

My Day

By Jimmy Day

Sometimes life seems very futile. This is one of those times. I feel completely enveloped in the vicious cycle. My freshman year, last year, and even this year I cherished the idea that someday I would be able to write a column of my own. The time has come . . . I have 100 blank lines to do just what I please with, I thought. So what happens? I say to Sullivan, "Can I really write about anything I please?" The look scared me half to death, but she didn't have to yell way across the P.O. where all the Sophomore desk editors could hear, did she? So I can't talk about the fan club I'm in, or how hard I work on my comp (honest I do, Miss Hopkins), or how much fun my room-mates and I had on a picnic at Indian Ladder, or the new stink pinks I learned later when Sullivan isn't around. I'll write about sports, I'll be so athletic that I'll say one team defeated another in ten different places in ten different ways . . . in some other issue, of course.

About Softball

Reading over the '46 files we discovered that the question of softball was even then hanging precariously in the balance. . . Shall we or shan't we have a team? Gee Whiz fellers, you don't want our very first attempt to be the obituary for what could be one of State's major sports, do ya, huh? Everybody is so discouraging though. . . Maybe they wouldn't be if they had seen the softball game on the dorm field Saturday afternoon. (Softball is significant because anybody good in softball would be good in baseball too because baseball and softball are sorta related, aren't they?) Anyway, both fellows and girls played, and at least the girls admit that they're stiff, aching, and practically unconscious this week. . . not mentioning any more than a few names, Lashinsky, Woodworth, Feeney, Reed and Evans. Seriously though, State has the man power now, and equipment could be rounded up, couldn't it? Sure!

Tennis Is the Subject

In the spring a young man's fancy is supposed to turn to thoughts of love. . . everywhere but at State College it happens like it ought to. Here it's softball, volleyball, tennis, or tennis, or tennis. Speaking of tennis, an incentive is always a good thing, like a cup for instance. There was one once it's been out of circulation for so long that it's probably old and rusty now. How about a nice new shiny one hmmm? Also, a sheet on the bulletin board for both the fellows and girls to sign up on. . . One for MAA, one for WAA, then the winners of each could play for the championship. Anybody interested? Not for Classification

Now for the newest addition to the athletic program—Stink Pink. Here's some "sporty" ones for your consideration.

1. What is a plaid, one-eyed athlete monster? (Stinky Pinky)
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The answers are upside down on purpose. . . no fair cheating! Any contribution on the athletic line would be greatly appreciated. Maybe we could even start another club. See, Sullivan, we didn't lose our athletic touch all the way through!

Bowling League Phi Delt Wins Trophy; To Be Completed Tops Gam Kap 42-34 By April 30th

The WAA bowling league teams are now in the last stages of the annual tourney and present schedules should see the trophy's destination decided by the end of this month. Phi Delt and Gamma Kap who were close competitors for the basketball crown are tied for first place.

The games this week saw Kappa Delta forfeiting to Psi Gamma and the Sables, Chi Sig strings split. The deciding game will be played next week.

Sables-Chi Sig

Sables won the first game with a total pinnage of 631 to Chi Sig's 544. In the second game Chi Sig surged ahead to 704 while Sables fell down to 620.

Van Gelder was high scorer of the first game with Nolan trailing by two pins. In the second match high pin honors went to Nolan and Rourke of Chi Sig with Van Gelder still high scorer for Sables.

Individual and total team scores were as follows:	1	2	To. Av.	
Sables	631	620	1251	626
Chi Sig	544	704	1248	574
McDonald	94	133	227	114
Rourke	94	133	227	114
Van Gelder	146	173	319	160
Mather	111	146	257	129
Total	544	704	1248	574

Present Standings

In order to finish the bowling schedule by the end of this month it has been necessary to eliminate all but six of the league teams. The leaders Gamma Kap and Phi Delt are followed by Sables, Psi Gam, Chi Sig and Kappa Delta in that order.

Members of the eliminated teams who wish to know the number of games they have bowled for WAA credit have been asked to contact Louise Winters, '47, co-captain of this sport.

WAA Chooses Spring Captains

With the coming of spring, WAA has announced its new Spring Captains. Plans for a Camp Johnson Birthday party and the WAA Banquet were also drawn up.

Softball, under the supervision of Marge O'Grady and Peg Daly, will always be held at the dorm field on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 3:30 as it was last year. Captains for the seven other spring sports are as follows:

Tennis—Callahan, Tomaski.
Badminton—Harris, Owens.
Volleyball—Harris, Owens.
Archery—Merritt, Schneider.
Hiking—Hoginger.
Biking—Dwyer.
Riding—Bessel, Nielson.

May 5 has been set for the Camp Johnson birthday party. Plans for this event have been placed in the hands of Boynton and Van Aiken who are the counselors for Camp Johnson. Everyone is invited to come and this being a birthday party, presents will be the tickets of admission. A list of all gifts needed will be placed on the WAA bulletin board and all those who intend to come should check off the present they wish to bring.

The annual WAA Banquet is scheduled for May 26. All students who have gained credit in four sports during the year will be presented with their awards. Class numerals are given to those who have participated in four sports for the first year, a WAA "red" shirt is the award for the second year, and in the third year the gold key is presented.

Pat Tilden, '48, captain of swimming, has announced a Water Show for April 30. Hawkins, Pulver, Ethel, Felder, and Tilden will be the performers in the "Splash" party. Tandem swimming and all types of fancy diving will be featured.

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Wood Cuts

By FRANK WOODWORTH

Agitation seems to be the driving force of this column, so this week we have something that we think is worth your serious consideration. The idea was brought up this week in MAA Council meeting and we decided to place it before the student body for approval.

State has needed a general recreation place where students could go on dates, or otherwise on weekends. Under present conditions we feel that the Commons is the logical spot for informal weekend get-togethers. Students could dance, play bridge, ping-pong, or just relax. Open nights would be arranged so as not to conflict with school functions. We are quite certain that the faculty would be glad to be chaperones for these events because they too know that outside recreational facilities in Albany are not desirable for the most part.

Another strong argument for this arrangement is the expense of recreation in Albany. In this plan the only possible expense involved would be for the janitor.

Of course, this plan like anything else would fall through if the students failed to support it after the novelty wore off. At any rate, we think that it would be worth a try.

Intramural Softball

Plans for the coming softball season are still in the embryonic stage because there is so much indecision concerning the make-up of the teams. This is a problem because we do not have organized group houses or fraternities as we did before the war. Also we are not sure of arranging teams because we do not know in some cases whether or not fellows are physically able to play. Until we can find the answers to this problem we will not be able to arrange a schedule.

This is partially in reply to Jimmy Day's column in which she stated that "at least the girls admit that they're stiff, aching, and practically unconscious this week. . ." Our answer to this statement is that we did not have to admit anything; it showed all over us. Mute testimony is sometimes the most effective.

Intramural Council

We have referred above numerous times to the Men's Athletic Association Council. Perhaps it would be well to explain the nature and function of the council. Its purpose is for the arrangement of the expanding athletic program. For the sake of better organization it was decided that the council should be divided into committees, each to perform a specific function. The council is made up as follows:

President—Hal Weber.
Secretary—John Bolles.
Treasurer—Bob Nichols.
Varsity sports—Red Evans.
Intramural sports—Bill Marsland, Tom Feeney, Frank Woodworth.
Publicity—Phil Lashinsky.
Arrangements—Bob Sullivan, Curt Pfaff.

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State College News

SA To Choose Debate Council Nominees Today Announces Plans Students Will Discuss For Spring Meet Judiciary In Assembly

Marianne Davis, '46, President of Debate Council, has stated that on Saturday, April 27, for the first time in several years, State will hold a "Spring Debate Meet." Delegates from Colgate and Syracuse Universities, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, and Saint Rose College will attend. Debate Council has also been conducting a series of tryout debates for freshmen and Sophomores here at State.

Program For Meet

The program outlined for two weeks from Saturday is as follows:

11 A. M.—A reception for the delegates in the Lounge.

12 Noon—A luncheon at Wagar's for the delegates, council members and judges.

2 P. M.—Beginning of debates. The first is on the topic "Resolved: That there be unrestricted Jewish immigration into Palestine." State will take the negative side and Syracuse has the affirmative. Patricia Sheehan and Betty Rose Hill, Juniors, will represent State.

Second Debate Topic

The second debate is on the topic "Resolved: That fraternities and sororities be abolished." State will take the affirmative and Colgate the negative.

3 P. M.—Separate reviews of the debates by the judges discussing techniques involved, subject matter, and presentation of material.

Quiz Corner

4 P. M.—Quiz Corner in the Lounge. All colleges will participate in an informal discussion of such debating problems as the place of debating in the college schedule and how topics should be chosen.

5 P. M.—Completion of the Debate Meet.

The tryout debates for freshmen and Sophomores have been covering a variety of topics. The results of these tryouts will determine the rules of Article VII of section 1 of future members to be elected to the new Constitution.

The Varsity Squad and Debate Council.

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Intersorority Round Robin Dance Will Preface Junior Weekend

Traditions come and go—and in the cycle, the Round Robin Dances appear on the scene again for the first time since the Fall of '42. Inter-Sorority Council will sponsor the combined as part of the Big 8 series and the Junior Weekend on Friday, April 26, from 9:00 to 12:00 P. M.

In a flashback to years gone by—in '39, a part of the big Senior Weekend was the already traditional Round Robin Sorority Dances on the night before the Senior Hop. Two o'clock hours for the girls prevailed, with dancing from 9:00 to 1:00, and it was a strictly sorority affair. . . no independents allowed.

In April, '41, the annual affair went high hat with tulle and formal if demand for the sorority open houses.

The All-State Weekend took the place of the Senior Hop in '42. To complete the weekend, the seven sororities on campus held their house dances. Those were the palmy days when some of the houses had tulle and formal if demand for the sorority open houses.

Interfraternity Council sponsored bus ride would be easier on the feet. At AE Phi a couple hands of dances were held in the afternoon. Then, along with the man shortage of Inter-Sorority Council, is general chairman of the affair, and tickets may be obtained from Jean Whit-

Remembrance of things past will ney, '48.

Junior Prom Queen To Reign At Coronation Ball April 27 Kiefer To Play In Pierce Hall Pages Will Herald Entrance Of Queen



Candidates for Junior Prom Queen are, seated left to right, Sally Johnson, Jean Hembury and Edna Sweeney, and standing in the same order, Mary Harvey, Gertrude Kasper, and Martha Dunlay. Missing from the picture is Mary E. Reynolds, who is also a candidate.

After a lapse of three years, the traditional Junior Prom will be held Saturday, April 27, in the Ingle Room at Pierce Hall and the gym at Sables Hall from 9 to 1 A. M. At the stroke of midnight, a Junior chosen as the most beautiful in the class, will be crowned Queen of the Coronation Ball. Marian Vilhilo is general chairman of the event.

The Junior Class will vote for the Queen today in Assembly. Those nominated include Marty Dunlay, Mary Harvey, Jean Hembury, Sally Johnson, Gertrude Kasper, Mary Reynolds, and Edna Sweeney. The identity of the Queen will be a closely guarded secret until her entrance at midnight. Seven candidates were nominated this year instead of the usual five because of a three way tie among the last three nominees. This will necessitate the elimination of two nominees as attendants to the Queen.

Judges To Select Bridge Champions

The eight players, who won the campus bridge tournament held to select State College representatives to the Intercollegiate Bridge Tournament, are: Mary Louise Casey, Jean Whitney, Betty Rose Diamond, and William Woyant, Seniors; Marjorie Pender, Sally Dunn, and Clarence Carr, Juniors; and Rita Shapiro, '48, Jean Elling, '47, was chosen game captain.

These contestants have played the 18 hands sent by the Intercollegiate Board and have returned the results to be scored. The winning pair will be notified by Monday and all participants will be informed of their rating. The finals will be played off in two sessions, April 26 and 27 in the Ritz Carlton Hotel in New York City, where three pairs chosen from New York State colleges will compete with teams from four other regions. Only one pair may be picked from each college.

The eight campus winners and the game captain will receive a double deck of bridge cards in a case and all participants in the finals, a key. Miniature engraved silver cups will be presented to the winners of the tournament.

Sayles Names Additions To Honorary Society

At the beginning of assembly last Friday, Dr. John M. Sayles, President of the College, announced that for Seniors and ten Juniors have been named to Sigma Lambda, State's honorary scholastic society. The new members were initiated by Dr. Milton G. Nelson, Dean of the College, at a banquet held in Jack's Restaurant last Wednesday night.

The four Seniors named to Sigma Lambda complete the ten per cent of the class chosen for that body. The Seniors are Ruth Capala, Lucille Ganley, Selma Kreisberg, and Pauline Myers.

The ten Juniors named comprise four per cent of the class. They are Ruth Bentley, Thelma Carlson, Helen Caughran, Gertrude Kasper, Shirley Knights, Elizabeth Margot, Elizabeth McDowell, Marie Quinn, Charlotte Roscoe and Herbert Weiner.

SEB Plans Meeting For Students, Today

Mr. Paul Bulger, Director of Student Employment Bureau, has announced that a meeting for all Senior and graduate students interested in securing teaching positions will be held in the auditorium today after assembly. He also stated that high school positions have been secured through the bureau by eleven Seniors and graduate students.

The students who have obtained places are: Barbara Shover Elbert, Social Studies, Menands; Ruth Colvin, Social Studies, Hartford; Geraldine Van Allen, English, Middleville; Jean Griffin, English, Livingston Manor; Dorothy Myles, Commercial, Congers; George Carroll, Social Studies, Interlocken; Harvey Klaus, Science, Skaneateles; Gary Seymour, English and French, Glenville; Roger Garland, Social Studies, Delmar; Robert Coon, Social Studies, Delmar.

Phil Lashinsky, '47.

Kiefer To Play In Pierce Hall

Pages Will Herald Entrance Of Queen

Music for the dance will be furnished by Tommy Kiefer and his orchestra. He will play in the Ingle Room, while music at Sables will be provided by the vic. There will be a boardwalk between the two dormitories which will be illuminated by spotlights.

At midnight, in the Ingle Room, a blare of trumpets will mark the entrance of last year's Junior Queen, Genevieve Siles, and two attendants. They will proceed to the stage and after another blare of the trumpets, the Prom Queen will appear with her two attendants. After the Queen has reached the stage, she will be crowned with a tiara of flowers by Miss Siles. Following this, the escorts of the queen and her attendants, will dance the Coronation Waltz.

Decorations will consist of light green and pink streamers surrounding the Queen's throne. There will be a red carpet on the steps leading to the throne and pink and green streamers will come from each chandelier to meet at a point in the center of the ceiling. A canopy of pink and green will decorate the entrance to the Ingle Room.

Chaperones chosen for the evening include Dr. Louis C. Jones, Professor of English, and Mrs. Jones, Dr. Harvey R. Rice, Professor of Social Studies, and Mrs. Rice, Dr. Ralph G. Clausen, Professor of Biology, and Mrs. Clausen, Dr. J. Allan Hicks, Professor of Guidance, and Mrs. Hicks, Mr. Paul Bulger, Director of the Student Employment Bureau, and Mrs. Bulger, and Dr. Floyd Henriksen, Professor of Guidance, and Mrs. Henriksen.

Admission to the Prom will be \$2.40. Tickets have been on sale this week in lower Draper and will also be sold after Easter vacation.

Temporary Judiciary

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(d) If it deems it necessary to the selection of a new Myskania for the year '46-'47, the temporary judicial board may, by a 2-3 vote, set aside, temporarily, any time limit or qualification in section 1, Article VII.

(e) This board shall not become effective until a minimum number of nine (9) has accepted. This acceptance is to be written seven (7) days after.

Council Usurps Power

The Critic

By BOB LOUCKS

Last week Student Council announced that it had set the quorum for special Student Association meetings at 200. Is this a new power of Student Council? From which of its delegated powers does it receive the authority to set a quorum for a Student Association assembly? We feel that Student Council has over-stepped its power.

Robert's Rules of Order states: "The quorum of any other deliberative assembly with an enrolled membership (unless the by-laws provide for a smaller quorum) is a majority of all the members." The by-laws of the Student Association Constitution do not provide for a quorum; obviously, unless otherwise decided by the assembly as a whole, the quorum is a majority of the enrolled members.

Beside the fact that it is illegal for one group to set a quorum for another, a quorum of 200 seems ridiculously low. The enrolled membership of Student Association is approximately 1100. If 200 students turn out for one of these special assemblies, a simple majority will be 101—and a simple majority is all that is required to pass any of the parts of the revised Constitution. Any small pressure-group, any faction upholding special interests, could pass a motion in the name of the entire Association.

Final voting on the entire Constitution will take place in a regular business meeting. A 2/3 vote is then required to pass the Constitution. A section of the Constitution that was passed by 101 members at a special meeting may not be passed by 2/3 of the full group. This will mean that another discussion will have to take place and another vote taken.

One of the most important items in the revised Constitution is still to be discussed. This is preferential voting. The new method of preferential voting requires an accurate and complete explanation. If 101 members accept or reject it, are the rest of the students to follow along obediently like a flock of sheep? The student body cannot, with intellectual honesty, pass the Constitution unless it has a complete knowledge and understanding of each section of the Constitution, including that on preferential voting! Anything as important as voting should be discussed by the entire student body, and voted upon by the entire student body.

The idea of having special meetings to complete discussion of the Constitution was an excellent and efficient idea. The quorum, however, should be either a majority of the enrolled members, or should be set by the Student Association itself, and the quorum should be large enough so that any vote taken will represent a satisfactory cross-section of the student body. If special meetings are held, each member of Student Association should realize his personal obligation to attend these meetings.

Granted that the Constitution is important, and that, if possible, it should be passed this semester. Let us not pass it haphazardly, or in haste, however. We are taught that nothing is indispensable—if the Constitution is not passed this semester, State could probably manage to exist until first semester of next year at which time discussion could be continued in an intelligent and adult manner.

Congratulations! A most enjoyable evening!

Wednesday night Harold Gould again proved that he is a master of burlesque. Joseph Palevsky and Gloria Jaffer are good seconds. Two distracting elements were overcome by the sheer foolishness—garbled accents and Mr. Gould's handkerchief waving. The production was well built and well sustained. No chance for a serious thought throughout. Some may agree with the interpretation as presented—burlesque through and through; and others may feel that Chekhov should be played as straight comedy. Regardless of this variance, no one will deny that it was good fun and thoroughly diverting. An orchid to Marge Cronin and her cast for good theatre.

The Monkey's Paw, unfortunately did not equal the excellence of the second half of the program. This was not wholly the fault of those on stage. Fred Baron played the old soldier completely (incidentally with a good accent.) Barbara Dunker was well sustained as the mother and Art Soderling, although he missed some of the best moments for dramatic heights, turned in a rounded performance.

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the way it was? Would a person in this situation act as he did, half-turned from the people he was addressing? Was this the director's fault or the actor's?

The saddest part of all was that although the desired effect was achieved—people sitting on the edge of their seats, suspense built to good advantage, the actors holding their moods with great tenacity—the effect was broken by technical flaws. First, the curtain in back was not pinned. Then it was, while a scene was in progress. After that, each entrance was heralded by the curtain's parting. And the final curtain at the end of the third scene—well, enough said. A more thorough technical rehearsal would have ironed out these rough spots.

Notes of the bystander: What happened to the dimming apparatus for the house lights? Why do people rattle auditorium doors when they know a production is on stage?

Why intermission entertainment when two-thirds of the audience files out and in for cigarettes and shows a distinct lack of courtesy to the performer?

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Disa and Data

By MINDY WARSHAW



Homogenous Grouping, that is ONCE UPON A TIME . . .

there was a little girl. Her name was Hepzibah Peabody, and she was five years old. On the day of registration, Mrs. Peabody, mother of Hepzibah, brought her daughter to school to be homogeneously grouped. As they entered the building which was Public School Number Forty-Four (and a fourth), Mrs. Peabody carried her daughter Hepzibah over the threshold into the office of Miss Minnie Slotkin. Miss Minnie Slotkin was the principal, and she wore white angora knee socks. Hepzibah did not like white angora knee socks. Hepzibah did not like Miss Slotkin.

"Say hello to Miss Slotkin," said Hepzibah's mother.

"Hello to Miss Slotkin," said Hepzibah.

"Hepzibah," said Miss Slotkin, rubbing her knee socks the wrong way, "you are not hep." And she grouped Hepzibah homogeneously with the retarded kindergarten. Hepzibah did not like being grouped homogeneously. Hepzibah did not like being a retarded kindergarten.

In the advanced intelligent kindergarten section, thought Hepzibah, they probably did lots of advanced-intelligent things, but here, in the retarded kindergarten section, it was all very dull and strictly a matter of routine. Every morning they came into the classroom and Miss O'Sayanyousee, the teacher, played "Welcome, Sweet Springtime," on the piano. Then they sang, "Good Morning, Dear Teacher," belywopped down the slide, wore straw baskets, and strung colored beads until Ten o'Clock recess. At Ten o'Clock recess, a tall skinny boy from Norman's Hill came in and sold nickel bottles of Homogeneous Milk which Hepzibah drank through a macaroni named Minnie (in honor of Miss Slotkin). After the milk, Miss O'Sayanyousee passed out little rag rugs. "Now," leered Miss O'Sayanyousee, "let us

all curl up in our little rag rugs and take a nap." Hepzibah always wondered why Miss O'Sayanyousee didn't curl up in a little rag rug and lie on the floor too, but she was afraid to ask. She just rolled herself into a little ball inside her little raggedy rag rug, squeezed her beady eyes shut, and made believe she was sleeping. After an hour spent in this crippling position, she heard "Welcome, Sweet Springtime" played on the piano again. This was the signal to unroll and start functioning retardedly again. So they unrolled and started functioning retardedly again. They belywopped down the slide, and wore straw baskets, and strung colored beads.

After one month of this nonsense, Hepzibah made a very startling announcement in class, "I," she said proudly, cracking her knuckles in Miss O'Sayanyousee's direction, "refuse to be a damn beadringer for one minute longer." And she dropped her equipment and left the room.

If she couldn't be an advanced-intelligent kindergartener, thought Hepzibah to herself, she wouldn't be a kindergartener at all. She would go out and get married. These and various other evil thoughts sifted through Hepzibah's little supposedly retarded brain as she walked across the hall to the advanced kindergartener's side. Now she would see how the other half lived! Quietly she opened the door and, unnoticed, she stood in the doorway and watched. This was the moment she had been waiting for. She was getting a chance to see the advanced-intelligent pupils at work. Quickly Hepzibah surveyed the room, and after a glance, her eyes opened wide with wonder and amazement. Here, in the class for advanced-intelligent kindergarteners, the kids were grouped about the room, and with their brilliant little faces and hands they were . . . belywopping down the slide, and weaving straw baskets, and stringing colored beads. Hepzibah was very disappointed.

Congratulations To . . .

Dramatics and Arts Council for bringing Cornelia Otis Skinner to State College. Miss Skinner did a fine job of acting, and provided one of the best evening's entertainments this year. This production focused the eye of the Albany Public on State for the first time in several years.

DRA is also to be congratulated for refusing to sell reserve tickets to this performance. This is something for which State students have been fighting for years, and at last one Council in college has had the courage to take a chance and sell general admission tickets only. Consequently, it was a case of "first-come, first-served," and the student body had an opportunity to get some of the best seats in the house.

The Religious Clubs for accepting the suggestion made by the STATE COLLEGE NEWS to sponsor the campaign for canned goods for French students. The drive is over, and several cartons of canned goods are waiting to be shipped to France. This campaign has shown the ability of the Religious Clubs to work together as one unit, and has given State students an opportunity to show goodwill to their foreign colleagues.

Another vote of thanks goes to these organizations for the cooperative Religious Clubs' tea that they sponsored last Sunday. More social affairs of this type would stimulate a better and more united campus spirit, particularly if more than the usual handful of students attended!

Traditions Triumph!

Traditions are the essence of life—in traditions lie the beauty and memories of college years. Lacking them, there is progress in scholarship without the parallel progress in humanity.

During the weekend of April 26, two former State College traditions, temporarily suspended during the war, are being revised by the Junior Class and Intersorority Council.

On April 27, the Junior Class is sponsoring the Junior Prom, and as a part of it, the Coronation of the Junior Queen. This will be the first time this has occurred in three years. Another tradition hinging on the tradition of the Junior Prom is 3 o'clock hours. Few State students have forgotten the thrill received when he read in the Freshman Handbook in the section discussing hours:

"After any formal State college dances—Junior Prom, Sophomore Soiree, Interfraternity Ball, Intersorority Ball and Senior Prom—students who attend these dances must be in their houses by 3:00 A.M."

Well, the Junior Prom is back again! Will the rest of the statement hold true? The other "brought-back" tradition is the Intersorority Round Robin Dance the night before the Junior Prom. Sororities and fraternities often held impromptu Round Robins in the pre-war years. Intersorority Council has decided to revive this tradition as its annual Big 8. The idea is excellent and promises to be completely successful. There is, of course, one requirement that is essential for success . . . and that is, that sorority girls and independents forget their affiliations for the night and travel around to all of the houses.

College spirit, social life, and timelessness traditions are finding their way back into State once more. Junior Week-end, with old memories renewed, is the harbinger of good news. The response and cooperation of all the students to the events of this weekend will determine whether or not State is still willing to accept a few of the little things that make life better than mere existence.

College Calendar

- FRIDAY, APRIL 26—3:30 P.M.—Presentation of a French movie by French Club, Page auditorium.
SATURDAY, APRIL 27—11 to 5 P.M.—Delegates from Colgate, Syracuse, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Russell Sage, and State to hold Spring Debate Meet here.
APRIL 26, 27, and 28—Newman Club Retreat to held at Kenwood Convict of the Sacred Heart.
TUESDAY, APRIL 30—7:00 P.M.—Rivalry Swim Meet, Public Bath No. 3, Corner Central Avenue and Ontario Street.
THURSDAY, MAY 2—8:00 P.M.—Student Christian Association Chapter at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute to present program in Lounge.
FRIDAY, MAY 3—8:00 P.M.—Annual dance held by Hillcl.

WAA Softball Frosh Tie Sophs To Begin Season In Bowling Tilt After Vacation

Softball season has rolled around once again. The same old problem of rainy weather seems to be dominating once again this year. The first practice was scheduled for last Sunday, but due to a spate in the weather, official practice did not get underway until Wednesday.

Marjorie O'Grady, '47, and Peg Daly, '48, co-captains of softball, have announced that practice on the dorm field will continue after Easter vacation. On Monday and Wednesday practice will begin at 3:30 and last until 5. On Fridays it will begin an hour earlier at 2:30 and continue until 5.

A league is already in the process of formation. So far Pierce, Sayles, Stokes, and the Whiz Kids are the only group houses handing in a list of their players. It is hoped that enough interest will be shown to make the softball league as successful as the basketball league turned out to be.

Afternoon practices are general and it is not necessary to play on a team in order to get credit in softball. Ten hours at practice is necessary to get WAA credit. Two hours at the field on the same day will be counted as two hours credit.

The rivalry softball game is scheduled for some time shortly after Easter vacation. It is a little too soon to start any predictions, but judging from last year's game, the frosh had better get to work. The Sophomores will be spark-plugged by such stars as Diehl, Rand, Sylvestri, Tilden and Daly. So far, the frosh turn out has been very slight.

Judging from the little time they have had to show off their talent, it looks as if Joslin, Lytle, Whelley, Innes, Hawkins, Fitzmorris and Midgley are a few who will represent '49.

LaSalle Defeats State Fencers MAA Softball Still In Offing

Meeting the LaSalle Junior Varsity fencing squad on Saturday, the WAA fencers lost the match by a 7-5 score. This marked the second encounter with the LaSalle fencers. In their first match of the year, the WAA fencers defeated the LaSalle Freshman squad by an 8-6 score.

In the opening match of the morning, Peggy Eggert, '48 State's captain, defeated the LaSalle captain by two points. In the match which followed, June Petrie, '48, was unable to successfully parry the excellent work of the second LaSalle fencer, Mickey Seaman, '49, lunged her way to a victory over her opponent while Anne Soulich, '49, Monday through Thursday on Page Field. If the game is rained out or for some other reason cannot be played on the scheduled day, it will be played the following day in a double-header.

MAA has written several letters to other colleges in the State concerning basketball games for next year. So far, Oswego and St. Michael's are the only two that have returned an affirmative answer. The matches are worked on the two-year basis whereby the visiting school is assured \$100 if a return match at their own college is not played that year.

The budget of \$4,600 has been approved by the Student Board of Finance but must still come up before the student body.

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Freshmen Win Ping-Pong Single Rivalry Contest

The Sophomores gave a decisive exhibition of ping-pong superiority Wednesday afternoon when they added two more points to their rivalry score by copping all six of the singles contests. The points were to be awarded to the class that won five of the nine scheduled matches, each match to be decided by two out of three games.

The men's singles were played off early in the afternoon. Bob Bowe, '49, lost two successive games to Paul Wagner, '48, to the tune of 21-12 and 21-15. The Mullen-Bortnick clash was a closer match. Mullen won the first 21-11 but Bortnick came back in the second for a deuce game, losing finally 24-2.

Women's Singles
If the frosh women had been able to hold the Sophs down to only two of the four women's singles they might have been able to postpone what seemed to be a certain Soph victory until the doubles were played off. But lady luck and champion players were on the other side.

In the first tie Mary Cheatham bowed to Adeline Fischer 21-7 and 21-15. The first game between Judy Fenbrook and Alice Fisher raised the frosh hopes high. Fenbrook took an early lead and held it until victory was in sight. But like the Mullen-Bortnick contest the deuce game ended in '48's favor 24-22. The second game was Fisher's all the way through and the final score was 21-11.

Decisive Game
Ray Weiss won the decisive match for the Sophs by downing Arlene Ziellgold 21-10 and 21-9. The last singles contest was between Fran Sowa and Jean Harris. Again the Sophomore won 21-11 and 21-12. The balance of the scales was in '48's favor all the way since both of the present holders of the singles titles and their closest competitors in the race for the championship are members of the Sophomore class.

Table with columns: SOPS, FROSH, Wagner, Bowe, Mullen, Bortnick, Fischer, Cheatham, Fisher, Fenbrook, Weiss, Ziellgold, Sowa, Harris.

Recreation Opportunity
Combined efforts of MAA and WAA have resulted in the advancement of plans for opening of the Commons on open dates between now and graduation. The Administration was consulted and our plan has been approved. There are still some minor problems to erase but these are merely functional and will not constitute a barrier. Therefore, the success or failure of this plan depends entirely upon the reaction of the students. If we find that only a few people will take advantage of this opportunity, it will not be worthwhile to continue it.

Probably there will be less enthusiasm at this time of year, especially as fast time will go into effect shortly after we return from vacation. During the winter months we are driven inside for our recreation and it follows that this plan would be most beneficial at that time.

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States Sports

MARY LIZ SULLIVAN

Well it is good to be back—at least we think it's good to be back. Of course we realize that differences of opinion will exist anywhere encountered. Specially where fourth page is concerned.

Several people have mentioned the fact that they were happy for the two weeks during which time this column was taken over by other members of the sports department. Now, they stated that they would begin to worry and stew again wondering what was going to be in the column on Friday. Well sleep tight, hold tight or what have you . . . fear no more! From here on in we will endeavor to make every effort to keep these attempts from degenerating into anything resembling a personal column—that is really not what we are trying to do—believe it or not. The only purpose we had in doing anything of that sort was to inject some humor into the everyday life here at school. Relatives and otherwise—please accept our apologies.

Fans Take Notice
For those of you who took so much interest in the basketball season this year, we are happy to make your life that much pleasanter by saying that already plans have been made along lines of having a basketball season next year. Some games have been scheduled with St. Michael's College, Vermont, and other colleges in connection with planning the schedule for next year. Ah . . . basketball, we drool just thinking about how wonderful it will be next year too.

Sports
Opportunity is going to be knocking soon—so now you are forewarned. In this case opportunity will knock approximately seven times. To elucidate matters—after spring vacation, the spring sport program will get underway. Such sports as tennis, hiking, archery and volleyball will be among those sports offered. Now where the opportunity business comes in is that here are at least seven chances for WAA's to sign up for some spring sport. With the variety of sports that is being offered, we are sure that there must be one from those that you yourself would be interested! So how about it . . . as soon as you come back from Easter vacation, refresh your mind, get ready to go, let one of the things you do is sign up for one of those sports. We can see it all now, the sports captains swearing under their breath at us in anticipation of the post-vacation rush.

Guess What?
Seeing that we haven't mentioned anything about the WAA bulletin board and having noticed how wonderful it looks, we will now mention it. WAA bulletin board.

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Miner Announces Start of Drive For Student Union

Class Set \$100. Goal For Each Graduate

The Student Union drive for pledges of funds from members of the Senior Class began this week and will be continued after Easter vacation, according to James Miner, President of the Senior Class. Miner also requested all Seniors to place their orders for graduation announcements and booklets in the Co-op immediately after Easter vacation.

The goal of the Student Union drive is to obtain a \$100 pledge from each Senior. This sum may be paid yearly, within five years, or within 10 years. Seniors will be asked to sign a pledge card and anyone who is missed in the canvassing may obtain a pledge card from Miner.

The following canvassers have been appointed as leaders: Dorothy Myles, Pierce Hall; Joan Mather, Chi Sigma Theta Sorority House; Eileen Moody, Newman Hall; Phyllis Carpenter, Kappa Delta; Florence Cave, Farrell and Stokes Hall; Barbara Relif, Sayles Hall; Elizabeth Hamilton, Phi Delta Sorority House; Jean Whitney, Beta Zeta Sorority House; Anita Pedisich, Gamma Kappa Phi Sorority House; Emily Herlihy, St. Thomas More House, Moreland Hall and Wren Hall; Laura Gutkin, Alpha Epsilon Phi Sorority House; Genevieve Sabatini, Psi Gamma Sorority House; and Lillian Abraham, Adele Kasper, Patricia Olyne, Shirley Rice, Louise Striker, and Gloria McFerran, Commuters.

Elizabeth Hamilton, '46, has also been placed in charge of a committee to investigate possibilities of holding the traditional Senior Ball this year.

Russia Didn't Want Book-- But Dr. Louis Jones Does

"Where oh where has my little book gone?" wailed Dr. Jones in his En 230 class one day. According to his story, he loaned a book, "Club of the Georgian Rakes" by one Dr. Louis C. Jones, to a student last summer and-- presto-- the book disappeared.

"G!" cried Betty Rose Diamond, head of the Used Book Exchange, "I remember that. It was in a box of old books in the lower hall of Draper last September." (Dr. Jones' eyes lit up). "But the books were donated to Russian Relief." (Dr. Jones' face fell).

"However," she added encouragingly, "Russia didn't want it." A cloud appeared on the professor's countenance. "Where is it?" he asked hopefully. "We sold it," came the glib reply.

So Dr. Jones' En 230 students are frantically combing State in search of the "Club of the Georgian Rakes." It has gone out of print and Dr. Jones wants as many copies as he can get.

Religious Clubs Net 400 Cans Of Food

The food drive sponsored jointly by the three religious clubs, Newman Club, Hill and Student Christian Association resulted in the collection of approximately 400 cans of food and \$12 in cash. The money, which was collected as admission to entertainment in the Commons will be used to cover the expense of mailing the contributions to French

The drive was initiated in answer to an appeal for aid from the General Association of the Students of Montpelier in Herault, France.

Students Favor Heterogeneous Grouping

In reply to the question, "Do you believe that schools should segregate students according to their level of intelligence into groups of A's, B's, and C's," asked in a recent News Poll, the general consensus seemed to favor heterogeneous grouping. Only Seniors and Juniors were approached, because it was felt that the freshmen and Sophomore classes were not qualified to answer. Seniors have done or are doing their practice teaching and Juniors have two years of Ed 10 plus methods to back up their ideas.

The most common answer was, "It causes complexes. The A group feels superior and the C group inferior." As Barbara Relif, '46, said, "It makes for an 'I'm in upper first and you're only in lower first' attitude." One student remarked, "It forms an uppercrust of intelligence. Many thought it was an undemocratic procedure giving way to bullying and snobbishness. Another point mentioned was the danger of the social attitudes which might develop from such a situation. Many thought that if segregation was carried out, there would be a tendency for the whole school to go backwards socially. Catherine Guido, '47, added that in a mixed class the

idea brought up by Ada Jane Martin, '47, was "It is more important to have children of like emotional age together rather than like intellectual age."

A few opinions were offered from a teacher's point of view. "Segregation is just an easy way out for the teacher," stated Nona Vimmerstedt, '47, and one of the Seniors remarked that such a situation offered no challenge to the teaching profession. Betty Rose Hill, '47, thought that teachers could sponsor individual work in the classroom to aid the A group. Miss Hill felt that the advantages of individual work outweighed the benefits of segregation.

Some of the students made remarks to the effect that such a practice would be undemocratic. Ruth Bentley, '47, stated that the purpose of education was to prepare the students for life, and segregation creates an unreal situation. Joseph Palevsky, '46, felt that it was unfair to the students because in later life they would not always be working with people of their own level of intelligence. They must learn to live and associate with all different types of people. One

According to the poll, the students questioned disagree with the segregation policy. The general trend of thought seems to be that it would cause too many complexes and other psychological pitfalls.

College Close-ups

By CULLINAN & HILT

Notice 12 days -- twelve days in which there will be nothing more intellectually challenging than fighting a nightmare of zooming electrons, whetting the knife to penetrate that three-inch steak, or merely listening for that date to the Junior weekend. Suffering from ennui, State students will clamor to return to their stimulating classes, anxious once more to take up their erudite pursuits and other pertinent affairs.

Your spirits having been thus elevated we now give you a more dampening picture of State students in action.

Slump

Last weekend State sponsored two social activities for students. The first, held on Saturday night, was one of the Big 8 series. Students voted for the continuance of the Big 8 program because in this way they could raise funds for the Student Union, Rhodes Hospital, or any other worthwhile activities. If we no longer want to support such programs, why not abolish them entirely? Until we make other provisions for raising such funds, however, let's support the means at hand. Those who attended the Folk Festival were highly entertained by the various folk dances, songs, and concessions, organized and presented by IGC.

In the same vein (only more horrible to behold) was the lack of attendance at the religious clubs' tea. With a total membership of approximately 500 students, there were

about twenty-five students represented from all three clubs. For six months there has been a great amount of agitation for such a get-together--and yet when the time came to get together, Gable and Garson held more attraction. Let's make up our minds--to have activities or not to have them, and when we do have them, let's go all out for them.

Plug, Plug

This leads us to the next major activity of the year -- the Junior Prom (the usual advertising fee not required as your columnists are members of this celestial class). The first class to reinstate pre-war traditions, the Juniors are planning a gala evening complete with coronation of the Junior queen, the Junior class of St. Bonaventure's College is also throwing a big shindig. They're having professional decorators, gift identification bracelets, and George Paxton, but then we're having decorations from Gremlin, Inc., a Junior queen, and Tommy Kiefer. To make the prom complete the round-robin date dance sponsored by the Greeks on Friday eve will be another highlight in this all-State weekend.

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First Peacetime Junior Weekend Features Prom, Intersorority Round Robin Dances

Sororities' Big-8 Opens Weekend

Pedisich, Whitney Head Committees For Event

Intersorority Council will open Junior Week-end tonight with a Round Robin Dance from 8 to 12 P.M. Anita Pedisich, '46, is in charge of arrangements for the dance which constitutes the seventh Big-8.

Weekend Schedule

Friday, April 26
8:00-12:00 P.M. -- Intersorority Round Robin Dance at the sorority houses.

Saturday, April 27
11:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M. -- Hike and picnic at the Indian Ladder and Thatcher Park in the Helderbergs.

9:00 P.M. - 1:00 A.M. -- Traditional Junior Prom at Sayles and Pierce.

Judiciary Body Schedules Rules For Nominations

Announces Members, Officers, Guardians

Last Wednesday, the Temporary Judicial Board held its first meeting to elect officers and to provide for the general organization of the Board. This Board was voted into existence by a motion passed the Friday before Spring vacation, because of the dissolution of Myskania, the former judiciary body of State College. The purpose of the Board is to carry on the duties of the former Myskania, and to submit a list of ten names to the Student Association for approval for membership on the 1946-1947 Judiciary Body.

The twelve Seniors who have accepted positions on the Board are Harriet Brinkman, Georgetowne Dunn, Jean Griffin, Betty Hamilton, Priscilla Hayes, Josephine Maggio, Gloria McFerran, Joseph Palevsky, Shirley Passow, Mary Seymour, Helen Shure, and Mary Straub. At the Wednesday meeting, Miss Griffin was elected Chairman; Miss McFerran, Secretary; Miss Hayes, Treasurer; and Miss Dunn, Publicity Director. Miss Seymour was appointed Chairman of Rivalry.

Plan Picnic, Hike To Indian Ladder

All the dormitories and group houses will participate in a hike to the Indian Ladder and Thatcher Park in the Helderbergs for a picnic tomorrow. The event, sponsored by Residence Council, is only loosely organized and the groups from each house will leave independently of each other.

The time of departure will vary according to announcements by the house presidents. Mary Seymour, '46, house president of Sayles Hall, has announced that her group will leave at 11 a. m. in order to enable the hikers to return in time for preparations for the Junior Prom.

This outing has been planned as a part of the Junior Weekend. Girls who have invited men from other schools or out of town for the Intersorority Round Robin Dance and the Junior Coronation Ball may include the hike and picnic in their weekend plans. The affair is open to all students in the college.

Students will bring their own lunches and jeans will be acceptable hiking apparel.

SA Candidates Will Address Assembly Today

Gettle Dunn, '46, Chairman of Election Commission, Has Announced That Candidates for the Position of President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Grand Marshal of Student Association Will Make Speeches Disclosing their Platforms in Today's Assembly. Each candidate's speech will be preceded by a one minute talk made by his campaign manager.

Other candidates for Student Association officers, who are not required to make campaign speeches in Assembly however, are Helen Kiesel, '48, and Muriel Rubin, '47, competing for the position of songleader and Bertie Wain, Calvin Zippin, Richard Smith, Herbert Walter, Dorothy Sturzenberger, and Helen Jennings, Juniors, and Sheila Van Scoy, '48, six of whom will be elected to Student Board of Finance.

I should like the position of President of the Student Association and would enjoy doing the work it entails. I have been a student of State College for two and one-half years and am familiar with the problems of Student Association and the procedure and conduct of its meetings. I would favor shorter and fewer (Continued on Page 2, Column 2)

Kiefer Will Play In Pierce Hall Tomorrow Night, From 9 To 1:00

Spotlight To Illuminate Boardwalk To Sayles



MARION VITULLO, '47

The annual Junior Prom will return to State tomorrow evening after an absence of three years. Pierce's Ingle Room and the gym of Sayles Hall will house the dance from 9 to 1 A. M. As the clock strikes twelve, Miss Genevieve Stiles, last year's Junior Queen, will make her entrance to crown this year's Junior Queen. Marian Vitullo, general chairman of the Prom.

There will be dancing in the Ingle Room to the tune of Tommy Kiefer and his orchestra. A boardwalk illuminated by spotlights will stretch across the dorm field to the Sayles gym where a vic will supply the music for more dancing.

A major event of the evening will be the crowning of the queen who was voted on by the Junior Class in Assembly, April 12. The queen, whose identity will remain unknown until she walks to her throne tomorrow evening, was selected from a group of seven candidates nominated from the class. Marty Dunlay, Mary Harvey, Jean Hemury, Sally Johnson, Gertrude Kasper, Mary Reynolds and Edna Sweeney contested for the honor. The four receiving the next highest number of votes will act as pages.

At the stroke of twelve, Miss Stiles, heralded by a blast of trumpets, will appear clad in her regal robes. Accompanied by her two attendants, Queen Stiles will march to the stage when another blast of trumpets will announce the arrival of her successor. Two pages will accompany the new queen to the stage where she will be crowned with a tiara of flowers. After the traditional ritual the coronation party will dance the Coronation Waltz.

Pink will supplement the class color, green, in the decoration theme. Pink and green streamers will flow from the Queen's throne, and more streamers will march from the chandelier to converge on the ceiling. A red carpet will be spread over the stairs which the queen will ascend to her throne.

The faculty members chosen to chaperone the event are Dr. Louis C. Jones, Professor of English, and his wife, Dr. Harvey R. Rice, Professor of Social Studies, and Mrs. Rice, Dr. Ralph G. Clausen, Professor of Biology, and Mrs. Clausen, Dr. J. Allan Hicks, Professor of Guidance, and his wife, Mr. Paul Bulger, Head of the Student Employment Bureau, and Mrs. Bulger, and Dr. Floyd Henriksen, Professor of History, and Mrs. Henriksen.

Tickets for the dance have been on sale in lower Draper since before Easter vacation. The price will be \$2.40 per couple.

Plans For Veteran Housing

Dr. John M. Sayles, President of the College, has announced that plans are being drawn up for new houses for the veterans. These will be constructed in St. Mary's park in the near future and will be ready for occupancy in September.

Dr. Sayles also stated that \$10,000 worth of equipment has been purchased for the biology department and is being installed at present.

Gala Coronation Of Queen To Highlight Prom

It was in 1933 that the cry, "Long Live the Queen" first went up for the beautiful ruler of the Junior Prom. Garbed in the purple symbols of her regal station, the queen watched a Grand March, another feature inaugurated by the Class of '34. At the conclusion of the story of her coronation in State College NEWS, there was this statement: "The decision as to whether or not the custom will be continued and thereby become a State College tradition will rest with the succeeding classes."

Evidently the following classes decided that the practice of choosing the most beautiful and popular girl of the class to reign at their annual ball should be added to the long list of college traditions, and today the high point of the Junior Prom is the coronation of the queen.

In 1935, the coronation of the queen took place serenely on schedule in spite of the serious handicap of the very late arrival of the orchestra engaged for the evening. That was a ball unique in the annals of Junior Proms. In '37, the best reason for going to the prom was given by a former queen. Said she, "It will be a crowning situation." Can you imagine how the queen in '38 must have looked in a short formal gown under her purple



GENEVIEVE STILES, '48

robes? Abbreviated skirts were the fashion of the moment, but the traditional coronation was the focus of the evening. Art Kavelin and his "Cascading Chords" Orchestra played at the prom in '41, when Marion Duffy was crowned queen of her class. In '42 the first indication of the shortages caused by the war was shown when the Tea Dance was

dropped from the Junior Weekend program, but the midnight coronation of a queen took place in the traditional manner. Pat Latimer was crowned the last of the prom queens during the war, but there has been a coronation at the Junior Big 8's and Big 10's for the past few years.

From the seven candidates this year, one will be picked to wear the royal purple. A blast of trumpets will shatter the hush of expectation as she enters the Ingle Room on the stroke of midnight and marches slowly up the velvet carpeted steps of the stage to receive her crown of spring flowers from last year's queen. After her coronation, she will dance to the strains of the Coronation Waltz, as interpreted by Tommy Kiefer and his orchestra.

Going by the law of averages, the trend this year may shift to the blonds, as brunette Jen Stiles crowns '47's queen. But then, there's never been a Titian haired damsel. The blond, there's always the old saying about gentlemen's preferences. How will the men of '47 vote? The Juniors have their pick of seven beauties with brains and popularity--tomorrow night will tell.