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Should College Football Be Deemphasized?

The Daily Collegian today prints an editorial debate: "Should football be deemphasized?" As one of the guest editorials points out, this is the season football gets the brickbats. When the players are on the gridiron in the fall, football is praised.

The problem will probably never be solved. There's a similar problem at Penn State. But here it could possibly be: "Should football be given more emphasis?"

One thing that needs to be pointed out that neither editorial mentions: that football usually has to support most of the other sports. And losing teams, of course, don't raise the gate receipts winning teams do.

The editorials are from the daily newspapers at Michigan State College and the University of Washington.

Big-Time Football Here to Stay

It is now open season on football players. Complaints against college football, rather subdued before the roar of thousands of happy . . . fans during the football season, are now blossoming forth in their faithful annual appearance.

The one cure suggested this year for this "monster" of the campus is the same one proposed last year and the year before that—and the year before that. It is, of course, deemphasis.

However, there are some good reasons why college football should and will stay basically the way it is now.

For one thing, it provides a large dose of happiness for a large number of people. Last season an all-time high of 566,093 people saw Michigan home games.

Few, if any, were forced to listen. The Sunday papers carried extensive word and picture accounts of the games.

Few, if any, were forced to read. The people went, listened and read because they liked the 1956 brand of college football.

Interest on campus was so high that even a pep rally drew thousands of students. It is clearly evident that no other organization or event on campus comes close to matching football in interest. No other event so binds the student body together. No other event so moves emotion that a few cry in victory and in defeat.

Not only were the games important to the students and alumni but to thousands of citizens who have never attended the University nor attended a Michigan game. They were exciting to many whose daily work is boring and

unrewarding. They were important to people sick at home and in the hospitals.

Many of Michigan's staunchest supporters are those whose only identity with the University is through the football team.

For a number of years now, this university as well as others have made extensive moves to win the public support and public funds. Certainly the public has some say in the operation of the college.

There is no public demand for football deemphasis. Rather the interest shown would indicate that they are generally satisfied with college football as it now functions.

Furthermore, the realities of the situation must be faced.

The students, alumni and fans of many large universities want winning teams. But the supply of good football players is limited. This desire for top-flight players will continue. Money will continue to be an inducement for enrollment.

A college's declaration for purely amateur football while money is being passed under the table makes the college a king-sized hypocrite in the public eye.

As long as money is being paid, let's make the payment above the table with some attempt to control the situation.

Football lovers are making no attempt to destroy or weaken textbooks, music clubs, dramatic clubs or any other aspect of college life. Football is an addition to, not a detractor from, college experience.

Fortunately, big-time college football is not about to go small-time, nor should it.

—The Michigan Daily

Supremacy: Ball or Book?

What is this mysterious monster called "football"? Once it was a sport, but now it is much more. We see the results of its presence in nearly every phase of campus life. From classroom to extra-curricular activities to its effect on the other sports it has unlimited ramifications.

What was the most crushing blow the University received last year? It was not the loss of some outstanding professors. The Pacific Coast Conference penalty was the worst thing that ever happened—judging from student reaction. Of course, the injustice of the inclusion of all sports in the penalty was seen immediately. For football was the only guilty one.

Is this an "institution of higher learning," or an institution for the purpose of furthering the cause of football? In view of the emphasis placed on success in football, along with a lack of emphasis on success in scholarship, it seems the field of studies exists only as a front to hide the main purpose of the University—that of attracting players for the field of football.

This is not fair to the many thousands of students who come here looking for an education. Football is not education. But football players are the heroes of the campus, although

many of them could not stay in school if it were not for the allowances made by the Administration for their scholastic standing. Is this fair to the other students who work hard for their grades?

And is it fair to spend an unreasonable amount of the students' money to pay the football coach? Sure, there are many students who enjoy going to watch a football game. But how can we explain student apathy at the games? Is it because the students feel they have given financial support to the team and consequently do not feel it is necessary to give moral support?

We recently completed the process of hiring a new coach. While this was going on, a professor of great renown could have been added to the University staff and few would have been aware of it.

The question is: Does the University exist for football or does football exist for the University?

It is time we recognize this situation and work to bring about a better balance between the two. No, to abolish the sport would not solve the problem. It is simply a question of shifting the emphasis.

—Washington Daily

Culture Comeback?

A bigger and better Lantern, the University literary magazine, is hoping for a bigger and better welcome from students today as the second issue of the year goes on sale.

The May issue is unique since it is the first time that a college publication will contain a 3-color original painting.

Seventeen "free-lance" student writers have contributed short stories and poetry to the magazine. This is the creative work of students not only in liberal arts, but in all the colleges.

It appears that Lantern will not suffer from the same financial worries that caused more than a dozen previous culture magazines to fold.

The Lantern, which can be considered one phase of a culture crusade at the University, has been largely subsidized by the Liberal Arts Student Council and other campus groups.

The Lantern, undoubtedly, will continue to

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TODAY

CHESS CLUB, 7-10 p.m., 7 Sparks.
GREEK WEEK COMMITTEE, 7 p.m., 218 HUB.
PHI SIGMA banquet, 6:30 p.m., Eutaw House.
POLLOCK COUNCIL, 6:30 p.m., Nittany 20.
THETA SIGMA PHI INITIATION, 7 p.m., second floor lounge of Simmons.

UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL

Jack Bowers, Stanley Burd, Glenna Gilger, John Godayte, Marie Moran, Richard Neely, Jay Pifer, John Sweeney, Barbara Whitner, Joyce Bedrava, William Newhouse and Joan Rapport.

be subsidized until it reaches a level at which it can support itself.

On Monday, the poetry magazine "Pivot" sold more copies than ever before during its seven years of existence.

Today we hope Lantern will stir up as much, or more, enthusiasm.

—Judy Harkison

Little Man on Campus

by Bibler



"Next time, let's take out some abnormal dates."

This Would Disturb Sleeping in Senate

By ARTHUR EDSON

WASHINGTON, May 14 (AP)—Sen. Alexander Wiley, Wisconsin Republican, is a patient man.

He arrived in the Senate on January 3, 1939. Now, 18 years later, he thinks it's time he heard what's going on there.

His proposal seems hardly revolutionary—for any place except the Senate. Why not put in microphones and loudspeakers, he asked his colleagues, so that senators can hear what they're saying to each other? And why not do it now, in this session of Congress?

Working conditions in the Senate, as Wiley describes them, are rough.

Consider the plight of a senator who wants to keep up with the game and hence listens closely to the Democratic signal caller, Sen. Lyndon Johnson.

"Although I sit very close to the distinguished majority leader—practically across the aisle from him—very often I cannot hear what he is saying," Wiley said.

"I know this is not the fault of my hearing, but, rather, because our able friend from Texas has a soft, modulated voice. When he speaks to the presiding officer, he speaks in such soft, calm tones that, unfortunately, many of us have real difficulty in hearing him."

Nor is Mr. Johnson the only soft-talking senator. And, unfortunately, some of the soft talkers sit, not across the aisle, but on the back row.

And what is the result? "We do not know what is going on," Wiley said.

Sen. Jacob K. Javits, New York Republican, agreed with Wiley, and, as a member of the Rules and Administration Committee, which has charge of such things, he said he would do what he could to get the Senate sound-conditioned.

Javits pointed out that in the House, where he used to serve, microphones have been installed and the democratic processes have not been shaken to their foundations.

"I believe some great speeches are made here," Javits said. "I should like to hear them."

Yes, and some pretty good cracks are made, too.

Shortly after Wiley and Javits finished, Sen. Willis Robertson, Virginia Democrat, began discussing Postmaster General Summerfield. Robertson, speaking in his calm, soft, modulated voice, said he likes Summerfield all right.

"Far be it from me," Robertson said, "to speak of him as a Virginia member of Congress spoke of a bureaucrat in 1825. Times have changed; I refer to John

Randolph, of Roanoke, who said of a bureaucrat he did not like:

"His mind is like the Susquehanna Flats, naturally poor, made less fertile by cultivation. Never has ability so far below mediocrity been so richly rewarded since Caligula's horse was named Consul!"

Wiley is right. A senator's words—at least from time to time—are well worth hearing.

Fernelius to Read Papers at Oxford

Dr. W. Conard Fernelius, professor and head of the Department of Chemistry, who is conducting research at Oxford University under a Guggenheim Fellowship, has been invited to present more than a dozen papers there.

Dr. Fernelius is conducting research on stability of coordination compounds in solution.

He has addressed various groups at Oxford and has also presented papers at other English universities and companies and at the Atomic Energy Research Establishment at Harwell.

Faculty Members Attend Public Opinion Conclave

Four faculty members attended the 12th annual conference on public opinion research held in Washington, D.C., from Thursday to Saturday.

They were Dr. Lester Guest, professor of psychology; Robert M. Pockrass, assistant professor of journalism; and Robert E. Stover and Malcolm McNivin, assistant professors of psychology.

Chorus to Hold Picnic

The Women's Chorus will hold a picnic at 5 p.m. today in Hort Woods. Members and invited guests may attend.

Tonight on WDFM

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6:50 Sign On
6:55 News
7:00 Telephone Bandstand
7:55 Sports
8:00 Invitation to Relax
8:30 Music of the People
9:00 News
9:15 Informally Yours
9:30 Anthology
10:00 Virtuoso
11:30 News Sign Off

Eng Instructor Awarded Postgraduate Fellowship

Melvin A. Wilkov, instructor in engineering mechanics, has been awarded the Du Pont Postgraduate Fellowship in engineering mechanics for the 1957-58 academic year.

Wilkov and Joseph Schwaighofer, instructor in engineering mechanics, were recently presented awards by the Pittsburgh council of the American Society for Testing Materials.

Language Prof Assists In Yearbook Publication

Dr. Hugh H. Chapman, assistant professor of romance languages, is a co-author of the "Bibliography of Comparative Literature" recently published in the 1957 Yearbook of Comparative and General Literature.

The yearbook is a publication of the University of North Carolina Press.

Bee Journal Presents Merit Paper to Ag Prof

Edwin J. Anderson, professor of agriculture, has been awarded a certificate of merit by the American Bee Journal.

The award cites Anderson for outstanding service to the beekeeping industry and for basic contributions to beekeeping literature from which the industry will derive perpetual benefit.