

Editorial Opinion

A Representative Opinion Would Carry More Weight

How can students who refuse to support their student government even to the extent of voting for people to represent them, expect student government to do anything for them?

For three years, we have been hearing students, who obviously haven't bothered to find out what their student government is trying to do, scream student government is a farce. Student government might be a lot better off if some of these students would channel their excess energy into constructively supporting the system.

The type of attitude which considers SGA a farce is the coward's attitude or that of a person who is afraid to do a job himself and envies those who do try.

At this point, the job of student government must be defined as far as is possible.

Student government must get the administration to consider the student viewpoint, to let students know of proposed changes in advance and its reasons for the changes.

We can hope that the administration will take these views into account when deciding an issue or that they will modify a program accordingly.

If the administration considers every stand taken and still ignores student opinion, then the SGA must look for other means of action.

However, whether the administration places much stock in these student views depends upon how much respect they have for the SGA and how much importance they feel the students place upon an issue.

As long as many students cry student government is a farce, naturally the administration will ignore what it has to say.

People who are not interested in voicing constructive opinions and who don't care about what happens at an institution where they live nine months of the year, are like the mobs who are ready for dictators and not democracy.

No matter which party candidates win the election today, they must have the support of the students, or students will have no effective voice. They will have a voice but it will only be that of one man or a group of men. It was our impression that this was not quite what the designers of the Student Government Association had in mind.

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