

Editorial Opinion

Vets' Last Chance

All-University President Jay Feldstein is looking for ammunition—in the form of letters from veterans—to support voluntary physical education before the University Senate.

Feldstein will go before the Senate Thursday to defend All-University Cabinet's recommendation to throw out the phys ed requirement for veterans. The fight may not be easy, for the Senate Committee on Academic Standards has recommended that the requirement be kept intact.

To back up Cabinet's case, Feldstein has asked freshman and sophomore veterans to submit letters giving their opinions and reasons supporting voluntary phys ed. The letters are to be turned in at the Hetzel Union desk before Thursday.

This battle has been fought long and hard by Cabinet. But, after the recommendation was made to cut out the requirement, the Senate committee asked that Cabinet's request be voted down.

The Senate Committee's reasons for going against Cabinet's recommendation were vague and hardly convincing. But, nevertheless, the committee report stands, and the voluntary phys ed issue may need a strong last-ditch fight to save it.

Feldstein is trying to do this. He will fight the committee recommendation on the floor of the Senate. The least the students involved can do is back up Feldstein and Cabinet's actions with the letters he has requested.

PA—Please Attempt

Not because of—indeed in spite of—the efforts of some, we still have seen nothing concrete come out of the discussions on use of the public address system at Beaver Field for play-by-play description of football games.

A recommendation to All-University Cabinet earlier this year by Senior Class President Charles Welsh asked that the PA system be further used to include descriptions of penalties, scoring sequences and play-by-play accounts of the games.

Beginning with the Homecoming game with Marquette a description of the penalties and scoring sequences has been announced over the PA system and will be announced at the final home game with Holy Cross on Nov. 15.

The last of the three recommendations—for play-by-play accounts of the games—is still being kicked around in the Athletic Association.

The association and Dean Ernest B. McCoy of the College of Physical Education have based objections to the plan on three points: 1) possible interference with spectators who do not wish to be disturbed; 2) interference with radio broadcasts of the game; and 3) discrepancies between the PA system announcer and the radio sports broadcasters.

These are certainly valid objections. But no one is going to iron out these difficulties, it would seem by talking about them.

How would the 13 members of the AA ever decide in a discussion whether these three objections are strong enough to defeat the plan? It has been suggested by Dean McCoy that past attempts be searched for the answer. But since such a search would doubtless turn up little of value for present purposes, there is perhaps a better way.

Why not try it at the final home game on Nov. 15? Then the "disturbed" spectators would turn out to object and interference on the air could be determined.

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Washington

Even the Bard Used 'Politician' As Dirty Word

By ARTHUR EDSON

WASHINGTON (AP) — No one seems to know why "politician" is at least a faintly dirty word.

But it is, and has been for centuries. One statistical scholar found that Shakespeare used "politician" five times, and every time in an unfavorable sense.

Many of us will go to the polls voting for, or against, politicians. And it's ironic that the word has acquired such sinister connotations that some of our most successful politicians—President Eisenhower, for example—deny that that is what they are.

Yet this feeling has led to some splendid comments down through the years. So before starting for the polls, let's look at some quotations about politicians and politics.

Back in Civil War days Artemus Ward was delighting his followers with comments like this: "I am not a politician, and my other habits are good."

"In politics," Theodore Roosevelt confessed in 1902, "we have to do a great many things that we ought not to do."

"Politicians should have three hats handy at all times," the poet-historian Carl Sandburg has said. "One for throwing into the ring, another for talking through, and a third for pulling rabbits out if elected."

Sen. Jim Watson (R-Ind) reportedly once said: "We've got 'em beat—if they don't buy us."

Simon Cameron, Pennsylvania political boss and Lincoln's first secretary of war, had a variation of the same wisecrack. "An honest politician," Cameron said, "is one who, when he is bought, will stay bought."

One of the best known definitions came from Thomas Brackett Reed of Maine, who was to be speaker of the House. "A statesman," Reed said, "is a successful politician who is dead."

One of the coldest comments came from John J. Ingalls, a senator from Kansas, who said: "The purification of politics is an iridescent dream. Government is force. Politics is a battle for supremacy. Parties are the armies. The Decalogue and the Golden Rule have no place in a political campaign. The object is success."

"The proper memory for a politician," said the Englishman, John Morley, who was one, "is one that knows what to remember and what to forget."

But, lest we're too cynical, let's end with this: "Politicians who can't face unpopularity are really not worth having."

The man who said that was a politician who proved he could take unpopularity and popularity in magnificent stride. His name: Winston Churchill.

4 Coeds Given Strict Campuses

Two women students have been given strict week campuses for violating the Women's Student Government drinking rule.

Women's Student Government Judicial Board also penalized a woman student for being 40 minutes late on a 1 a.m. permission. She received four strict days campus, two to be served this week and two next week.

Another woman received 10 days strict campus for being 40 minutes late on a 1 a.m. permission. She had not notified her housemother that she would be late.

Judicial penalized one woman for improper signing in of a guest. She received a 1 o'clock removal. Her original guest stayed at a fraternity house Junior Prom weekend, and she had another guest to take her place. The other guest stayed under the name of the former one.

UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL

Lamont Aley, Lester Brower, Joseph Condrick, John Coult, Carla Cox, Joel Daniels, Sherod Daugherty, Yvonne Dubois, Sheila Dubrow, John Glagola, Ronald Hallett, Larry Herring, Linda Hunt, Kee Kim, Sydney Kurtz, Kenneth Link, Francis Loprest, Joan Miller, Robert Miller, William Naaman, Ralph Riehl, Carmel Santinoreto, John Simpclair, Richard Sorrentino, Ann Vosburg, William Karniol, Mary Cimmons, Walter Smith.

Little Man on Campus by Dick Bibler



"—Just wanted you to know you're under suspicion of having cheated on my last test—you PASSED it."

Letters

Student Says UN Purpose Brotherly Love

TO THE EDITOR: In reply to Richard Ferguson's letter in the Oct. 31 edition of The Daily Collegian:

You are so right, we don't need the United Nations one bit! Why should we sit in a council with liars, thieves, and murderers? Why should we care about what is going on in the rest of the world? To us it should not matter that hundreds are dying from starvation or diseases; that cultures are depriving people of their lives. We don't have to recognize that we are part of humanity and must reach out with an undemanding inexhaustible brotherly love.

Yes, we should develop an isolationism like the one after World War I that led to World War II, for only fools believe in talk, talk that brings tolerance, belief, understanding and ultimately peace. Yes, we have paid for our stupidity—in good relations: important overseas bases, and further scientific and cultural knowledge.

We could be out on Mount Nittany practicing military maneuvers instead of paying undue homage to an organization dedicated to the castration of United States of America. We could then be combating our adversaries with their own deadly fire. We could disregard everything our country stands for: justice, freedom, fairness, and most of all our love of life and belief in our fellow man. We could submit to the very hated thing we are fighting, and disregard our

heritage of freedom and individuality.

We could do all these things; but we have educated, intelligent adults that realize the significance of the United Nations and international peace.

I also have regrets about that exhibition. A regret that the United Nations flag was not raised above all other flags. A flag for all the world to see, and respect, and remember. The flag which represents our belief in the goodness and love of all mankind.

—Jean Van Tassel, '61

Gazette

TODAY

- Angel Flight, 6:30 p.m. Armory
Belles Lettres, "A Shavian Debate on Stage Morality," 7:30 p.m., Simmons lounge
Bryan Green Foundation Committee, 8 p.m., 217 HUB
Cabinet Judiciary Evaluation Committee, 9 p.m., 218 HUB
Classified Ad Staff, new members only, 7 p.m., Collegian office
Clover Club and Horticulture Club student-faculty party, 7:15 p.m., 10 Tyson
Ed Student Council, 6:30 p.m., 217 HUB
Freshman Regulation Board, 12:30 p.m., 217 HUB
Gamma Sigma Sigma, 6:15 p.m., 218 HUB
Hillel, Interfaith Committee Lecture Series, "Religion of the Amish" by Dr. Maurice A. Mook, 7:30 p.m., Foundation
Intercollegiate Conference on Government, 7 p.m., 203 HUB
Judicial, 5:15 p.m., 217 HUB
Newman Club Movie Series, "State and Church," 7:30 p.m., 214 Boucke
Phi Epsilon Kappa, 9 p.m., 214 HUB
Senior Class Advisory Board, 7:30 p.m., 218 HUB
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Tau Beta Pi Pledge Meeting, 7:30 p.m., 102 Sackett

