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I. The New Chapel: Hort Woods Location

(First of two editorials on the new All-Faith Chapel.)

When the Department of Physical Plant last year wanted to chop off a bit of Hort Woods for a much needed parking lot, there was weeping and gnashing of teeth by both students and faculty. When the Board of Trustees this year announced it would drop the new All-Faith Chapel into the woods, it was like the calm after the storm.

Although there has been little overt criticism of the choice of Hort Woods for the new chapel site, there are surely many who quietly oppose it. And there are others who do not feel the selection of Hort Woods was wise.

Perhaps opposition to the Hort Woods site was sidetracked because a controversy arose over the architectural style of the chapel. Or perhaps those who opposed what they felt was the physical plant's encroachment on the woods are afraid to oppose the Board of Trustees. Nevertheless, some consideration must be given to the selected site.

Hort Woods' selection as the chapel site has been called the best inspirational use to which the woods might be put. This may be true, but who said the woods need be put to an inspirational use? We continually hear cries that Penn State lacks proper recreational facilities. Yet location of the chapel there might remove much

of the only suitable picnic area on or near campus.

Certainly, Hort Woods might be a good location for the chapel. Its quiet atmosphere and natural state would lend to good chapel surroundings. But there are some who feel the woods should be maintained—as a place for repose and recreation, or merely out of tradition.

There could be disadvantages to the chapel's location in Hort Woods. It would be far from most student living units, somewhat inaccessible, and hidden from many campus visitors. The chapel will need some type of parking area. Such an area would only take up more of the woods. A better location might be beside the University Library or on front campus, between Atherton Hall and Home Ec South.

Students are not consulted when the location of a new building is concerned, and there is not much reason why they should be. Yet, many students complained when the new parking lot was to be placed in Hort Woods. That opposition to the new chapel location might arise must have been considered before the site was set. Yet, no student group was contacted on the matter.

There has not been the amount of protest the trustees might have expected over the new chapel site. This does not mean some valid protest does not exist.

Tomorrow, consideration will be given to the present controversy over the architectural style of the new chapel.

Compensation: A New Form of Tipping

The main argument for compensation to student leaders seems to be that compensation is only a gesture of appreciation for a job well-done. In fact, this argument seems to underlie most of the arguments presented to bolster the paying of compensation, and for that reason alone merits consideration.

It has also been said a number of times that the paying of scholarship aid for merely the attaining of an average, or pure scholarship, justifies the paying of this very small amount for student leadership, or pure service. But, can the two be compared?

Compensation is so much less than a scholarship to begin with, and does so much less for the student than a scholarship. Moreover, student funds are being used to pay compensation, and not private funds as for scholarships. Anyone giving money to the University for scholarship aid can set the restrictions under which the scholarship will be given. Even more, the aim of a university as a university should be scholarship; though certainly a factor of need should be considered before a scholarship is given.

Yet, the main argument remains that compensation is merely a gesture of appreciation for a job well-done.

Certainly there are students in positions of

many duties and many responsibilities. And, it is not certain how adequately the jobs that are done are appreciated by the student body. But, how does one define "adequate"? What might be adequate for one student might not be adequate for another, if any be needed at all.

And certainly, most student leaders are not working for the compensation involved; many do not even know the amount they will receive before they receive it. Compensation is rarely an incentive, and when it is, it is all the worse for the organization involved.

How much of a gesture is the compensation that is paid? Is such a gesture needed? Are other gestures possible?

The factor most often forgotten seems to be that it is student funds that are being used to pay this compensation—compensation that is paid when payment is not necessary and which does not approach the value of the job done.

These are arguments against the paying of compensation; there are others against the very receiving of any compensation, though in the end it must be left to each individual student leader. Only the paying concerns us here.

Tipping is an old institution in America. One can only wonder what place that institution should have in student government.

—Len Goodman

Spring Carnival: Drawing Out Details

The Spring Carnival screening committee's rejection of 34 of 41 carnival applications because they were incomplete seems to overlook one thing: few groups have made complete carnival plans.

Before spring recess, the screening committee called for carnival applications. These were to include not only the name and theme of the booth, but specifications of the booth desired and the nature of attire of participants. The screening committee was established to assure carnival content is of high calibre. The committee has set about its work a little too fast.

The committee, in calling for applications, was asking for detailed plans before many groups had laid even rough plans. The committee wanted detailed plans five weeks before carnival night.

In rejecting the 34 applications, the committee said few were rejected for content. This is encouraging. Last spring's warning to groups participating in the carnival should have been enough to remove the over-emphasis on sex. The committee could take the chance that booths will be "cleaned up" this year. It does not seem too much of a chance.

If, after the first carnival night, some booths are still not up to accepted standards, those booths could be warned or closed the second night. Few groups, under this operation, would

risk hours of time and effort only to have the booth closed the second night.

Establishment of the committee was a good idea. And the committee's desire to do the job right is also good. But the committee cannot yet expect too much from participating groups in the way of detailed plans.

The Spring Carnival has overcome many handicaps so far. A reluctant committee could harm it. Let's hope the potential of this year's carnival will not be stopped now.

Safety Valve...

Attacks Collegian

TO THE EDITOR: Have you ever read a newspaper that consistently reports facts that are entirely incorrect or else entirely misinterpreted? Well, that is how I feel, after reading the Daily Collegian for six semesters.

The straw that broke the camel's back was your erroneous report of the result of the A.A. secretary-treasurer election. Maybe being only newspaper reporters, you are unaware of human feelings, such as those which come when a person is notified of a victory and maybe also, you've forgotten what it feels like to be told "it's all a mistake."

If this was the only occurrence of your incorrect reporting, I wouldn't waste paper, ink, or time in writing to you, but let me cite a few more examples: your misinterpretation of Dean Euwema's attitude on cuts, to which a reply was necessary from him; . . . your criticism of "Death of a Salesman," in which a student . . . tore down in one article what students in Play-ers had been working months to build up. . .

Next time I pick up a Daily Collegian, I'll remember to believe just the opposite of what I read, and maybe in that way, I'll be getting a little of the truth!

—Allene Seltzer

•Ed. Note—Maybe

Little Man on Campus

By Bibler



"He's one of the best teachers I have, but I jus' haven't learned a thing from him."

McCarthy Expresses Our Nation's Fears

By R. Wallace Brewster

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(Another in a series of guest columns by members of the faculty of the University.)

Senator McCarthy has become a power in the land because he gives expression to a state of mind which is shared by a substantial segment of the people. In him they find a leader who says and does the things which they think need to be said and done. Like all leaders, McCarthy has in his camp many people who are motivated by personal ambitions, but the presence of self-seekers does not detract from the broad base of sincere McCarthyites who seek only national salvation.

What is this social need which the Junior Senator from Wisconsin fills? It is protection from fear—fear of communist infiltration into our national life. It is a fear so intense that his supporters are willing to follow his lead in disregarding many of the ancient principles upon which the American free way of life is based.

The argument is that the danger is so great that the ends justify the means. Through some twist of values, the McCarthy group at its peak of influence became the patriots, and many of those who raised their voices in support of our tradition of protecting the individual from arbitrary harm were labeled subversives.

Judgment on the wisdom or folly of McCarthyism largely comes down to the point where we ask if the internal threat of communism is so great that it cannot be handled by the FBI, the police, and the courts, but rather requires a political approach complete with television cameras, radio microphones, and newspaper headlines. If the political approach through congressional investigations followed the customary rules of due process, wherein one is advised in advance of the charges against him, is confronted with his accuser, and has adequate chance to defend himself, then this choice of alternatives in facing the communist problem would not have to be made.

But the fact is that McCarthy has utilized a technique which is contrary to three hundred years of Anglo-American constitutional development as we struggled up the long hard road from autocracy to freedom. McCarthy's inescapable inference is that the method of freedom is too dangerous to maintain.

Since communism calls for the destruction of the values upon which the liberal society rests, a quick point can be made that those who use freedom to advocate its overthrow are not entitled to any consideration. The trouble with this argument is that it makes accusation and

conviction the same thing.

The whole purpose of due process of law is to assure a decent and fair procedure to individuals who are accused of wrong doing—people are not executed for murder when the information is filed but only after a careful trial. If we condone conviction by mere accusation then no one is safe, particularly when the accusers remain anonymous. Neighbor will inform on neighbor, children on their parents, students on their teachers, parishoners on their clergymen, and disgruntled army corporals on their superior officers. A nation which moves in this direction is pointing to the kind of society found under communist and fascist dictatorships.

In fact, the strategy of communism anticipates the use of anti-communist hysteria as a valuable aid in the march to power. Lenin's prediction on America is as frightening as it is astounding. Said he years ago: "When the American bourgeoisie, having completely lost its head, seizes thousands and thousands of people on suspicion of bolshevism and creates an atmosphere of panic, spreading broadcast alarming stories about bolshevik plots . . . we must bow and thank messieurs the capitalists. They are working for us."

In recent months, the opposition to McCarthyism seems suddenly to be growing and crystallizing. The President, some senators, many outstanding newspaper editors, radio and television commentators, labor leaders, clergymen of all faiths, teachers, and unorganized citizens are finding their voices to join in the cry of alarm over the damage which this experiment outside the American tradition has already done and will continue to do if allowed to go unchecked.

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