



Race Over, Time For Rest, Relaxation And Refreshment

Bitch-In Brings Boycott RUB Services Proposed

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The Student Government Association invited students and faculty to attend the S.G.A. meeting Wednesday evening. The results of this adventure remain to be seen but the S.G.A. deserves much more credit than they are generally given. Their behind the scenes work was viewed by 250 students, and their status soared. Nothing new was offered in reference to the "Behrend 3"—Cohen, Sansone and Spielmann. However, because of new developments, the S.G.A. moved to boycott classes unless administrative compliance to the demand for reasons of the 3 instructors dismissal is received. (See article by Bill McCloud).

COURSE SCHEDULING SUGGESTION OFFERED

The course offerings, primarily those in the spring term, are insufficient and cause overcrowding in classrooms. This was the second topic of the "Bitch-in" Wednesday evening.

According to their contract, instructors are generally required to teach three classes for two terms and two classes a third term. As has been in the past, most teachers take their two-class term in the spring. Student Body president Roy Kirkley suggested requiring teachers to take their two-class term Winter Term. Director Irvin Kochel feels that it's necessary to have some sort

of control over what courses students can take, and when they can take them according to their majors.

Bruce Behringer informed the crowd of 250 that the Student Services Committee of the Faculty Senate is publishing a pamphlet recommending and enumerating a procedure of control of course selections based on majors.

ADVISORS RAPPED

The students expressed their feelings that the academic advisor system needs revamping. They complained that their advisors had them taking courses they didn't need and were often not around during registration.

Bruce Freeman of the Academic Advisors Committee of the S.G.A. then read a list of regulations which will be presented to the administration. The list includes the suggestion for a seminar for the advisors to be held before orientation in the fall term.

LIBRARY SURVEY

Next week, the S.G.A. will circulate a survey concerning the library facilities at Behrend. The questionnaire will ask for the student's opinions on the facility of utilizing the library's contents, the currency of the books, and the adequacy of the library hours.

SUGGESTIONS CONSIDERED BY FOOD & HOUSING

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S.G.A. In Action:

Boycott Proposed By S. G. A. Over Behrend "3" Controversy

Wednesday night marked a first for Behrend . . . a crowd of approximately 250 dorm and commuter students packed into the RUB Quiet Lounge to witness and participate in what was probably the most dramatic S.G.A. meeting Behrend has ever seen.

Although discussion ranged from rent-a-cops to cafeteria hours, the outstanding issue of the evening was centered around what has come to be known as the "Behrend 3" . . . Frank Sansone, Steve Cohen, and John Spielmann.

This controversy stems from the University's failure to renew Sansone, Cohen, and Spielmann's two-year provisional contracts which expire at the end of spring term. Despite repeated requests for an explanation, Irvin Kochel, Director of Behrend Campus, has refused to disclose the reasons for non-renewal prior to the end of this term.

Wednesday night's S.G.A. meet-

ing brought the "Behrend 3," the student body, and Kochel together in a face-to-face confrontation.

Steve Cohen, in answer to questions from the floor, hinted that his dismissal might have stemmed from community pressure placed upon the University due to his civil involvement in certain "leftist" organizations. And on personal conflicts with Behrend administration, Cohen said, "The major issue here is what happens to faculty members who stick their necks out." He felt that the real reason behind the dismissal of the "Behrend 3" is that they became involved.

Although Cohen and Sansone both expressed a desire to be told the reasons for dismissal now, Kochel stated that those who made the decision felt that there was little to be gained at this time by disclosing the reasons for the dismissal of the instructors. He repeated his earlier stand not to discuss the issue until June. He

further asserted that the University is not bound contractually to disclose reasons for dismissal to the instructors, but he is willing to give an explanation at his discretion.

In response, the following motion was proposed by the S.G.A.: The S.G.A. strongly recommends that:

1. Mr. Kochel presents Mr. Cohen, Mr. Sansone and Mr. Spielmann with the reasons that their contracts with the University were not renewed.

2. The Faculty Welfare Committee be allowed to work out and implement a viable plan for the evaluation of faculty members.

3. If Mr. Kochel does not meet with these recommendations by the time of the S.G.A. meeting on May 13, the S.G.A. will call for a student strike of classes from May 14 to May 19. If no reply, the strike will be continued from May 20 to 26.

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Walker Says Tuition Increase Only Source For Needed Funds

University Park, Pa. — The Pennsylvania State University faces a year of austerity in 1970-71.

Governor Raymond P. Shafer's budget, released Tuesday, includes \$69,163,000 for the University—the same as the State appropriation for 1969-70.

In contrast, the University requested \$80,100,000 for the 1970-71 fiscal year.

The University's request asked additional funds to admit disadvantaged students, to increase wages and salaries, to begin new research and instructional programs, and to offset the cost of inflation.

Commenting on the budget this morning, University President Eric A. Walker said the Governor's Office sometime ago had cautioned him that, unless new tax revenues were available, it would be impossible to meet the University's request, regardless of its merits.

"We are already committed to admitting 500 additional disadvantaged students, and we are going to honor that commitment," President Walker said.

The University's request included a \$1,000,000 item for disadvantaged students.

The University also is preparing to accept a substantial number of other students to whom admission has already been offered, which will increase our total enrollment by 2,000 full-time students.

In addition to these programs, to which the University is committed, the University must find funds, estimated at \$500,000, to

maintain new buildings. The 5 to 6 percent cost of inflation means the University must generate more than \$3,000,000 to operate at the level of the present year.

Also creating a reduction in net funds available for educational purposes is an item in the Governor's budget of \$4,600,000 to cover the cost of the University's share of retirement, while in actuality the figure will be much higher for 1970-71. Social Security costs also will be higher.

"To get the needed funds, every existing program in the University is being examined in the light of new priorities," President Walker said. "This refers not only to University-wide programs but to programs within the colleges, where much of the additional money must be generated."

"Our preliminary estimates indicate that it will be impossible to raise the needed funds in this manner, leaving a tuition increase as the only available source of funds for general educational purposes," he continued. "As much as I regret this course, I see no other way to meet the demands placed on the University," President Walker said.

Complicating the financial problem of the University is the fact that State scholarship and loan funds were reduced in the budget request, and Federal funds have not yet been appropriated for loans, further increasing the burden of accommodating additional students as well as providing financial aid for needy students already enrolled.

"The programs we had hoped to begin or to expand are out of

the question without an increased appropriation," President Walker continued.

These included a bioengineering center, expansion of transportation and traffic safety research, counselor preparation for service among disadvantaged youth, community college-junior college teacher preparation, waste management, water resource and environmental geochemistry, control of dust and silica hazards in deep mining, and aquatic biology.

Deadline Monday For Caps, Gowns

Commencement is not far off! You may order your cap and gown at the desk in the Reed Union Building beginning April 27 at a cost of \$6.36. This includes your cap and gown. Please come prepared with knowledge of your height as well as cap size. Checks are to be made payable to the Reed Student Union. All orders must be placed by Monday, May 4th at 5 p. m.

The University has arranged this cap and gown service on a purchase priced basis rather than rental. Rental often means long delays at University Park. You may pick up your gown at the book exchange in the Hetzel Union Building during the week of graduation, up until graduation time.

Remember, the deadline date is Monday at 5 p. m.

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Players Present Grove's "Charade"

Spring is in the air and the Behrend Players are anxious to get on stage. Their presentation this term will be "Charade", an evening at the theater by Behrend's own Ellis Grove. "Charade" is a play in two acts and a prologue. The prologue is called "Counterpane" and has been presented several times in the area. "Charade" will be presented on May 14, 15, and 16 at 8:30 p. m. in the R.U.B. Lecture Hall. Admission will be \$1.00 and tickets go on sale soon. Come on out and be entertained, you won't regret it.