

Editorial Opinion

Two Faithful Friends

Male students are soon to lose two good friends in the administration.

Both Harold J. Perkins, associate dean of men, and O. Edward Pollock, assistant to the dean of men in charge of fraternity affairs, have announced they will be leaving the campus at the end of the school year.

Perkins has served the University since 1949, first as fraternity adviser and after Pollock arrived, handling student disciplinary cases. As fraternity adviser, Perkins worked with student leaders in initiating Greek Week and in starting the Interfraternity Council's workshops, two currently successful projects.

Perkins now has the big task of handling student discipline, which includes everything from patching up occasional ruffles in town-gown relations to keeping an eye on all student courts and their decisions.

Pollock is a fraternity man, and he has never forgotten this fact in his position as fraternity counselor. He has worked constantly for the cause of the fraternity system at the University, and has been at once an able administrator, a wise adviser and a loyal friend to fraternity men.

Pollock has kept tab on the personal problems of every one of the University's 54 fraternities, problems ranging from financial difficulties to keeping the house's physical plant in shape and its members out of trouble.

Both Perkins and Pollock have been valuable administrators to the University and faithful friends to the students. Penn State owes much to their counsel and leadership.

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Little Man on Campus by Dick Bibler



Gazette

TODAY
Alpha Phi Omega Banquet, 8 p.m., HUB ballroom; 10 p.m., 212 HUB
Boy Scouts, 9 a.m., 216 HUB
Delta Sigma Pi, Initiation, 1:59 p.m., Phi Sigma Delta; Initiation Banquet, 7 p.m., Futaw House
Eastern Bridgeland Society, 9 a.m., HUB assembly hall
Freshman Class Dance, 9 p.m., HUB ballroom
Girl Scouts, 9 a.m., 218 HUB

TOMORROW
Alpha Phi Omega, 10 a.m., HUB assembly hall
Campus Party Steering Committee, 3 p.m., 212-14 HUB
Christian Fellowship, 2 p.m., 215 HUB
Graduate Bridge Club, 7 p.m., 217-18 HUB
Newman Club, 7 p.m., 213 HUB
Student Movies, 6:30 p.m., HUB Assembly hall
Swedborgian, 10:30 a.m., 212 HUB
University Party, publicity, 6 p.m., 212 HUB

MONDAY
Alpha Phi Omega, 7 p.m., 214 HUB; 8 p.m., 214-15-16 HUB
Dancing Class, 6:30 p.m., HUB ballroom
Christian Fellowship, 12:30 p.m., 218 HUB
Freshman Council, 6:30 p.m., 218 HUB
IFC, 7:30 p.m., HUB assembly hall
Leonides Council, 6:30 p.m., 203 HUB
Physical Education Student Council, 8 p.m., 217 HUB
Reorganization Committee, 7 p.m., 212-13 HUB
UCA Summer Project, 6:30 p.m., 217 HUB

UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL
James Anderson, David Bair, Doris Beck, Shelley Berg, Sara Brown, Lee Cohen, Patricia Couch, Anthony DeAngelo, Adrena Dorfman, Ronald Downie, Louise Ellsworth, Marvin Factor, Herbert Fink, Douglas Fisher, Barry Flashman, David Francis, Robert Gold, Stephen Gregg, Nancy Hadfield, Charles Hamach, Joseph Hendrickson, Robert Huck, Gerald Jackson, Stephen Jones, Bonnie Katz, Allen Keiser, Samuel Kallans, Martha Kotchin, Kenneth Link, Richard Lutfy, Walter Mauersberg, Thomas McCauley, Robert Morris, Wade Nutter, Robert O'Connell, Ruth Ott, Donald Rhodes, Diane Richards, Jeannette Rutan, John Roynan, Barbara Schermer, Lawrence Smith, William Shank, Susan Silverberg, Barbara Soyka, Judith Stock, Mona Teeter, Paul Wasko, Kenneth Young.

Flu--

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of illness, E. S. Krug, assistant University physician, said, "We've had practically every bed filled up."

Earlier this week Krug said there had been an outbreak of tonsillitis and "mild influenza" cases, but he pointed out that an increase in these cases is common for this time of year.

Krug labeled the influenza cases as "Influenza B," a milder form of "Influenza A," better known as Asiatic flu.

The widespread outbreak of respiratory diseases in 1957 was a part of the sweeping Asiatic flu epidemic which crippled the nation that year. At that time the Ritenour Health Center was overcrowded with patients, forcing many of them to receive treatment in their rooms.

Special "sick lunches" were prepared for distribution among the stricken students who were unable to go to the dining halls for their meals. At the peak of the outbreak, 7700 such meals were distributed in one day.



Letters

Students Asked To Study Plan

TO THE EDITOR: Several weeks ago a petition signed by over 700 students was put before All-University Cabinet, requesting that the new Student Government Association plan be placed on the ballot. Cabinet granted the request.

To better inform the students about the new plan, the Reorganization Committee and several others have planned various methods of discussing SGA principles. One of these was a special open reorganization meeting last Wednesday evening.

Four of the committee members waited in the meeting room for 40 minutes after the meeting was scheduled to begin. Not one person showed up!

Perhaps the 700 persons who signed the petition completely understand the reorganization. This is fine—but doubtful.

It took the committee over a year to derive the principles of SGA, and Cabinet took over a month to become acquainted with them.

Displays in the HUB and Waring lounge, explanations on closed-circuit TV, two more open meetings and an elections rally are planned. Since the students asked to vote on reorganization, it is their duty to learn as much about it as possible.

Otherwise the vote they have is useless.

—Walter Darran, '61 member, Student Government Reorganization Committee.

Reader Blasts Hospital Rule

TO THE EDITOR: Why are women prohibited from visiting men patients in the University infirmary? This astonishing rule was brought to my attention last Friday afternoon when I went to visit a friend during the 2-hour visiting period and learned that "mixed visiting" is not permitted.

I explained to the hospital representative that the patient I wanted to visit was an Ecuadorian school administrator with eight children. Since my friend does not speak English well, I knew he would be glad to see me. For a foreigner away from his family and in a strange country a stay in the hospital can be a very lonely and unhappy experience.

There must be some reason for this strange policy. As a medical employee in a number of hospitals, I have never known of an instance where members of the opposite sex were forbidden from visiting their friends during visiting hours.

Wouldn't a more liberal policy be an easy way to improve this situation?

—Elizabeth Renner

EDITOR'S NOTE: Dr. Herbert R. Glenn, director of the Health Service, yesterday said the policy is as old as the Health Service itself and is necessary because "we have difficulty with boy-girl relations under these circumstances." He said, "It's more a matter of discipline than anything else." But he said exceptions can be made and the case in point "might have been handled a little more diplomatically."

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One Tragedy of Tibet: Last Lost Horizon Found

by Dave Fineman

The Lost Horizon has been found—by politics, revolt and the 20th century.

Such is the tragedy of Tibet, that besides the horror of bloodletting and the inhumanity of Chinese rule, there is the frustrating disappointment of Tibet as the symbol of the end of romance.

This is not, of course, to minimize the death and displacement resulting from the ruthlessness of Communist rule there.

But James Hilton's Lost Horizon is one of the masterpieces of romantic literature and to see the exotic land of the story smeared with the blood of our "progressive" 20th century is

to see possibly the end of real romance.

There is little that is romantic in literature today. Perhaps Broadway is the last outpost of romance, which is unfortunate indeed. For this kind of romance finds its subject matter in the most unseemly places.

I cite "West Side Story" as a well known example of modern romances (no pun intended). The show romanticizes, of all things, the gang problem in the slums of New York.

This, and other such examples, show the futility of modern writers who attempt to pen romance.

True enough, we should be realistic, for how can literature (and other art) be a true imitation of life if it is not realistic. But there is always a place for romance, although I am certain this place is not in the gang wars of West Side New York.

But to return to Tibet (as if we ever really could, even through Hilton, with any hope or conviction at all).

Ringed by until-now impenetrable mountains, the country has always been considered a far corner of the earth. Kipling, a while back, wrote "The Man Who Would Be King," which was a story of Tibet. It was such a mysterious place at the time that whatever he said was accepted in a matter of course as truth and the exotic picture he painted of it stuck in the minds of other adventure writers.

But the image is lost now. The final stroke was the recent news that what Tibetans are still alive and in power will take their problem to the United Nations, a most unromantic forum.

I do not lament this proposed act on the part of Tibetans, for certainly the rest of the world has an obligation to preserve the sovereignty, and more important, the lives of the Tibetan people.

But I merely add my voice to those who lament the turn of events in modern times which has made the destruction of romance so necessary.



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