

Students Afraid to Borrow Hurt University--Dilworth Belligerent Student Says Negro Destroys White Land Values'

Philadelphia's Mayor Richardson Dilworth yesterday blamed the reluctance of students to use loan funds for a similar reluctance on the part of a "conservative" legislature to increase expenditures for higher education in Pennsylvania.

Dilworth said, "If we could tell legislators that students are willing to hock their future, I think they would be more willing to increase spending for higher education." He said the University has about \$100,000 in a revolving student loan fund, but only about 25 per cent of this is used.

The problem, he said, is not peculiar to Pennsylvania, but is one faced by all states. Dilworth spoke to a meeting of the Faculty Luncheon Club in Dining Room "A" of the Hetzel Union Building.

Dilworth devoted a large portion of his remarks to a discussion of the University's expansion program, which plans for 25,000 students on the main campus and an additional 10,000 off-campus by 1970.

Dilworth said the University "hasn't come near to deciding who it wants to educate. This should be done to persuade the legislature to appropriate money. Education should benefit both the individual and the community in which he lives."

Dilworth said it will cost \$75-100 million to provide a physical plan on campus to accommodate these students and even more for the centers.

He said the centers should be equated with the main campus and that "patching up" poor physical plants will not do.

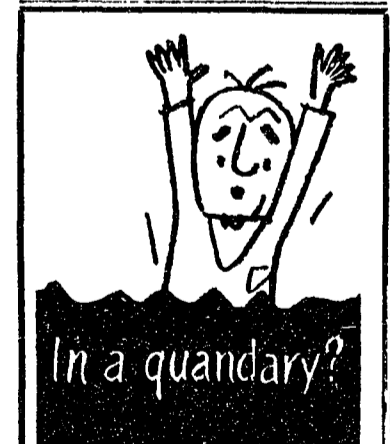
Dilworth said the federal government must help the states improve educational facilities just as it has helped with housing and urban renewal. He said no state can embark on an independent sociological or educational program because it will create a bad tax climate for industry for which there is intense competition among the states.

Dilworth said he thought there would be a "big drive" for federal aid to education in the next Congress. He said he was sure Sen. Joseph S. Clark, Jr., and the other Pennsylvania senator, whoever is elected, will support this.

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Integration Panel

By LIANNE CORDERO
A belligerent student with a trace of a Southern accent in his voice last night questioned the "right of Negroes seeking homes to destroy the value of white-owned property."

The question was addressed to a 4-member panel discussing the problem of "Integration in the North," in 121 Sparks.

Flatly denying the charge, Dr. John A. Morsell, assistant to the executive secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, declined to discuss the question.

Panelist Father George B. Ford, recently retired pastor of Corpus Christi Church in New York City, added that there is a leveling off after the "initial drop" in property values.

Sam Gibson, director of the University Christian Association and panel moderator, attempted to close the discussion with the remark that the panel had been following a heavy schedule of lectures and meetings all day. The panel had been in session for more than an hour.

But commending the student

for his courage in questioning a problem that so many people try to avoid, Maurice B. Fagan, executive director of the Jewish Community Relations Council and of the Philadelphia Fellowship Commission, asked that the discussion continue.

Fagan pointed out that if "a community is going to pot" all kinds of low income groups will attempt to move in.

"If whites do not get scared, property values will not drop," he said. Fagan cited the example of 50 or 60 communities where residents had not left and the new Negro family had been successfully integrated.

Each of the four panelists dealt with a particular phase of Northern Negro integration for 10 to 15 minutes.

Dealing with the moral and ethical values of our culture, Ford led off discussion by stating that the belief that white, composing only one-third of the world's population, will continue to be the dominate race will be challenged in the future.

Ford saw two contradictions of our values in the white attitude toward religion and democracy. "When we put our beliefs into practice we do not apply them equally," he said.

Morsell, representing the Negro point of view, listed a number of differences between integration in the North and the South. But he added that it is "not uncommon to hear problems in the North given as reasons for not doing anything to correct the Southern problem."

"Too many people have the attitude that they must first clean up the Northern dilemma without realizing that we are one nation," he said.

The role of public and private agencies dedicated to handling segregation was discussed by Fagan and George Culberson, executive director of the Pittsburgh Commission on Human Relations.

Culberson pointed out that 15 states and 40 cities now have public agencies set up to administer fair housing, fair employment practices and fair education laws.

But in virtually all cases the agencies handle, settlement is reached without going to court, he said.

Fagan urged that "moral forces" in the community set the example by promoting integration. The problem of segregation will be solved, he said, "when people are willing to stand up and be counted in a crisis."



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