

Editorial Opinion

No Showdown on WD-AM

It is not known just what effect application for a second commercial radio station in State College will have upon the chances of securing AM radio facilities for student station WDFM.

L. Edward Pamphilon, president of the Suburban Broadcasting Corp., of Hyattsville, Md., which made the application and which already has procured land in the area, said the station "plans to work very closely with the University" in presenting educational programs and securing talent from the student body.

But Pamphilon said he has not contacted University officials about his plans. And a University spokesman said last night he did not know anything about the station.

We would think any new radio station operator who "plans to work very closely with the University" would consult its officials before making application to the Federal Communications Commission, procuring ground in the borough and conducting a frequency search.

The station application calls for a 500-watt output on a 1390-kilocycle frequency during daylight hours. Pamphilon said this is the only frequency available for the station, but no indication has been made concerning other frequencies which might be available for a lower power station, which WDFM-AM presumably would be.

We have not sufficiently studied the situation enough to present a complete analysis. However, at this time, we believe that any commercial station could not fulfill certain purposes so well as student-operated AM facilities:

- 1) We do not believe educational purposes consistent with a University atmosphere could be so well advanced by any station operating on a commercial basis.
2) We do not believe any commercial station could offer the type of training students could receive through working on a non-commercial, completely student-operated AM station.
3) We believe the University and the student body need an AM station which will be operated of, by and for the students, presenting their news, expressing their opinions and working exclusively for them.

In short, we see no reason for slowing down the push for AM facilities for WDFM at this time.

Sensible Minority

The "directed vote" amendment to the Association of Independent Men Constitution was defeated last night when it failed to gain the two-thirds majority of the Board of Governors needed to pass a constitutional amendment. The final vote on the amendment was 15-8 in favor of passage, one vote short of the necessary two-thirds.

The amendment, which was approved on its first reading last week by a 9-5 vote, would have prohibited the AIM president from voting on All-University Cabinet against a policy which had been approved by a two-thirds vote of the AIM Board of Governors.

It is fortunate that the minority of the Board of Governors which voted against the amendment was sufficient to prevent its passage. We feel AIM would have made a definite mistake in passing the amendment.

A directed vote is both illogical and unnecessary. It is illogical because it would eliminate much power of responsibility on the part of the AIM president on Cabinet. Also, if all members of Cabinet were to be hampered by the directed vote, Cabinet debate would become senseless, and meetings would be needed only to poll the representatives.

The vote is also unnecessary because if independent men, or any group, believe their interests to be poorly represented on Cabinet, they have recourse to the recently approved referendum.

The members of the AIM board who defeated the amendment should be commended for their action.

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Officer Backs Directed Vote

TO THE EDITOR: The past two weeks has seen much editorial discussion of the proposed 'directed vote' amendment to the Association of Independent Men constitution. The opponents of the bill have stated that, with the exception of the Chemistry-Physics Student Council, no other organization has such a constitutional provision for a directed vote.

Through this discussion, the position of the Chem-Phys Council has become somewhat distorted. To eliminate confusion, following is the exact "directed vote" by-law the council passed on Feb. 19, 1958, by a 13-3 vote:

"The President of the Student Council of the College of Chemistry and Physics shall be required to bring all controversial issues from All-University Cabinet and ICCB (Inter-College Council Board) before council for discussion and opinion vote. When there is a two-thirds vote by council on any issue, the President must vote at All-University Cabinet and ICCB in accordance with the vote by council. At all other times he may vote as he sees fit."

The cause of this by-law was the then-hot ROTC issue, in which certain unnamed Cabinet members voted in direct opposition to the planks upon which they were elected. The purpose of the by-law is not in any way to penalize or hinder the president of the student council; rather, it was intended to guarantee that the opinions of the student council as a representative body of the students should not be misrepresented at All-University Cabinet.

Our president is also free to veto any action of council, which veto may be overridden only by a two-thirds vote of council.

In speaking for our council, I would say that the proposal before AIM represents a great step in placing the emphasis on "representative" in the phrase, "Representative Student Government at Penn State."

—Walt Davis '60, secretary-treasurer, Chem-Phys Council

Practicing Peace Better Than Power

TO THE EDITOR: This week at all levels with the Iron Curtain where with "Power for Peace" slogans, together with exhibits and pictures of the most modern instruments of destruction. It seems to me that this is power for war, not peace.

The motive behind this policy of "Cleaner and Better Bombs" is to prevent (or failing that, to win) any future wars. But even military experts express grave doubts that we (or anybody else) could win an atomic war.

Where can we find security today? Is our fear of an enemy attack lessened by increasing our own ability to destroy the enemy? Do we really believe that armaments prevent war?

I believe that the only true power for peace is love, and that we can express this love, or concern for our fellow man everywhere, through disarmament, technical assistance programs, sharing our surplus food, liberalized trade policies and negotiation at all levels with the Iron Curtain countries. The cold war will come to an end only when we stop putting our faith in power for war and start putting into practice the true power for peace.

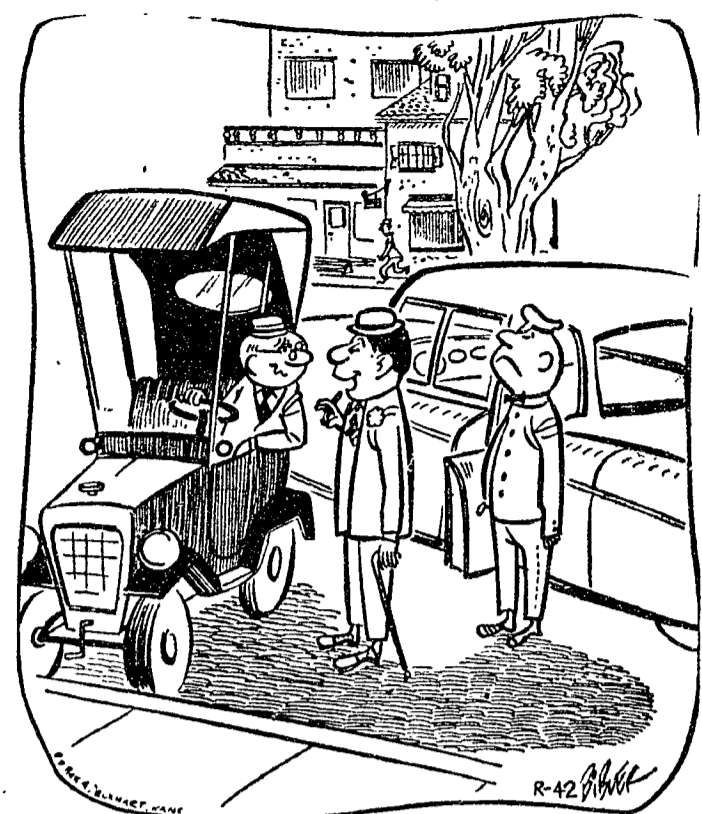
—W. Janney Wilson, '59

Letter cut

Gazette

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Alumni Membership, 8 a.m.-5p.m., first floor alcove.
Armed Forces Day parade, 7 p.m., College Ave.
All-University Cabinet, 7 p.m., 203 HUB.
Chapel Choir presentation of Haydn's "Missa Sanctae Caeciliae," 8:30 p.m., Schwab.
Christian Fellowship, 12:45 p.m., 218 HUB.
Delta Nu Alpha transportation fraternity banquet, 6:30 p.m., Eutaw House. Cars leave HUB parking lot, 5:45 p.m.
Elections Committee Interviews, 6:30-9:30 p.m., 216 HUB.
IFCPA, 4 p.m., 218 HUB.
Newman Club, Legion of Mary, 7:30 p.m., Student Center
Mathematics Colloquium, 2:10 p.m., 223 Sparks.
ODK, 9 p.m., 214 HUB.
Outing Club, 7 p.m., HUB assembly hall.
Phi Kappa Phi, 5:30 p.m., HUB assembly hall.
SEAP, 7 p.m., 217-218 HUB.
Sigma Alpha Eta, 6 p.m., 217-218 HUB.
Lutheran Vesper Service, 4:30 p.m., Helen Eakin Eisenhower Chapel.
WRA Tennis Club instructions, 4 p.m., East Courts.
Young Republicans, 7:30 p.m., 214 HUB.

Little Man on Campus by Dick Bibler



"Well, like you said when ya flunked me out of school: 'We can't all be born with a high I.Q.—I'm jus' lucky I guess.'"

from here to infinity Sockless Coeds: One Thing Worse by bob thompson

What is so rare as the behavior of the Penn State Coed—especially in the Spring? During the cold months of winter, her legs are completely covered with those ungodly "glamor gams" that run from toe to waist.

Then comes the not-so-cold early spring when these are shed and the budding knee socks appear. The more conservative ones make a switch from the knee socks to regular short woolen jobs, but not many of our 'air Penn State crowd. This group goes all the way. Right down to sneakers without socks.



Not having had the opportunity to take a course in psychology, I have no idea why these coeds go without socks. But here are a few reasons that come to mind after spending some time in thought.

Maybe the girls feel that they are getting back to nature by not wearing socks. If this be the case, why don't they go all the way and do the big trick—go without shoes. Think of the money Daddy would save on shoes for his daughter each spring!

Then again, maybe it is all due to the recession. Maybe they just can't afford socks. This is really bad. Imagine! Now that the coed goes without socks, the poor sock manufacturer goes without food and clothing for his family.

This could cause the coed daughter of the sock manufacturer to go without clothes.

Maybe the photographers would have more incentive to take better pictures!

Then again, maybe the coeds are trying to appear more bohemian. Maybe they are trying to look like the men who wear desert boots without socks. The men have a distinct advantage here, though. With long pants, the cuffs cover the legs all the way down to where the desert boots take over.

Or it could be that the laundromats in the dorms aren't working properly, and the coeds have no way of washing their dirty socks. (I wonder what else they haven't been able to wash?)

Just think of what might happen if the "sockless" rage continued. Fees would definitely soar. Think of all the water the women would need to wash their feet! To counter this added expense, the University might schedule its fees for three types of students—males, females, and females not wearing socks with sneakers. A Congressional investigation would be launched into why the sockless females were being discriminated against, causing the University some bad publicity.

The initial cost of new dorms would be greater too. Bigger drains from shower rooms have to be built to carry the dirt washed from ankles after nightly showers. There would (Continued on page five)

