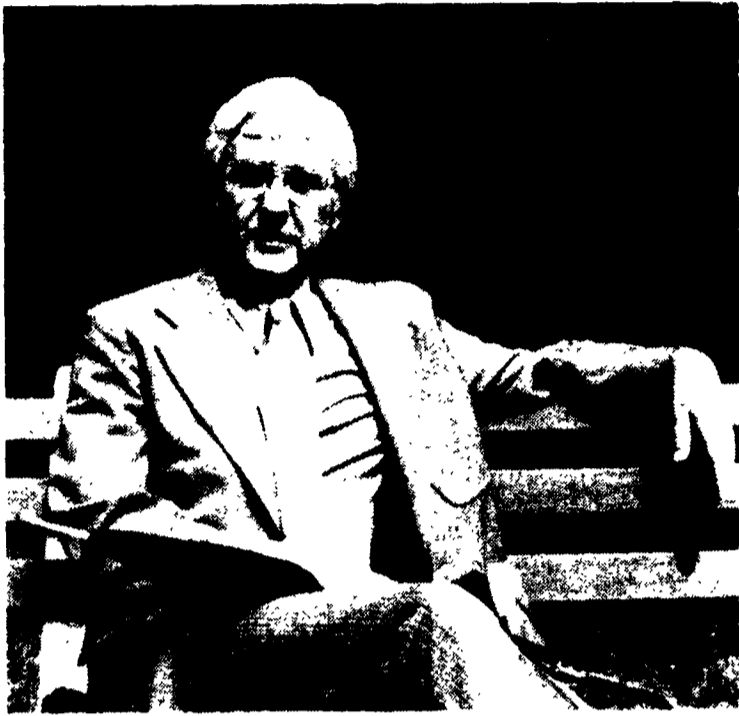


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Dean Lane, head of Student Affairs, solved the housing shortage at Behrend this year, but the situation may worsen in upcoming years.

Our growing pains

By Terry Derner
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With the total enrollment of Behrend College steadily rising, one has to foresee problems in order for this to become a bigger and better college. The problems arise in the facilities and their ability to handle the growing enrollment. These facilities include the residence halls, water, sewage system, library, and classroom space.

A problem that could be looked at first is the insufficient housing situation which is hindered by the increasing enrollment of approximately one hundred fifty people. They are waiting for rooms to open in the dormitories. In the mean time, living area has to be found for them. The problem for this year has been solved by Dean Lane and his staff at Student Affairs. However, in the future, the problem would seemingly become more acute.

A simple answer would be to just build another residence hall. All Behrend would have to do is float a bond until the residence hall paid for it. There would be no state or federal money involved. But one has to question whether a residence hall is really necessary. Seven years ago, twenty-five per cent of all resident halls in the United States were empty. The exodus was to apartments. People flocked to the apartment complexes and what they offered. The prices were

somewhat lower until the demand exceeded the supply. Then the rent of apartments skyrocketed. So, another exodus came from apartments back to the dorms. However, Penn State had been fortunate to have already filled the residence halls.

In recent years, Behrend, as State College, has been plagued for living area. Our administration has thought of building a low pattern apartment complex. If built, it would be located in the wooded area to the right of the ski slope.

Behrend has also had its share of problems due to the water and sewage system. More water was needed for water pressure and fire protection.

Additional water was provided after several years of negotiation with Erie.

Behrend was connected to city water by St. John Kanty Prep water pressure and, thus, fire protection was solved by the installation of the water tower. It is presently hooked up and functioning. The sewage system of Behrend is a treatment center.

So, problems have been overcome in order for Behrend to mushroom to an enrollment of approximately 1,700. Minor problems like residence halls are easier to solve than major problems like a new library, more classroom space, water, and sewage treatment. So, the question I ask you, "Should the priority of a residence hall be first?"

Students vote on . . .

New visitation

By Mary Schoen
Collegian Staff Writer

Not satisfied with the present visitation hours? According to Mr. John Giesmann, the resident community coordinator, the Joint Residence Council will be conducting a vote in a few weeks to see how the majority feels about the present hours.

A visitation poll, given to 357 incoming freshmen over the summer, had a response of 245. The poll showed that 33 wanted the first set of hours, which was 48 hours per week. There were 52 who chose the second set of hours which is 68 hours per week, while 55 picked hours number 3, also 68 hours per week. The difference between the two is that the second choice has Monday thru Thursday with hours 4 p.m. till Midnight and the third choice is Monday thru Thursday with hours 6 p.m. till 1 a.m. Five students chose choice four which was less than 48 hours per week.

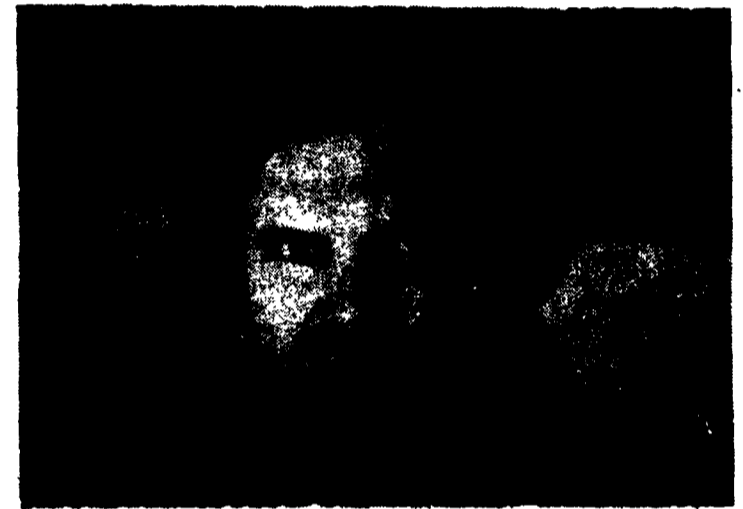
The third option is now in effect. The reason being for this is that Mr. Giesmann had to combine the freshmen poll with the results of a poll that was given to upper-classmen last spring. JRC will elect new officers on Monday, Sept. 22. You can then express your opinion to the new officers. Mr. Giesmann thinks that it was a good idea to have waited a few weeks before voting on the hours so that freshmen and transfers

could see what they would like. A JRC meeting will be held on Sept. 23.

If you're tired of studying one night and need a little diversion, stop down at the Niagara Hall Gameroom. Games such as Monopoly, Concentration, Sorry and many others may be loaned out to resident students with I.D. There is also sacks, sports equipment, pinball machines and even a popcorn popper with accessories that can be borrowed.

Something to look forward to is the dance coming up Saturday, Sept. 20. The dance is sponsored by R.A. Brion Gross, Ed

Mulkearn, Lyman Dewey, Jackie Podufal, and Jeff Doerr, all of whom are running for freshmen class officers. Also sponsoring the dance are three former JRC members; Ann Loiacono, Dave Moore, and Robert Curtiss. Admission to the dance is 75 cents and will be held in the Niagara Hall rec room from 8:30 p.m. till Midnight. A rock group from Meadville called "El Cid" will be the entertainment. The dance is open to all Behrend students. The gameroom will be open at this time and refreshments will be sold. All proceeds will go to the JRC.



Ralph Schoenman, director of the Third World Research Foundation, will lecture here at Behrend on the Kennedy Assassination. A showing of the famed Zapruder film will be included.

Kennedy lecture in Erie Hall

What really happened on that dark Friday afternoon in November of 1963?

This question has been thrown around for almost twelve years, now, and is yet to be answered to the satisfaction of the public. Next Wednesday evening Ralph Schoenman, noted lecturer and director of the Third World Research Foundation, will be at Behrend College to give his views on the Kennedy assassination and more. His lecture will include a showing of the "famed" Zapruder film.

Mr. Schoenman founded the Bertrand Russell Peace foundation in 1963, and also resided as director. He was also the initiator of the International War Crimes Tribunal and served as the Secretary-General. During his association with Russell, he represented that organization in negotiations with many heads of state, including Ho Chi Minh, Chou En-Lai, and Khrushchev. He has been imprisoned various

times for his political work in other countries.

In 1964, Ralph Schoenman organized the Who Killed Kennedy Committee in London. Over the past decade he has been active in the uncovering of various prominent political murder figures including John and Robert Kennedy, Malcolm X, Martin Luther King, and the attempt on George Wallace.

Little of the official "evidence" in these cases is compatible with the government's explanation. Mr. Schoenman reveals, in exact and overwhelming detail, the enormous body of facts that totally discredit the official version.

He outlines, in a lucid, factual, and documented fashion, the evidence that shows the marriage of convenience between various power groups over the last thirty years.

The presentation will be held at 8 pm on September 24, in Erie Hall. It is being sponsored by the SUB and admission is \$3 general admission, \$2 for students, and \$1 for students with activity cards.

For those who are interested, the SUB movie for this Sunday is "Executive Action", with Burt Lancaster and Robert Ryan. This movie is a dramatic preview of the Schoenman lecture and can be seen in the RUB lecture hall at 7 and 9 pm.

Candidate elections first SGA concern

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The Student Government Association (SGA) is off to a slow start this term, mainly because representatives have not yet been elected. Applications will be accepted until tomorrow, followed by general elections on Sept. 24, 25, and 26. Students wanting to distribute campaign flyers will be charged 50 cents for 100 copies; it was decided at the Sept. 15 meeting of SGA officers. This fee covers the use of paper and the use of the mimeograph machine located near the SGA office.

The resignations of Grant Walker and Pat Weldon were accepted from the positions of secretary and treasurer, respectively, at the Sept. 8 meeting of SGA officers. These positions are now available to

interested students.

The Behrend Security Department has requested support from the SGA by asking that it sponsor a letter-writing campaign to encourage expansion of parking facilities. SGA president Michael Woods said that it would be too late to start such a project this term due to unfavorable weather conditions. He proposed that a dirt lot be used to solve the problem temporarily. It was also suggested that staff use only the parking areas designated for them, in order to allow paying students to use their lots to full capacity. Behrend's Activities Fund has received an additional \$3700 allocation from University Park. Part of this will be used to finance student organizations under the auspices of SGA and various social events.



A bird's eye-view of Behrend College. Perry Hall and the Reed Union Building along with the rest of the campus are framed by a peaceful, country-like setting.