

Editorial Opinion

Student Absentee Vote

A bill has been introduced into the State Legislature that may extend absentee voting to college students. If this legislation is passed, it would undoubtedly produce a tremendous increase of voters among the state's colleges and universities.

Many students who are eligible to vote don't have a way to get home to their home voting districts. Many others just don't want to take the time and trouble.

Under present laws, only servicemen and hospitalized or bedridden veterans may cast absentee ballots.

College students theoretically are among the best informed of those eligible to vote. Students have access to expert opinion among the many professors, especially those in political science.

A new group which calls itself the Student Lobby is forming on campus. Its purpose is to help bring the college student opinion before state and national policy makers. This absentee ballot issue offers an excellent opportunity for this group to make a good start.

Good Grief, C.B.

But we all love you, Charlie Brown. And just to prove it we ran two cartoon strips about you yesterday.

In fact, every Tuesday henceforth, Charlie, Snoopy, Linus and the rest of the Fussbudgets will be appearing six times a week in the Collegian.

Reason: Collegian publishes five times a week; there are six Peanuts comic strips each week. Any complaints?

Other Views

Intelligentsia?

The arts are suffocating because of lack of new talent; private industry is crying for trained personnel; the government needs young, fresh minds with a clear outlook; the public is demanding more and better trained teachers—and the job of supplying the country with individuals to fit these requirements falls on colleges and universities.

College students are supposed to be intellectually superior. Because they are college students they are supposed to think for themselves and to have at their command a certain amount of discretion and foresight.

However, look around you. Look at the "student" who comes to take an examination without a pencil or pen. Look at the inevitable dunderhead who always neglects to put his name on the paper, or who can never figure out how to mark the answer sheet.

Go to any dean's office, any time of day, and you will always find someone there with catalog, schedule book and sheets of paper scattered around trying his best to figure out a schedule. Does the "student" need some sort of gifted intelligence to be able to compare the required courses, as listed in the catalog, with courses he has already taken?

College students, especially freshmen, need a certain amount of counseling and guidance, but upperclassmen seem equally guilty of not being able to make decisions for themselves and must be taken by the hand and shown exactly what to do.

The University obviously takes this into account, as can readily be seen by glancing at the list of counselors in the "L" book. There are general counselors, scholastic counselors, vocational, speech, reading, emotional, financial, health, housing and religious counselors.

The "L" book suggests that anyone who needs reading counseling should report to the Developmental Reading Bureau. What right does anyone have to be in college if he can't read properly? It's no wonder the "student" can't figure out his schedule, take an examination or correctly follow instructions.

It probably is not the only state university faced with this problem, but anyone who comes to college without being able to read satisfactorily, or to make his own basic decisions, is wasting his time and the state's money. If this state, or this country, expects to keep turning out trained personnel the colleges and universities will have to weed out the deadheads.

Because LSU is a state university, it cannot refuse admission to any white Louisiana high school graduate. However, considering results of this policy, it wouldn't be a bad idea to think about changing the rule.

—Daily Reveille Louisiana State University

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Campus Beat

Bells, Band Make Campus 'Sound Off'

The physical plant wasn't kidding when it announced a few weeks back that the clock in Old Main would be on time. Now, not only is it on time, but every once in a while it strikes the hour 15 minutes early.

We see that the Blue Band has tried to cement relationships with the population of Thompson Hall's fourth floor. The band serenaded the girls Friday night.

We've found a solution for all those irate Chapel goers who are being "discriminated upon" by the Campus Patrol. If they got up five minutes earlier in the morning they could park behind Rec Hall and enjoy a pleasant morning walk. It's amazing what a walk will do for the soul.

Why can't Penn State give their team a big send-off to West Point like the Cadets give their team when it leaves for an away game?

And speaking of the Army game—Who isn't?—we know one fraternity man who got a transistor radio to carry in his golf bag while he plays a round in the IM tournament Saturday afternoon.

We're still trying to figure out what the student was doing on the second floor of Boucke with a bicycle on Monday. Maybe he was trying to reach the 8-foot high clothes tree that was seen in the building last week.

We wonder who this year's Homecoming Queen will be. Better yet, we wonder who'll know Saturday night of Homecoming weekend. She seems to lead more of a sheltered life than a novice.

Can't wait to see the December issue of Confidential. It's going to have an expose on the morals of the Ivy League schools. Now we'll finally see how the other half lives.

Congratulations to the spirited students who are passing out the "BEAT ARMY" stickers. They sure build up more morale than the "Clyde Klutz" fad of two years ago.

We don't mind the idea of "June in January," but August in October is carrying things a little too far.

We hear the McKee coeds want to wear bermudas in their dining halls. Who knows, maybe we'll have another revolution like last year's Nittany "T"-shirt rebellion.

Well, students, I guess I had better make the trek to class. See you all at Michie Stadium.

—Prof Wayne

Gazette

TODAY

- AIM Executive Committee, 7 p.m., 203 HUB
Association of Chemical Engineers, 7 p.m., Grange playroom
Career Committee, 7 p.m., 212 HUB
Chem-Phys Council, 7 p.m., 217 HUB
Chess Club, 7 p.m., HUB cardroom
Christian Fellowship, 12:45 p.m., 218 HUB
Dancing Classes, 4:15 p.m., 6:30 p.m., HUB ballroom
DeMolay, 7:30 p.m., 213 HUB
Glee Club, HiLo Section, 7 p.m., 100 Carnegie
Graduate School Lecture, 8 p.m., 121 Sparks
Newcomer's Faculty Wives Bridge Club, 7:30 p.m., 214 HUB
Nittany Grotto, 7 p.m., 121 MI
Riding Club, 7 p.m., 218 HUB
Sports Car Club, 7 p.m., 109 Osmond
Women's Chorus, 6:30 p.m., HUB assembly room
WRA Bowling Club, 7:30 p.m., White Hall
WRA Dance Club, 7 p.m., White Hall
WRA Hockey Club, 5:15 p.m., Holmes Field
Zoology Club, 7 p.m., 105 Frear

Dean of Men's Office To Be Open Saturdays

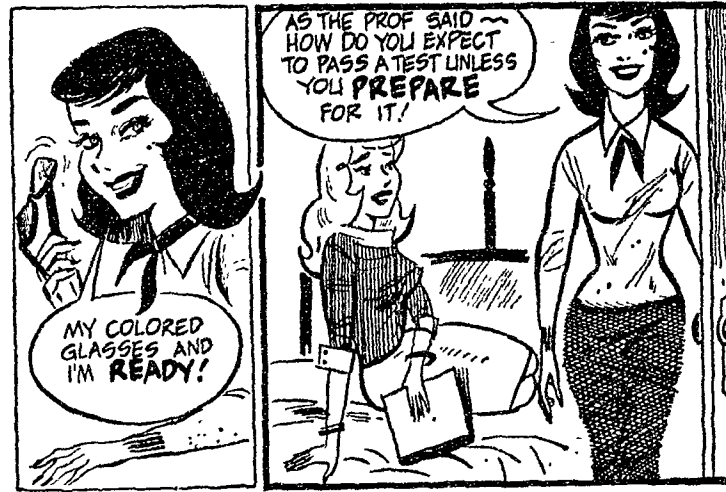
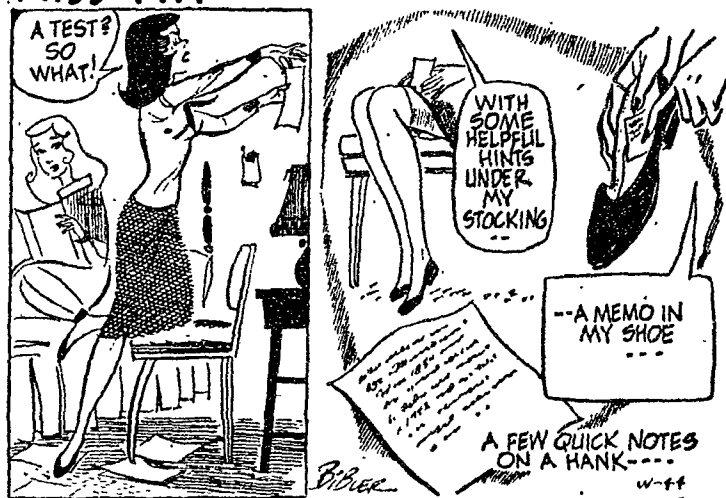
The dean of men's office will be open from 9 a.m. to noon Saturdays on a trial basis.

The extension of office hours began last Saturday.

Previously, the office was only open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Little Man on Campus by Dick Bibler

MISS FITT



Letters

Frosh Replies To Reply on Light Issue

TO THE EDITOR: While reading yesterday's Collegian, I happened to glance at the letter "Coed Replies," and noticed the name "Mr. H. C. Lawrence Smith." The main reason I noticed it was that it was my name. So I read the letter.

After neatly clipping off the barbed point, and withdrawing the feathered shaft from a point midway between my shoulder blades, I sat down to study the problems brought to light, so to speak, by Miss Gordon.

During the course of the afternoon, and evening (which was shorter, mind you) I made the following survey by studying some upperclass coeds in the area described by Miss Gordon as the "short cut between Walker Lab and the Library."

There are two routes that can be used to traverse this area... A coed going downhill from the Library passing Pond Lab and continuing on to Walker Lab takes about two minutes and 40 seconds.

A coed traveling downhill from the front of Burrows past Graduate Hall to Walker takes about two minutes and 20 seconds. A coed coming up from Walker past Pond takes about three minutes. A coed traveling up from Walker past Grad Hall to the Library takes two minutes and 50 seconds.

In the field of "menaces to navigation" there are a number of pot holes in the Pond

parking lot, and two five-inch curb stones back of Grad Hall. Both are close to lights.

There are no hanging chains in back of Pond Lab. (All are missing, presumably carried away by rapidly walking coeds.) Now we return to the subject of lights, which incidentally started this all (lest we forget).

There are only three lights along this path. Not counting light from the many open windows of Grad Hall. So it is for the most part dark. This we take for granted.

When we travel from Walker Lab to the Library by way of Pollack Rd. and the Mall at coed pace, it takes a mere three minutes and 32 seconds. This route is well lighted.

When the lighting system of this campus was planned, it was assumed that students would use the lighted areas to go from place to place. However, it seems that quite a few don't. The main reason given by most is habit.

A campus our size can be compared to a city. Cities have this same problem, and most girls living in cities have some method of countering this problem.

The routes used as examples were not planned as well traveled routes, and if they become so now, then there should be no problem of desolation. While viewing the area at night, the only problem I discovered was narrowly being hit by a "delicate flower" speeding down the path on a bicycle.

The humor contained in this and other letters is not meant to be caustic, it merely conveys this thought, that by maturely looking at the problem it can be overcome. If you are afraid of the dark do something about it yourself, first.

—Lawrence Smith, '63

