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Students Injured At Convocation; Larritier Opposes Social Freedom

A screaming, footstomping demonstration by the Allegheny student body highlighted the second annual State-of-the-College convocation, strategically timed to occur immediately before final exams. The students were angered by the deceptive tactics used to lure them to the convocation.

The initial appearance of ASG president Sucker, Deans Foss and McBain, and President Larritier, all carrying guitars and wearing long black wigs, was greeted by a chorus of feminine shrieks which quickly turned into jeers and boos as the four began to sing. By this time, however, the doors were locked and the students were trapped. The quartet removed their wigs and the convocation began.

In an opening statement, President Larritier said that Treasurer Edward B. Allen had suddenly left on a vacation and could not attend the meeting. He noted that the college was financially sound.

He stated, "I am sure the Treasurer will be able to explain what happened to the \$500,000 we collected at the beginning of this term as soon as he returns from South America. There is no trace of it in the books."

"Double Boiler"

In answer to a question from the floor, Dean Foss spoke on the academic "double boiler" effect here on campus. "Slow simmering of facts and warmed-over knowledge are the basic goals of a small liberal arts college, especially one that is the oldest such school west of the Allegheny mountains in continuous operation under the same name. (Note: See "In-committee" report.) I never saw a meal burn on a double boiler," he added.

One of the biggest advantages of the three term plan is the long vacations it affords. These allow students to burn up the energy stored up during the term so that they can relax when they return to school, the dean said.

Dean McBain was next asked about the college drinking policy. Following an exhaustive literary search, he announced that it ap-

peared that the College did not actively support student drinking but that since this problem came up so infrequently, he had never given the matter much thought. "I really don't think that we have any problem here. It's ridiculous to think that anyone as young as you students would imbibe, isn't it?" This was greeted by enthusiastic approval by the crowd, who pelted the podium with empty beer cans and wine bottles.

Freedom, No!

The last question dealt with increased social freedom and was answered by President Larritier. He stated that it was not Allegheny's purpose to lead socially and that the administration intended to see that it did not.

He added, "If we want to run a police state, we'll run a police state. We've got 1300 applicants for next year's freshman class. They all averaged 795 on their college boards and they are all willing to

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Brooks-Walker Demolished By Flood Alleghenians Remain Calm In Emergency

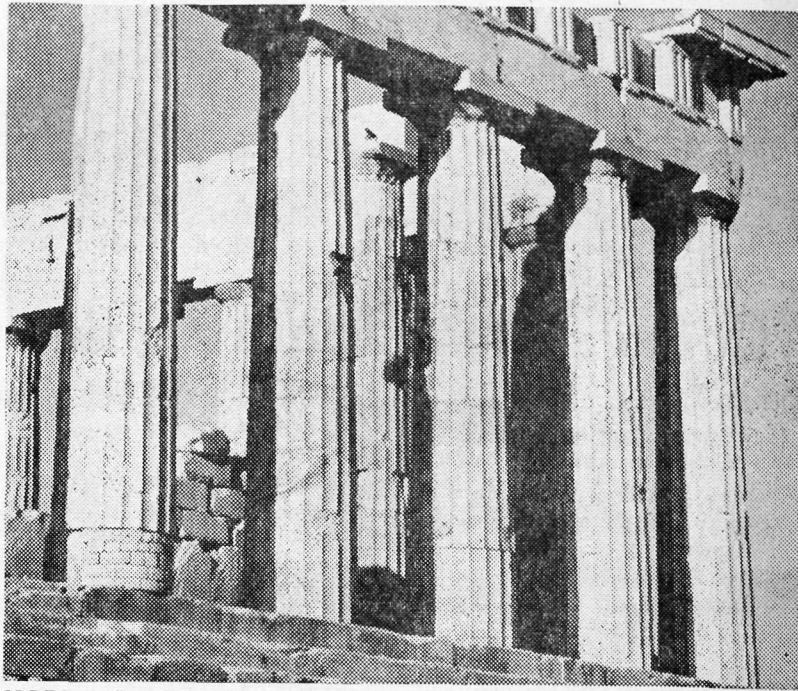
A raging flood, sweeping down from the Allegheny foothills last week took its toll on Allegheny's already soggy campus. The greatest damage was done when the surging torrents flowing down Park Avenue swept away all but the sturdy Ionic pillars of the mammoth Brooks-Walker complex (1881-1940-1941-1962).

Students returning for registration yesterday had not been informed of the tragedy. Dean Foss reported that classes would resume on schedule in spite of the damage, so that summer job plans would not have to be changed.

Further investigation revealed that the mailing stickers had become stuck together in the general moistness which followed the flood.

When upperclasswomen inquired as to arrangements for housing, Edward B. Allen, college treasurer, announced that plans were in progress for the construction of 15 single-story 24-girl buildings on the original site, to be completed by next month if the weather changes.

Many administration officials appeared ecstatic that the results of the housing study conducted last term could be transformed into reality so soon. Dean McBain was overheard saying, "All those silly



NOBLE COLUMNS are all that remain of the glory that was Brooks.

ideas the kids had . . . (heh, heh!). What nonsense! Once they've lived with others in their major fields they'll see what a wise idea that was."

The girls noted some indecision as to their housing in the interim, but all qualms melted away when Hannah Lough announced that the

first meeting of the Allegheny Men's Council had chivalrously decided to contribute the use of their rooms for the duration of the emergency, and a joint IFC-AMC-AWS resolution temporarily reversed an earlier decision to close the second and third floors of the fraternity houses.

"I'm so happy," Miss Lough sighed. "My first thought was that without a dormitory the continued growth and happiness of Allegheny women would be stifled. The girls were doing so well at learning responsibility and maturity and discretion. The lightning action of the men has proven the worth of all my plans."

Although South Hall, its foundations sturdier than others, remained secure, Pan-Hell president Pity Patter affirmed that it would be impossible for upperclassmen to move in, at least until the end of the week.

Plans for rush activities were temporarily confused, she said, but in an effort to return to normality, Pan-Hell has arranged for a substitute obstacle course to be set up amid the framework of Carr Hall.

A.S.G. Notes

Last night's AUC meeting began tardily as the late president Hank Sucker rushed in at 10:05 and, grabbing the gavel from Lard Windle's hand, began banging him over the head with it.

When the meeting was called to order, the representatives were too dazed to realize what was going on, and the agenda proceeded as planned.

Bran Johncato, ASG treasurer, announced that beginning next week, ASG Central Financing will be extended to include all student checking accounts. In a prepared statement, he explained the plan:

"Hank and I have agreed that this system would clearly be beneficial to all concerned. Instead of writing out a check, a student will merely fill out the form provided by the Finance Committee. Then at the end of the month the treasurer will balance all student accounts along with those of other ASG subsidiaries, thus relieving everyone of all responsibility.

Minutes Of 'In-Committee' Disclosed

by Bran Johncato

Twenty-five people enter a plush conference room on the third floor of Bentley Hall. After they have taken off their false faces, they pour themselves tall drinks and finally sit around a large, round table. Along the mosaic walls of the room are leather chairs and above them, decorating the walls, are 11 by 14 inch photographs of such things as Johnny McBain shaking the hand of Rex Humbard, Shirley Sendtown eating a lemon, and Mick Vack winking at Malcolm X. Hanging from gold chains over the conference table is a six-foot long, solid gold sign that reads, DO ONTO OTHERS AS OTHERS WOULD DO ONTO YOU — ONLY DO IT FIRST!!! The scholarly leader speaks first:

Larry: Being that the Penna. Human Relations Committee has, as of late, frowned on the name "Allegheny," I think it should be our purpose at this, our 69th annual meeting, to consider renaming the college. I ask you to remember that this group is omnipotent. In the past we have accomplished such milestones as the reduction of library hours, the increasing of tuition, and the assassination of Foster Doonne. So please, I want you should brainstorm without reservation. This is Americer.

Allen: Yea, that assassination was really something!

Larry: Allen, must you always be so mercenary?

Allen: Oh, sorry, Chief. Sometimes I get carried away with the thought of the stuff; you know, just like Uncle Scrooge.

Capt. B: I should like to propose renaming the college to the Meadville Military Academy. With this name we can surely get more funds from General LeMay, get the Human Relations Committee off our backs, and only give up in return a promise that we would reinstitute the whipping post. Nice guys finish last, you know. Press on gentlemen!

Sandy: Say, that's a great idea, Chet. And we could use the flagpole as the post. Maybe I could then get a formal recognition as the Dragon Lady, and even wear a kimono and ban the twist and . . .

Q: Cool, it Sandy.

HP: I'm afraid I have to object to the flagpole idea. It took me years to get Kenny to buy it, and even more years to get Wilbur's crew to dig the hole. No, I won't have it; it's a matter of principle.

Benji: Relax, HP; I remember seeing in *The Campus* a picture of you, with your hat on, raising the flag. Call that a matter of principle!

Rick: Now let us quit bickering. God is watching, you know.

Art: I don't see it!

Julian: Say, I have a great idea. Let's forget about renaming the damn place and, instead, discuss what we can do to put more pressure in the pressure cooker.

Benji: We could reduce library hours some more. That's what I call pressure.

Norm: We might submit everybody to the torture of taking G-2 Bio twice.

Alfred: We could even require each student to write a novel before allowing him to graduate. That would certainly increase pressure and might even produce a few intellectuals. Oh, I can see it all now — we could require everyone to write about life. You know; just like I did. The topics could be something like *The Width of Jack Daniels*. Say, aren't I intelligent! Aren't I brilliant! Look at me; I'M THE GREATEST!

Q: Cool it, Al.

Larry: I think we should get back to the renaming of the College. What do you have to say, WSWN?

WSWN: Oh solo mio.

Hank: Call the question.

Robert CU: I know, what about Fern College? That way someone could ask a co-ed how her fern is without getting the rat-tat-tat.

Hank: I'm afraid I must object to that idea, Bobby. I could see calling ASG "FSG." But what would you call the Allegheny Undergraduate Council?

John: Besides, ferns are GREENE!

Joy: OOOH JOHHNNN!

Art: I don't see it!

Larry: You never do.

Kenny: I have an idea . . .

Richard: Shut up, Kenny.

John: Ah Larry . . . yea Larry . . . I think we ought to call the place . . . yea ah . . . Bell College . . . yea Larry.

Joy: OOOH JOHHNNN!

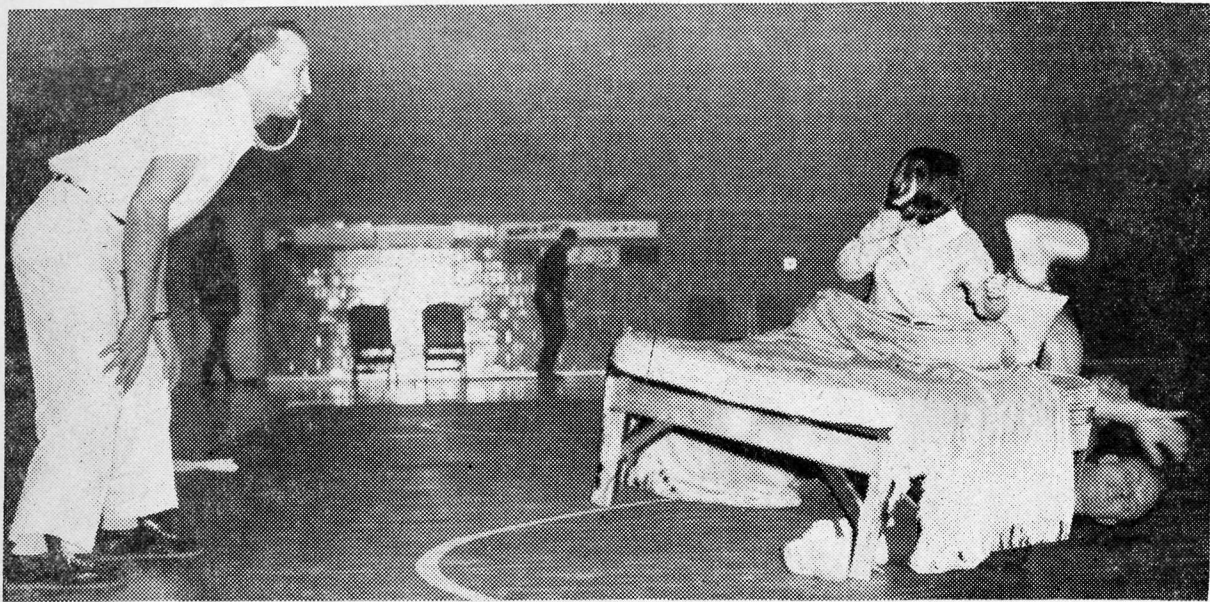
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SNEAKY HEMLOCK photographer snaps President Larritier as he remarks, "What do you say Allen? How about a dorm over there for those who don't like things the way they are now?"

Sports Highlights



"Not yet, wait 'til I count to ten!"

College Court Rides Again!

Defendant: W. D. Handsome.

Charges brought by the residents of Fourth Floor and First Walker. **Charge:** Searching out indecently clad girls in the above mentioned sections.

Penalty: The defendant must wear a cow bell around his neck at all times.

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Defendants: Trudy Trawler and Coy Belle Tom-Tom (accomplices of W. D. Handsome).

Charges brought by aforementioned living areas in the girls' dorm.

Charge: Aiding and abetting in the illegal entry of a man into the dormitory with questionable intent.

Penalty: Take the bull by the horns.

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Defendants: W. S. Right South ("Mother") and accomplice, Flynn.

Charges brought by the parents of the girls in question.

Charge: Kidnapping forty-five (45) co-eds and transporting them across state lines for unsung purposes.

Penalty: Removal of bicycle privileges for the fall and spring terms. Removal of his priceless piano with the reinforced top.

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Defendant: American Trance.

Charges brought by one of the A.S.G. Committees on Un-American Activities and the history department of Allegheny College.

Charge: Burning American flags in Brooks Circle and other subversive activities — the extent of which is still undetermined.

Penalty: Burning of his soap box and requiring his next sabbatical

to be spent in Cuba as the guest of Infidel Crasto.

Defendant: Sederick Feely.

Charges brought by other members of College Court.

Charge: Unauthorized party (birthday) for Bobby Burns at which drinking took place.

Penalty: Removal of social privileges until his graduation.

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Defendant: Doctor I. M. A. Devil.

Charges brought by red-faced Executive and Judicial Presidents.

Charge: Entering Brooks Hall under false pretenses after the hour of permission and assaulting two (2) girls in nightgowns and pink curlers on the night of January 23, 1964.

Penalty: The defendant must sew a scarlet letter on his black robe.

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"The result will be a more even flow of money, and over-all elimination of error, thus correcting the ridiculously inefficient and diversified system under which we now operate."

Former Blue emerged from his underground headquarters momentarily to announce that any students interested in forming a campus radio station should contact him immediately by leaving a message at the CU desk.

The meeting was then adjourned with the reminder that other important business would be covered in the minutes.

Overheard in the Red and White: "I'm afraid if I get married this summer I might not be able to pledge Kappa!"

Dr. Cocksins Advocates Ruter Hall Transfer

Dr. A. S. Cocksins, during his last lost-weekend visit to the Meadville Extension of Allegheny College, announced the intention of the Education Department to examine the possibility of moving Ruter Hall to the Cleveland Public Square. The advantages of this action were multifarious, albeit vaguely defined. For the Allegheny Education Major, Ruter Hall, Cleveland, Ohio, would be a touch of home.

Cleveland public officials have agreed to integrate the antique architectural specimen with the modern buildings now under construction in their current development program.

It was felt that this proposal will greatly facilitate the accessibility of the placement bulletin board, which some Cleveland student teachers have found inconvenient at its present location in Meadville.

Dr. Cocksins was unavailable for further comment before this issue went to press. He was last interviewed at Gray's, in the company of three of his departmental colleagues, where he commented: "This, of course, is another headache for me. Everything seems so complicated lately that I can hardly keep it all straight. But I will see to an examination of the possibilities here. I suppose I could see the person in charge, but that always makes me feel stupid..."

CONVOCATION

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pay \$2000 tuition a year. IF YOU DON'T LIKE IT HERE, YOU CAN GET OUT!!" he shouted. Fourteen students were badly injured in the ensuing charge to the doors. This included three Cwens who were trampled by the crowd as they passed out applications to Swarthmore College.

As the convocation thus ended, Director of Admission Mick Vack was led from the gym babbling insanely, "I've done it, I've done it, my first 1000-member freshman class!!"

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Have any of you stopped to think what the name Allegheny College means? Of course not; you're all as much in the dark as are our stodgy faculty, lethargic administration, stagnant town and God-forsaken state, etc., etc. Well, I'll tell you; it means nothing! Not only are we not near the Allegheny River, we aren't even in Allegheny County. We've got no reason to be tied down with a name like "Allegheny." The name is another example of the thoughtless, foolish actions that went into the formation of this hopeless institution.

Do you realize how long we have lived in the folly of this name? Ten, twenty or thirty years, you say? Wrong, 149 years! Isn't it incredible that a major problem like this could exist for 149 years and not be discovered? I was horrified to find that the administration is actually proud of this fact. This is just another example of the backward-looking people that run this moldy stagnant college. There isn't another college west of the Allegheny mountains with the disgrace hanging over its head that we have. It is essential that we shape up now, today, this very hour, and rid ourselves of this heretofore unknown problem. I propose the following three-part plan to carry this out immediately. It is based on confusion, demonstration, and defacement.

(1) From now on never refer to the college as "Allegheny"; pick a new modern name of your own choice and use it in all your letters. With the confusion of everyone using a different name, the administration will finally be forced into action.

(2) As soon as you finish reading this, head for Brooks Circle. Start chanting the name of your choice. This will show the administration we mean business! Don't stop for anything!

(3) Wherever you see the name "Allegheny" scratch it out and put your new name in its place. This is everywhere, in books, papers and even on the boulders of this campus.

By using this plan we will show this snail-paced administration, obsolete faculty and old-fashioned town the path to progress. If we do these things we can get rid of this ridiculous name. It's about time we did!

(Ed. NOTE: We are proud to see the Great Dialogue begun in the administration of Mr. Sucker is being continued with the alert student body moving ahead by mass action to thwart plans already being made by the Powers that Be.)

IN-COMMITTEE MINUTES

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John: Yea ah . . . our angry young men seem to like . . . yea ah Larry . . . phones. So why not . . . ah yea . . . name the institution after . . . yea Larry . . . ole' Alex G. himself . . . ah yea?

Joy: OOOH JOHNNNN!

Norm: John, he's dead, John. Must you always step on dead bodies, John? The gall!

Larry: Wait a minute Norm. Maybe I could then get the students to respect Mr. Bell, and consequently have them quit calling me at midnight and asking for Larry.

Shirley: I don't really care what you call this silly old place, but I would like to know what I'm going to do about the market. They were all out of grade "F" meat the other day, so I had to settle for grade "E." I did get a good buy on Trichinosis Brand Hams, though. Furthermore, they increased the price of lemons on me! What am I going to do?

Allen: Don't worry, Kid. The food service budget has a sizable surplus. Spend all you want on lemons, and if you spend enough to balance the budget, there's that fat surplus the Athletic Department has. I dare say we could buy a new building with the interest it generates alone. **John Brown:** My dear man, it seems to me that you are deliberately implying that a balanced budget is good. Now you know better than that, old chap. A balanced budget is bad. INDEED!

Art: I don't see it!

John: Ah yea . . . do you think . . . yea Larry . . . that we could start a Christine Keeler scandal on campus? After all, there's . . . yea ah . . . Sandy, our Dragon Lady, you know . . . yea . . . and we could give old Jay and the College Court . . . ah yea . . . more work.

Joy: OOOH JOHNNNN!

Wayne: Say, maybe I could get to be President after it's all over.

Norm: John, never be as funny as you can be.

Rick: Hegel would disagree.

Nels: So would Alex Osborne.

Larry: Come now; let's get back to our main topic.

Robert CU: OOGAY.

Julian: We haven't heard from Chris yet. What do you have to say, Baby?

Chris: I care, right!

Ruthie: Do you think we could name the school the AWS Institute? That way, we could get recognition for our penny-a-minute-sex. Who was it that said, "Love lasts from five to ten minutes"?

Norm: I know but I won't tell.

Nels: Let's cut it; I have to get back to the Grill.

Larry: Yes, you have a point, Nels. I don't want this group to be termed "do nothing" but then there's always next year's meeting; and besides, I have a croquet match in two minutes.

Art: I see it!

(Note to members of the out-group: In case you are wondering, Mr. Johnato is a standing member of the above committee; we cannot imagine why he chose to make its proceedings public.)

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