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Fraternities Close Rush Week Taking 122 Pledges

Last Saturday, after a hectic rush week, Allegheny's seven fraternities released the names of those students selected as pledges. Brooks Circle was the setting for the freshman men's informal acceptance of the fraternity of their choice. Most of the houses were open to the pledges and their dates on Saturday night.

Alpha Chi Rho accepted twenty-one pledges: Dave Barnhart, Tom Bierly, Ron Comfort, Jack Gordon, Dave Graham, Herb Howe, Rick Howk, Tom Jamison, Ron Kalla, Klaus Klause, Emil Kloske, Art Pomeroy, Skip Potter, Earl Reynolds, Jay Rosenberg, Ed Schenck, Bob Stinson, Spencer Watson, Al Weinstein, Sam Rounds, and Roger Moore.

The Alpha Chi Rho's sponsored many activities during rush week. On Tuesday there was a dinner at the house with entertainment provided by the "Dixie Doodlers" and on Wednesday there was a dinner and a floor show at the Holiday House in Pittsburgh. A luncheon was held at the house on Thursday and later a dinner with bowling and pizza as entertainment. Then on Friday there was a dinner at the house with a variety of entertainment following.

Twelve men were pledged to Delta Tau Delta. They included: Jack Fisher, Don Monnheimer, Dave Fulton, Denny Marshall, Denny Bleakley, Carl Todaro, Bob Parker, John Bickerton, Kent Sanders, George Jackson, Joe Matson, and Jim Booth.

Delta Tau Delta fraternity entertained their rushees several evenings at the house for dinner followed by special entertainment. The Delts and their rushees enjoyed a "show" in Pittsburgh.

Selected by Phi Delta Theta were: James Balent, Robert Barndollar, Robert Benes, Robert Bosserman, Dal Colby, John Crill, Robert Edwards, Louis Garcia, Fred Koesling, James Meadowcroft, John Quattrocchi, Karl Randall, William Ruehle, Skip Shaffer, Randy Smith, Daniel Straub, Brooke Thompson, Richard Weber, and Willie Webster.

The rush week plans of Phi Delta Theta included trips to both Erie and Cleveland for dinner and entertainment. Rushees were also at the house on several nights.

The eleven pledges of Phi Gamma Delta included: Roger Klein, Dick McElroy, Harry Thomas, Lynn Hartley, Bill Benz, Hank Auwerter, Norm Mowry, Dave McLaud, Steve Simonton, Hank McCauley, and Neal Lombardo.

The Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity activities centered around sports: roller skating, basketball, and bowling. A special trip was sponsored by the group; they attended a "show" in Cleveland.

Phi Kappa Psi listed the following men: Amby Bauer, Eric Carlsson, Bill Dolde, Tim Fulton, Tim Gill, Ted Givler, Al Glick, Bob Hoehn, Howie Hutton, Neal Johnson, Tom Jones, Sam Marcus, Jim Marquis, John Morrison, Hank Newton, Ken Robertson, Kent Shannon, Andy Shapiro, Norm Williams, and Toby Wilson.

Phi Kappa Psi rush week entertainment included entertainment at the house by "Rotten Bob" Truran and his "Terrible Trio," a talk by Dick Groat, bowling, roller skating, basketball games, and rock 'n roll with Barry and his boys. Also, on Thursday night the Phi Psi's and their rushees had dinner at the Evergreens.

The following are pledges of Sigma Alpha Epsilon: Fred Baushard, Bill Beggs, Bob Cain, John Cochran, Paul Fellows, Pete Holt, David Johe, Bob Johnston, Bruce Knox, Lee Korb, Ray Mahaffey, Roy Patterson, Art Rubinoff, Bill Saine, Don Schumacher, Dave Semian, Bob Sutton, Ron Thomas, and Marty Yerg.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon activities during rush week varied. The members and pledges enjoyed talks by Dick Stewart of the Pirates and a hypnotist, and also tobagganing and ice-skating in Greenville. On Friday Cootie Harris was at the house with Mr. Hilbert on the drums.

Theta Chi released the names of twenty-two pledges: John Alvin, Charles Barber, John Brancato, William Brown, Ronald Carlson, Richard Coffey, George Commons, Russ Freeland, John Fuchs, Al Knapp, Mordecai Labovitz, Sandy Levy, Bill McAfee, Steve Maechtlen, Mike Markley, William Matchett, Peter Roth, Bruce Spaller, Brian Strachan, William Spring, Mike Varble, and Dave Wescott.

The Allegheny chapter of Theta Chi planned an enjoyable program for the week. It included several dinners at the house with entertainment following. The brothers and rushees had dinner and attended a boxing match in Erie.

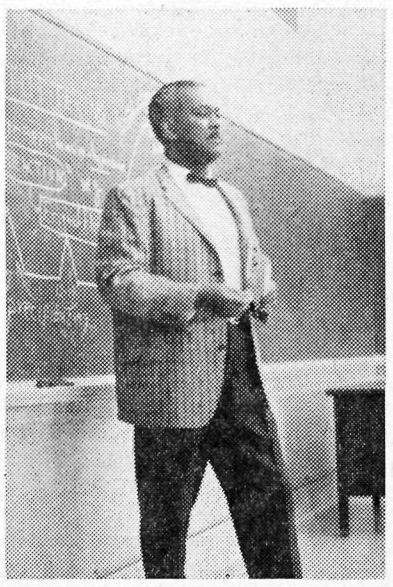
Noted Pianist Coming Thursday



Bela Szilagi

Bela Szilagi was born in New York City, March 1934, of Hungarian descent. He began the study of the piano at the age of nine, making his first public appearance at twelve. He also studies violin. While attending Seward Park High School, he was concertmaster of the school orchestra. He attended the Juilliard School of Music on a scholarship, studying with Jane Carlson and Sasha Gorodnitzki. In 1955, he toured the United States as conductor with Marie Powers and Emmanuel Balaban in **The Medium and The Telephone.** The following year, he toured Europe with the violinist, Joyce Flissler, performing more than fifty concerts. By the unanimous decision of the judges, in April 1960, he received the Jugg Award, which will present him in a Town Hall debut in March, 1961. October, 1960, he was a finalist in the Edgar M. Lecentritt Competition.

Petit Maconnais, France, has said, "Bela Szilagi is one of the best pianists we have ever heard. The freedom of his left hand, in particular, is absolutely remarkable . . . We repeat that Mr. Szilagi is a pianist of very high rank, whose infinitely subtle control and sense of nuance is on a par with that of his eminent partner. Under his hand, all appears simple and limpid; everything he plays is played cleanly and with an extreme purity of style."



Dr. Smoot

Independent Seminars Open With Smoot

On Tuesday, February 14, at 4:00 Dr. James Smoot, head of Allegheny's speech department, will be the speaker at the first of a series of Independent-sponsored seminars. The purpose of this new discussion program is to provide the opportunity for a free exchange of ideas, questions and opinions on various matters of concern on the campus, national and international levels. The students' part, both speaking and putting forth questions, is to be stressed in these meetings. Future discussions will include a forum on the political and ethical problems involved in the upcoming Eichmann trial in Israel and a debate on the current venture in Pennsylvania to abolish capital punishment.

Dr. Smoot, who will be speaking in the North Lounge of the Student Union, draws the title of his discussion from a poem by the Negro writer Countee Cullen: "To be a Negro at a Time like this." Dr. Smoot would add "at a time and place like this" to the general area he will cover. Such matters as the Negro professor's attitude towards segregation, the Negro in various parts of our nation and the emergence of the African Negro, among other topics, will be covered frankly.

Dr. Smoot has been teaching at Allegheny since 1953. He did his undergraduate work at West Virginia State College, alternating collegiate activities with 42 months of duty in the armed services. He received his MA in speech at the University of Michigan, then returned to West Virginia State to do instruction in public speaking. He worked on his doctorate at the University of Michigan in 1950 and then came to Allegheny, where he has taught G-I and speech correction.

In answering the vital question: "What does a Negro professor in America experience?" Dr. Smoot quotes the words of a character in a recent Richard Wright story: "I have sought 'honorable adjustment to the American scene' and like that character have experienced 'the daily horror of anxiety, or tension, of eternal disquiet.' By and large, this experience has been beneficial in helping me to appreciate the importance of inter-personal relationships. I am pleased to be invited as the initial speaker for this series of discussions."

Hollister, News, Berry Sports, Begin Terms as Campus Editors

Linda Hollister, sophomore English major, is the new News Editor of **The Campus.** Linda gained her journalism experience on her high school paper as News Editor and from working on the yearbook. Last year she wrote and typed for **The Campus.**

Commenting on her new position, Linda said, "This year the **Campus'** aims for improvement in writing quality. In the news department we will be working for more adequate coverage of events.

As an active member of Alpha Chi Omega sorority, Linda acts as their representative to Sophomore Cabinet and sings in the Alpha Chi Quartet. She has been on Dean's List and is a member of the Student Activities Committee of A.S.G., the Angel Flight, and is Secretary of Student Admissions Comittee.

Jim Berry is the Campus' new Sports Editor. A junior, Jim has worked on the Campus for two years, and was Sports Editor of his high school paper.

Jim is interested in journalism as a sideline to his English major. He played fullback on Allegheny's soccer team, and participated in intramural sports.

A member of Phi Kappa Psi fraternity, Jim was the Chapter Historian last year. He served on the Freshman and Sophomore Cabinets and is an Alden Scholar. After graduation Jim plans to enter law school.



ASG Showing "Gervaise" Today

A cinematic events of note occurs today, when the French film classic **Gervaise** is shown in Henderson Auditorium, under the sponsorship of the ASG foreign film program. Winner of ten international awards, including the Venice, London, New York Critics, and Hollywood "best of the year" plaudits, **Gervaise** unfolds the powerful story of life in the lower dregs of 19th century Parisian society. Based on Zola's naturalistic novel **L'Assommoir,** the film portrays the tragedy of Gervaise and her struggle against the environment which imprisons and corrupts those about her. The title role is acted by the brilliant German actress Maria Schell; an artist known for the intelligence and depth which she brings to her every characterization. Allegheny film-goers will remember Miss Schell's vital performance as Grushenka in the recently-screened **Brothers Karamazov** opposited Hollywood's Yul Brynner.

Gervaise was directed by Rene Clement, veteran French film maker. Critics were enthusiastic in their praise of the masterful manner in which he manipulated the characters and incidents of this monumental novel and of his flair for capturing the work's most striking moments. Such scenes as the pathetic wedding party's tour of the Louvre and the domestic arguments which ignite into fury were lauded for the realism and impact which they conveyed.

The film will be shown at 3:30 and 7:30 today. Patrons are urged to be seated at the beginning of the film, for the demand for seats has been heavy for the last two foreign film programs and many were forced to stand at the back of the hall.

Cwens Sponsor Reservation Romp

Last call to all freshman maidens: capture your brave now for Reservation Romp. Tomorrow night, February 11, from 9:00 to 12:00, the Indian Princesses (Cwens) will hold their annual dance for the occasion, and there will be a special skit, refreshments, favors, dancing, and fun. All freshman Indian maidens will be admitted for the slight fee of one scalp — with one young brave attached. Be sure to wear your fanciest Indian dress and make sure your warrior-chief wears his best loin cloth and head dress, because there will be a prize for the best dressed Indians.

If you haven't sent up your smoke signal to that special brave yet, you'd better hurry, girls. Reservation Romp will be heap big fun.

Counseling Center Offers Applications

Applications for positions as men student counselors will be accepted from now until March 1, the Counseling Center has announced. Applicants for these positions will be interviewed by the present student counselors, Dr. Wharton of the Counseling Center, and Dean McKean. Following these interviews, the student counselors will meet to consider appointments to the vacant counselor posts. Shortly thereafter, letters signed by the Director of Counseling and by Dean McKean will be sent to the selected applicants. It is necessary to select the new student counselors early in the second term so that they will have the opportunity in the spring to learn of their duties and of the different counseling techniques which they may use when they enter the dormitories in the fall.

Generally, the student counselors

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Editorials

The Campus has changed much in the last year; we hope that most of the changes have been improvements. Our purpose is to serve Allegheny by providing a newspaper. As a college newspaper, **The Campus** should reflect student life and express student ideas. Its contents should include not only basic information about activities, but evidences of thought, creative work, and intellectual activity. For, as a college is an institution established for intellectual activity, a college newspaper is an expression of this intellectual activity.

To became more an expression of the vital thoughts of Allegheny students and professors, **The Campus** will attempt to publish only articles which could provoke further thought. This goal may seem an impossible standard; however, in trying to reach it, we hope to present a superior paper. Admittedly some articles can contain little actual thought; how can one contemplate upon an announcement of traffic rules? Certainly we shall continue to publish such material.

Yet, in reporting most activities, there is ample opportunity for expression of original ideas. We hope to include more thoughts and reactions in accounts of plays, movies, ASG committee plans, and in most other news articles. In articles covering the visit of an eminent lecturer or musician, we shall try to provide a record of personal reactions to the man's presence.

Feature articles can be definitely creative, finished pieces which reflect the thoughts of the writer or of some other person. We shall choose topics of real interest, and will publish, as much as possible, articles which can provoke further thought. Even poetry may be appropriate in some instances.

Opinions of students will most certainly be expressed in the **Campus.** When possible, articles will represent differing opinions on any stated issue; nearly any carefully thought out idea might be suitable for publication. At any appropriate time, we may attempt to provide some evaluation or judgment of any ideas, opinions, or principles which may affect Allegheny. Obviously, we shall have to include ideas and actions of persons and groups far from Meadville. There is a definite need for some reporting of national and international events. We hope to at least partially fill this need.

Letters we publish should meet minimum standards, too. In general, we shall continue previous policies: Letters must be signed when we receive them, a writer must have a good reason for requesting that his letter be published unsigned, we have the right to delete or to condense according to our judegment. Letters should be carefully written; surely they should be examples of sound reasoning. No personal crusades may be conducted in our letters column.

In editorials, we shall first try to provoke thought. Some editorials will be on quite concrete issues; others may have completely abstract concepts as topics. Editorial columns may be used to supplement the formal editorials; the editor-in-chief assumes responsibility for all such columns. Some editorials may suggest, or attempt to direct, actions in specific situations.

In short, those are the principles upon which the **Campus** staff will operate this year. We anticipate no radical departures from this outline in any of our decisions; however, it will be a general and flexible guide to policies.

Pan-Hell

Amidst the bustle of second semester, all five sororities pledged sophomore girls during the past week. Alpha Xi Delta pledged Emily Smith and Carol Laundy while Sally Douglas and Ginny Moyse accepted Theta and Alpha Gam bids respectively. Betsy Anderson, Ginny Metz, Gwen Thornton, and Maya Monsour received Kappa invitations and Barb Byers and Linda Fahr are the new pledges of the Alpha Chi Omega.

Several sororities are also planning social events this weekend. The Alpha Xis are travelling tonight to Joe Ray's Barn for a square dance, while the Kappas plan to make the Phi Psi House the center of their informal party. By the way, the theme is "Suppressed Desire" which should prove to be very interesting! On Saturday night the Phi Psi House will also be the scene of the Thetas' "Speak Easy" party with the girls and their dates dressed a la Roaring Twenties.

French Club Hears Of Paris Life

Parisian student life was the topic of discussion at the monthly meeting of the French Club on Tuesday evening in the Faculty Lounge of Quigley.

Joan Reiber, Allegheny senior who studied at the Sorbonne last year, and Anne Molet, French foreign student presently studying at Allegheny, presented their views on the life of Parisian college students emphasizing the social aspects, teacher-pupil relationships, and financial advantages given to students by government and business. Questions stimulated by their talks were answered by both speakers.

Slides of France shown by Betty English and a game, led by Sue Rhinesmith, involving Parisian building and monuments rounded out the programs. French pastry especially prepared by Anne Molet was a tasty climax to the evening.

Letters To The Editor

To the Editor:

I should like to congratulate David McKay on his fine letter to the student body in the last **Campus** issue. It seems to sum up the situation here very well indeed.

However, I think perhaps we make a mistake in laying too much of the blame upon the fraternity-sorority system. Certainly, this is the most glaring example of discrimination, and one of the most hideous, it being institutionalized and self-perpetuating. But it is easy to stop our thinking there, easy to say that if the fraternities would clean house all would be well. The very fact that the fraternities have not done more to remedy this situation is strong evidence that the individuals involved are not overly interested in remedying it. And not only those involved, for if Independents, Faculty, Administration, and Trustees, were enough concerned with this problem, the fraternities would long ago have been forced either to do something about it or to move off campus.

We must, as Mr. McKay says, "Examine our consciences," and be very careful that we are not guilty of sloppy thinking, of saying this is the fault of the national organizations, and letting it go at that. We are all responsible for what we allow to go on around us. No one can consider himself clean and innocent simply because he abhors discrimination, disapproves of fraternities, and does not himself harbor prejudices on the grounds of race or religion. We are all guilty of this horror, the independent not less than the fraternity member, and we are all equally responsible for doing whatever is possible and some things that are not posible in order to remedy it. An English economist, Lord Beveridge, has said, "The meaning of social consciousness is that we must refuse to make a separate peace with social injustice."

Mary Jane Hillstrom

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Dear Editor,

I would like to see a set of Rules for Brooks Dining Hall published in the **Campus.** During the mid-semester break on January 26, 1961, I saw an incident which makes me feel that this published set of rules is a must. A female student at our college who is on a diet and therefore doesn't eat a full meal went through the lunch line at Brooks and took one full meal, a meal which she paid for at the beginning of the semester. She sat next to a student who does not eat at Brooks. The student head of the dining hall went over and told the student if he ate, he would have to pay for the meal. When told that the girl would not finish her meal and asked if it were all right to share the meal, the student headwaiter said no. When asked what would be done with the food which was left, the waiter said it would be thrown out. When Miss Townsend was approached by the girl, she agreed with the headwaiter. The girl could not even share her meal.

From this incident, I would like to see the following rules set up and published so that I, as a student eating in Brooks, know where I stand.

(1) A student may share his food with no one.

(2) Students on diets cannot take a full portion of food.

(3) A list of those unwelcome in the area of Brooks Dining Hall is to be published.

(4) A student may not take any portion of the food which he has purchased, from the dining hall area.

(5) The rules of the dining halls must be strictly enforced with no exceptions due to circumstances.

Perhaps the last rule ought to be either deleted or changed. I think the words "with respect to students" should be added between the words exceptions and due. Directly following the above incident, I noted that some adults who were visiting Miss Townsend were violating one of the well-known rules. They were smoking at the lunch table.

Are we, as students, to be treated as children? Are the rules under which we are governed different from the rules under which "Adults" are governed? Are we to be treated differently because we cannot be trusted? Don't we count, don't we have a sense of honor, a sense of dignity?

When will the college realize the effort of our petty tyrants and petty politicians on the individual student. The consumer at Allegheny is the student. It is the student who tells the parents what the college is like, and how the money is being spent. It is the student who tells his friends to come to or stay away from Allegheny. It is the student who graduates and is asked for donations. It is the individual student, not the rules, who is important. Students, faculty, TRUSTEES, wake up to the situation of our college. Wake up before these incidents become more numerous than they already are. Wake up!!

George A. Kuck

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Florida

Dear Editor:

. . . Since I am approaching my seventy-eighth year, one inevitable accompaniment of such an event, is the habit of "drooling." In short—"running at the mouth." I am the happy recipient of your "uncensored" paper which I very much enjoy reading . . .

Now the principal reason for this "drivel" is "apropos" of a new nickname for Allegheny's Athletic teams. Except for the fact that I was not one of Allegheny's Greats—having played against 3 colleges under Branch Rickey in 1905, and in addition being the "percussion" artist (snare drummer to you) in one of the early College Bands, I was not an outstanding figure, but was sidelined because of a cracked rib (inflicted by Rickey). On account of my impressive(?) football experience, I have endeavored to get your bald-headed Director of Athletics, Paul Way, to award me a football numeral only, but so far O have not been able to bet my request through his "shining pate."

But ("drooling" you see) my main reason for writing this "twaddle" is to suggest a new name for the teams. Here it is: "The Bishope." In the earlier days Allegheny turned out (and also gave degrees) to many famous preachers. At the moment, I can think of only four — Thoburn, Locke and two Smiths, but I'm sure there are more. In keeping with good old Methodist tradition, I feel that the name would be most appropriate. I never could swallow the name "Gators"! For example W&J is called the Presidents. Why? No reason except that the College is located in Washington, Pa., and similar examples could be cited . . .

Oh, yes. One more thing about myself. If you'll look up the programs of every Conservatives June Alumni Luncheon including and since 1927, you'll find that as Em-Cee-Song leader, writer of Parodies or in other capacities — I have been on every program since that time, including last June. I probably could write the words for a new song, if Luvaas could write the music.

Oh, boy! Have I been "drooling", and here's to the Allegheny "Bishops"! and "Old Allegheny".

Cordially, loyally and hopefully,
"Papa" Ben Miller,
Allegheny 1907

ASG Notes

At Tuesday's ASG meeting, Emily Eckman was chosen to represent Allegheny in the **Pittsburgh Press** contest for Miss Roto. ASG nominated and elected the candidate from senior women. The contest will involve sending a picture to **The Pittsburgh Press.** The winner will be chosen from among the girls whose pictures appear in the Roto section of the paper.

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Glenn Nellis informed the group of the NSA Educational Program, which includes summer tours in Europe. A group of three or four people could take a car tour in either a Renault or Simca for eighty days: the cost of this tour is $1,050. Many other tours are available in Europe.

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Dean McFall, chairman o fthe Honor Committee, stated that only 373 people signed up for the Honor System for the second semester as compared to 425 who were members during the first semester. With 93 students joining for the first time, 165 old members did not join again. He said he hoped that the small number was due to forgetfulness on the part of the students and lack of adequate advertising on the part of the committee.

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Student chaperones for the second semester were announced. They are: Alan Ansell, 69020; Dorothy Arthofer, 69030; Syndi Crawford, 69013; June Bedell, 69010; Herb Dyer, 67464; Micheleen Dunay, 69010; Ted Goldsboro, 59323; Susan Graham, 69030; Ben Greer, 69036; Jim Ingram, 69035; Sue Johnson, 69038; Wayne Justham, 226; Bill McAteer, 23941; Jim Merchant, 29593; Katherine Pappas, 69022; Ellie Smith, 69014; Hayes Stover, 31731; Aggie Tartara, 69026; John Thompson, 69031; John Urbaitis, 61936; and Melvin Weissburg, 69015.

ASG COURT

February 7, 1961, the College charged a student with violation of the College drinking policy, involving drinking in a dormitory.

Plea: Guilty.

Penalty:

1. That the defendant be placed on disciplinary probation from February 7, through June 5, 1961.
2. That he be warned by the Court that any further violation of the Pennsylvania liquor laws or the College drinking policy would be considered a more serious offense.

Campus Calendar

Fri., Feb. 10	ASG and Modern Language Department — French Film: "Gervaise" — Henderson Auditorium — 3:30 and 7:30 p.m.
	Alpha Xi Delta Square Dance — 9-12 p.m.
	Kappa Kappa Gamma Informal Party — 9-11:30 p.m.
Sat., Feb. 11	Basketball — Bethany — Home
	Swimming — Bethany — Away
	Wrestling — Grove City — Away
	Kappa Alpha Theta Shipwreck Party — 9-12 p.m.
	Outing Club Ski Trip — Allegheny State Park
Wed., Feb. 15	Swimming — Case — Away
	Wrestling — Case — Home
Thurs., Feb. 16	Freshman Class Dinner — Brooks Hall
	Basketball — Grove City — Away
	Bela Szilagi, Pianist — Chapel — 8:15 p.m.
Fri., Feb. 17	CU Dance — College Union — 8:30-11:30 p.m.

Peterson Criticizes Fraternities In Letter To Students Here

Editor's Note: Pete Peterson was a student counselor, class officer, and ASG vice-president of Educational Affairs. He graduated from here a member of Phi Beta Kappa, and with honors in his field.

To the students of Allegheny College,

I've never met the majority of you, but yet I would like to write you a note on some views of the fraternity system, especially as it exists at Allegheny and especially at this time of year when the freshmen men are considering joining a fraternity.

Perhaps I should introduce myself: I am an alumnus of Allegheny, having graduated in 1959 and am presently a second year medical student at Harvard Medical School. When at Allegheny I was a member of a fraternity, but requested to have my name removed from the rolls last spring and this was done last summer. Many people have criticized me for dropping out at the time I did, rather than while still in school. To this I have one thing to say. You live with things which annoy you greatly, but sometimes you are too much bound up in them to say that such and such aspect of your daily life has to be discontinued. However, there may come a point when you look at something, such as the existence of the fraternity system at Allegheny and you say, "Do I think it should be at Allegheny?", and the answer comes out "No." This is the point where further fraternity membership is hypocritical. Some say that later on in life you will have more influence and that this will be more forceful if you are a member of a fraternity. But I cannot see that this is a good outlook. I can live with myself more easily if people know exactly where I stand on an issue and if I am not living with both the fact of fraternity membership and the desire to have Allegheny free from the fraternity system.

But enough. Perhaps the freshmen are wondering what I think is wrong with fraternities. There are many things both appealing and unappealing about fraternities. The good things will be stressed by the fraternities and I would agree with many of these points. However the things which won't be stressed are these: the fraternity many times demands first loyalty, coming in the minds of many before scholarship and the friendship of people outside the fraternity. I feel also that fraternities have a tendency to stifle an individual's growth by throwing him in with a group of very similar people, while keeping different, but often times very intelligent and interesting people, out because of such superficial things as physical appearance and the fact that he is "out of it". This latter is often judged most vehemently by those "wise-fools," the sophomores. These two points are very important points if you think seriously about them for a minute. For most of us college is the first time away from home, the first time we have to really establish our status all by ourselves, without anyone, or very few people knowing our parents, or our background. It is psychologically very important to feel accepted. However, what is the purpose of college? It has a very practical purpose. It prepares us by study of a specific field for a life's work or for graduate school. However it also educates us socially and broadens our outlooks. To me fraternities restrict the freedom of the individual in pursuing this.

However, these are subtle (although very important) things about fraternity life. The more obvious and the greatest wrong which fraternities commit is in the discrimination against individuals on the basis of color or religion. Although some fraternities at Allegheny do not discriminate against Jews and one took a Negro my freshman year, there are none at Allegheny now which can say they do not discriminate against Negros.

Fraternities are very skilled in defending their right to discriminate. They claim that they are private clubs and have the right to choose whom they want; however it seems to me that they forget that they exist because the college exists, and at an individual college the administration has jurisdiction over their activities. No one disputes the right of the administration to state that there will be no drinking in the houses, or that chaperones will be required at parties. If this is so then the college also has the right to state that fraternities shall not discriminate against students on the basis of color or ethnic group. As a matter of fact, the college, it seems to me, is equally guilty in this respect, for at a liberal arts college one learns that all people should have equal access to education. However, Allegheny admits students but fails to fulfill its responsibility, the responsibility of providing full access of all aspects of education to all individuals admitted. I think we should all ask the faculty, administration, and trustees why they allow this to continue. Is not the school itself setting a bad example in teaching one thing and doing another?

A second reason given for discrimination is religious. That is, people say that fraternities are Christian in their ritual and therefore the Jewish people must be kept out to preserve this. I submit that in most houses the ritual is considered farcial anyway and that this is a perversion of religion.

That concludes what I have to say about the fraternity system, but I feel that I should give a reason for addressing you, rather than the faculty, administration or alumni. The reasons are three: you are in the midst of thinking about these problems and I think the best thing is to make as intelligent a decision as possible. Secondly, the administration has its hands tied, there is a principle of leadership which goes thus — a leader is one who senses the group feeling beyond anyone else and expresses it first. I think a large part of the lack of leadership is due to lack of student and alumni feeling. The third reason is this: students are at the point in their lives when they are doing the most serious thinking they probably will ever do. Thinking about the fraternity problem now is most natural. A corollary to this is that alumni have their reminiscences of fraternity life, and also have the security of success in the cultural system as it exists and this does not tend towards change. This is not to say that the alumni should not be approached, or express leadership or stimulate the student, but the student seems the logical one to do the stimulating and ask the questions.

In closing then, freshmen, make wise choices, remember you don't have to make your decision now, you can wait until next year and remember also, you are financially in a strong bargaining position, the fraternities need your funds for their continued existence. To the fraternities, remember there are alternatives to closing up; you could, with the agreement of your alumni, give your house to the college or become a local fraternity. To all people concerned, I think what Alfred North Whitehead said about education being a religious or at least a very deep experience is of note. Education should teach duty and reverence. "Duty arises from our potential control over the course of events . . . reverence is this perception, that the present holds within itself the complete sum of existence, backwards and forwards, that whole amplitude of time, which is eternity."

Sincerely yours,
Peter Peterson

COLLEGE COURT

College Court met January 4, 1961.

A student was charged with adding dates to an absence excuse issued by the College physician and then presenting said excuse for classes missed in Physical Education.

Decision:

1. Recommendation of a grade zero for the second quarter of Physical Education.
2. Be placed on disciplinary probation from January 5, 1961, until June 4, 1961.
3. Be suspended from college effective 8 a.m., January 5, 1961, until 12 noon January 13, 1961.

College Court met on January 31, 1961.

A student was charged with plagiarizing in a paper.

Decision:

1. The recommendation of a zero in the paper.
2. Be required to write another paper in the course, to be worked out in consultation with the instructor and to be satisfactory to said instructor. The paper shall be completed by February 15, 1961, and shall not receive credit.

January 14, 1961.

Charge: Cheating in an hour exam.

Plea: Guilty.

Penalty: It is the decision of the College Court that the student:

1. Be required to withdraw from the course with a failing grade.
2. Be placed on disciplinary probation from January 14, 1961, until Commencement 1961.
3. Be required to report to his professor for conferences and a special work project to be left to the discretion of the professor.

Charge: Aiding and abetting in cheating in an hour test.

Plea: Guilty.

Penalty: The decision o fthe College Court concerning this student is:

1. The recommendation of a grade of 40 in the hour test.
2. That he be placed on disciplinary probation from January 14, 1961, until Commencement 1961.

Six Films Remain In Playshop Series

Seven films have been scheduled for the Playshop spring series. The movies are shown in the Playshop at 8:00 p.m. on Sunday evenings and the admission is $.60, or $3.00 for a series ticket.

The Spring schedules include the following movies:

Feb. 5 The Doctor's Dilemma, by George Bernard Shaw.

Feb. 12 Diary of Anne Frank with Millie Perkins and Shelley Winters.

Feb. 19 Boy on a Dolphin with Alan Ladd, Sophia Loren, and Clifton Webb.

Feb. 26 An American in Paris with Gene Kelly, Leslie Caron and Oscar Levant.

Mar. 5 Hitchcock Thriller with Cary Grant, James Mason, and Eva Marie Saint.

Mar. 12 Gigi, a Lerner and Lowe musical with Leslie Caron, Maurice Chevalier, Eva Gabor, Louis Jourdan, and Hermione Gingold.

Mar. 19 The Gazebo with Glenn Ford and Debbie Reynolds.

Summer NSA Seminar Scholarships Open

Are you interested in international relations? If so, there are scholarship applications available now for the Ninth International Student Relations Seminar. This is an eleven-week seminar, which will begin June 18 and end September 1, 1961, and will be held at both the University of Pennsylvania and U.S.N.S.A. (United States National Student Association) Commission offices in Philadelphia. The highlight of this program will be the final two weeks, which will be spent at the 14th National Student Congress at the University of Wisconsin in Madison. There will be fifteen participants, chosen on the basis of proven intellectual ability, leadership and language qualifications, background in international affairs and experience in extra-curricular activities. Full scholarships of $950, covering travel, room and board, books and research material, will be received by each participant.

If you are interested, applications and brochures are available from the International Student Relations Seminar, International Commission, U.S. National Student Association, 3457 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia 4, Pa. Deadline for application is April 1, 1961.

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Gator Cagers Sneak Past R.P.T.; Lose To Oberlin and Rochester

The Allegheny College basketball squad ended the first semester on a sour note, but resumed winning ways to begin the second semester before another loss was sustained. On January 12, the Gators were soundly trounced by Oberlin 82-53. The Gators started the new semester eking out a 54-52 win over Rensselaer which was followed by another beating by Rochester to the tune of 89-53.

The Gators were plainly outmanner and out-rebounded by an Oberlin team which is one of the better small college teams around. Led by Keeler and Merrill Shanks, the visitors jumped in front of the Gators immediately and remained ahead for the rest of the game. Allegheny tried valiantly to fight back but were no match for a tall Oberlin team which completely dominated play under both boards. Keeler was Oberlin's leading rebounder and scorer of the night with 25 points. Merrill Shank tallied 18 for the victors. Glenn Beckert led the Gators with 20 points and the only other Gator in double figures was Hank Kachelries with 16.

To begin the new semester, the Gators entertained Rensselaer at David Mead Field House on February 2 and emerged narrowly victorious by a 54-52 margin. Althought facing one of the better defensive small college teams in the east, the Gators managed to score timely and consistently enough to overcome R.P.I. The spark of the Gator's attack was once again Glenn Beckert, who turned in what was probably his best performance of the season. The speedy 6'1" guard hit on 12 of 15 tries from the field to give him a 24 point total for the evening and proved to be the spark that kept the victors in the game until the last freak basket. The Gators assumed the lead at the beginning of the game, but never led by much. Behind 31-26 at half time, R.P.I. outscored the Gators in the third and fourth quarters to tie up the game with less than a minute remaining in the contest. The Gators were handed a victory when an R.P.I. player accidentally tipped the ball into the Gators' basket, giving Allegheny the five a well-earned victory.

The following was as bleak on the court for the Gators as the weather outside and the less said about it the better. Rochester visited the Gators and did everything but chase them off the floor. With the strains of fraternity rush week and the second game in two nights showing, the Gators put on a shoddy show of shooting and ball handling while the visitors shot well and far outrebounded the Gators to crust them 89-53. Rees Flannery seemed to be the only Gator able to find the range and he took high scoring honors for the Gators with 16 points. Berger scored 18 for Rochester, followed closely by teammates Sweet and Long, with 17 points apiece.

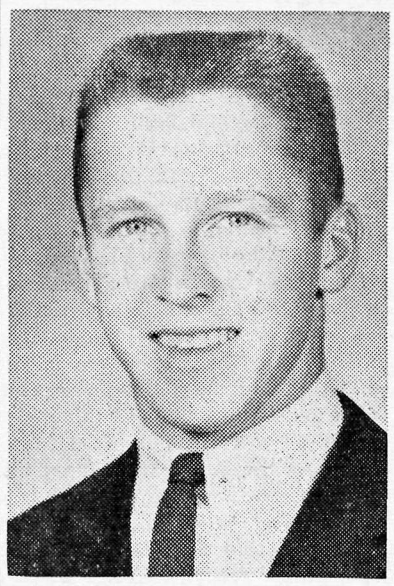
On Wednesday, the Gators journeyed to Washington and Jefferson for their first P.A.C. contest of the new semester. The Gators, going into this game, stand sixth in P.A.C. standing, followed only by winless Thiel. Case and W. & J. are tied for the P.A.C. lead. The Gators could finish high in the standings but only with a torrid second semester pace.

Gator Swimmers Win; Beat Oberlin, 50-36

The Allegheny swimmers, idle since January 12, move into action again tomorrow against Bethany at the West Virginia school, sporting a 4-2 record.

The last outing for the mermen proved to be a very successful one as the Gators trimmed Oberlin 50-36 on January 12. The meet was marked by the breaking of two pool records and the setting of one pool record. In the 400 yard freestyle relay, Eric Reimann, Bob Benes, Earl Speirs and Bruce Carlile set a new mark for both the school and the pool of 3:46.9. Bruce Carlile also picked up an individual record-breaking performance in the 200 yard butterfly event with the time of 2:22.5. Carlile also took a first in the 160 yard individual medley. Freshman Bob Benes also won two other individual events with victories in the 60 and 100 yard freestyle. Earl Speirs captured a first in the 440 yard freestyle, and John Gillespie took the other Allegheny first place with a victory in the 200 yard backstroke.

Player of the Week



Glenn Beckert

Our sports personality for this week is Glenn Beckert, hustling 5'1" guard on the Gator basketball squad. Glenn has been one of the rare bright spots in what has been a rather dismal season for the Gator cagers. He is currently leading scorer on the squad and stands seventh in the P.A.C. individual scoring standings with a 14.6 point average. Glenn has provided the spark in most of the Gator victories this season with his speed, drive, and timely scoring.

Glenn's value to the Allegheny basketball squad was never more evident than in the squeaker over Rensselaer on February 2. His ball-hawking tactics along with his 24 point output were the keys to the Gator victory.

In addition to basketball, actually a sideline for him, Glenn is starting shortstop for the Allegheny baseball nine. Baseball has always been his first love and is the sport in which he specializes. Not only has Glenn starred for the past two seasons at Allegheny, hitting over .400 and fielding brilliantly, but he has played some outstanding sandlot baseball during the summer in Pittsburgh as well as participating in All-Star games in Pittsburgh and New York.

A member of Phi Kappa Psi, Glenn is a political science major, and plans to take up the study of law; but, at the same time, he harbors a desire to further his career in baseball.

Girl, about to be kissed in the moonlight: "Please, Albert, not with all those satellites taking pictures."



WRONG CHECK? SORRY, BUT ALL YOU COLLEGE PEOPLE LOOK ALIKE TO ME.

Counseling

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assist the freshmen in their transition from high school to college, with its greater demands and responsibilities. This assistance might require that the student counselors offer advice on study skills or on any other problem confronting a freshman in an unfamiliar situation.

The following criteria for selection of new student counselors have been employed successfully in the past and will apply again this year: "a primary loyalty toward helping freshmen, integrity, scholarship, good judgement, high ethical standards, activity in campus life, and a certain amount of rugged independence." Academically, the student counselors should have grades equal to but preferably above the college average.

Those who desire to apply for the important and honored student counselor posts may obtain application forms from the Counseling Center in Bentley, or from Ed David, Dean McFall or Rick Wible.

Wrestlers Lose 31-3

A subsequent ruling on the wrestling match with Rensselaer on February 2, found the Allegheny matmen losing a match 31-3 which they had originally tied 14-14.

Athletic Director H. P. Way announced that investigation of the match disclosed that four of the Gators had wrestled in the wrong weight class, which prompted the ruling of a five point forfeit on each of the matches and consequently gave R.P.I. a protest victory of 31-3. The Grapplers wrestle Oberlin and Grove City this week.

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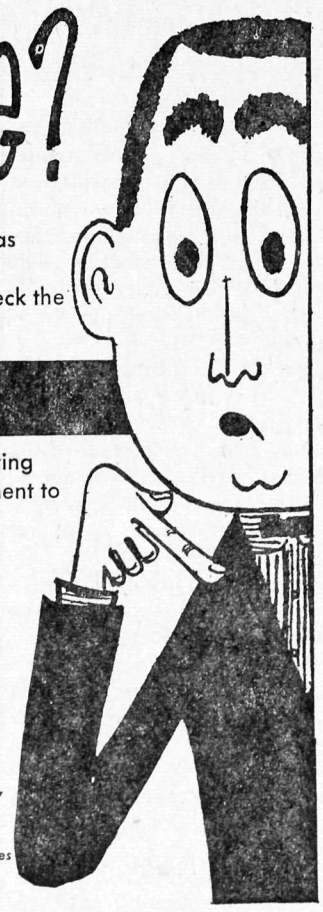

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