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## Cabinet May Come to the Students

At Cabinet Thursday night several interesting ideas were brought forth out of the report of the Encampment workshop on "Making Student Government More Effective."

The report, presented by workshop chairman Sue Hill, concentrated a great deal of its efforts toward communications. Apparently the workshop felt that this was a very basic fault in the present system. If this is how they felt they are right. If the students don't have a chance to know they will not be interested. And lately there seems to be a trend toward getting "new" students informed of the administration's problems.

Yes, the workshop report had many interesting suggestions on how to better communicate between student government and the student. However, in the main, the bulk of the report was either impractical or redundant.

One recommendation was that all sessions of All-University Cabinet be preceded and followed by coverage by WDFM, WMAJ, and The Daily Collegian. Speaking for the Collegian, Cabinet gets its share, if not more, of publicity right now. No great expansion can be made in this field. Since most students can't hear WDFM at present any more coverage from this point might look good on paper but would be impractical. The only comment on WMAJ is that it may have certain quotas set up as to how much University news it broadcasts. However, this field might be ripe for progress.

This is just one of the recommendations. There were others almost as meaningless.

However, one good thing did come out of the report. This was not even among the original recommendations but was thrown before Cabinet spontaneously by Harry Martini, Junior class president, and we think it represents a step in the right direction.

This recommendation, which was tacked on the end of the others provided that Cabinet give consideration to a plan whereby certain

Cabinet meetings would be broadcast over WDFM and that the more important meetings be held in a large room such as 121 Sparks and special effort be made to encourage student attendance.

As Martini termed it, this would be a "special production" but would retain all the seriousness and dignity which surrounds a regular Cabinet meeting.

This seems to be a very good move. The real valuable part is the last because it is something that has been overlooked in the past when improvements were being called for.

There has always been a need for students to know more about student government. However, the big step has been always left up to the students. They have been invited to attend Cabinet meetings but they never came. They have been told the channels to follow to get into student government work. Many never took advantage of these.

This is because many of these sought-after students need a push. They need to be led by the hand.

There are some who are of the opinion that if a student does not have the initiative to go after a knowledge of student government then he doesn't deserve to get it.

This is a nice rough attitude which undoubtedly assures that you will get interested people into student government but it is also an attitude which allows many capable people to slip by.

"Staging" a Cabinet meeting or two in 121 Sparks and freely publicizing it will be bringing student government to the students on a silver platter. By holding it in a large room it will take away the feeling that students must have that they are treading on hallowed ground when they walk into a Cabinet meeting in 203 Hetzel Union.

A move like this will do more than pleading editorials or polite urgings will ever do.

—The Editor

## TIM—Ready for Cabinet? No

When less than 60 students attended the first meeting of the Town Independent Men last Wednesday night, many of TIM's officers were openly jubilant about the 'gigantic' turnout—and in comparison with last year's attendance, they had a perfect right to be.

However, the most rabid optimist will admit that the attendance of but 60 out of approximately 6000 Independents living down town leaves much to be desired.

Why is it that so few bother to exercise their right to voice their opinion on matters that concern all town indies? Perhaps the answer is twofold.

In the first place, some of the students that move downtown do so expressly to get away from all activities save eating, sleeping, and studying. They do not care a whit about student government, as long as they are given the opportunity to practice their three necessities, they aren't much interested in who runs the University.

Nevertheless, judging from all the complaints heard downtown about things that do not fall into the aforementioned categories, not all TIM's are in this class.

Perhaps the complainers stay away because they think that student government is an impotent function at best. They may point to such things as the vetoed Penn holiday and the parking problem as examples of the futility of student government.

These individuals probably do not realize that many rights and privileges which they take for granted are actually products of student government.

For example, consider the student controlled disciplinary bodies—Tribunal and Association of Independent Men Judicial Board of Review. In many another institution, a minor infraction would bring a quick audience with the dean, not a hearing before peers.

Even when the administration does not adopt every recommendation given it by All-University Cabinet, people active in governmental organizations will receive an explanation of the ruling given.

During the year, representatives of the administration will address TIM meetings concerning their views on various issues of current debate. In fact, this is one of the best opportunities that the administration gets to present its side of the story. Student government works both ways.

At the moment, TIM is pointing toward a seat on Cabinet. With a 60 student active membership, their chance of obtaining it is slightly better than that of the chess club, which draws 20 or 30 members to its meetings.

That the 6000 town indies deserve a seat on cabinet is indisputable. But, that they will not get it with 60-man meetings, is also indisputable.

So, TIM's, get behind your organization—the conditions you improve may be your own.

—Jack McArthur

## Safety Valve

### Refusal Is Not Reasonable

TO THE EDITOR: There IS a solution to the problem of no half-holiday. Before I present this solution, I would like to review the problem as it was presented by the deans.

When the deans of the colleges decided that no half-holiday would be declared for the Penn game they gave as their reason the fact that it would involve the student body's being in possible danger. They said that if a half-holiday were declared, those classes that are missed would have to be made up in the afternoon before the Thanksgiving recess. This would mean that most students would be traveling late at night in a time of the year when there is a possibility of bad weather.

This seems to be the major bone of contention

and a justifiable one. Here is my solution. Why couldn't we make up those classes on a free Saturday after the Thanksgiving recess. Thus the danger of a late dismissal on the Wednesday before Thanksgiving would be eliminated.

Another item that may be causing doubt in many of the deans is the slow sale of tickets. I feel justified in speaking for many freshmen in saying that most of us were waiting for the half-holiday to be declared before purchasing our tickets.

I am ready and willing to appear before any group to more fully discuss my ideas.

If there still is a reason not to declare a half-holiday, it must be a reason beyond all reasoning.

—Wells Hunt

## Gazette

Monday PENN STATE MODEL RAILROAD CLUB, business meeting, 6:30 p.m., 215 HUB.

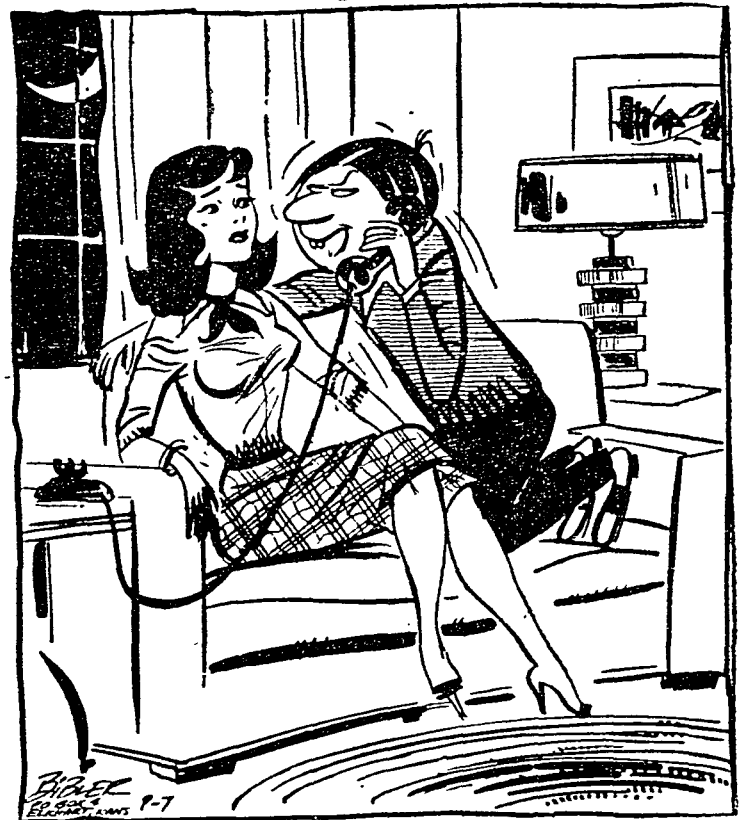
Tuesday AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR METALS, 7:30 p.m., Delta Sigma. BOOK EXCHANGE, all boards, 7:00 p.m., 202 Willard.

ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING SOCIETY, student-faculty mixer, 7:00 p.m., 119 EE.

University Hospital Charles Beck, George Brougham, Richard Bullock, Curtis Carroll, Thomas Hart, Herbert Hayes, Robert McCash, Margaret McCloskey, Neal Nelson, Earl Romigh, Mary Lou Rowe, Alfred Taylor.

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## Little Man on Campus by Bibler



"I know it's late, coach, but I'm practicing a few 'plays'."

### Interpreting the News

## Tito Visits Russia Reports Don't Fit

By J. M. ROBERTS

Associated Press News Analyst

Somehow or other, reports from Europe that Marshal Tito has gone to Russia to intervene in Russian internal affairs just don't seem to fit.

That would mean Tito's formal re-marriage to international Communism and an end to his effort to carry Rus-

sian water on one shoulder and Western water on the other, a policy which has been too beneficial for him to drop overnight.

If Nikita S. Khrushchev and Nikolai A. Bulganin are in trouble with the Stalinist old guard of the Soviet, it is hard to see how Tito, that old guard's long-time enemy, could be expected to persuade it that the downgraders of Stalin are correct.

We have in these European reports a recurrence of previous ones that things are bad in Russia and the satellites to the point of some sort of break. Over the years such reports have proved to be merely wishful thinking.

Western observers have doubted all the time that the so-called cooperative government in Russia would prove permanent, or that the Viacheslav M. Molotov forces would accept downgrading without a struggle. That struggle may well be going on under cover. It's the Tito angle which seems incongruous.

From this distance it seems more logical that Tito himself is either in trouble or else mad about recent criticism of his politics from Russian sources.

His Yugoslav party has been accused of not being truly Communist, which he may consider a violation of the "co-existence" agreement with Khrushchev. Tito may be insisting that the international Communists keep their fingers out of his pie, as they promised when they agreed that their's was not the only road to Communist goals.

There is also the possibility that the Kremlin still considers Titoism a subversive element among the satellites, and is trying to persuade him into greater neutrality on such issues as satellite autonomy. Khrushchev may be frightened at the results of his limited liberalization movement.

Tito, whatever else you may think about him, has been a pretty shrewd operator. He backs his plays with courage.

It is unlikely that he would make a sudden, flying trip to Russia without realizing it would enhance the suspicion of him which already exists in the West. Something very important to him is at stake or he would not take the risk.

At the moment all discussion of it must remain purely speculative. But Tito just doesn't look like a logical mediator in Russian internal politics right now.

## Walker Cites Youth Shortage In Industry

A shortage of intelligent young men and women may curtail this country's industrial progress, Dr. Eric A. Walker, vice president and president-elect of the University, told Chicago high school students yesterday.

Speaks at Fair

Dr. Walker spoke at the Atomic Fair for High School students, which was held as part of the Atomic Industrial Forum of 1956 and the 1956 Trade Fair of the Atomic Industry.

Urging the students to take an active part in opening the frontiers of science, Dr. Walker told the group they need not fear the possibility of having nothing to do.

Science Field Open

The field of science always needs young people with the capacity for developing new ideas and the desire to do so, he said. "Each time we make a dent in the surrounding blanket of ignorance, we do not reduce or eliminate areas of fruitful research, but rather discover new ones," he explained.

Dr. Walker was scheduled to make an inspection tour of the Ogontz Center Campus yesterday, and return to the University today.

## Fellowship Candidates To Take Examinations

Candidates for assistantships and fellowships for the fall of 1957 may take the Graduate Record Examination Nov. 17.

Bulletins of information and application blanks are available in 117 Buckhout.

Applications must be received at Educational Testing Service, 20 Nassau St., Princeton, N.J. by Wednesday.

## Tonight on WDFM

Tonight on WDFM  
6:55 Sign On  
7:00 Musical Marathon  
8:30 Just For Two  
9:30 Hi-Fi Open House  
11:00 Sign Off  
Sunday on WDFM  
6:55 Sign On  
7:00 The Third Program  
11:00 Sign Off