

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

In a recent issue of the Nittany Cub, there appeared an article which was somewhat critical of televised instructions as currently offered at the Behrend Campus.

I am directing this communication to you so that your readers might be aware of the attitudes toward televised instructions at the Behrend Campus.

We view televised instruction as an opportunity to enrich the course offerings, thereby making available to the students of this Campus a greater variety of course offerings than would otherwise be available. To date, courses that have been given at the Behrend Campus are courses that were not previously available to the students. The one exception is Psy. 13, which was previously taught by Dr. White. However, Psy. 13 is currently being given through the television media, with the concurrence of Dr. White. This method gives students at the Behrend Campus an opportunity to observe a number of experiments performed by the faculty at University Park involving children. It would not be possible to present this enriching experience to students of Psy. without the use of televised instructions.

To the best of my knowledge, in every case, courses which have been given by television are elective courses which the student chooses to enroll in because of his interest in the subject matter.

Sincerely yours,

Irvin H. Kochel
Director

U.S.S. PUEBLO--A RUDE AWAKENING

On Tuesday, January 23, 1968, four North Korean gunboats hijacked an American intelligence ship while in international waters. This incident should prove to be a rude awakening to those Americans who believe that the Communists desire peace.

The hijacking of the U.S.S. Pueblo was a blatant act of aggression against the United States. It demonstrated the ever constant threat to peace that the Communists represent.

Reasons for this aggressive act are not known, but some Washington officials believe it to be an attempt to divert American troops from Vietnam. Others see it as a derisive act to embarrass the U.S. Whatever the reasons, the Pueblo incident cannot be taken lightly.

Attempts to regain the Pueblo and her crew are being made through the United Nations. The results of these attempts are dubious. The U.S.S.R. has openly refused to help the United States gain the release of the Pueblo, and an official act of the U.N. to do so could not get past Russia's veto. In other words, Russia is thwarting every move to settle this incident peacefully, and is making a mockery of the purpose of the U.N.

Peaceful co-existence with nations who's ideology is one of aggression seems to be a dream not capable of being realized. Those Americans who burn draft cards and flags,

foolishly believing that the Communists are within their rights, and desire a "live and let live" policy, should awaken before their dreams turn into nightmares. Any nation that wants peaceful co-existence does not try to assassinate the South Korean president, along with other offensive actions.

Peace by appeasement isn't a liveable one. If the U.S. backs down from her demands concerning the return of the Pueblo, then she will never be able to stop backing down, and the Communists will push forward to "bury the free world".

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NITTANY CUB EXPRESSES GRATITUDE

Last term The Nittany Cub was published in the Basement of Erie Hall in a corner coat-check room. Floor space was limited to a minute 4'x4' area, and a single uncovered light bulb was our chief source of power and light. The staff really did not mind these conditions, because this actually made us feel as if we were a part of an underground free press, and the hope of moving into our new office made the whole situation quite bearable.

The new publication office in the Reed Building is our dream come true. Now completely furnished this office offers almost anything we could imagine in the line of equipment for a modern office of this type. To the people who made all of this possible we offer our humble thanks in gratitude for their time and effort spent to make all of this possible.

The CUB is able to offer praise along with criticism to make the Behrend Campus, one of which we can all be proud.

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