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SORORITY POLITICS

Sorority politics has become a rather hackneyed term on our campus. Last year a long and loud cry was made against sorority politics; a stirring editorial was written in an issue of the *Coronet*; our dean made a fight against it; Pan-Hellenic took it up—all of this many of you remember. Were they merely idle words? Were the efforts really sincere? But the year is yet too young to determine the effect.

We know that no good can come of evil. We see the evil of sorority politics each time an election is held, we realize the evil throughout the year. The situation has been both disgusting and deplorable. Now, before elections begin, is an opportune time to think of that existing evil and not after the harm has been done.

Sororities have a noble place on our campus but are they filling that place? Jealousy and greed eat the heart and soul out of their possessor. The jealousy and greed that prompts the politicizing by sororities has already begun a fight from the outside against the Greek Letter World. We of the sororities must eliminate the cause for disapproval. Does not the lowness to which we stoop as sorority women to politics undermine the ritual vows of our sisterhood? Does any ritual vow of Chi Omega, Kappa Delta, Phi Mu, Alpha Delta Pi, Alpha Gamma Delta, or Alpha Delta Theta uphold that which prompts us to grab officers and growl for our chapter? The answer for all must be *no*.

It is not the sorority but the girls who shall decide just what the pin over your heart means. We have not forgot that our first pledge is to Queens-Chicora. It seemingly makes no impression to be reminded. But we must fight for our chapters to regain their rightful place. And the fight must be defensive. Borrowing the noble phrase of our United States President—Let us all "enlist for the duration of war" against sorority politics.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT SPIRIT

At times we think that the college this year is new and strange because of the many new faces about us. There is one thing that is not only new and strange, but foreign, to Queens-Chicora. That is the attitude that the students are evidently taking toward student government. The campus seems to resound with "What will I get if I do this or that?" Do we think that student council is a remote police body? Do you think that the rules were made to be broken and penalties stated to be inflicted?

The student council was elected by the student body and is a part of us. The rules were made by the entire student body and we are responsible for them. The purpose of the student government as clearly stated in the constitution is "The Executive Board of the Student Government Association has set the following aims as the purpose of its existence: to give constructive criticisms; to act as a medium between the students and faculty; to promote constructive policies pertaining to scholastic and extra curricular activities on our campus."

The object of the boarding Student Organization as written in the Constitution is "to encourage self-government; to make and to enforce regulations which are in harmony with the college administration and which will encourage a progressive and co-operative student life; to stimulate the highest standards of scholarship and of honor in all matters of personal conduct; to strengthen cordial relations between students and faculty."

Should we spend more time thinking what self-government is and less time trying to kill the most vital part of that self-government with an attitude that is poisonous to the life of student government, it would be needless to call your attention to the constitution and to the fact that each of us is a part of student government.

Campus Comment

Weed-ends at home and back again to the grind that isn't a grind because it is Queens-Chicora. And at this time we find our college at its busiest social season for the pledges are giving their pledge teas. Tough that we old girls don't get in on all that. Since we have had our day we can't complain, but we do envy you of the fun.

Have you Freshmen heard of the Linnean Club? It is a club promoting interests in wild flowers. I am joining for the first time this year so I can't tell you all I wish I could about it, but I do want to say that Miss Nooie is very anxious for the girls to help her make a success of the club. She is going to a great deal of trouble to get the club started and I do wish to urge those who are interested to join the Linnean Club.

The underclassmen are raising a great cry about our not having enough Junior and Senior council members. I know they are thinking of chaperones. Granting that they have something there, we, seemingly, can do nothing but ask for your every co-operation regarding chaperone rules. Another bit of co-operation that the Administration needs is relative to Sabbath Observance. It seems, that had we disliked so intensely the rules that have been made for us we would not have come here, so why kick. You will probably answer that you aren't coming back next year. Perhaps you won't, you will go somewhere else and kick and then change again. Queens-Chicora needs students that are unselfish enough to realize that the college should come before their wishes. You see, we are a part of the college. Definitely, we come after the college.

Now for fun. The Alpha Kappa Gamma carnival Tuesday night in the Gamma Delta Gym house was a grand success. Rat Week was the best in ages, despite the fact that the writer is a Junior.

Have you noticed the lists of lost alumnae posted on the bulletin board in Burwell Hall? Miss Grover has placed it there in order to find the addresses of those alumnae. Some times when you are passing by, stop and see if you can help. She will certainly appreciate it.

And last, but by no means least, comes our new dean, Mrs. Agnew. She has made her way into the hearts of us. Now that she is in the office, her friendship won't end, it will really just begin. Her personality and charm, we already know. And if you don't know—we have a dean with an understanding heart. What more can be said?

The College Review

(By Associated Collegiate Press)

Notre Dame University alumni are planning a nation-wide campaign against communism.

At Pennsylvania State College enrollments in four-year courses of the school of agriculture and experiment station have nearly doubled in the past 10 years.

Anthropological measurements University of Kansas freshmen compared with those of a selected list of other schools recently revealed that these men were taller, about the same in weight, and less in girth of chest.

The American College Publicity Association at the annual convention in Boston elected Frank S. Wright, University of Florida, as its president.

Salaries of Bucknell University's faculty and administrative staff have been increased five per cent.

OPEN FORUM

As I go into office on October 10 as dean of women at Queens-Chicora College I wish to express my gratitude to Mrs. Smith for the work which she has so ably started while she filled the position of dean of women during the first month of this school year. And I wish to express my happiness over being a member of the faculty of a college which is headed by such an outstandingly wonderful President and supported by such a strong faculty.

To the members of the student body I would like to say that the day you were born there was formed in

the hearts and minds of your mothers and fathers a dream for you. And, this college life is a big part of that dream—this college life which Dr. Frazer is making so well-rounded for you. The strong academic faculty provides for your sound scholarship. And, many and varied student activities and social functions are sponsored and directed for your development, happiness and comfort. I am happy to cast in my services with those of your other directors in helping to make come true this college-part of the big dream of your parents for you.

Mrs. Virginia Miller Agnew.

WE RECOGNIZE

Foremost among those who have had an active part in making Queens-Chicora what it is today, is the one whom we wish to honor this week. She has done work in practically every type of work connected with the institution. For quite a while she served as field executive in the work of recruiting students. She has increased the enrollment of the college to its maximum capacity.

A quite a fitting climax to all these activities was the selection of Mrs.

Smith as Dean of Women. In her every girl has found a friend from the first. No one could possibly have taken responsibility and dealt with it so competently. She has been considerate on every occasion, understanding in every situation, and efficient in every detail. In fact, she has been an ideal Dean. It is with regret that we lose her as our dean but it is with great pride that we think of her as our friend.

It is you, Mrs. Smith, that we recognize. Goodbye and good luck.

JUST SO MUCH INK

In *The Layman's Music Book* Olga Samaroff Stokowski (divorced wife of the conductor) tells of a New York settlement school which announced on its twenty-fifth anniversary, that of the thirty thousand children who had studied music there, not one had ever been brought before a juvenile court for delinquency. Furthermore, statistics seem to indicate that trained musicians are rarely in jail.

For no reason at all, the subject of musicians and criminals reminds me of baton exhibitionism. Conductors of symphony orchestras, more than any other group of musicians, are guilty of exhibitionism and self-glorification at the expense of an art they are supposed to exalt. They

often resort to the most ludicrous and pathetic means of attracting attention to themselves. It is rumored that a well-known American conductor uses lipstick and rouge before each performance. Another wears a Spencer model in order to present a svelt figure as he conducts. Even the great Stokowski is not innocent of baton exhibitionism. Before conducting the opera *Wozzeck* at the Metropolitan, he conferred with the electricians to learn whether it were possible to direct the light upon his hands in such a way that they would be reflected upon the ceiling.

Don't you think that Josephine Antoine's voice is very much like Grace Moore's? (Miss Antoine was the guest artist on the Ford Hour Sunday before last.)

Quotable Quotes

(By Associated Collegiate Press)

"I know of no way in which a semi-ready preparedness can be developed with less militarizing effect than when it is mixed with all the forces of a curriculum on a university campus." The University of Rochester's Chancellor C. W. Flint makes his defense of the R. O. T. C. system.

"No patriotic teacher should object to taking the oath of allegiance. It is an honor, not a reflection, upon character. It does not carry with it interference with the right of educators to determine the courses of study. Courses of study will be safe in the hands of loyal teachers." But the D.A.R.'s Mrs. William Becker forgets that those who promote the oath also promote interference with studies.

"If education is to realize its true goal it cannot confine itself to an academic discussion of life—it must become a part of life itself. I believe education is making a great contribution to the solution of our difficulties. It is creating interest and stimulating discussion. Letting every man have his say is the constitutional method of solving our problems. Why should we make teaching into a suspect profession by making our teachers take a special oath?" The Republicans' Alf M. Landon hands a question to the D.A.R.

This Collegiate World

(By Associated Collegiate Press)

Would you believe it? Here we had thought that the literary lights had blown out of sports. Bill Shakespeare graduated from Notre Dame, and Henry Wadsworth Longfellow left Northwestern. But no. Now "The Last of the Mohicans," James Fenimore Cooper, has popped up at Marquette U.

Some of the students at the University of Kentucky go to great lengths for an education. Imagine covering 11,800 miles just to go to school. From China? India? No, they only live about 30 odd miles from the campus, but they commute daily. One of the fellows figures that he burns approximately 785 gallons of gas during the school year, which amounts to—let's see—maybe you'd better figure it out for yourself.

Maiden-Munchausens are in a class by themselves. And here we had thought all along that men were the greatest fabricators of fables and fancies. However—and this is the rub—the committee of judges at a liar's contest staged at the University of California, conceding that women are superior in this sinful art, refused to let the questionably fairer sex have the opportunity of competing against the men. Now they have their own place in the "lie-ing-sun."