

Editorial Opinion

No Reason For Students' Views

"There is no reason to have the women's views on this," said Dean of Women Dorothy J. Lipp in a fanatically called session at which WSGA Senate was raked over the coals yesterday afternoon.

This statement reflects exactly the all too prevalent attitude that exists at the University toward the students. And this is exactly what SGA, the Collegian and other student organizations have been fighting for—an expression of student opinion that will be seriously considered before any action is taken that directly involves the students.

WSGA's withdrawal of support from Dean Lipp's plan for junior resident counselors was an expression of disapproval on the part of the students for this plan.

Rather than sounding out and considering student opinion on this matter that will direct their daily lives for the duration of their stay at Penn State, the dean announced the program would be put through regardless of the students' feelings.

"What does the student public know about this?" she asked. Well, nothing, other than that they live it.

Last fall Dean Lipp established a very commendable policy in allowing WSGA to sound out student opinion and take the lead in revamping Women's regulations.

Now, the first time that WSGA expressed disapproval of a plan she presented, she denounces the organization's stand, and refuses to consider the views of the very group whose responsibility she was building.

WSGA made no attempt to dictate a program in an area in which it had no authority. It merely presented a valid student viewpoint which did not agree with that of the dean of women's office.

But the repercussions from this expression of student opinion indicated that the University has not yet accepted the fact that student opinion is valid and should be considered in every issue that directly involves the students.

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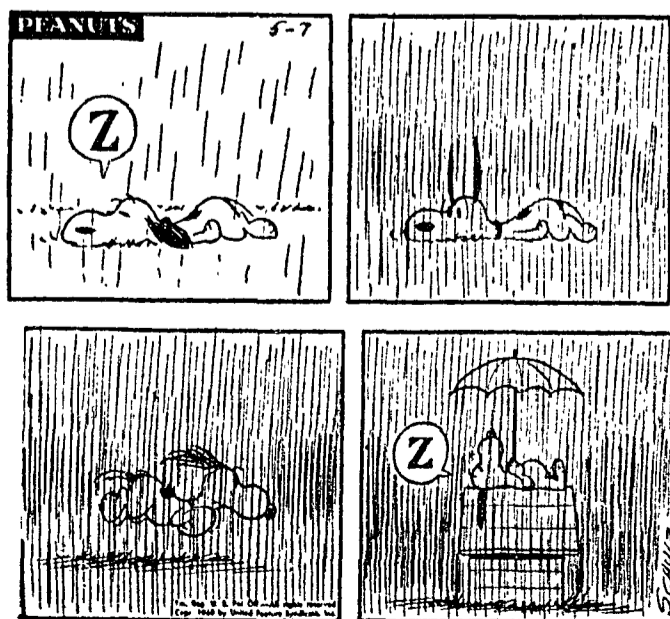
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White House Quiet; But What If...

by joel myers

Another U.S. plane shot down!

Congressmen let out a cry of upholding American dignity and criticized Khrushchev for trying to wreck the upcoming summit conference.

Newspapers across the nation publish blistering editorials condemning the incident.

But the White House which apparently has intimate details of the occurrence remained relatively quiet through it all.

Can we blame Mr. K for shooting down an American plane over Russian territory? The question can't be given a simple "yes" or "no" answer, but needs further qualification. Specifically, it depends on what the aircraft was doing and how it was acting.



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The officials connected with the flight claim that the plane was on a "routine weather mission" and it was shot down because the pilot drifted unknowingly across the Russian border. It is quite possible that this is really what occurred and Khrushchev's henchmen ordered an unprovoked destruction of an innocent American craft.

However, other possibilities are also apparent and anyone giving serious thought to the incident begins to realize that the plane may not have been as innocent as it may appear.

First of all, the aircraft is designed for extremely high altitude flights — official figures released indicate a maximum obtainable altitude of 55,000 feet, but the make-up of the plane indicates that it might be capable of reaching 70,000 feet or more.

This characteristic of the aircraft makes it excellent for doing photo-reconnaissance and at the same time it can stay out of the reach of Russian fighter planes.

Second, the plane was for all practical purposes unmarked.

Third, the only man aboard was

a civilian test pilot, certainly a strange crew for an aircraft supposedly taking "weather observations." Thus, if we suppose that the craft was performing espionage work and the Russians were able to detect it, the one-man crew would keep human loss to a minimum.

While the above reasons are hypothetical in nature, a look at the facts concerning the incident indicates their feasibility.

But, even if the plane was "spying," there is still considerable doubt as to whether or not Russia had the right to shoot it down. I question whether or not we would have done the same.

Nevertheless, the fact remains that the aircraft was over Russian territory at the time. I'm sure that there would be loud and vigorous protests, if not physical action, if a Soviet plane appeared over our territory.

It is interesting to recall the ruckus that was created by our government when a Russian trawler was spotted off the middle Atlantic Coast last week. This ship was reportedly spying on our defenses, but, more than 100 miles offshore.

Letters

Coeds Praise WSGA Action

TO THE EDITOR: It is evident to anyone who reads the Daily Collegian that our representatives on Women's Student Government Association are doing their best to represent us.

They have taken action on the sign-out issue and the question of women visiting men's apartments, to mention a few. Before taking any action, they were careful to consult the students to find out what they wanted. At present WSGA is inquiring about other areas of concern to women students.

We would like to personally thank WSGA for the job they are doing. Keep up the good work!

—Joan Althouse, '61; Marilyn Lontz, '61; Karen Shallcross, '61; Jo Loibman, '60; Rhoda Segur, '61; Claudette McGee, '60; Deborah Wells, '61

Gazette

TODAY

Art Ed., 2 p.m., HUB Assembly Room, 215, 216, 217, 218 HUB
Delta Nu Alpha, 8:30 a.m., 1st floor HUB
Delta Sigma Pi, 6:30 p.m., Brockerhoff Hotel, Bellefonte
Players' Production of "The Sleeping Prince," 8 p.m. Schwab auditorium
President's Seminar, 8 a.m., HUB assembly room, 9:30 a.m., main lounge, HUB
Senior Reception, 3 p.m., HUB ballroom
Student Movie, 7 p.m., 9 p.m., HUB assembly room
WRA Spring Dance Concert, 8 p.m., White Hall

TOMORROW

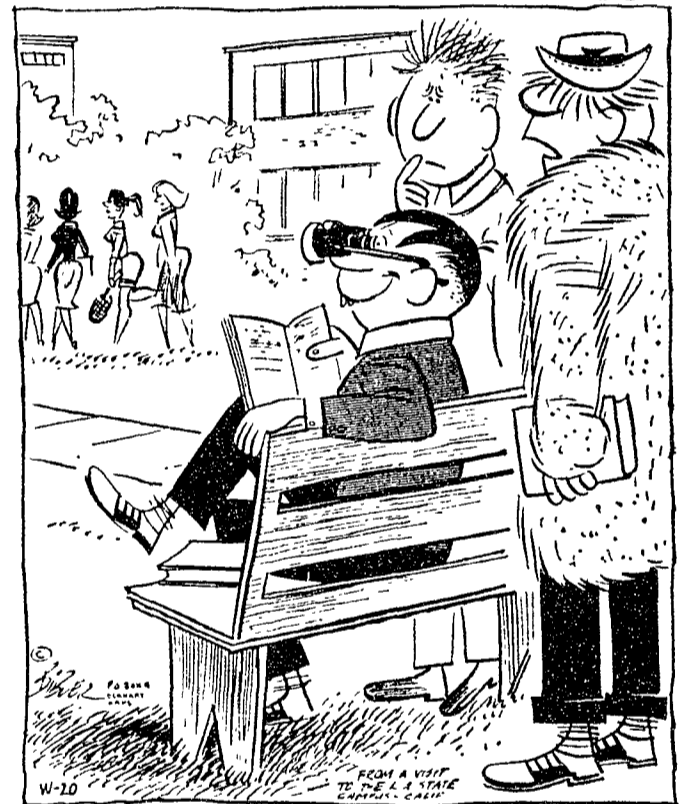
Air Force Glee Club, noon, HUB assembly room
Chapel Service, 10:55 a.m., Schwab, Dr. Edmund A. Steimle, Mt. Airy Lutheran Theological Seminary
Chess Club, 2 p.m., HUB cardroom
Christian Fellowship, 2 p.m., 217 HUB
Grad Student Bridge, 7 p.m., 212 HUB
Newman Club, 7 p.m., 211 HUB
Penn State Glee Club Concert, 3 p.m., Schwab Auditorium
Protestant Services of Worship, 9 a.m. and 11 a.m., Helen Eakin Eisenhower Chapel, S. N. Gibson
Pryst. Grad Group, 6:30 p.m., 215 HUB
Roman Catholic Mass, 9 a.m., Schwab auditorium
ROTC Faculty Tea, 4 p.m., HUB main lounge
Student Movie, 6:30 p.m., HUB assembly room
Swedenborgian Service, 10:30 a.m., 212 HUB
USF, 9:30 a.m., 218 HUB
WSGA, 3 p.m., HUB assembly room
MONDAY
Alpha Phi Omega, 7 p.m., 218 HUB
Christian Fellowship, 12:45 p.m., 218 HUB, 5 p.m., 216 HUB
Disarmament Seminar, 12 noon, Eisenhower Chapel lounge
IFC, 7 p.m., 214 HUB
Instruction on High Speed Computers, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., 217 HUB
SGA, 8 p.m., 218 HUB
Student Encampment, 5 p.m., 211 HUB
HOSPITAL
David Bair, James Beck, Thomas Brennan, George Bukes, John Callenbach, Peter DeBalli, Loren Decker, Jerome Gartman, Douglas Gerard, John Gorgas, Judith Lohley, Marilyn Lontz, Joseph Meece, Matthew Ogorzalek, Carol Oswald, Stella Parson, Joan Pietkiewicz, Marile Roundis, Anthony Santoli, J. Ronald Unger, Robert Wible.

Lowenberg to Talk on Trip

Dr. Miriam E. Lowenberg, head of the Department of Food and Nutrition in the College of Home Economics, will present an illustrated talk on her trip around the world at 4:15 p.m. today in the assembly room of the new Home Ec South.

Little Man on Campus

by Dick Bibler



"HE SAYS HE HASN'T HAD ANY EYESTRAIN SINCE THE DOCTOR FITTED HIM WITH GLASSES."

Letters

Dean's Action Questioned

TO THE EDITOR: Wednesday night a poll was taken of the women students on campus by the Women's Student Government Association concerning what type of sign-in, sign-out procedure would be preferred. These suggestions were offered:

- A. Maintain the present sign-out of seven nights a week after 8 p.m.
B. Signing out seven nights a week but changing sign-out time to 10 p.m.
C. Making sign-out optional Sunday through Thursday.
1. Voluntary sign-out for girls who wish to be reached in emergency and compulsory sign-out for girls with late permissions.
2. Compulsory sign-out would

remain for Friday and Saturday nights only.

The third suggestion was favored by 80 per cent of the University students polled.

At a meeting of the WSGA Senate Thursday night the third suggestion, following the will of the University women, was passed and was to go into effect Sunday night.

At 4 p.m. Friday Dean Lipp reversed the ruling of WSGA, thereby, cutting off the rights of the body and silencing the voice of the women student body.

Is this a precedent?
—Signed, 20 McKee Girls
Ed Note: Dean Lipp sent a letter to all women students yesterday saying that the new WSGA rule abolishing sign-out is revoked.

WDFM Program Schedule

Table with columns for WDFM 91.1 megacycles, SATURDAY, MONDAY, and SUNDAY, listing program times and titles like Weatherscope, Masterworks From France, etc.