

# FACULTY VOTES

## FOR NO

# REPRESENTATION

University Park, Pa.

Faculty members of The Pennsylvania State University voted overwhelmingly to reject representation by a faculty union.

In an election conducted by the Pennsylvania Labor Relations Board (PLRB), 60% of eligible faculty voted in favor of "No Representative," while the other 40% divided between the Pennsylvania State University Professional Association (PSEA-NEA) and the American Association of University Professors (AAUP).

Commenting on the vote, Dr. John W. Oswald said, "The faculty is to be congratulated in that an overwhelming majority of those eligible (over 93%) voted on this important matter. I am, of course, pleased that the decision clearly indicated a desire to sustain the current collegial system of academic relationships. We all, I know, share a renewed responsibility to work together to improve, whenever necessary, our current forms of governance, and to promote even more effective faculty/administration relationships. I reaffirm my commitment to work with the faculty to strengthen our collegial system."

Results of the balloting as announced by the PLRB were: PSUPA, 642; AAUP, 500; and No Representative, 1,712, for a total vote of 2,854. There were 49 challenge and one void ballot.

Approximately 93% of eligible faculty participated in the election conducted March 30 and 31 at 21 campuses of the University throughout the state. The PLRB had previously excluded the faculty of the College of Medicine at the Milton S. Hershey Medical Center at Hershey from the overall faculty voting unit.

A former HIGHACRES COLLEGIAN Editor-in-Chief, Donna Baver, is now News Director for WACM in Freeland, Pennsylvania. Baver was Editor-in-Chief during the 1974-75 academic year and was also a member of Belles-Lettres and Parnassus.

# MACHINES

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it amazing how something costing 51¢ actually costs a quarter? These demons must be math geniuses with a program too advanced for human minds to comprehend.

After the spring door type machine there are the "hungry" machines. These devils seem to have an appetite for coins. They will eat nickels, dimes, quarters, and anything one is stupid enough to give them without feeling any compulsion to burp up one item. There is only one game these fellows know and that is Russian Roulette; there is one product designated to be sold per day and the person being there at the right time wins while the rest of us spend the rest of the day paying for it.

Some machine seem to have an appetite for the products they contain rather than for currency. How else can one explain receiving a half-eaten hoagie or a half-filled carton of milk unless the machine was hungry and needed a snack?

When one does catch one of these demons off guard and forces it to give up something, it is like a tug-of-war with one person against twelve Cyclops to finally get the item.

Admittedly the aforementioned are some pretty frustrating situations that we humans must deal with but the worst is yet to come...

The worst type of machine monster has got to be the "cooperating" type. These are the machines that will very nicely take your money, coyly make those clangings and bangings that we all know to mean The Machine Is Going To Work, sweetly allow you to open the door, and give you NOTHING. It's like getting to 3<sup>rd</sup> in baseball, seeing the next batter hit the ball, and being in the dirt at home when the ball is caught in the outfield. Unfortunately, one cannot go up to a machine after the the game and beat it with a baseball bat. Well, one can but one looks rather silly doing it.

Speaking of looking silly,

these technological monsters would make great weapons for the world powers. They are the most effective devices I've ever seen for reducing a human being to a crumpled heap of screaming ob-scenities, totally helpless. Screaming is the only legal defense (beating a machine is illegal just like most other things that are enjoyable) humans have. And one looks quite silly and undignified screaming at a machine. Thus, by reducing one to this state the machine accomplishes his purpose.

I don't think it is too much to ask to get what one pays for (often paying more than one should) without having to do battle with these technological monsters. At least the machine companies could make it interesting and a little fairer by having pity on us poor humans and drawing up a stratagem for us, after all, we are paying for it.

# R.H.C.

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by SGA and The Student Affairs Office through a grant provided by Penn State. The conference covered all major aspects of student leadership. The event was enjoyable as well as educational and informative.

RHC Spring Fun Weekend will be from April 29 to May 1. Games and activities are planned for this weekend. A picnic at Hazle Community Park is planned for April 30. The menu will include B-B-Q chicken, baked beans, potato salad, chips, and beverages. Everyone is invited, but a normal dinner fee will be charged to those without a meal ticket. Reservations must be made by April 27. The picnic will be from 2-6P.M.

RHC elections for next year's officers have been held on April 6. The offices of President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer were filled by Greg James, Blair Althouse, Janice McNelis, and Ed Corrinato, respectively.

Congratulations to all.