

Editorial Opinion

Cabinet Columnists?

All-University Cabinet members last night appear to have made a well-intentioned but misdirected attempt to raise public opinion of student government.

Cabinet members accepted a report asking them to recommend to the editor of The Daily Collegian and to Collegian, Inc., the newspaper's publishers, that the paper publish editorial columns written by a Cabinet spokesman.

The report was delivered by Ronald Ross, chairman of the Cabinet Public Relations Committee, as a body of recommendations to Cabinet for next year's committee.

But Cabinet members—along with every other member of the student body—already have a column in Collegian: Letters to the Editor. Collegian is always ready and willing to print expressions of any individual's opinions (with the exception of course, of "crackpot" and unsigned letters).

Some Cabinet members didn't like the idea of using the letters column, because they felt "a body of Cabinet's stature" shouldn't have to "resort" to the "letters" column.

Collegian maintains the column for all students without any specifications of exclusiveness. Is there any reason for Cabinet members to expect privileged treatment in this respect?

Cabinet members said they believe Collegian gives fair and unbiased coverage in its news columns. Editorials and columns are the parts of the newspaper's editorial page which are reserved for the policies and beliefs of the staff members as a whole and individually.

If Cabinet members have something to say, they have ample opportunity to do so, either through the letters column or to Cabinet itself, where it may be directly acted upon and where it will be reported in the Collegian's news columns.

Anyone willing to take the time to investigate would discover that the reasons for Cabinet's actions are reported in news stories as these reasons are presented to Cabinet.

The Collegian Board of Editors is always willing to consider recommendations by the Public Relations Committee—or by anyone else, for that matter. But we do not believe that the purpose of the Collegian editorial page is to serve as a vehicle for free publicity.

Lion's Paw Questions

Students, it appears, are beginning to wonder about this group called Lion's Paw, senior men's society. Lion's Paw reportedly will celebrate its 50th anniversary next month with a banquet.

Students, and especially Robert Nurock, past president of the Liberal Arts Student Council, have questions on Lion's Paw they would like answered. They would like to know just where Lion's Paw fits into student government. And the answers are hard to come by, even from the group's "constitution" on file in the Associated Student Activities office.

There appears little doubt that Lions Paw has evolved from strictly an honorary society to a group which is largely politically oriented. And probably many of the older alumni still do not realize this.

Since the group does appear to be so politically oriented and because the students have the right to know just where this group fits into the student government picture, the University has an obligation, we believe, to see that Lion's Paw comes up with some definite answers to present and future criticisms.

APiMu Hosts Eng Convention

Members of Alpha Pi Mu, in-society, are attending a biannual convention at the University today and tomorrow.

Eighteen schools are expected to send delegates. Donald Burnham, a vice president of Westinghouse Corp., will be guest speaker at a banquet today. Burnham is an honorary member of the society.

The University chapter has received the outstanding chapter award again this year. The award is based on the total number of projects and scholastic and extra-curricular activities of all members.

Dr. Clifford Anderson, national president and a former faculty member, will attend the convention.

Gazette

TODAY Astronomy Lecture, 7:30 p.m., 111 Boucke Christian Fellowship, 12:45-1 p.m., 218 HUB Fluid Mechanics Seminar, 4:10 p.m., 1 Sackett German Department Open House, 8 p.m., MS Graduate Students Dance, HUB Inter-Varsity Bible Fellowship, 7:30 p.m., 211 Boucke Mechanical Engineering Lecture, 4 p.m., 109 Osmond Mineral Industries Seminar, 4:15 p.m., MS Auditorium Bible Fellowship, 7:30 p.m., 214 Boucke Pi Mu Epsilon Dinner, 6:30 p.m., Autoport Players, "Tonight at 8:30," 8 p.m., Center Stage Sabbath Eve Services, Hillel Foundation W.R.A. Aquacade, 8 p.m., White Pool UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL

Jeanne Anderson, William Benton, Ronald Brasher, Rafael Crespo-Cintron, Jane Eisenbey, Stephen Fouse, Suzanne Ittel, Richard Kearns, Janet MacLean, Phyllis Muskat, William Newquist, Shirley Ominsky, Phillip Petter, William Rutt, and Walter Caplan.

Job Interviews

Companies interviewing May 5: Avco Mfg. Corp. (Croasley Div.): BS MS in Aero E, ME, EE. Burroughs Corp.: BS in Math, Phys, EE, ME. E. F. Houghton & Co.: BS in Chem E, Chem, Eng Sci, IE, ME, Metal. Whirlpool Seeger Corp.: BS MS in Cer, Chem, EE, Eng Sci, ME, Metal, Phys, PhD in Psych: also Jr Sr 1st year grad in above fields for summer employment. CAMP INTERVIEWS Camp Wonderland (men and women), April 13 Camp Pine Forest (women), April 23. Camp Conrad Weiser (men) May 2.

Bramble Takes Post at Purdue

Dr. William C. Bramble, acting director of the School of Forestry, has resigned to become head of the Department of Forestry and Conservation at Purdue University.

Bramble, a graduate of the University, has been acting director of the school for the past three years. He joined the faculty in 1937.

He has been a part-time researcher and collaborator with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and forestry consultant for the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company since 1949. He will assume his new post July 1.

Prof to Present Paper To Nutrition Institute

Dr. Ruth L. Pike, associate professor of foods and nutrition in the College of Home Economics, is presenting a paper at the American Institute of Nutrition in Philadelphia being held through today.

Dr. Pike and Avanelle Kirksey are the authors of the paper which Dr. Pike will present on "Some Effects of INH-Induced Vitamin B-6 Deficiency in Pregnant Rats."

Southern Literary Honor Given to Prof's Book

"General George B. McClellan: Shield of the Union," written by Dr. Warren W. Hassler, assistant professor of history, has been named as one of the "Southern Books of the Year" by the Southeastern Library Association and will be exhibited this year at public and university libraries throughout the country.

Dupree Writes Article

Dr. Louis Dupree, associate professor of anthropology, is the author of an article, "The Non-Ethnic Groups of Libya," based on findings of a research field trip to Libya in 1956, which appeared in the winter issue of "The Middle East Review," quarterly publication of the Middle East Institute.

Little Man on Campus by Dick Bibler



"That didn't take long—how'd he like your term paper?"

Tempered Topics

Beer, Education—All in One

By Ralph Manna

Sitting in a bar can be quite an experience. There is an unbeatable something in these small dark places constantly filled with layers of cigarette and cigar smoke and the noise of pinball machines and jukeboxes. But they can become suffocatingly stuffy.

It is ironic then that these dens should attract not only the man-on-the-street but also such vast crowds of college students and professors. And the places sound like the cafes in Montmartre and Pigalle what with all the diverse intellectual conversations going on.

Having been trained as a journalist, I naturally have both ears open for clues that may lead to a good story. I haven't gotten any story clues yet—but I sure have heard some mighty interesting conversations.

I've heard arguments on religion, movies, Emile Zola, trout season, nuclear physics, Buddhism, opera, the Pittsburgh Pirates, William Faulkner, swing vs. progressive jazz, the state of the American theater, The Daily Collegian and women.

The steady buzz of talk is fascinating and hypnotizing. And some of the more vigorous and vehement conversations are stimulating.

Some of these arguments can become full-fledged debates with each team shouting at the top of their voices. Just about then the bartender (and/or

bouncer) steps in to calm everyone down. The conversation then proceeds in whispers until it again reaches the shouting stage and so on.

About The Daily Collegian I heard: "I think The Daily Collegian is just trying to do everything in its power to make some kind of stink on campus, don't you?"

"Of course not. You just don't understand journalism."

"Oh—and you do?"

"Of course. I took Journ 13."

On women: Censored.

On Buddhism: "The object of the followers of Buddhism is to lose all individuality. There is no concept of immortality. The Buddhists want to lose all personality so that they can become absorbed into creation."

"Gee. Loss of individuality. Sounds like you're describing the students on campus."

On Zola: "I'm reading Zola's 'Germinal' and it's great. But it's so depressing. He keeps pounding the reader over the head with the terrible lot of the miners. He doesn't have to use sex to make his point."

"You sure you go to school here, Buddy."

And so it goes. A constant merry-go-round of ideas spinning and spinning about the room. It's almost a free education. (Continued on page seven)



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