

Editorial Opinion

College 1958 Takes Faith

The atomic and hydrogen age, ushered in with the bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki just 13 years ago, has been succeeded by the age of space.

And this year's freshmen are the first high school graduates of the space age, its first class to enter college.

As scientific achievements our ancestors would have thought impossible are piled rapidly atop one another, the college student of today faces a world that appears drunk with the power to destroy itself.

"War is hell," Gen. William Tecumseh Sherman said, and in his Civil War march to the sea at Atlanta, he proved it. But if war was hell in Sherman's day, think what fantastic violence and destruction threatens the world today.

It is a great temptation for the college student of today to say "what's the use," to give up living and learning, to merely exist when at any moment the textbook may be snatched from his hand and replaced with a rifle; when violence at Quemoy and Matsu may be replaced by death and destruction at Quito and Manhattan, Quakertown and Monessen—and State College.

Indeed, psychologists have indicated that the uncertain future of today's world is a contributing factor in the rising tide of juvenile delinquency.

For many people, the uninterested and the unsure, college is not the answer.

For others, part of the answer is an abiding faith in God and in man's ability to triumph over his own inhumanity. An ever-growing need for the trained, intelligent mind is another part of this answer.

College study of course is vital to the training of the mind. We need more scientists, not to build bigger and better bombs, but to harness the tremendous energy at our disposal for peacetime purposes, to solve such problems as population growth and food supply.

And more important, we need more people trained to think, to reason, to talk for a free world. The world today has too many successful scientists and too many unsuccessful diplomats.

Whether the world of tomorrow will better remember the atomic electric plant or the atomic submarine will depend largely on the faith and ability and training of the college man of today.

Dinner With Drac?

Class scheduling this semester has caused real problems for some students.

For instance, there's the student who has classes straight through from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. He's either got to cram lunch into his class break or into his classes—and we suspect professors would not be particularly sympathetic to the latter alternative.

Another solution, of course, would be to rearrange meal hours altogether.

The student could eat breakfast at 9:30 a.m., lunch at 4 p.m. and dinner, say, at midnight, while watching the late TV horror show. This meal schedule would avoid conflicts with evening classes too—at least for this year.

Seriously, while noon and night classes appear to be necessary at this time, they bring a multitude of problems to students who, by design or default, schedule away their lunch and evening hours.

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Letters

Coeds Protest Breakfast Rush

Article on Page One TO THE EDITOR: Each coed at this University pays a combined room and board fee of \$390 a semester. This entitles her to three meals each day.

However, in Redifer Dining Hall, it is possible for most women to receive only two meals per day. This is because the small dining room D is used for breakfast for Cooper, Hoyt, Ewing and Cross Halls, whereas it is meant to hold only Cooper and Hoyt women.

Most women do not have time to eat breakfast, the most important meal of the day, before running off to perhaps four hours of classes. For anyone having an 8 o'clock it is almost impossible to eat breakfast without being late to class.

We have heard a rumor that the reason for only one dining hall being open is that the budget is not large enough to cover the expenses in Redifer and by closing a dining room, many women will be discouraged from eating by the long lines. Can this be possible?

Having such a large number eating in one dining room is also an added burden for the waiters.

We feel that we are entitled to the food for which we have paid and would like to see the existing conditions improved.

—Signed by 50 coeds

(Sybil Klein, Judy Kravitz, Frances Strippy, JoAnne Coffman, Judi Wharton, Helyn Stein, Ellen Alexander, Carole Rosenbloom, Milti Routman, Myrna Glaser, Dixie Le Bair, Ann Techmanski, Anne Saward, Diane Schonbak, Aileen Feldman, Lois Bromberg, Maxine Shall, Betty Segal, Maxine Wexler, Connie Litow, Lillian Fischer, Judy Waxman, Harriet Felder, Sandy Feldman, Pam Alexander, Gay Glading, Sue Sherman, Ruth Johnson, Sue Smithson, Jody Miller, Nancy Kress, Kay Krughoff, Denise Fife, Nancy Nicholson, Judith Norton, Gay Chuba, Alice Shields, Shirley Pittman, Bonnie Keys, Anne Rollins, Suzie Keener, Sue Sunderland, Lucy Capella, Audrey Graham, Die Rielly, April Mombrea, Shirley King, Peggy Dimperlo, Anne Timony, Donna Eckfeld.)

Gazette

- TODAY Agriculture Student Council, 7 p.m., 214 HUB Christian Fellowship, 12:45-1 p.m., 218 HUB Collegian Ad Staff, 6:30 p.m., 9 Carnegie Collegian Promotion Staff, 7 p.m., 215 Willard Commuting Women, noon, McElwain Lounge Delta Sigma Pi, 7 p.m., Lambda Chi Alpha DOC Council, 9 p.m., 212 HUB Education Student Council, 7 p.m., 216 HUB Freshmen Customs Board, 6:30 p.m., 217 HUB Freshmen Regulations Board, 12:30-1 p.m., 212 HUB Froth Ari Staff, 7 p.m., Froth office ICG, 7:45 p.m., behind Old Main LA Council, 7 p.m., 212 HUB Monitor, 6:45 p.m., 205 Boucke Neu Bayrischen Schulplattlers, 7 p.m., 2 White Hall Outing Club, 7 p.m., HUB Assembly Hall Outing Club, Rock Climbing Division, 7 p.m., 111 Boucke Science Teacher's Institute, 4:10 p.m., HUB Assembly Room Senior Class Advisory Board, 7:30 p.m., 308 Willard WRA Bridge Club, for advanced players, White Hall WRA Tennis Club, 7:30 p.m., 3 White Hall WSGA Judicial, 5:15 p.m., 217 HUB Young Republicans, 7 p.m., 202 Willard

UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL Joseph Bohart, Michael Carlson, Winifred Grella, Lamar Houser, James Kerr, Carol McMichael, Richard Pirossi, Richard Sabel, James Senior, Willard Smith, Michael Tafner, Sophia Thomas, Thomas Thompson, James Richardson.

Student Jobs Offered At Employment Office

Students may apply at the Student Employment Office in 112 Old Main for applications and interviews for odd-job work.

There are part-time jobs available on a day-to-day basis for students desiring work during their free time. The office is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 8 a.m. to 12 noon on Saturdays.

Little Man on Campus by Dick Bibler



"I see I've lectured into your 'lunch hour' again."

Words to Spare

'But, Mr. Checker, I Live Here!'

By Dick Drayne

The Interfraternity Council's new deferred rushing system has moved into full operation—although under some rather confusing circumstances.

The new code, which has been defined and revised by the board of control, still remains a little foggy in the minds of many fraternity men.

The code presents a highly confusing set of circumstances and possible violations, and the IFC hasn't yet conquered many of the necessary details.

The first violation came to the board last Thursday, and concerned two Lambda Chi Alpha pledges who were discovered catching a few hours sleep in a freshman's dorm room during Lambda Chi's hell week.

Lambda Chi got off with a warning, because of extenuating circumstances in the case—but the board of control chairman promised stern penalties for any such violations in the future.

So now the board of control has declared all dormitories off-limits to fraternity men, no matter what their intentions. However, one rather embarrassing question presents itself—what if a fraternity man enters a dormitory because that happens to be where he lives?

There are a number of fra-

ternities who have pledges living in the dorms. Some of them are men who have not made the required average to live in the house; some are transfer upperclassmen who have just been pledged.

Fraternities who have members in the dorms are at an advantage—many times the initial contact with a rushee is the most important time for a fraternity.

This is not the only problem which faces the new code nor is it the most challenging. But this newest loophole does serve to point up the fact that the deferred rushing code has not yet been defined as well as it must be to survive.

It seems to us at this point the IFC has been brushing over too many important points in defining the new code, and that too many vital questions have been left unanswered.

Meanwhile . . . we hope the pledges living in dorms will take the matter into their own hands and resolve to cast aside all fears and proceed with fortitude into their rooms.

