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## System of Appointments 'Lash-ed'

At last Thursday's Cabinet Lash Howes, president of the Association of Independent Men, made a plea for "new blood" in student government which made several people highly indignant and which caused quite a stir in what looked to be a routine organizational meeting of Cabinet.

Howes, his Cabinet agenda in hand, quickly scanned the list of Cabinet appointees for the coming year and bemoaned the fact that practically every one of them were prominent in one or more additional campus activity. In other words he was not pleased because only so-called "campus wheels" were receiving appointments from Cabinet.

Another situation which came under Howes' fire was the fact that very few independents were noticeable in the various groups who are appointed by Cabinet.

Howes wants to break new people into student government and to presumably spread the work load over a larger group of persons. He said he thought that there must be many students on campus who could hold down jobs presently held by students with three or four other activities.

Now this little speech had many good points. Student government would do well to have some new blood to go along with the old. Also, it would likely profit from having some more independents in its various groups.

However, as it was pointed out by Susan Hill, president of the Home Economics student council, it takes interest on the part of the students who are to comprise this "new blood."

She observed that very few independents apply for any Cabinet committees. This is certainly no way for them to get the appointments.

However, in all fairness we must say that perhaps—and only perhaps—there has been some sort of unhealthy precedent set up in past

years. Perhaps, little by little the group participating in student government and other activities also, has been decreasing in total number. This could mean that the people who are appointing and promoting are only choosing close friends, or fraternity brothers, or sorority sisters. This is one possible explanation. This is not an accusation of Cabinet or any other campus group.

As a matter of fact, we doubt that this is wholesale practice at Penn State today. However, we are quite sure that it is a practice which goes on. This goes on almost everywhere—not only on college campuses.

If you did as Howes did at Cabinet last week you would surely be able to find a major campus activity to put behind the name of all the appointments listed on the Cabinet agenda. This has led many people to the false belief that one of the prerequisites for student leaders is other activities.

This gets to the real problem with trying to inject new blood into student government. The constant picking of people with other activities has scared the beginners out. And they've got to begin somewhere.

Interfraternity Council President Daniel Land, at the same Cabinet meeting, voiced the opinion that he would rather choose someone who has already shown his qualifications by distinguishing himself in other activities rather than take a person who doesn't know what he's doing. This we take to mean a student who has nothing going for him but interest.

If this is the attitude of all student leaders then Howes' aspiration will never see the light of day. For if new people are not going to be given a try then they are going to stay away from the Cabinet Personnel Interviewing Committee and these same old names are going to be appearing on Cabinet agendas for years and years to come.

## Learn About Health Service

The students are not properly informed about the University Health Service.

This answers one of the questions discussed at Student Encampment by the workshop on communications and health service. Several recommendations were made by the workshop group, most of which we feel would greatly aid the efficiency of the program from the student standpoint.

The group also discussed the general standing of health knowledge for the average student. It was decided that it is far from what it should be. We agree with this opinion, and feel that steps should be taken to correct it.

One of the most important suggestions made by the workshop was in line with corrections for this condition. It said that "the required freshmen health courses should be revised to include emphasis on taking responsibility for dental and health care in community living."

At present the freshmen health courses delve deeply into various diseases, their causes, and their cures. It would seem that, unless one were training to be a doctor or nurse, it would be more valuable to be taught that if a person has a temperature, he should be taken to a doctor.

The average student at the University has received medical and dental care without knowledge of its cost. He takes it for granted, and often does not realize how often he should be regularly sent to a doctor or dentist for proper health care.

The freshman health courses should be altered to teach students a basic understanding of health in the home and community living. They should be taught how to care for the health needs of a family through proper and wise use of dentists and doctors.

If the course were changed to give a thorough education in these fields, the University could

more adequately provide citizens who would be an asset to the community in which they live.

In addition to the discussion of health education, the members of the workshop made several suggestions which might improve the students understanding of our health service.

One of these was that hat society counselors be informed concerning the health service program and discuss it fully with freshmen during the orientation program.

This would definitely help students understand what the service offers, and what things cannot be treated through the service. According to Dr. Herbert R. Glenn, director of health service, many students do not understand what the service should be used for.

We believe that students would benefit from a better understanding of the health service. This also might be aided by including information about dental care and its necessity in the health service pamphlet which is sent out to incoming students and their parents.

Since many of the incoming students, according to Dr. Glenn, show a lack of proper dental care, it would be advisable to give any information necessary to parents concerning health of students who will be attending the University.

We feel that the hat societies could contribute a great deal to the understanding of the health service by the student body. This would be a worthwhile project for some organizations who are not always kept busy. Class advisory boards could also make this a worthwhile project.

Only if the students have a thorough knowledge and understanding of the service can they complain of its inadequacies. These inadequacies often represent ignorance on the part of the student body rather than actual lacking on the part of the health service.

—Sue Conklin

## Safety Valve . . . Too Much Power?

TO THE EDITOR: In response to Miss Conklin's editorial in last Thursday's Collegian urging the abolishment of the student Supreme Court because All-University Cabinet should be "supreme," one can recall the words of James Madison in "The Federalist No. 47":

"The accumulation of all powers, legislative, executive, and judiciary in the same hands,

whether hereditary, self-appointed, or elective, may be justly pronounced the very definition of tyranny."

The quotation speaks for itself. Of course, Madison was a radical and revolutionary of his day, and Cabinet in its infinite wisdom may see fit to disregard such "rabble-rousing" and incendiary writings.

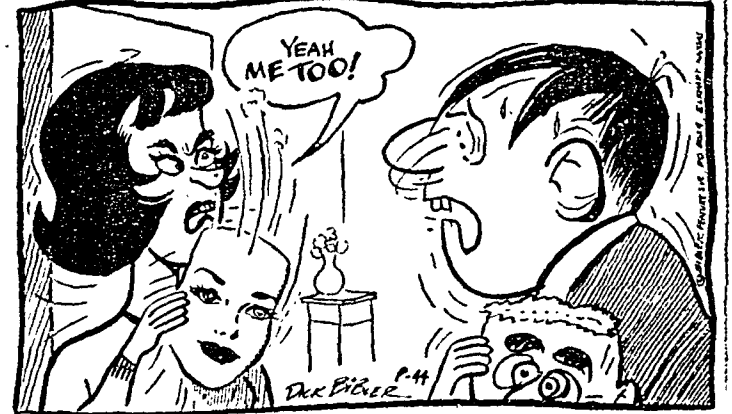
—Thomas R. Dye

## Gazette

Today  
AIM JBR Meeting, 7:30 p.m., 203 HUB  
ANGEL FLIGHT, 7:30 p.m., 214 Willard, active members only  
ARNOLD AIR SOCIETY, 7:30 p.m., Delta Upsilon, Class "A" uniforms required  
BIZ AD BULLETIN staff candidates, 7 p.m., 11 Sparks  
BUSINESS OFFICE staff, 6:30 p.m., 108 Willard  
CHRISTIAN SCIENCE ORGANIZATION, 7 p.m., 104 Chapel  
CLOVER CLUB meeting, 7 p.m., 109 Weaver  
DAILY COLLEGIAN promotion staff, 7 p.m., 103 Willard  
GAMMA SIGMA, 7:30 p.m., 212-213, HUB

JAZZ CLUB, 7 p.m., 121 Sparks  
MINERAL INDUSTRIES Student Council, 7 p.m., 104 Willard  
MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE, 8:10 a.m., Helea Eakin Eisenhower Chapel  
PENN STATE BRIDGE CLUB, 6:20 p.m., HUB card room  
UNIVERSITY CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION Cabinet Executive Committee, 2 p.m., UCA conference room, Helea Eakin Eisenhower Chapel  
WOMEN'S JUDICIAL BOARD, 6:15 p.m., 213 HUB  
YOUNG REPUBLICANS CLUB, 7 p.m., 209 HUB  
ENGINEERING Student Council, 7 p.m., 217 HUB

## Little Man on Campus by Bibler



### Interpreting the News

## Nasser's Finances Steadily Growing

By J. M. ROBERTS

Associated Press News Analyst

Behind the scenes as Britain and France seek to put full steam behind their Suez policies is a matter of money as well as principles.

Every day that the discussions delay the final showdown puts Egypt's Nasser in better shape at a point where he is weakest—the pocketbook.

Before nationalization of the canal Egypt was getting about seven per cent of its take. Now it's about 40 per cent. The rest, paid by countries which refuse to let their ships pay Nasser, goes into the blocked accounts of the old Suez company in Britain, France and now the United States.

The old company has no intention of paying Nasser anything out of these funds. Nasser has no intention of paying off the old company's shareholders until there is a settlement of the overall political question of the canal.

Then he intends to claim the blocked funds and use them to pay off. Right now they amount to some 55 million pounds and are growing. About 64 million is needed on the basis of the estimate of share values when nationalization was decreed. Thus Nasser, if he continues to operate the canal for a while, will by his own bookkeeping get the waterway for nothing.

The status of the blocked funds under international law, however, is a matter that may be long in solution.

But every day that he holds on between now and any settlement which recognizes Egypt's sovereignty over the canal puts Nasser in better shape to withstand the economic forces which the Allies are preparing to bring against him. That's why the United States is cutting off payments by her ships.

The decision of Britain and France to press the issue before the United Nations, getting the machinery started even while the users' association is still being organized, indicates the speed they consider necessary to parry Nasser's consolidation of his position.

There is no expectation that the Security Council will be able to adopt any resolution in the face of Russian support for Nasser.

There is no indication that there is sufficient pressure in the users association to drive Nasser from his position.

All the steps now being taken by the Allies can, therefore, be considered as designed primarily to prepare a record which can be used as background for more direct action. Secretary Dulles has warned

that the United States cannot be expected to stand indefinitely between Nasser and the desire of her Allies for that action.

## LaVie Photo Dates Listed

LaVie, Senior yearbook, has announced the dates for seniors to have their pictures taken for the 1957 yearbook.

All pictures will be taken at the Penn State Photo Shop, 214 E. College avenue.

The schedule is: Agriculture, Sept. 24-Oct. 2; Business Administration, Oct. 3-Oct. 11; Chemistry and Physics, Oct. 12-Oct. 18; Education, Oct. 19-Oct. 29; Engineering and Architecture (A-M), Oct. 30-Nov. 7; Engineering and Architecture (N-Z), Nov. 8-Nov. 14; Home Economics, Nov. 15-Nov. 20; Liberal Arts, Nov. 26-Dec. 6; Mineral Industries, Dec. 7-Dec. 13; and Physical Education and Athletics, Dec. 7-Dec. 13.

## Bahrenburg Announces Committee Appointments

Ten students have been appointed to All-University Cabinet committees, it was announced by Robert Bahrenburg, president.

Appointed to the coffee hour committee were Diane Davis, chairman, Janet Townsend, and Val Kopack.

Robert Stroup was named chairman of the Leadership Training committee. Others on the committee are Nancy Scholl, Carol Palmer, Beau Barnes, Gene Curry, and David Ritchie.

## Eng Prof Nominated

The Engineering Student Council will meet at 7 tonight in 217 Hetzel Union to hear a report from the council's representative at the National Student Association convention in August.

The necessity of changing the council's scholarship to meet increased University fees will be discussed.

## MI Council to Meet

The Mineral Industries Student Council will meet at 7 tonight in 104 Willard.