



Margie McLaughlin and Janet Connor aid Mr. Gallagher in readying the pool for the summer season. Reports indicate that it will be ready for July.

COLLEGIAN Suggests Honor System

(A recent editorial in the Daily Collegian suggested that Penn State adopt the honor system. Since the editorial staff of the Nittany Cub also holds this opinion, it feels that the editorial should be reprinted in part.)

The student leaders at the University of Florida have pessimistically said that an honor system is unfeasible on their campus because students fight for degrees and neglect education.

Joseph Riley, former student body president at Florida, said many students will go after a degree with little regard for how they get it.

To a certain extent, we feel this problem exists on the campuses of every university today, Penn State being no exception.

Many students do not understand, ignore, or never learn what "education" is. Education is regarded merely as a means to the end of earning a living, and other values such as truth and honesty get lost in the competition.

However, we are not nearly as pessimistic about the future of honor systems as are our southern friends. The experimentation with an honor system in certain courses within the College of Mineral Industries is apparently working out quite well.

At the beginning of the semester, students in certain upper class courses vote on whether or not they will take their examinations under the honor system. Assistant Dean John D. Ridge, who handles the college's honor system, said it was not made available in the lower level courses because so many students outside the College of Mineral Industries elected these courses. Ridge said he has not discovered a single case of cheating in classes which elected to take tests under the honor system.

We think that it would be entirely possible and certainly advantageous for other colleges to try this system with the eventual goal of establishing it on a University-wide basis.

We do not advocate that the University establish the honor system tomorrow or next week. The results would be disastrous.

But we do think that, in time, the honor system could be established with students benefiting from the increased personal responsibility and more concern for truth and honesty.

Dear Joan d'Arc:

I have admired you at a distance for some time. Please say you'll be mine. We could set the world on fire.

Sincerely,
A. Flame

Dear Mr. A. Flame:

I don't see how we could ever get together, and if we did our affair would only go up in smoke.

Painfully yours,
Joanie, the nymph of fireflies.

Letters to the Editor ---

The Sagacity of Hermes

It is assumed that the policy of Behrend Campus is to allow three cuts per course. After this, each cut could be detrimental to the final grade. It is in my opinion, and other students, that this doctrine should not be emphasized to the extent that it has been.

A college, being an institution of higher learning, places responsibility on the individual. Self-discipline and personal motivation are the keys to a successful college career. Using this as my premise, I believe that it is the responsibility of the student to attend classes. By not attending, he is only hurting himself in relation to the learning process. A person who can cut every class, yet walk in and obtain an "A" in a test deserves the credit due to him.

On the other hand, the administration will say that it is their duty to teach discipline to the students for their own future benefit. But it is my belief that this discipline rests on the individual. Eventually he will have to assume responsibility as an individual of society, and college should provide the means to attain this end.

— Edward Carney

Spirit Renewed?

Rah! Rah! for the college of the year, good ol' jolly Behrend High! Has everyone noticed the renewing of spirit at Behrend Campus? Is it spring? No! Is it due to fervent introspection? No! Is it because of emphatic ejaculations made by certain elite who are in the know? Yes? You've won a prize!

The spirit has influenced the student body to attend, en masse, the recent common hour program. Some students even showed their burning interest by bringing type-written themes of the speech to class.

The ever-dependable dorm girls revealed their long-hidden talent at the Variety Show, while the audience watched on with curious interest. Everything from Charleston to Charleston was included. Other than dancing, the varied artistic proficiencies were displayed in pantomiming to Charleston records, pantomiming to popular records, and records.

The spirit's most recent effect was shown at the high attendance at the Oedipus Rex film. Those who were sick and could not attend the performance strained their virused eyes to read the play.

Behrend's "intellectual clods" are so stimulated to the point that they have voluntarily interrupted jobs, studies, and family get-togethers to enjoy the programs which have been so graciously selected and presented by thoughtful overseers.

The undernourished judgments of an immature student body have been replenished by a responsible omnipotent spirit. Has this robust spirit replaced the "spirits" effectively?

— A former Viceroy smoker

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