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T-JE rolled over on his side, addressing the darkness in general and his room mate in particular.

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fortress in Robert Kee's room, the walls of which are reinforced with row on row of Petty cartoons.

Taking advantage of this diversion of attention, the barbs associated themselves into a "purely social" organization, under the leadership of Jules Reiver. These enterprising young gentlemen held several house-parties, and won recognition from the Student Council as a social entity ... all this without a sit-down strike, mind you.

Their next "purely social" activity was to gang up against the frat men in a body in the recent elections, voting as a political unit in the three-sided battle between the Sig Ep Independent Party, the Theta Chi-Sigma Nu—K. A.—Sigma Tau Phi Coalition, and the Non-Frat Social Organization, with the Coalition grabbing all the gravy. The only barbs to get anything were those either "affiliated" with, or supported by the Coalition. In spite of a few usual and expected double-crosses, everything went off quite well even when the local Wilmington papers printed the new Student Council officers in their four p. m. edition, which was very interesting, especially in view of the fact that they weren't elected until seven o'clock that evening. But of course, that was merely a formality.

After the above elections had been fixed, the bodies cleared away, the promises for reform given and accepted for what they were worth, and the new officers—of all organizations—had arranged their graft budgets, we find our two roomies (remember, hmi?) still at it.

"Well, how about the intra-mural sports program? If you don't think Coach Joe Shields did one hell-of-a good job getting that thing started, you're crazier than I thought."

"Aw, that's stuff for the birdies. The inter-mur—"

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"Intra-mural, please—"

"Don't get gay, now, or I'll hang one on your noggin."

"Oh! Now you're gettin' rugged, again. Don't you remember what happened to you just on the preceding column? Boy, won't you ever learn?"

"Listen, buddy, nothin' at all happened to me, nothin' at all. If you really want to know who get the dirty end of the stick, just sashay over to yon silvery surface, and take a good look at yourself, that is, if you're not subject to dizzy spells."

"All right now, boy—"

We are rapidly approaching Nowhere. Let us leave these two playfull palsies, and consider the Intra-mural program. It was well-received, especially by the barbs, but there was some opposition to it in the Inter-Fraternity Council. This sentiment, however, was not expressed officially by that august body until April, when the new Council, under the guidance of its new officers, addressed a communiqué to our good President, Dr. Hullihen, in which they stated that unless the Inter-Fraternity Relay Race were allowed to be run next year, the support of all greeks would be regretfully withdrawn from the I. M.'s. Next year will tell the tale.

Another matter which attracted some considerable attention and comment was the Review, which fluctuated from bad to worse and back again and all over the lot, until it got to the point where it was even contemplated appointing some sophomore by the name of Harry T. Stutman to the thankless post of Editor. Things, however, were not quite in such a bad state as all that, and after some disgraceful publicity in Bad-Boy Perkins' pillar (the Sports Column of the Review) George Cooke was named the man, and from all indications, the paper is getting better and better every week. No stuff.

We just took a look at our two roomies. They're still at it, so let's consider something more peaceful.

May-Day, for instance. Every year, it is the custom of the cuties from the southern end of the Campus to elect themselves a May Queen and her Duchesses. And then they cavort themselves about the Maypole, in a manner which causes one—any one—to feel that they are all quite unaware of its significance. This, however, is not surprising in view of the senseless restrictions under which they live. It is perhaps pertinent at this time to tell all—or should it be kiss and tell? Anyway, the gals must be in by ten p. m. on any ordinary date. Heaven only knows what is the definition for an extraordinary one! The poor deluded creatures must be in within half-hour after a dance is over, which perhaps accounts for the reputation of the Delaware man as a fast worker.

Nothing has as yet been done about combining small advanced classes into co-ed sections, which would halve many a poor prof's schedule, beside freeing classrooms and making more advanced courses possible. But it looks as if we'll have to wait until the good Dean Robinson has a change of heart.

Let us, at this point, see what our two roomies are doing now.

"Why, you dirty son-of-a—"

"Hey, boy, you can't say that to me and get away with it. Not in the Blue Hen, you can't. Consider yourself censored."

"Oh, well . . ."

H. T. S.

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"Do you want to go down?"

"I don't know, my dilapidated friend. I am in no mood for losing my pants on this fine, cold day. I'll tell you: it all depends on who's in power down there."

"Oh, well. If the Sophs have the upper hand, then we have nothing to fear, and if the Frosh are on top, then we have nothing to lose but our modesty. I was never a great one for modesty. What say?"

"Oh . . . well. If that's the way it goes. I suppose we might as well."

On the way down, they disposed of their valuables and breakables, meanwhile eyeing dubiously the britisches-bedecked trees that lined the walk. Tall, stately, imposing trees, usually, but now somewhat ludicrous—as if they were so many deans or college presidents, all de-pantsed in a row.

A pugnacious little Freshman ran up to the smaller of the two Sophs. "Are you a Sophomore?" with one eye on my trousers. (Oh, well. You might as well know. It was none other than your Review's Reviewer.)

"Sometimes, son. Sometimes," I answered, mustering all the dignity I could with one hand, as I clutched at my belt with the other.

"Oh, that's right. You're a Junior." And the Rat scurried off.

At that instant, a young war broke out at my feet, and I beheld one of my outnumbered classmates being borne to earth and already well on the road to outraging and offending decent modesty. And the poor guy was all dressed up in his Sunday best.

In about 2 seconds I had dashed into the fray, scattering Rats and pieces of Rats about the battlefield. In about another two seconds I found myself embroiled with two of the largest sized gentlemen with whom it has ever been my misfortune to clash. First it was one. Then it was the other. In about two seconds later I lay daintily spread-eagled on the greensward, beset by six of the most courteous scoundrels I have ever known.

There was some delay while they figured out how my belt worked. It was immediately after the solution of this problem that the first evidence of their breeding asserted itself. One of them remarked, "There's a button here. Be careful, don't tear it."

My squirmings and upheavals were futile. My hands, arms, elbows, wrists, chest, stomach, hips, thighs, knees, legs, ankles, feet and toes were securely pinioned. I was slightly hors de combat. Although they were very efficient it was about fifteen minutes before the dastardly deed was accomplished.

Subsequent reports tell me I looked pretty good in there. I have my doubts, though. I'm never at my best without my trousers. However, once de-pantsed, I felt myself pervaded with a glorious sense of freedom, and set to getting my head broken with a vim. I don't know who he was, but I'd like to apologize to the Sophomore at whose unveiling I so eagerly assisted, under the impression, in my excitement, that he was a Rat.

An example of the above-mentioned courtesy: I was asked whether there was anything valuable I needed in the pockets, before the latter went up into the tree along with the trousers. Their single lack of consideration in the whole ceremony was the fact that they chose a tree just a little too tall for me.

The most delectable part of the whole matter was my being caught up in the aforementioned tall tree, minus my pants, by a very expert photographer. A fine view of the dignified contributing editor to The Review and the Editor of the Literary Publication of the University of Delaware. A fine thing. Yeah.

One more little item. The court-sesy of the Freshman Class is surpassed only by their naivete. They just couldn't get over the zippers. Oh, well . . .
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