

Editorial Opinion

Who's 'Cutting' Now?

All-University Cabinet last night heard the following recommendation from the 1958 Student Encampment:

"That no penalties be imposed on upperclassmen for class cuts."

All-University Cabinet last year heard the following recommendation from the 1957 Student Encampment:

"That no artificial penalties should be imposed on sophomores, juniors and seniors for unexcused absences from classes."

Why was the same recommendation made twice in two years?

Well, apparently nothing much happened to the first recommendation, so student government is back for another try with the same proposal—the only difference being that the wording of the 1958 statement is slightly plainer.

When the question of progress on the 1957 proposal was raised at the 1958 Encampment, delegates were told by Lawrence E. Dennis, vice president for academic affairs, that the 1957 resolution has been "under study" by a committee of the University Senate.

Dennis noted, rather aptly, that senators tend to move "with all the speed of a despondent turtle."

The case for ending penalties for class cuts is a good one, and does not need bolstering here. But there is an equally good case for asking members of the University Senate and its committees to stop "cutting" their responsibilities.

The class cut question is just one example of senators' procrastination. Only a few weeks ago it was discovered that a student government recommendation to exempt veterans from required physical education had been lost in the "Senate-Go-Round" for seven months.

That document turned up on a committee chairman's desk a few days later and has been referred back to another committee, which originally considered it.

Undoubtedly, other such situations exist and may come to light as students become increasingly interested in following up the past recommendations of their student government.

Probably only a drastic change in Senate policy or procedure can avert similar situations in the future. Certainly such change is overdue!

More Help to Come

All-University Cabinet is going to spearhead again this year a drive for funds for Larry Sharp.

Sharp, paralyzed since he broke his neck in an accident in a physical education class last year, is in bad financial shape again. The constant and expensive medical treatment his condition demands is draining all available funds.

Student contributions from last year's Cabinet-sponsored Larry Sharp Drive helped greatly to defray expenses, but even this amount is nearly exhausted.

Cabinet took up the problem last night, and some of the intelligent suggestions that came out of the meeting indicate there will soon be a plan underway to aid Sharp.

Suggestions made at the meeting included:

- Charging admission for the Interfraternity Council-Panhel Sing finals with the profits going to Sharp.
• Showing a movie on campus and donating the funds collected to Sharp.
• Giving part of the profits of the Spring Week Carnival to the Sharp fund.

These were just suggestions; no decision has been made yet to put any of them into operation. But Cabinet is on the right track—Sharp needs the money and student government should take the lead in raising it.



Gazette

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Agriculture Extension, 9 a.m., 214-215 HUB
Bridge Club, 7 p.m., HUB
Christian Fellowship, 12:45 p.m., 218 HUB
Education Student Council, public relations committee, 6:30 p.m., 204 Willard
Interlandia Folk Dancing, 7:30 p.m., 3 White
Lutheran Student Association, "Club Volare," 7:30 p.m., LSA Center
Penn State Bible Fellowship, 7:30 p.m., 214 Boucke
Ugly Man Finals, 7:30 p.m., HUB ballroom
Wesley Foundation, Shutterbug Night, 8 p.m., Wesley Foundation

- UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL
Joan Ackerman, Orrean Chew, Kenneth Fleming, Andrew Funk, Betty Grove, Robert Horn, Joan Hamilton, Patricia Kern, Nancy Kress, Hewitt McCloskey, Joan Mozino, Linda Niess, Rosellen Pasternack, John Rapchak, Joan Schaffer, William Surgnier, Marilyn Trimble, Robert Twardzik, Judith Waxman, Kenneth Williams, Charles Wilson.

Sarli Elected WH President

Anthony Sarli, freshman in aeronautical engineering from Tamaqua, has been elected president of the West Halls Council.

He replaces Robert Gorniak, who was forced to give up the post for academic reasons.

Elected as AIM representatives-at-large in the new elections were Alan Ehlers, John Shalkop III, and Andrew Sack. They, as well as the new president, will assume duties immediately.

Edward Frymoyer brought up the point that the elections for the Association of Independent Men representatives-at-large were not held according to regulations. After heated discussion, in which Frymoyer was called a "Hitler" by a member, the council decided to hold the elections over again from 11 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. and from 5 to 6:15 p.m. Tuesday in front of the Waring Hall information desk.

Woman Campused By Judicial Board

The Judicial Board of the Woman's Student Government Association has sentenced one coed to an 8-day strict campus.

The seventh semester coed had not signed out for a special 11 p.m. permission and had signed in at 10:45 p.m.

Behind the News

Bluebooks, Blasts And Beating BU

By Bob Franklin

PENN STATERS ARE TALKING ABOUT: The tough bluebooks they've taken so far in what appears to be a tough semester—even faculty members admit they are "snowed" . . . the first big weekend of the school year, the Junior Prom . . . beating Boston University, a team that could be tough . . .

The half-holiday—John Bott and Patricia O'Neill are

compiling reasons to present to the Senate Committee on Calendar and will appreciate suggestions sent to them at 203 Hetzel Union or to The Collegian . . . the balmy weather, that feels like spring but looks unmistakably like fall . . . the upcoming lectures of Canon Bryan Green, one of the world's outstanding churchmen . . .

Finding new routes to "temporary" engineering buildings and around the Home Economics construction . . . the 6 a.m. marches of Scabbard and Blade, military society, which has been conducting pledge exercises this week . . . welcoming Dean of Women Pearl O. Weston back from Pittsburgh . . .



FRANKLIN

The terrible issue Froth put out this week—same old jokes, same old story-writers . . . new names for girl friends, such as "Roo" (short for Kangaroo) and "the War Department" . . . how fast tickets went for John Gielgud's Shakespeare readings, scheduled for Saturday night.

FRESHMEN ARE ASKING about: Why the Old Main clock strikes so many extra times at 6 p.m. . . what to do on Saturday nights . . . why State College high school girls won't date them (the code) . . . is compulsory ROTC really necessary? . . .

FACULTY MEMBERS ARE talking about: Dictating machines that don't work . . . students that won't study . . . University Senate committees that do commit—period . . .

STUDENT LEADERS are talking about: The humorous aspects of meetings of All-University Cabinet, which seems to be able to get things done—and have fun doing them . . . members of Lion's Paw, senior men's society, beginning to wear their pins following their Homecoming Banquet last Friday . . . the way "that wonderful Mrs. (R. Mae) Shultz," assistant dean of women, plays bridge . . .

ADMINISTRATION MEMBERS ARE TALKING about: Banning sophomore's cars, something student government began to fight against two years ago . . . the end of the Jordan Fertility plots, the oldest of their kind in the country, which are losing their site at Pollock and Shortlidge Roads to make way for the outward push of the campus . . . changing their downtown eating places . . .

EVERYONE'S WORRIED about: The future of the gift of the Class of 1958 and of the AM radio station proposal, which has been referred for study to a committee of the Board of Trustees . . . what children will do when their hula hoops are all bent—one suggestion is to make igloos out of them when the snow comes . . .

COEDS ARE STILL TALKING about: The fabulous Homecoming Weekend parties . . . the good classes of rib-bones which nearly all the sororities claim . . . each other.

Frost Remains Mischievous

By ARTHUR EDSON

WASHINGTON (P) — His hair is white, his body is a trifle stooped, and he wears black, high-topped shoes. But overbalancing these signs of age are his eyes, as merry and mischievous as those of a sophomore with a free weekend.

Robert Frost, America's most honored poet who, at 84, is serving as poetry consultant to the Library of Congress, Wednesday held what someone with poetic license labeled a news conference.

On modern poetry that can't be understood Frost said, "All poetry that does not come to some meaning is born dead. Nobody reads it. They write only for each other."

On modern poetry that can be understood—Frost is sure it's being written. He hopes to call attention to those who write in "fine, clear pictures."

Little Man on Campus by Dick Bibler



"I refuse your question on th' grounds my answer may tend to incriminate me."

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