

Editorial Opinion

Administration Goofs; Students Feel It

The recent administrative ruling concerning transfer students living in residence halls was a last resort grasp resulting from an administrative goof several years ago.

The reasoning behind the transfer ruling was that the University did not receive enough money from the State legislature to increase enrollment to fill the new Pollock Circle Halls. This is true, but the reason why enough money was not received from the State is quite disturbing.

Several years ago, the University made an oral agreement with the State. The University would float loans and with the money would build residences to accommodate the predicted demand for college enrollment. The State then would use its own money to build sufficient classrooms for these additional students.

However, the agreement was not made binding on the State and the results now show. The University fulfilled its half of the bargain but the State hasn't done its part.

We can criticize the legislature all we want, but the fact remains that if University officials had made the agreement binding from its beginning, this situation would not now exist.

Who pays for this mistake? The students. One result which hit every student's pocketbook was the tuition raise last semester. Now transfer students get the raw deal.

It may be argued that the experience of living in a residence hall or fraternity would benefit any student. This may be true, but the student should have a choice of whether he wishes to live on campus, in a fraternity or in a downtown apartment.

Some time ago, an editorial in this column pointed out the so-called "administrative infallibility." This is just another instance of an administrative miscue for which students must pay.

Other Views

Ghosts on Campus

College examinations, as we recall, used to be trying experiences for all concerned. What student—at least in days gone by—did not go through agony when faced by a heartless professor's order to explain such matters as, say, the European roots of American nineteenth century transcendentalism or the impact of the French Revolution on feudal remnants in Western Europe?

As might be expected, it was the professors who found a way out of impasse first. Increasingly, college tests have become multiple-choice affairs in which the student blackens one of a series of numbers corresponding to the choices offered, a device which permits the examination to be marked swiftly by machine.

But since action tends to beget reaction, some students have apparently moved to ease their lot by hiring a substitute to take the examination, one man's blackening out of a number being indistinguishable normally from another's. We can understand how much less trying examinations can be under such markedly changed circumstances. But is it education?

—New York Times

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Chou Relents; Nikita Appears In Driver Seat

By J. M. ROBERTS Associated Press News Analyst

Red China, after nearly a year of following its own bent without regard for Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev's peace offensive, is now joining in a concerted Communist effort to recoup prestige in Asia.

Premier Chou En-Lai has agreed to go to New Delhi to discuss the border dispute with India in answer to an invitation from Prime Minister Nehru which, in effect, amounted to a request that the Chinese Reds explain themselves.

Nehru had previously declined to meet Chou in Red China or Burma until Peiping outlined the basis of its claims. His own invitation was accompanied by a statement that Chou had made no case so far.

For Chou to accept in such an atmosphere represents a considerable diplomatic victory for Nehru and, apparently, a yielding to Khrushchev's wishes.

Khrushchev had already indicated in Indonesia that he still considers himself capable of speaking for Red China when he advised the Indonesians not to worry about Peiping's anger over resettlement of Chinese traders in rural areas.

Khrushchev climaxed his own strenuous efforts to regain advantage lost to the West with a big loan to Indonesia which he admitted the Soviet Union could ill afford.

There are reports that he is trying to work up a new Asiatic conference, such as was held at Bandung several years ago, to work up straggling anti-Western feeling.

Observers now will be watching for clues as to just how much the Chou decision represents cooperation with Khrushchev. A softening of Peiping's anti-American propaganda line would be considered important in anticipating the tactics which can be expected of the Communist bloc prior to the summit conference.

Gazette

TODAY

- Bridge class, 6.30-8.30 p.m., HUB card-room
Christian Fellowship, 12:45 p.m., 218 HUB
Elections Committee, 6:15 p.m., 217 HUB
Father Havanic discussion, 7 p.m., 213 HUB
Five O'Clock Theatre, "The Turn in the Road" 5 p.m., Little Theatre, Old Main
Football Squad, 4 p.m., HUB assembly room
Graduate School lecture, "The Man Who Feels Left Behind," 8 p.m., 121 Sparks
Home Economics Research seminar, 12.30 p.m., HUB dining room "A"
ICG, 7 p.m., 203 HUB
Mixed Chorus rehearsal, 7 p.m., HUB assembly room
Schuhplattlers, new members only, 7:15 p.m., 3 White
URA returns money for unsold books, today, UBX
UCA, 5:15 p.m., 214 HUB

HOSPITAL

- Linda Bergton, Mary English, Consuela Feorecia, Linda Hendricks, John Lasky, Carl Lynch, Salvatore Maiolatesti, John Moore, Frank Napo, William O'Malley, Stephen Rumbaugh, Frank Shea, Nancy Stang, William Updegraffe, Joan VandenHende.

Job Interviews

MARCH 4

- General Electric Co.: BS, MS in EE, ENG SCI, IE, MECH ENG, CER T, METAL. Group meeting: Feb 29 at 7:30 P.m.

- The Higbee Co.: Jun & Aug BS in H EC, GEN BUS, BA in LA.

- Pratt & Whitney division of United Aircraft: Jun & Aug BS, MS in AERO E, CH E, EE, ME, METAL ENG MECH, ENG SCI, PHYS; also advanced degree candis in NUCLEAR ENG.

- Gulf Research & Development (Division of Gulf Oil Corp): Jun & Aug BS in ACCTG; BS, MS in EE, PHYS, GEO-PHYS; BA, MA in MATH; also advanced degree candis in CH E, CHEM (org & phys), EE, PHYS, GEOPHYS.

- Household Finance Corp: BS, BA in BUS AD, ACCTG, ECON, COMMERCE, LA.

- I T T Corp: BS, MS in EE (elect option); MS in PHYS.

- Hazeltine Corp: Jun & Aug BS in EE, ME, ENG SCI, MS in EE, ENG SCI.

- Diamond Alkali Co.: Jun & Aug BS, MS in CHEM, CH E, ME, ACCTG; MBA in ACCTG.

- Honeywell: Jun & Aug BS, MS in AERO E (Airborne systems option), EE (aero, indus auto, elec optional), ENG MECH, ME, ENG SCI (design & devel, applied res, prod & process eng, quality control eval eng, sales, must be veterans); BS in IE (manuf eng, ind eng); MS candis in CHEM, PHYS for research. Also Jrs, Grads in above curricula interested in summer employment.

- Information and scheduling in 112 Old Main.

March 7

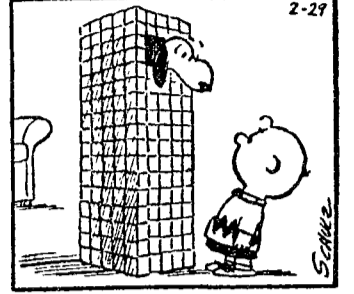
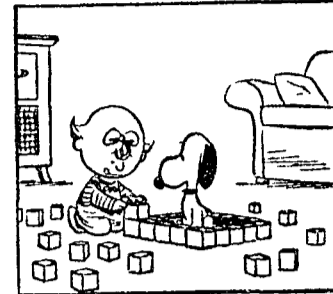
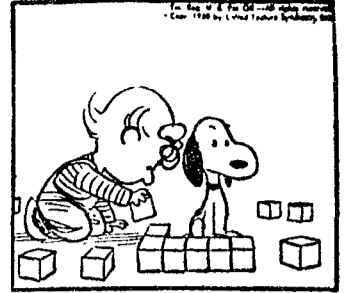
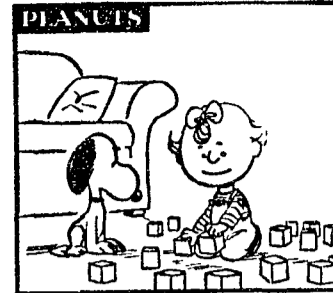
- Eastern States Farmers' Exchange, group meeting, 7 p.m., 210 Armsby

March 8

- Eastern States Farmers' Exchange, individual interviews, 210 Armsby

March 9

- Eastern States Farmers' Exchange, individual interviews.



Letters

ROTC Criticized Again

TO THE EDITOR: Behold! The Collegian has found a ROTC supporter, a rare species which, like the coelacanth, has been thought to be extinct.

Airman Murray, how do you reconcile your advocacy of compulsory military service with the distorted ideas of democracy that you trumpet with equally blind fervor? You assert that military training benefits both mind and body; does not yogurt?

We do not desire to have our autonomous reason reduced to shreds by wanton application of pre-Napoleonic instructional techniques. Committing intelligent humans to take ROTC examinations is comparable to sending Sherman tanks to kill lice.

The military mentality pushes away the desires and thoughts of the human being,

rejects factors suitable for a moral existence, and degrades the individual to a mere instrument. We hold with Einstein that this rationale raises naked power as a goal in itself, destroying the normal ends of human aspirations.

"Military training teaches one to think clearly, to take orders, and to give orders." Ah yes, the drill-field, that noxious caricature of the march of the lemmings. Do you realize that the courier method of transmitting orders was superceded in the 12th century by Ghen-gis Khan's use of shaggy ponies?

Finally, Airman Murray, if you must espouse such a wretched cause, need you employ such syntactically indeterminate chauvinism?

—Michael Dutko, '60; Gerald Eckman, '60; Richard Somerville, '62

ICCB 'Backed' for SGA

TO THE EDITOR: The suggestion of the president of ICCB that college council presidents be allowed to sit on the SGA Assembly is a very good one. In fact, it is a step forward to a new student government system which I would now like to propose.

The presidents of the four classes would retain their seats on the Assembly. In addition, students would be represented according to their living area, by the presidents of AIM, Leonides, IFC and Panhellenic Council. Other additions to the Assembly would be the presidents of WSGA, WRA and the Athletic Association and the chairman of the Board of Dramatics and Forensics and of the Board of Publications.

Of course, these new members added to the present Assembly would make it too large and too unwieldy, and it would be impossible to conduct business. Therefore, the system of electing representatives by class would be dropped. The separation of the executive and legislative branches would also be dropped, and the new ruling body would be named All-University Cabinet.

I think this would be a new, progressive system, in compliance with the new, progressive suggestion made by ICCB. Surely after almost seven whole months of operation, the present Assembly has had a sufficient period in which to prove itself! It's time for a change.

—Jane Davies, '61

'Suggestions' Given for Budget

TO THE EDITOR: Since we are well aware of the administration's budgeting problems and their Herculean efforts to obtain equitable appropriations from Harrisburg, the students of Nittany are prepared to embark on a mutual-aid program. Briefly, this program would merely involve the exchange of facilities by various University departments.

We will initiate the program by donating the entire Nittany Union Building to the College of Agriculture. With a minimum of alteration, the dining

portion of the building could be utilized as a turkey brooder, while the present recreational portion can serve as a riding stable. This will eliminate the cost of razing the building, as was previously planned.

In return, we will be granted permission to occupy the chicken coops, presently located adjacent to the Nittany area. After slight modification, we will use these buildings as communal storage areas, supplementing our existing closet facilities. (A generous 25 cu. ft. per student.)

—Charles Starbuck, '63

