 I'd sit up all night and stare at it!"

The fact that these pink slips were in our mailboxes, indicated that there were also similar slips in the mail, addressed to our parents! Knowledge of this fact made it difficult for many students to write home last week! I would now like to give you an idea of some of the letters these parents received last week.

The parents of example number one received the following letter from their daughter who made the Dean's List for the umpteenth consecutive time:

Dearest Mother and Father,

You can undoubtedly imagine my amazement when I received my grades and discovered that my cumulative average was only a 3.87. I cannot understand how I could have decreased a whole tenth of a point from last time. It was no doubt because of my B in differential calculus. I don't understand why I didn't receive an A. At any rate, I promise you that the final semester grades will be up to normal again.

Sincerely yours,
Your Daughter,

Grief! Some people are never satisfied!

Next there are the parents of the student who -- mostly through the aid of luck, and a few kind profs -- received a cum slightly above average. Their letter would read like this:

To the Proud Parents,

Well, how about this son of yours I'll bet you never expected me to do this well did you? Of course, it took lots of hard work, but what is college for if not for work? Anyway, now that I'm "in" with the profs, I won't have to work quite as hard. The next half

of the semester will be a cinch! Yours intelligently,
Wart

Next we have that future BMOC (Big Man On Campus) who has been taking part in just about every activity except classes! Naturally, he's been writing home about how hard he's been working and how well he was doing. His parents would read the following:

To Whom It May Concern:

So, alright, maybe I wasn't working quite as hard as I thought, but these are just the mid-term grades-- I have a whole nine weeks to bring them up to where they belong! Please advise as to whether you recommend my coming home for Thanksgiving vacation!

Yours unfortunately,
Sid

Finally, we have the parents of the football star who made it to college through the influence of a coach. This is their letter:

Dear fokes,

I guess you probly got my graids, huh? To bad I din't dew a little better than what I did, but I think if I tries relly hard, I should oughta bring them up to a passing marc. What with football and everything, I just been to busy to worry about nothing else. Now all I got is wresling to worry about. This hafe of the term should be beter.

Yours censirly,
Francis, Jr.

Francis, however, received this letter from his father, on the same day which he mailed his own:

Dear Francis:

We got your graids today. They were relly good. I din't know I had such an intelligant son. Keep up the good work!

Censirly yours,
Dad

Oh, well! I may have exaggerated a bit with those letters, (at least I hope I did), but I think you get the idea. The mid-term grades don't actually affect our final grade, but are issued, more or less as a progress report and as an incentive. Now we know what is ahead of us for the next nine weeks. Seeing as I now know what is ahead of me for the next nine weeks, I think I'd better get going See ya'!

Jo Ann Bellas Has Fifth Birthday Party

Jo Ann Bellas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bellas, Ransom Road, celebrated her fifth birthday with a party for some of her friends at her home Saturday afternoon, November 13.

Present were Maureen Kormas, Suzanne and John Venit, Susan and Robert Stair, Joyce, Judy and Jay Frank Humphreys, Janet Weale, Heidi Jo Selingo, Kathy Allen, Mary Jo Coolbaugh, Roger Bartholomew, Bruce Kunkle, Jamie Smith, Deane Polachek, Mary Ann Bellas, and the guest of honor, Jo Ann Bellas.

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Do You Remember When Main Street Looked Like This?



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Of many old-time pictures of the Back Mountain which we have seen at the Dallas Post, this Clemon photo of busy Main Street in 1933 is one of the finest we have ever seen.

It was taken from an upper story of the Raub Hotel, which itself was torn down that year. A previously published view of the hotel in 1927-28 had an old Mobilgas sign and pumps and Jim Besecker's helpers

in the picture too. You can see that the place continued as a service station by the sign in foreground, and today is Williams' Atlantic.

Note the bank building, which is an easy point of reference, although a lot of other things have changed. Left foreground is the trolley station, about where Besecker's is now. There was no highway (not built until 1941). Main Street was the

only highway, continuing on to Harvey's Lake via Lake Street, and to Kunkle via Church Street.

Blacksmith Shop, then a garage, and there was a shoe repair shop over the creek. Brick building is Frantz's butcher shop, and beyond is the Dallas postoffice where the barber shop is now. There was only one bar on Main Street -- the Meridian, owned by John Sullivan, now Brothers 4.

Atlantic sign (there were gas stations all over the place) at right background was Jim Oliver's Garage; Gulf was Nellie Ritter's paint store and between that and Hislop's Restaurant (Williams Ice Cream) was another shoe repair shop. Two buildings have been torn down now for bank annex and driveway. Right foreground is Gregory's Haberdashery and Barber Shop.

Jim Besecker lent us the picture.

Random Thoughts On Sheep, By One Who Recently Met Several Flocks

No wonder the British Isles are famous for their woolen output. Scratch any landscape, and you find a flock of sheep. They roam the grounds of the castles, earning their board and keep by clipping the lawns; their reflections appear, upside down, in the unruffled little ponds in the parks.

And in Ireland, they cling to the bare rocks of the unkind mountains toward the west, chewing their cud's reflectively while flipping their ears at the microscopic thatched cottages far below in the green valley.

They wear suction cups on their feet instead of hoofs.

Bloomsburg State Teams Ready For 1965 Season

The Bloomsburg State College wrestling team, 1965 N.A.I.A. national champion, has been working out for the past six weeks preparing for the wrestling tournament at West Point last Saturday, and the opening of the regular season with a quadrangular meet at home December 11 with Southern Illinois University, Indiana State University, and Lycoming College.

Assistant coach, Jerry Maurey, has been handling the coaching duties for this period of time while head coach Russ Houk was finishing the season as head football coach. Twenty-four varsity candidates and sixteen freshmen have been working out daily.

Basketball Kick Off

The Bloomsburg State College basketball team kicked off a nineteen game schedule against Indiana State College December 1. New opponents this year, in addition to Indiana State, include: Susquehanna University; Philadelphia Textile; and Juniata College.

Coach Bob Norton, now in his third year, and his assistant coach Tom Davies have cut the varsity squad to fourteen players, while new freshman coach, Earl Voss has been working sixteen outstanding yearlings. The Husky varsity is aiming to improve on last year's 7 win 13 loss record. The freshmen under Davies last year posted a 13-5 record.

Lehigh University awarded its first honorary degree in 1906. The University is observing its Centennial Anniversary through June 1966.

The shepherd takes them over the road to market, miles away, a leisurely progress, which holds up the occasional motorist, driving like mad on what, to an American, looks like the wrong side of the road.

A sullen dog nips at their heels to separate the flock and let the space-age go by. If a sheep happens to leap over the rail, he has the choice between being air-borne at once, or shuddering at the edge of the cliff until the dog nips him back over the rail. Somehow, there are no casualties.

Sheep are credited with being pretty lacking in brains, but mountain sheep belong in a different category. They have plenty, when it is a question of survival. Not only that, but their curved horns act like the pions of an Alpine climber, enabling them to swing from a craggy branch until they can regain their footing.

The wool on the Irish shaggy seems to be a great deal shaggier than that which coats the English sheep in the Cotswolds and the southeast of England. Probably the

sheep which live far up in the ranges in Ireland need heavier coats to protect them from the climate on the peaks, while the English sheep, browsing along at what is practically sea-level, lead a more sheltered life.

Green pastures dotted with sheep make up a landscape that looks as if it came straight out of the Corcoran Art Gallery.

How can you go wrong with white against green, especially a heavy-wooled and placid white that remains in place while the artist sketches in the background?

And those cable-knit fishermen's sweaters that are knitted practically off the back of the sheep, without a great deal of intermediate processing, are probably the warmest thing in the world exclusive of an Eskimo parka.

Hudson Bay blankets (made in England and not Canada) have the same shaggy effect, a close first cousin to a sheep in the raw. They do not have satin bindings. They do not even have the classic button-hole stitch to bind the raw edges.

Long On Birds, But Short On Interest?

The three-week Pennsylvania season on wild turkeys closed at 5:00 p.m. November 20 in the northern counties.

For reasons yet to be explained, the hunters did not put a serious dent in the big turkey population that exists in the better turkey country in the northern part of the Keystone State.

The birds were there, as hunters who ventured into the "big woods" testify. A shortage of turkeys was certainly not a problem. Hunter interest in this big game bird was just not apparent in the degree shown in past years.

Winter Trout Season

Ice fishermen at Harvey's Lake and other Back Mountain lakes will be interested to know the following schedule:

New winter season trout fishing regulations become effective Wednesday, December 1, at 5 a. m., and continue to midnight, February 15, 1966, according to Robert J. Bielo, executive director, Pennsylvania Fish Commission.

Under the new regulations, approved by the Commission at its July 19 meeting, fishermen are permitted to catch trout from shore or boat in open water or through ice in lakes over 10 acres. Anglers fishing through the ice should observe a minimum thickness of four inches as a safety factor.

Minimum size for trout is six inches except Kokanee, no minimum. Daily creel limit is three trout combined species.

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Satellites To Appear At Dallas School Nov. 30

The original New York Harlem Satellites, presently touring the country, will appear at Dallas Senior High School on November 30, 1965 at 8 p.m.

This collection of court performers have fascinated basketball audiences with its half-time show "Little" Luther, the dancing mid get, a favorite to all who have seen him in the past, will again delight everyone with his amusing antics "The Magic Circle", involving five members of the team, has become the trademark of the Satellites. It is performed in complete darkness with only the hands, feet and glowing ball visible. This year, Cecil Harris, formerly appearing with top-name bands throughout the country, has joined the squad as Master of Ceremonies.

Pepe Morez, the Limbo King from Costo Rico, will perform the limbo 8' from the floor under a band of fire. Pepe has appeared before the Crown Colonies in the Caribbean.

Also during the half-time show will be a 15 minute concert consisting of an organist and a bong player. This duet has traveled the night club circuit and rumor has it that they offer the Beatles stiff competition.

Tickets are now on sale and can be purchased at Evan's Drug Store and Hall's Drug Store.

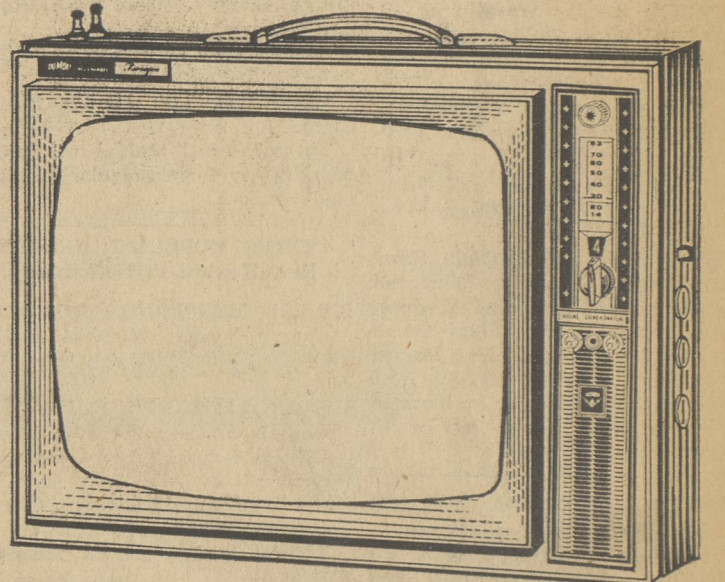
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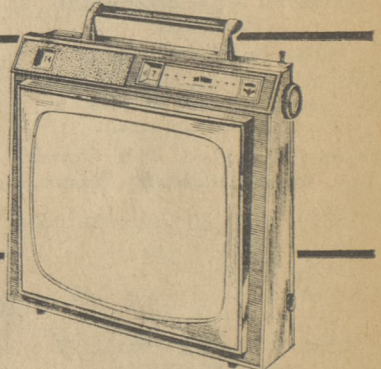
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