

The way we

were...

Although I am not one of those who regularly plague your correspondence columns, a most distressing scene last night at the Tuck shop impels me to write. There were about thirty persons there at the time (about 10:30) and having a gay and pleasant time. But the terrible part of it was this. Of all the thirty people there, I was the only girl. And what's more, the boys didn't seem to miss their usual companions. They were all laughing and joking and smoking, and the place was full of smoke and noise. They all seemed to be as happy as if each one had a girl with him.

What does this mean? Simply that we are growing too confident, and that we forget that we must be awfully nice to boys if we are to be able to depend on them to take us out. If we don't, we shall have to resign ourselves to buying our own refreshments and sitting

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with each other. We can't do that. It's all right for some girls to talk about independence, but to do that is hardly fair. The boys seem to be beginning to realize that they can get along very nicely without us. Before it is too late, we must just act as charmingly as we can, or we shall be lost until next year's Freshmen come in.

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Seventy-three per cent of the students on this campus drink alcoholic beverages to varying degrees, a *Gateway* survey conducted this week indicated.

And, you may believe this or you may not, but the survey, based on a cross-section of 100 students, shows that while only 69 of every 100 male students drink, 81 per cent of the co-eds do.

But some of these co-eds admit they shouldn't; only 64 per cent of the girls approve of co-ed drinking, whereas 78 per cent of the males see nothing wrong with girls drinking if they want to.

Out of every 100 girls, 64 think that drinking contributes to a lower moral standard, 28 per cent say it doesn't, and eight per cent do not know.

Only 22 per cent of the males think drinking contributes to a lowering of moral standards. Of the rest, 71 per cent say it doesn't, and seven per cent do not know.

While the percentage of male drinkers is less, those who do drink generally are heavier drinkers than girls. Sixty-four per cent of the males go on "occasional binges", 19 per cent drink often but sparingly, 15 per cent drink very sparingly, and two per cent drink consistently.

Two per cent of the women

who drink are consistant drinkers; 42 per cent drink often but sparingly, 33 per cent drink very rarely and four per cent go on occasional binges.

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men who drink started after they were 21. The other 91 per cent — many not yet of legal drinking age when interviewed — started drinking at 20, and most of them in their later teens.

Only 73 per cent of the co-eds who drink started before they were 21.

Of those polled, 27 per cent of the men think fraternities contribute to excessive drinking, 56 per cent say they don't, and 17 per cent don't know. Of the women, 45 per cent think fraternities contribute to excess drinking, 42 per cent say they don't and 13 per cent don't know.

However, of those who said fraternities contributed to excess drinking, in both male and female surveys only one-fifth blamed this on the fraternities; the other fourfifths said it was the fault of the individuals concerned.

Of those who drink, 77 per cent of the men have been "high" or drunk, compared to only 30 per cent of the women.

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