EDITORIAL OPINION

The Nittany Cub is about the only commonwealth newspaper that comes out every week, but the issues may terminate soon. The Cub's sole support is S.G.A., and student government is going broke.

The trouble is, Dean Lane pointed out at last Tuesday's meeting, that S.G.A. is the benevolent financial support of almost every organization on campus. They doled out money generously last fall, until nearly all the money is gone.

The Cub needs over a thousand dollars a year to run. It has been suggested that ads be sold or that students be charged for subscriptions.

The point is that S.G.A. promised to provide adequate financial support for the Cub. It has always done so in the past. But now they are welching on their commitment.

To reorganize now would cause major headaches for the Cub staff. It is difficult even to get the paper out, let alone sink more hours into soliciting and producing ads.

As for charging money for student subscriptions, this is unfair to students as aell as impractical. There is no precedent for charging money for the Cub. And if students subscribe, it will entail either delivery in school or mailings to home subscribers. This automatically invalidates the monetary gains.

The editor and assistant have complained to S G.A. Their actual letter of protest appears in this issue.

If no action is taken by S.G.A., the Nittany Cub staff will cease to operate. This is to the disadvantage of students. It is also a blow against the Behrend Campus. A 500 student body should be about to support a modest 8 page weekly paper.

S.G.A. has only \$417.00 left in its treasury. Jim Bebko moved that the Cub be given \$350.00 of this sum, but the motion was later retracted. \$175.00 was finally granted but since the Cub is already in debt, this sum will not go far.

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