

Editorial

One of the latest topics of discussion around campus has been the deficient grade reports which were sent to parents of students doing poorly in one or more subjects. It seems that many students don't like the idea of having their parents know that they are failing a subject and they commence to knock the administration for "publicizing" their grades. They argue that it is up to the student to inform his parents that he is doing poorly in school but, how many of these people would actually tell their parents

These people just don't realize

the importance of the notices. They are not sent out to give the parents a reason to punish their son or daughter but to let them know that he or she is deficient in a subject and that they should see to it that extra emphasis is put on that subject. That is why they are sent out just after mid-terms. The students have a half of a term to improve their grade. These students should therefore be praising the administration instead of ridiculing them.

Isn't it nice to know that the college has a special interest in your future?

Soviet Life Discussed

On Thursday, February 11, 1965, a lecture on the economic life in the Soviet Union was presented by Dr. Jan S. Prybyla. This lecture was on the University's Faculty

Artists Series to stimulate interest in the areas of art, music, drama, and literature.

Dr. Prybyla is an associate professor of economics at The Pennsylvania State University. He has been a member of the teaching staff since 1958.

Dr. Prybyla is a credit to The Pennsylvania State University. Continuing his education, he has received his bachelor's, master's, and doctor of philosophy degrees. In 1952 he was conferred the diploma of Higher European Studies in economics.

Job Offered

There is a job opening at the Erie Malleable Iron Company for a student majoring in Chemistry interested in working either full or part-time. The work will consist of test runs for metal and sand analysis. Anyone interested in this position should contact Mr. Walter Kreide, GL 2-6431.

S. G. A.

The SGA has received the club charters from University Park. These charters show recognition of Behrend's organization and will be displayed in the library.

The SGA elected three new members to the traffic court—Leslie Bloom, Roger Johnson and Bob Ronczka.

The proposed Student Handbook has been outlined. The SGA is planning to publish this handbook for next spring. The position for editorship is open and students are needed on the handbook committee to compile the information, write and edit the handbook. Anyone interested in these positions should sign the petition posted on the Erie Hall bulletin board.

Several members attended a meeting of the Behrend Alumni Association. Students, especially the Associate Degree students, should be aware of this organization.

S. G. A. ROBBED

Sometime during the evening of Wednesday, February 10, and the morning of Thursday, February 11, the Student Government Association's office in Erie Hall was robbed.

Unfortunately, a large sum of cash was lost; approximately \$300, including the wall safe which was also taken.

Everything was intact when Erie Hall was locked up for the night on Wednesday. But upon the arrival of Bill Cook for his office hour, on Thursday morning, the only evidence that a safe had been in the SGA office was two little holes in the wall, where the safe had formerly been secured.

Bill's alarm promptly brought numerous members of the State Police out to the Campus. Treasurer Tom O'Connor was summoned from home to evaluate the loss, and to give the details of the contents of the safe. The surrounding areas of Behrend were thoroughly searched in an effort to turn up the missing safe.

Mich. State Offers Courses

The Michigan State University will offer credit for overseas language courses for the first time this summer in Paris, Madrid and Cologne.

The three intensive language programs, scheduled from July 5 to August 20, are offered by the American Language and Educational Center of the Michigan State University Continuing Education Service, in cooperation with the Department of Foreign Languages.

Three Michigan State language professors will be on hand to

provide the instruction. A total of nine credits will be given for each of the courses.

In addition, noncredit language courses will again be offered in Lausanne and Neuchatel, Switzerland; Barcelona, Spain; and Florence, Italy. They will run the same time as the credit classes.

Priority will be given to students in good standing with two years of language training in French, German, Spanish or Italian. However, other students in good standing with one year's background may apply.

It was pointed out that both the credit and noncredit courses will be supplemented by optional lectures and trips to points of historic, cultural or geographic interest.

Additional information, including costs of transportation, tuition, orientation, passports, housing, meals and other incidentals, can be obtained by contacting Dr. Sheldon Cherney, Office of International Extension, 202 Center for International Programs, MSU, East Lansing, Michigan.

Workshop Is Attended

By Tom Krahe

A DAFT Conversion Workshop, intended for people familiar with FORTRAN programming, was held on Saturday, February 13, from 1:30 to 3:00, in Room 111, Boucke at University Park. Mr. Bedford, of Behrend Campus faculty, Frank Grabowski, and Charles Croskey attended the Workshop.

Availability of the DAFT Programming, language for the IBM 7074 computer system in the Computation Center, has been announced by Donald T. Laird, Director of the Center. Preparation of the DAFT compiler and associated system programs is the result of a major project carried out by members of the Computation Center Staff. Use of DAFT as contrasted with IBM 7070/70 FORTRAN will permit much higher compilation speeds and will also provide useful language extensions.

Programmers who have previously been using FORTRAN are encouraged to direct their future programming to DAFT.

Keystone Society

Six new members were inducted into the Keystone Society at their February 16 meeting. They were sophomores Jack Courtney, Roger Johnson, Al Ferguson and freshmen Michelle Bloxham, Charles Swedrock and Jim Brennan.

Keystone is sponsoring a tutoring service free of charge. Students interested in tutoring must have a "B" average in the subject they wish to tutor. Anyone interested should contact Larry Petroff.



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