

Editorial Opinion

Improve Communications—  
Improve Student Opinion

The SGA Cabinet and President Leonard Julius came up with one of its best ideas in many months last night. The proposal provides that administration members come before Assembly to present the University's views on topics of student interest.

Had Albert E. Diem, vice president for business administration, appeared before Assembly last May to present the proposed traffic regulations and give the student leaders an idea of the University's parking problem, things may have been different. The University had logical reasons for enforcing the new regulations, but an explanation beforehand surely would have been better than the students finding the rules in force when they returned in September.

Housing problems and the current discussion over the need for more telephones in some campus areas could possibly be topics for administrators to discuss with the Assembly.

The idea for these meetings should be considered most highly by the administration and staff members. It is through these breakdowns in communication that the University finds itself in 'hot water' with the students. The breakdown was most evident in the recent Liberty Bowl dealings and it didn't make students speak too highly of the University when they were home over Thanksgiving vacation.

How does this tie in with administrative cooperation in airing the University's viewpoints and policy positions? Well, namely—a university builds upon its prestige and reputation among alumni throughout the state and nation. How can its reputation gain prestige when its own students speak harshly of its actions?

The SGA proposal is just a small start—but a very important one to improve relations and cooperation between the administration and its policies and the student body.

Other Views

Lehigh Sees ROTC 'Evils'

Even Lehigh officials have had, through the years, much to say about the evils of ROTC.

Dean of the Graduate School Wray H. Congdon said in the Brown and White almost six years ago when he was Dean of Students that:

- Course content is frequently not of college calibre. There is too much of technical school level.
• ROTC instructors do not have adequate or comparable academic training as compared with other college instructors.
• The expectation and requirement of the military of having its courses carry academic credit works a hardship on the college.
• The number of contact hours required per week in ROTC, particularly advanced courses, is excessive and out of proportion to the total educational program.
• Determination of educational policies by an outside authority in matters of a college curriculum and educational practices is an unhealthy situation and an impingement upon the college's autonomy.

—Lehigh Brown and White

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Letters

Nittany Men  
Issue Challenge

TO THE EDITOR: Since North and West Halls are always sounding off about anything unimportant, it seems to me that it's about time they had something to scream about.

The men of Nittany area would like to extend a formal challenge to the weaker groups on campus. We, the men of Nittany, are having a pep rally for our football team.

If the boys of North can slide down Ag Hill and the boys of West can tear themselves away from their girls, we challenge them to meet us at Old Man at 8 p.m. Monday.

—Barry Rein, '62  
President, Nittany Council

(Editor's Note: Come, come, Mr. Rein, where's your co-educational spirit? Why not get the West men to bring "their" girls?)

Sr. Adds Comment  
Against Loyalty

TO THE EDITOR: Lately the question of loyalty oaths, has become popular again. Most, or at least many, people seem to agree that it isn't effective and that it unfailingly singles out college students.

I would submit another reason in opposition to these oaths: personal integrity.

This is not an old fashion idea. I would like to think it universal. It is certainly not something to pass over as of secondary importance.

We learn that in these United States a person is innocent until proven guilty. It seems to me the government, by requiring a loyalty oath of students receiving loans, is implying that we're probably innocent, but let's just make sure.

This I believe is an insult to one's personal integrity.

—Peter Glick, '60

Iranians Say Thanks  
For Student Concern

TO THE EDITOR: On behalf of the Iranian students on the Pennsylvania State University campus, we extend our appreciation to The Daily Collegian, the Hillel Foundation, the student body in general and all others who have expressed a concern for the unfortunate incident which occurred to one of our fellow students, Davoud Eshaghoff.

—Jamil Faridy,  
Iranian student

Players Tryouts  
Will End Tonight

Final tryouts for the next Players' production, "Italian Straw Hat," will be held at 7 tonight in the Greenroom, Schwab Auditorium.

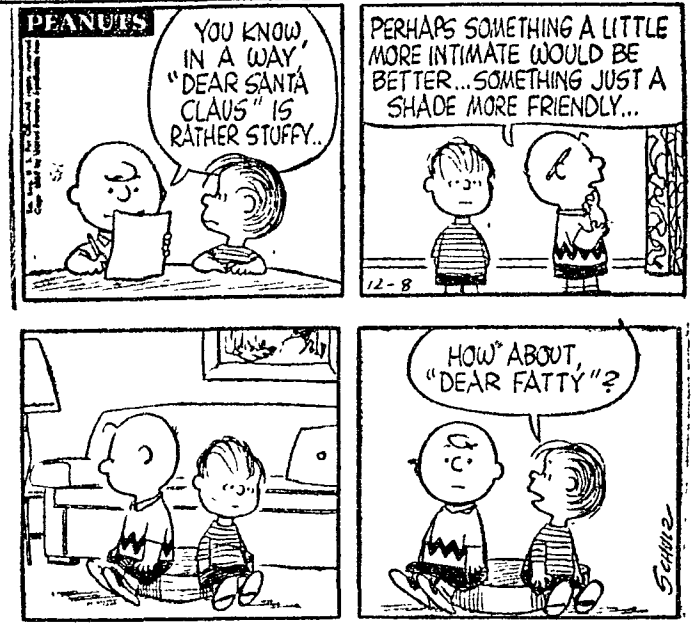
There are roles for nine men and five women. There are also innumerable small parts, according to Frank Neusbaum, director.

The play, which will open Feb. 12 on Center Stage, is a 19th century French farce written by Eugene Labiche and Marc Michel.

Gazette

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Alpha Council, 7 p.m., 212 HUB
Alpha Kappa Psi, 7 p.m., Sigma Phi Epsilon
ACS, 8 p.m., 110 Osmond
Christian Fellowship, 12:15, 218 HUB
Collegian Promotion Staff, 7 p.m., 219 Willard
Delta Sigma Pi, business meeting, 7 p.m.
Sigma Chi, pledge meeting, 7 p.m.
Lambda Chi Alpha
Home Ec. Student Council, 5:45 p.m., behind the Home Ec. Building
Hazel Union Board, 3:10 p.m., 212 HUB
ICG, 7:30 p.m., 203 HUB
LA Council, 6:30 p.m., 215 HUB
Newman Club, 7 p.m., 217 HUB
Penn State Chapter American Society for Metals, 7:30 p.m., MI auditorium
SGA Coffee Hour, 1:15 p.m., 217 HUB
Sigma Delta Epsilon, 6:30 p.m., 214 HUB
Science Fiction Society, 6:30 p.m., 214 HUB
Schuhplattler German Folk Dance Club, 7:30 p.m., 3 White
WRA Executive Board, 6:30 p.m., 103 White
WRA Swim Club Interest Group, 6:30, White pool
WRA Volleyball Intramurals, 6:30 p.m., White gym

HOSPITAL
Carole Baker, Charles Bantz, Lawrence Reikhey, Karol Bloom, Diane Derricksor, Suzanne Grossman, Donald Heatine, Madeline Hunsicker, Edward Kotchi, Paul Krueger, Maureen Mack, Lillian Mendez, Charles Munroe, Clement Newbold, Marilyn Newman, Patricia Niedballa, Norman Potter, Richard Press, Judith Roeseleier, John Roman, Sally Sabold, Kent Sohoch, Yong Shin, Ellen Sulka, Barbara Trotter.



penny candy  
**How Are Your Individualities?**  
by lolli neubarth

Disgustibus non disputatum may be an old and revered ideal, but in reality it seems the whole country is made up of two camps of people with different tastes . . . and each group laughs at the other.

For instance, students who don't care for football

games are termed "clods" by those who were born with a cleat mark on their forehead. Coeds can get away with not liking rough 'n tumble sports (indoor sports excluded), but just let a young man say that he would prefer reading a book on a Saturday afternoon. The masculine wrath of every aspiring Mr Touchdown would crush him!

On the other side, every year the Collegian receives at least one letter from an irate "intellectual" who thinks the greatest injustice to those seeking Knowledge is that the library is closed on Saturday night. "Did it ever occur to them (the football and fraternity party pros) that some people at this University are students, and would prefer to spend Saturday night at the library?" they write.



Sometimes, though, people do straddle the line between these two camps. It's hard to tell just when you slip from one side to the other, but it shows as soon as your speech, dress, actions and opinions aren't dved-to-match.

I walked into a record shop with a friend during vacation and he picked out a Beethoven symphony and handed it to the clerk.

"Wellll, something class-

cal?" the surprised gentleman murmured. He slipped the precious record into a bag and, almost reluctantly, handed it over to us. "What does this collegiate-looking Joe want with a symphony?" his raised eyebrows asked. Evidently, anyone wearing cords and a green car coat had no right to be listening to classical music.

In the HUB I overheard a sports enthusiast discussing the coming Liberty Bowl. "You mean you're going to the game?" he incredulously asked someone at his table. The object of surprise, a neatly dressed individual with the suggestion of a beard, looked resigned. "I happen to like football," he protested. "Why shouldn't I like football? In fact, I used to play first string for my high school team."

"Gee," the other grunted, shaking his head. He seemed resentful that someone who was reading a book of poetry (for pleasure) should also enjoy a real he-man game like football!

In this great haven for conformers called America, popular pressure demands that we belong to one group or another; and it isn't quite cricket to go overboard and become an unbiased unextremist.

Give me the middle-brow, the kind of person who feels no qualms about keeping the Moonlight Sonata and Count Basie's latest album on the same shelf and feels no need to defend his taste to one side or another.

Letters

Secretary Questions Policy

TO THE EDITOR: "Our country has from its beginnings developed a respect for the value of human personality and a resolve that each individual has the right of . . . a chance of livelihood. This ideal of democratic philosophy we consider to be of fundamental importance to the well-being of each citizen and it is, therefore, a duty of the University to keep these principles before its students, faculty and the nation."

In these words the Senate Committee on Educational Policy reports some of the aims and objectives of our University. It continues: "It is a primary obligation of the University to conserve this heritage and make it accessible to all who wish to learn."

It cannot be denied that this is a very noble aim. I wish to point out, however, that this philosophy does not entirely govern the action of Penn

State's policy makers concerning the educational privileges of the clerical employes on campus.

On the surface, the educational privileges of the employes at Penn State look very democratic. A clerical employe is allowed to schedule six credits of course work during any regular semester, provided she has the permission to do so from her immediate supervisor and provided she is not absent more than four hours a week from the regular established work schedule.

As a clerical employe and a part-time student, however, I have gradually come to discover that this very democratic provision of the University has some serious deficiencies. The difficulty is encountered in the hours over and above the four a week allowed. These may not be scheduled under any circumstances, not even if the

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