

## Two open letters to all students

Dear Students: Sunday, February 13, 1972

The Council of Presidents was held Saturday at Ogontz Campus and several interesting things occurred there. The minutes from the December 4th meeting stating that the resolution concerning Senate Policy 111-D-8 had been rejected was amended by a unanimous vote of the Presidents attending.

These erroneous minutes stated that the action I proposed be taken regarding student publications had been rejected. In actuality, the action has been taken and COP is now in the process of revision of the Senate Policy for the eventual submission to Dr. Oswald and the Senate at University Park.

These faulty minutes had been the source of much friction between the Press Association and the Hazleton Campus. I don't think any fault lies in the APS reporting facilities in that they received their information from a faulty source. But I think blame can be placed with the APS for the overreaction of the entire matter. It is this person's opinion that APS tried to push their weight around in an area in which they had no real jurisdiction. Their threatening letters to myself, the editor of the Collegian, John Roslevich, and letters stating our willing obstinence were sent to the body of COP. We object to these kinds of tactics and hope now that the matter is settled that subsequent communications will be the key to any kind of disagreements rather than "force."

Respectfully submitted,  
Paul J. Yanoshik  
President, Student Government

Fellow students: Sunday, February 13, 1972

I am writing this open letter to bring to your attention an unfortunate incident concerning this newspaper, the Press Association of Commonwealth Campuses, and the Hazleton Student Government Association.

In the Jan. 17, 1972 issue of the Collegian, we reported in an objective, front page story the apparent discrepancy existing between a Press Association news release concerning the Dec. 4 Council of Presidents meeting and Hazleton SGA President Paul Yanoshik's report of the same meeting.

Much confusion resulted over whether or not COP had passed the Hazleton proposal to amend Senate Policy III-D-8, governing non-chartered publications. The Hazleton SGA and the Collegian have repeatedly voiced opinions favoring the amendment of this policy, which would allow distribution of the underground newspaper, The Guerilla, on campus.

The news release stated that the proposal was defeated, while Paul was of the belief that COP had passed it. According to Paul the minutes were erroneous, and were corrected at Saturday's COP meeting at the Ogontz Campus.

I received a letter dated February 7, 1972, from Gary K. Fisher, PACC Vice President for Newspapers. In it he asked for a voluntary retraction of the Jan. 17 article. In view of the correction of the minutes at Saturday's COP meeting, the Collegian at this time feels that a retraction, voluntary or involuntary, is out of the question.

In his letter, Gary also said, "I hope you can too understand the potential danger to our news credibility you have created. If this was your purpose, I think you were successful. If not, and I hope this is the case, I trust you would want to correct the matter."

The truth is that the article in question was not written with malicious intent. Rather, it was meant to provide for our readers an unbiased look at a situation in which both the Collegian and the SGA believe firmly, namely, the amendment of Senate Policy III-D-8. The story was not written to destroy the credibility of APS, and if this is the belief of Gary and his colleagues, it is only for this that we apologize.

Hoping that this letter has cleared up any questions, I remain

Sincerely yours,  
John Roslevich, Jr.  
Collegian Editor

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## Everybody is a star

by Richard Rockman

The poet Aleister Crowley stressed the fact that "Every man and woman is a star." He wrote that "...every man and every woman has each definite attributes whose tendency, considered in due relation to environment, indicate a proper course of action in each case. To pursue this course of action is to do one's true will..."

"The physical parallel still holds. In a galaxy each star has its own magnetitude, characteristics and direction, and the celestial harmony is best maintained by its attending to its own business. Nothing could be more subversive of that harmony than if a number of stars set up in a uniform standard of conduct insisted on everyone aiming at the same goal, going at the same pace, and so on. Even a single star, by refusing to do its own will, by restricting itself in any way, would immediately produce disorder."

The above lines appear to contain the key to Utopia. If man would not interfere with his fellow man's "orbit," his proper course of action for his true learning experience in life, our world would be one of perpetual education instead of perpetual frustration.

Imagine a world in which you allow your neighbor to do whatever he wants without restriction. You might think this would be the worst possible thing to do. Does the very thought of it conjure images of people murdering and plundering without fear of penalty? Of course, people murder and plunder at this very moment without fear of penalty, don't they? Some people don't seem to know the meaning of responsibility.

But do we have the right to impose our will upon others? The answer is contained within Crowley's analogy. Can we truly say we have wisdom enough to push a star from its predetermined orbit without causing a cosmic cataclysm without parallel? No, we cannot. Nor do we have the wisdom to restrain a man or a woman from following his or her own path because we do not know what the true will of another person's soul is, or his true place in the scheme of things.

Yet, this is what we are doing to each other. We are binding our brothers' wills by imposing restrictions upon them. We make it impossible for our fellow man to function freely in order to gain experience, wisdom, and responsibility on his own in the short span of years he has to live.

We are CREATING irresponsibility in each other because we do not allow ourselves the paranoia-less freedom needed to LEARN responsibility from within.

If we stopped all restrictions on human activity today, we would not have Utopia by tomorrow. But we would be affirming our belief that man has the potential within himself to consciously evolve towards the Perfect Man and thereby the perfect society. In fact, this is what we MUST do to enable humanity to gain its own responsibility and trust in itself.

If we want man to reach higher pinnacles in his evolution instead of having his growth stunted, we must give each other total freedom in order to gain total responsibility. And it shall come to pass that every man and woman will be free to create in the spirit of joy, love, and brotherhood.

## A primer on The Harrisburg Conspiracy Case

### WHO ARE THE HARRISBURG EIGHT?

Three of them are Roman Catholic priests; one is a nun who teaches art history. The youngest of the Eight is a former Eagle Scout, the son of a college president. Still another is a gentle, lucid Pakistani scholar, an authority on Third World nationalism. Finally, a couple: a former priest, son of a Congressman; a former nun, a Fulbright scholar in French.

Their names:  
Eqbal Ahmad, Father Philip Berrigan, Ted Glick, Sister Elizabeth McAlister, Father Neil McLaughlin, Anthony and Mary Scoblick, Father Joseph Wenderoth.

Eight people who hate war.

### WHAT IS THE ISSUE?

The Department of Justice has invested thousands of agent man-hours in this case. It has coerced dozens of witnesses, made free and brazen use of wiretapping, manipulated a docile grand jury for a period of five full months. All this labor produced an enormously complex, subtly fashioned indictment - most of which is malicious nonsense.

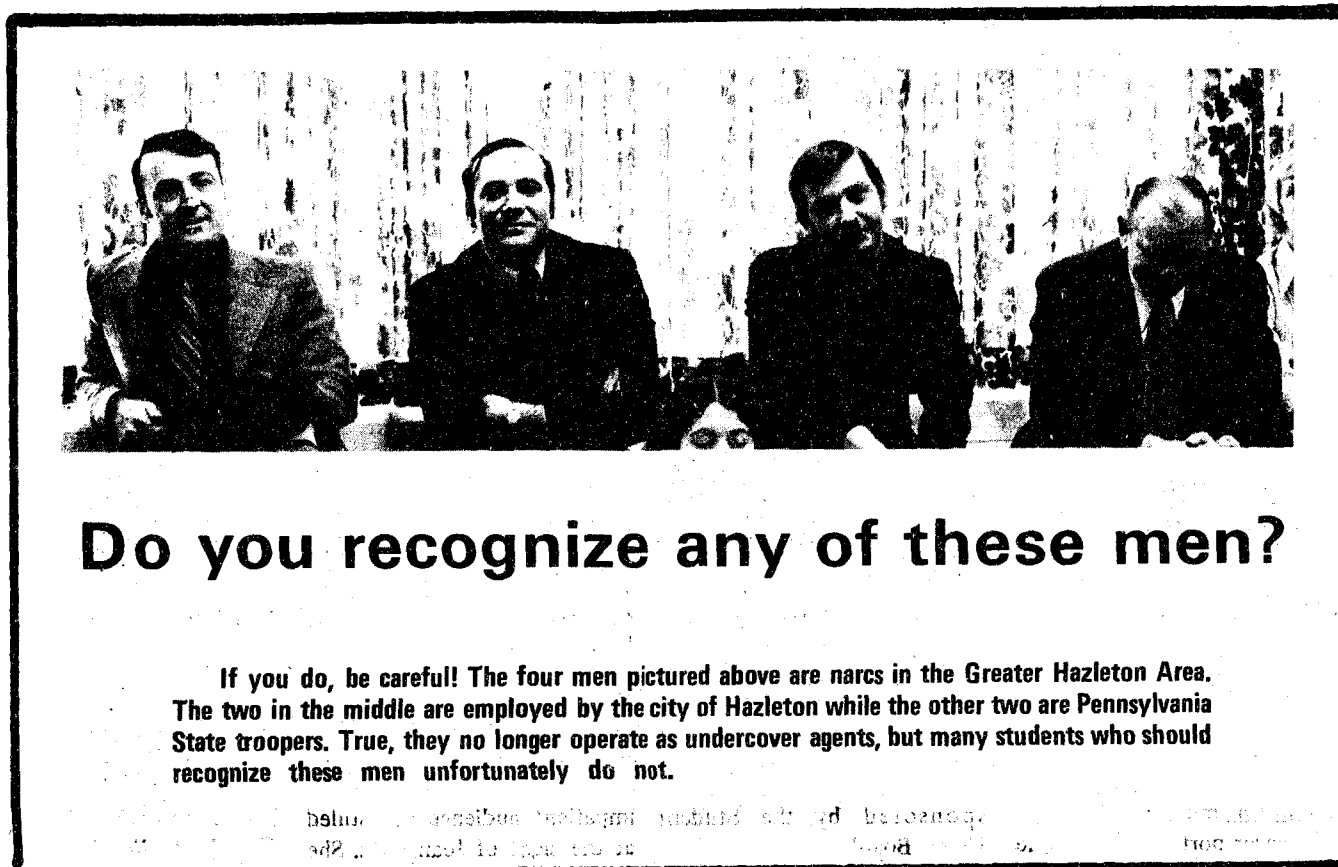
The Harrisburg Eight are not, as the government charges, conspirators or bombers or kidnapers. They are, indeed, resisters; some of them have gone past deploring the war to the point of direct action against its tools. But it not because they interfered with the draft that our government is staging this massive, costly show trial against them. It is because these eight men and women appeal powerfully to the roots of American conscience.

The issue, then is conscience versus power.

### WHO'S WINNING?

Nobody knows who'll win in court - but the real verdict won't come from the jury anyway. The government's goal is to use the fear of jail as a club against the peace movement. The government loses if the actual result of the trial is a widening of the community of conscience, a deepening of the spirit of resistance.

If you want to know more, if you'd like to help the defendants with the heavy expenses of the trial, write or call: The Harrisburg Defense Committee (in Harrisburg) 1004 N. 3rd Street Harrisburg, Pa. 17101... (717) 233-3072



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