

Editorial Opinion

Throw in the T-Shirt

The trouble of the T-shirts moves to its crisis today. Nittany Area residents will take to the polls to decide whether Nittany Council's ban on T-shirts in the area dining hall will stand or fall.

A two-thirds majority in the referendum will be needed to rescind the ruling, which also requires that suit coats or sport coats be worn at Sunday meals in the Nittany area.

Much outspoken criticism and fanatical opposition among some Nittany residents has greeted the new regulation. The forces of resistance—and we hope they represent only a small percentage of Nittany residents—have come forth to defend their stand with some of the strangest and most witless logic we have seen in some time.

Apparently the chief point of protest over the ruling is its infringement on the rights of the students involved. Some have carried this to the absurd point of saying the rule is contrary to the United States Constitution.

Has it occurred to these civil liberties fanatics that our basic rights are often adjusted to conform to particular situations?

Rules set up in the University community are often more strict than the Constitution—rules such as hours for women, dormitory drinking regulations, etc.

The University community cannot be run as a state or a nation—it is a unique situation, and if a student objects to the rules of the situation he can resort to his basic rights and quit.

Another top complaint of the dissenters is that the Nittany council representatives had no right to pass the T-shirt ban without consulting Nittany residents. This argument quickly disintegrates under close inspection.

The basis of representative government—such as the Nittany Council—is that representatives have the power to act for their constituents. If a representative had to consult those he represents before agreeing to any legislation, the system would fall apart under its own clumsiness.

Nittany residents elected these men—they shouldn't have put them in office if they doubted their intelligence and good judgment.

They do, of course, have the right to overrule these representatives by referendum, and it is gratifying to see that the council stepped in quickly and set up this referendum to test student feelings.

The T-shirt ban is sound rule. If a few students cannot conform to basic rules of etiquette and decor—and they will have to if they expect any success after graduation—then the majority of students should see that these rules are upheld.

Letters

News Policy Is Questioned

TO THE EDITOR: Just what do you consider news? Yesterday's Collegian gives front page coverage to such current and newsworthy events as a 3-day-old football game which Penn State was picked to win and only tied, the sell-out popularity of Shakespeare, the sale of Pitt football tickets, and grad English exams. Then we find six pages of such vital topics as residence clothing customs, Mardi Gras prizes, party plans, etc.

Finally, on page eight we read that Canon Bryan Green, one of England's most famous speakers and internationally popular campus lecturer spoke on "Love, Friendship, and Marriage" in the Hetzel Union Building ballroom Monday afternoon.

Of course no mention was given to the fact that only a small group of more than 1100 students jammed the ballroom, overflowed into the doorways and lounges, and made it necessary to turn on all the loudspeakers on the first floor of the HUB in order to accommodate everyone. According to reports

this was a unique event in the size of the attendance alone.

Reading further we find no mention whatsoever of the lecture given by Bryan Green at Schwab Auditorium Monday night, where he addressed a group upwards of 1000 on "Basic Christianity."

Just what do you consider news?

—Jim Miller, '60

—Lee Van Bremen, '60

—Don Collier, '59

Reader Supports Letter by Rodill

TO THE EDITOR: This letter is unique. I am agreeing with Daniel Rodill's letter published (yesterday).

I was very much moved by the partial accuracy of his letter published Monday, Jan. 6, 1958, and now, I am so moved by the total accuracy of his letter published (yesterday), I feel compelled to voice praise where it is so intensely deserved.

Excuse me for adding that I am well aware that due to ignorance and apathy, our cause is futile and our efforts are of no avail.

—Rodney Morgan, '59

Teachings of Christ, Marx Seen at Odds

TO THE EDITOR: Reader Rodill, unfortunately or by design, you have committed one of the most odious of logical fallacies in your attempt to wed the teachings of Marx with those of Jesus. The fallacy is that of association or identification of something undesirable or neutral with some name or idea which is sure to ring a pleasant note with the majority of your audience. The relationship between them is in at least two instances direct opposition, and they are in those respects not comparable or compatible.

Marx taught that the new order must be brought in by any and every form of overt or covert persuasion or compulsion; that the end justifies the means. In addition, Marxism denies the activity of an Almighty God as a force for peace and happiness. And in both of these vital points Marx is at odds with a teaching best phrased by Jesus which is over two thousand years old.

We are taught and eventually prove to ourselves by living that the only honest way of life is the service and worship of God through expressed and active love for all mankind. We know by experience that no end can justify dishonest or oppressive means, and we know that no peace or brotherhood of man can long endure which is not

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TODAY

- AIM, 7 p.m., 203 HUB
Alpha Lambda Delta, 5:15 p.m., 215 HUB
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Association of Fraternity Counsellors, 7:30 p.m., 212 HUB
Bryan Green Committee breakfast, 7:30 a.m., Chapel
Bryan Green Lecture, 4:15 p.m., HUB ballroom
Bryan Green Firesides, 9 p.m., Theta Chi; 10 p.m., McAllister lounge, Stephens lounge, Irwin lounge, Alpha Kappa Lambda; 11 p.m., Acacia, Sigma Tau Gamma
Chess Club, 7 p.m., 7 Sparks
Christian Fellowship, 12:45 p.m., 218 HUB
Dancing Class, 6:30 p.m., HUB ballroom
Folk Song Club, 7 p.m., 218 HUB
Freshman Advisory Board, 8:30 p.m., 212 HUB
Kappa Phi pledge meeting, 6:30 p.m., Wesley Foundation
Newman Club Rosary and Benediction, 7 p.m., Church; Lecture Series, Prof. Case, 7 p.m., 104 Chapel; Choir Practice, 7 p.m., Church
Physical Education Student Council, 7 p.m., 3 White Hall
Riding Club executive meeting 7 p.m., Captain Gagarin's home
Women's Choir, 6 p.m., HUB assembly hall
Women's Recreation Association bridge club, for advanced and intermediate players, 7 p.m., White Hall
WSGA Judicial Board, 7 p.m., 214 HUB
Zoology Club, 8:30 p.m., 113 Frear

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- Nancy Bernard, John Rozick, John Busch, Catherine Chirrelle, Gayl Clark, Judith Cohen, John Craig, George Glynn, Laura Howden, Patricia Kampmerier, Robert Kimble, Kathleen Lauver, Stella Mascaro, Eleanor Newkirk, Judith Stewart, Melvin Swendsen, Owen Vick, Donald Williams, Vincent Zaino, Elizabeth Briggs, Robert Umstead, George Valgora.

founded upon the strength of the Father in whom we believe.

We are all often hypocritical, and the arms race is an example of failure to put our whole selves under the direction of our humanistic philosophy. But the failure is born of the fear of subjugation and extinction by communism of the entire philosophy which allows us to live in dignity as individuals

That Judaeo-Christian philosophy is under direct attack by a conflicting philosophy which avowedly has no ethical principle to ensure an honest conflict of ideals with the survival of that which is best for mankind.

I am a living American among many who are not enslaved or degraded by those around us who believe as we do. And we will not accept or tolerate any attempt of a fallacious or malicious philosophy to replace the underlying good in agape love for all men, or to identify it falsely with its own unsound and unworkable ideal.

—Thomas M. Barnes, '60



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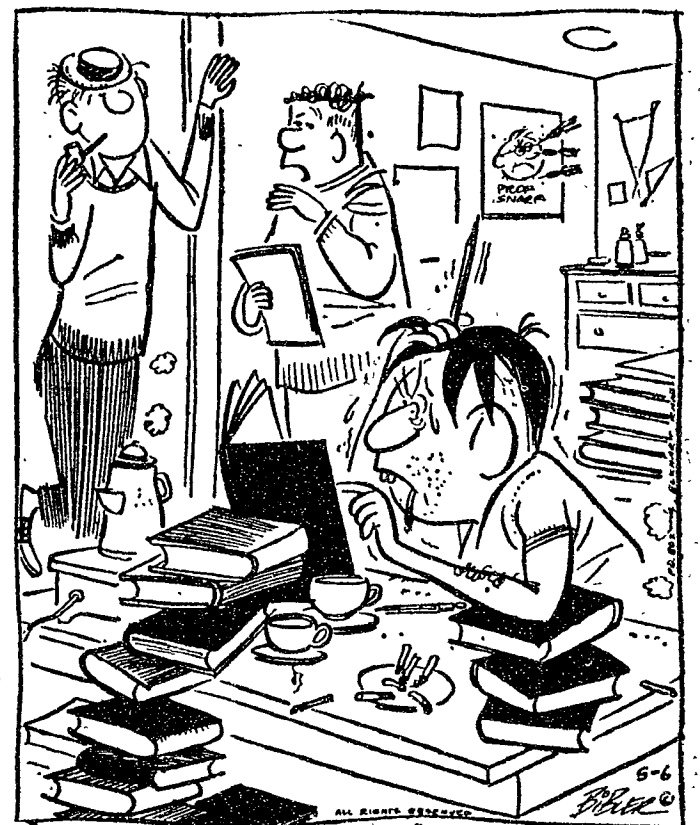
Exchange Grants Offered to Grads

The International Educational Exchange Service of the U.S. State Department will offer 75 new scholarships for study in Latin America.

For eligibility, applicants should be U.S. citizens, under 35 years old, have a bachelor of arts degree and have sufficient knowledge of Spanish to live and study in the country concerned.

Applications must be in by Jan. 15. Forms may be obtained from the Institute of International Education, 1 E. 67th St., New York, N.Y., until Dec. 31.

Little Man on Campus by Dick Bibler



"Better leave him alone—he's looking for three more words to finish a 10,000 word theme."

Interpreting

The World Still Is Not 'Safe for Democracy'

By J. M. ROBERTS Associated Press News Analyst. Forty years ago yesterday there fell a strange silence over Western Europe.

From the North Sea to the Alps the guns ceased pounding for the first time in four years.

The "war to end wars"—the war which the United States had so blithely entered "to make the world safe for Democracy"—was over, or so people thought.

The Western Allies had won, and that first Armistic Day their peoples celebrated like madmen. In later years the celebration became a tribute to the men who had done the winning.

But the "war to end wars" hadn't worked, and there came other wars, and more winners. The anniversary was renamed Veterans Day, in honor of them all.

The 20th Century, which had been expected to produce a

new apex in the advance of civilization, began to be called "The Bloody Twentieth."

The roll of honor has grown beyond any proportions which could have been imagined by the madly happy people of Nov. 11, 1918.

Now there is observance rather than celebration.

After 40 years the world is still not safe for Democracy. In the background there remains the long roll of the drums.