

Editorial Opinion

Israel's Birthday

Thursday, according to the Hebrew calendar, was the 5th of Iyar, 5718, and the State of Israel celebrated its 10th birthday.

Jews all over the world—2 million in Israel and more than 11 million elsewhere—cheered its 10th anniversary, and rightly so. For it is the fulfillment of a 2000-year-old dream.

And Israel has a right to be proud of this 10 years. Starting with a land rich in history and potential, but lacking development, the Israelis have built up their country to the point where they expect to be economically independent in perhaps the next 10 years.

The rest of the world, too, joins in congratulating the troubled island in the Middle East.

But the world must also stop to reflect. This is clearly not a time for blind optimism.

Two dangerous forces—opposed to each other—continue to cast their shadows over the constantly shifting sands in the hot-spot Middle East.

On the one hand there are hostile Arabs and the ambition of a Machiavellian dictator, Gamel Abdel Nasser. And on the other hand, a nation determined, at almost any cost, to maintain its unity and pursue economic independence.

These two forces have met head-on three times, the last of these embroilments nearly entangling the whole world. There is certainly reason to believe it can happen again.

It has been a long and hard 10 years. We must hope for the intelligence and judgment to make them worthwhile.

Comparing News Sources

All-University Cabinet recently overwhelmingly defeated a motion to request opening of the Board of Trustees' meetings. During the debate on the issue, a number of Cabinet members repeatedly argued that the University's Department of Public Information covered all University news, including the meetings, capably and sufficiently.

Below are the lead paragraphs from two stories on President Eric A. Walker's speech last Wednesday to the Pennsylvania School Administrators in Hershey, one from Public Information and the other from the Associated Press Wire Service.

Public Information

Hershey, Pa., Apr. 23—Dr. Eric A. Walker, president of the Pennsylvania State University, today asked for closer cooperation among educational agencies at all levels.

He addressed the first annual meeting of the Pennsylvania School Administrators.

Citing some of the problems in which college and public cooperation is needed, Dr. Walker said that in view of the growing numbers of high school graduates who continue in college, consideration should be given to changing our traditional policy, which has not been to prepare students for college, to one designed to provide the student with a continuous, unified, educational experience.

Associated Press

Hershey, Pa. (AP)—The head of Pennsylvania State University Wednesday urged a deglamorizing of sports and other extra-curricular activities in schools and colleges.

"Somehow, some way we must find means of making studying and learning at least as attractive to our students as winning football letters and playing in the band," said Dr. Eric A. Walker, university president.

Addressing the first annual meeting of the Pennsylvania School Administrators, Walker stressed the need for "revolutionizing education in Pennsylvania in the next 15 years. "We must frankly recognize the problems we face," Walker warned.

Both stories continued along the same line. The story from Public Information gave no mention of the statements used in the Associated Press story.

Although Public Information does an excellent job in its field, this—and other examples—show that there is a difference between press releases and news reporting.

A Student-Operated Newspaper

The Daily Collegian

Successor to The Free Lance, est 1887

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Letters

Do 'Raids' Hurt Joint Living?

TO THE EDITOR: Dean Weston has done it again. Yes, congratulations are due Miss Weston for her understanding, rational and far-sighted handling of Sunday night's "raid" on Woman's Building.

The respect the dean of women has at this time is back at the level it held last year when rules for table manners—salting food promiscuously, etc.—appeared.

It would seem that such a situation could be managed more effectively by being played down, instead of being built up into a big furor, which is exactly what the students wanted in the first place. Frankly, I give credit to any students who can organize a thousand or more of their fellows on this campus, for any purpose, no matter how immature.

As for endangering community living in Penn State's future: I doubt that such incidents would occur in a situation where students felt: 1. That they are being treated as mature, responsible human beings and are expected to act as such. 2. The social life is extensive enough that the need for the "thrill" of 'panty raids' is gone. 3. Community living is accepted as a natural way-of-life, but must be a privilege guarded by the students against the destructive whims of the few.

Last Sunday's fiasco can teach a needed lesson to several in command. If it does not, may I suggest an elementary course in psychology?

—Sandra Shigo, '58

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Gazette

TODAY Newman Club Mass, 6 a.m., Chapel Newman Club Confessions, 4 and 7 p.m., Church Newman Club Open House, 8 p.m., Student Center Players Production, "Tonight at 8:30," 8 p.m., Center Stage Varsity Baseball, Syracuse doubleheader, 1:30 p.m., Beaver Field Varsity Golf, Syracuse, 1 p.m., golf course Science Fair, open to public at 1 p.m., HUB

TOMORROW Alpha Nu, 1 p.m., 218 HUB Association of Independent Men, Executive Committee, 7 p.m., 213 HUB Bible Fellowship, 2 p.m., 209 HUB Campus Party Steering Committee, 3 p.m., 218 HUB Campus Party Clique, election of All-University clique officers, 7 p.m., 10 Sparks Chapel Service, Dr. G. Bromley Oxman, Methodist bishop of Washington, D.C., 10:55 a.m., Schwab Delphi, 3:30 p.m., 212 HUB Eastern Orthodox Society, spaghetti dinner, price \$1.25, 5-7 p.m., Episcopal Church Hall. Encampment Committee, 2 p.m., 217 HUB Experimental Theater Production, "Where There's a Will," 2 p.m., Little Theater, Old Main Freshman Customs Board, 6:30 p.m., 217 HUB Glee Club Concert, 3 p.m., Schwab Hillel Lox and Bagel Brunch, 11 a.m., Foundation Indie Encampment Committee, 4 p.m., 212 HUB Newman Club Mass, 9 a.m., Schwab; 8:30, 11 a.m., Church Newman Club Communion Breakfast, 10 a.m., State College Hotel Newman Club Retreat, 2 p.m., Church Newman Club Benediction, 7 p.m., Church Newman Club, business meeting, 7 p.m., 214 HUB Protestant Service of Worship, 9 a.m., Chapel Outing Club Weekend parties, 2 p.m., from behind Osmond Spring Week Committee, 6:30 p.m., 218 HUB

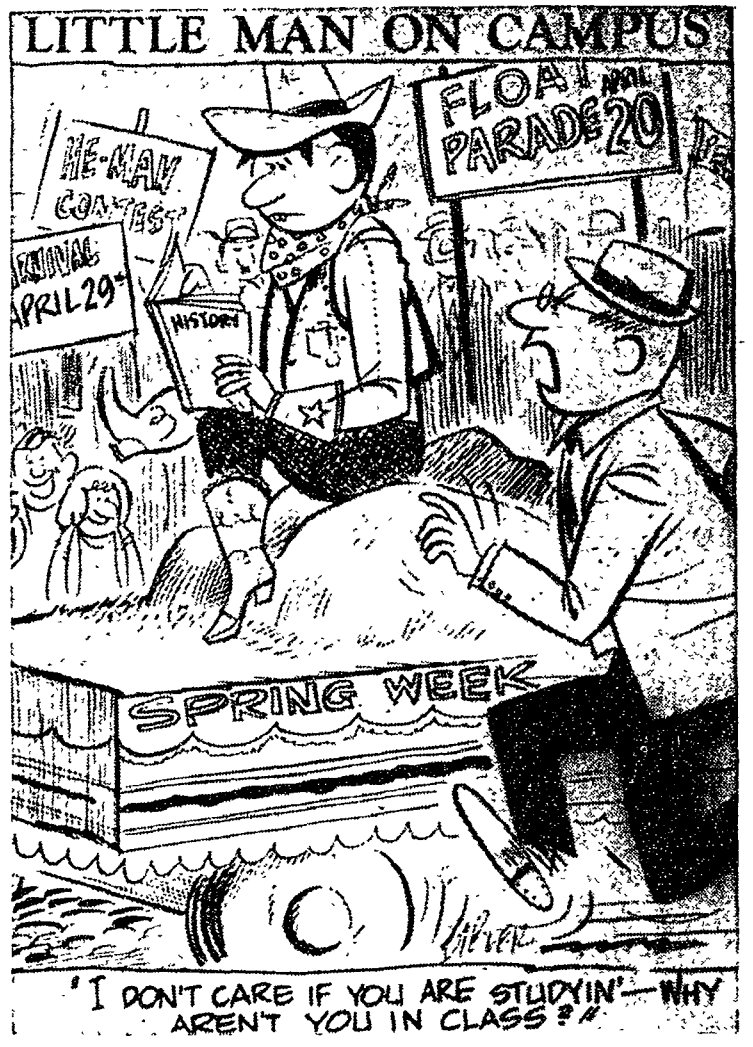
MONDAY Arts Festival Lecture, Dr. Anton Ehrenzweig, British author and lecturer, on "Freedom and Discipline in Modern Art," 8 p.m., HUB auditorium Christian Fellowship, 12:45 p.m., 218 HUB Engineering Mechanics Seminar, Dr. Henri Marcus on "Stress and Strain in Flexible Plates," 4:10 p.m., 203 Eng A Faculty Luncheon Club, Dr. Theodore Spicer on "The Fuel Industry in Europe," noon, HUB dining room A Fresh Council, 7:30 p.m., 216 HUB Hillel Intermediate Hebrew and Yiddish, 7 p.m., Foundation Indie Encampment, 8:30 p.m., 216 HUB Leonides, 6:30 p.m., 203 HUB Model Railroad Club, color film, "The Changing Railroad Picture," 7 p.m., Mineral Science Auditorium Newman Club Discussion Group, 7 p.m., Church SIAM, speech on "An Example of Discreet Stochastic Process," 7:30 p.m., 209 Willard Sigma Alpha Eta, 2 p.m., 218 HUB Sigma Pi Sigma, 7:30 p.m., 214-215 HUB Spring Week Float Parade, 6 p.m., from front of Boucke

Job Interviews

Nesbitt Co: May 14, Jun & Aug grads: ME EE: for sales engineering only Fireman's Fund Insurance Group: May 2, Jun & Aug grads: Bus Adm, insurance and real estate

WDFM Will Play Opera

WDFM will play a new recording of Rossini's comic opera, "The Barber of Seville," at 9:00 p.m. tomorrow.



Sand in My Shoes

Senioritis... Valid Epidemic

By Judy Harkison

Every year along with the flu and measles, a malady called "senioritis" spreads across campus among a select group of individuals.

It usually shows up around February and spreads very quickly—even Dr. Glenn cannot deny its existence.

Its most pronounced symptom is evident in studying. After an exhaustive survey of three persons, we have found that it is actually a physical incapability to read a textbook. Exams are taken as casually as campus elections. Even pop bluebooks do not faze us.

But the most remorseful symptom of senioritis is the label "has-been." This year the has-been has been glorified by a WMAJ favorite, "I Was a Big Man." Being a student leader means nothing now; the has-been is the hero.

So, a few parting words to those who claim the title. Instead of rehashing the deeds of these people we will try to predict their future actions. Perhaps in ten years the scene will look like this:

Bob Stroup, Eng Council president—since his successful exposition, felt it necessary for the University to retain his services on the Hetzel Union custodian staff. Tom Hollander, senior class

president—after law school, years and years of Army ROTC; "But remember, Tom, you wanted..."

Pat Moran, Home Ec Council president—professor of child development and family relations.

Sue Smith, WSGA president—revises the smash Broadway comedy, "The Road to Utopia."

Bob Nurock, Liberal Arts Council president—standing in the breadline, still waiting for the Placement Service to come through.

Seriously, though, it does leave an empty feeling to see these people, as well as the rest, move over for the next "generation." This year has been pretty eventful and probably one of the most exciting Penn State has seen.

But here's one sure prediction, as we leave the Collegian office for the last time: The new ones will do a fine job.

WDFM Programs

Saturday night: 6:50, Sign on and news; 7, Hi Fi Open House; 8:55, News; 9, Campus Beat; 11:30, Sign off and news.

Sunday night: 6:50, Sign on and news; 7, The Third Programme; 11:30, Sign off and news.

