THOUGHTS ON THOUGHTLESSNESS

This year’s Junior Prom Committee has formalized and recognized a factor in undergraduate life which we refuse to admit is necessary, refuse further to condone its abetting in any manner—

the fraternity-dormitory split.

The method of ticket sales proposed this year has literally divided the campus in two halves: men in one camp—dormitory men; and women in the other. These “halves” will stand in different lines, get different tickets, equitably distributed among all dormitory men regardless of artificial restrictions. The only thing of which they will be unfairly deprived is one semblance of class unity.

This Junior Prom is for seniors, it’s for fraternity men and dormitory men and commuters—and not the juniors at all.

If the JP committee had established as its sole purpose the encouragement of class duality, they could not have done a better—or worse—job.

The JP Committee, if it is interested in maintaining the integrity of the Class of 1957, and if it is willing to profit from the excellent work of the All-Tech Dance Committee, will copy the ticket sales procedure of that group—a procedure which eliminates favoritism, long waiting in lines, allows people to mix in any combinations they desire, and generally maintains the highest standards of fairness, without any “necessary evil.”

Under this method, any member of the class would be permitted to purchase a ticket. Those people wishing to sit together would apply as a group for a table, and the table assignments would be made on the basis of a drawing. Literally a footproof system, ready made, with only a few additional adaptations necessary.

QUEEN OF THE GLOVE FIGHT?

We note with some interest the fact that this year there will be a contest calumniating in the selection of a Queen of the Junior Prom, who will also reign over the Field Day exercise. The reasons: to interest upperclassmen in Field Day, to provide a social and cultural meeting place for American and foreign students, is open every day and evening.

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