

Lion's Eye



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Congressional Candidates Debate

By: Karen Gilligan and Karen Wallace

"I support the Supreme Court's decision on abortion," said U.S. Rep. Robert W. Edgar in a debate with John Kenney and Samuel Cinger, at Penn State University on Friday, October 8th.

Edgar (D) was re-elected to a second term over Kenney (R).

In the debate Edgar, the Democratic incumbent in Delaware County's Seventh Congressional District, said if we had total prohibition of abortion, manipulative means would be used to perform them.

"I am not for abortion on demand," said Edgar.

John M. Kenney, advisor and co-founder of Women Against Rape, said, "I support the strong human life amendment to the constitution."

Also on the platform was Samuel Cinger, a U.S. Labor Party candidate for the congressional seat, but he added little to the proceedings.

The belief of the Labor Party, according to Cinger, is that technology and the steel industry are the most important factors for the improvement of the United States.

"A top priority is aid to higher education. Only one cent out of every tax dollar goes to education," said Edgar.

He also stated, "I would support aid to higher education and I have already co-sponsored bills to do so."

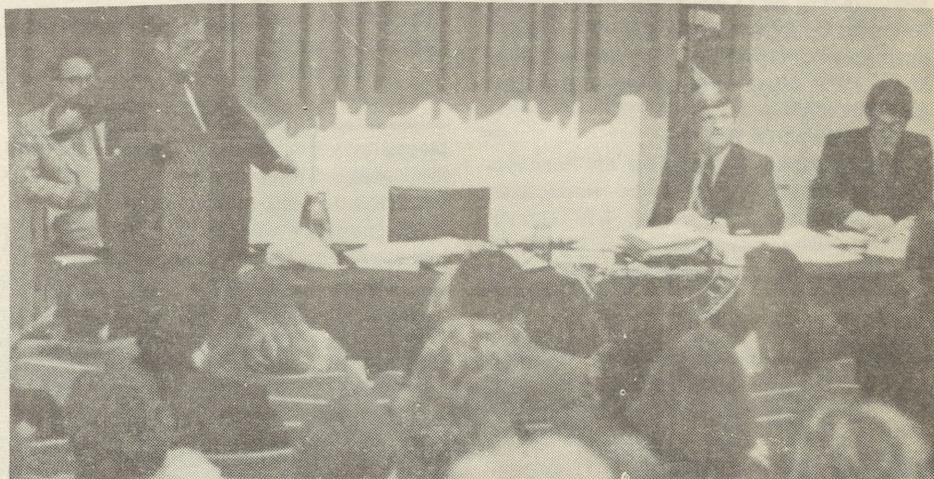
Kenney said he also supports aid to higher education.

"I still am paying off a loan I received to go to school, so I know the feeling."

Cinger commented he was for aid to higher education.

"We must increase the standard of living in this country." This seemed to be his over-all response to many of the questions asked.

Other issues which drew a reaction from the 75-100 people seated in the audience was tax reform, employment, and criminal law.



NEWS NOTICES

- * Soccer team clinches championship. See page 4 for details.
- * The Pipeline, written by U.S.A., is a new weekly publication on campus.
- * S.A.C. will sponsor a Coffee House on Friday night, December 10th from 8-12 p.m. Refreshments will be served.
- * 70 pints of blood were donated following the visitation of the Red Cross Bloodmobile on November 3rd and 4th. The bloodmobile will be back in the spring.
- * Dot Julius and the employees of Ogden Foods are making a request to all students to please leave the tables and vending area clean after using them. This is becoming an increasing problem being caused by students.
- * The U.S.A. is sponsoring a clothing drive from November 9th to 19th from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- * Registration for winter term will be held November 29th-30th. Classes begin on December 2nd.

LIBRARY NEEDS SILENCE

By: Maria McKelvey

There have been many complaints lately, criticizing the lack of peace and quiet in the library. Some students attribute talkative students as the main contributors to the noise. The electric pencil sharpener has also been cited as noisy and annoying; however, it has been replaced with a manual sharpener.

When Head Librarian, Sara Whilden, was asked whether she was aware of the situation, she commented, "It has been noisy on occasion." She observed also that Fridays and during the examination period were the noisiest days.

Whilden was asked whether she ever confronted students for being too noisy. Although she has gone around occasionally to quiet students, she feels that, "it's not my policy to police behavior. I'm not anybody's babysitter." She added further with a smile, "I have a degree in Library Science not Library Silence."

Whilden also mentioned that to try to alleviate the situation, she has gone to

the lounge to see how crowded it was and suggest the lounge to some groups who wished to talk. However, the lounge has been crowded, too.

Whilden mentioned also that people have a misconception about the library's primary function; not as a study area, but as an "information exchange center." The Library serves both functions. As Whilden mentioned, some noise must be expected with traffic at the circulation desk, and by students receiving information. "Conversation must go on. Loud whispers are as bad as open conversation," she added.

Whilden also feels that if students are concerned about the noise, they themselves could alleviate the problem more effectively by asking their peers to quiet down. "I sympathize with people who find it difficult to study," she said. At the same time, she feels that the students must establish the responsibility for setting their own standards as to what conduct is acceptable in the library.