Editorial Opinion

Is Everyone Blind **To Education's Needs?**

An editorial appearing recently in the Allentown Call commenting on meetings of Governor Lawrence's task force on higher education to discuss the establishment of tax-supported community colleges reached the warped conclusion that:

"Anything but a recommendation that would add many millions of dollars to the bill Pennsylvania tax-. payers already pay for one of the largest and finest educational establishments in the nation would be a distinct surprise.

The surprise would, of course, be a pleasant one."

It is not completely clear what they mean by the unsupported generalization, "one of the largest and finest educational establishments in the nation." But if they mean to include the higher education system of the state perhaps they had better check a few figures.

Pennsylvania spends less than \$4 out of each \$100 of tax revenue for running its public colleges and universities. And Pennsylvania college students or their parents still pay about five times as much as the state contributes to their education. Whereas, in such states as West Virginia, Indiana and California, the state pays more than half of each student's cost.

While Pennsylvania is the fourth wealthiest state in the nation it is 42nd in expenditures for the whole field of health, education and welfare.

It's bad enough that Pennsylvania citizens, too well endowed with hypersensitive views about the "virtue" of thrift, are blinded to the needs of higher education in this state.

But to see a newspaper, an instrument supposedly dedicated to being an enlightened guiding beacon to the people, flagrantly editing against the state fulfilling its educational responsibility and junking its outdated, stunted system of financial aid makes one lose faith that America will ever survive the educational race.

The editorial also took a swipe at Penn State's president Dr. Eric A. Walker, a member of the committee, whom it depicted as some sort of tyrant devoted to a plan of dominating education in the state. Evidently the private colleges, for whom this paper seemed to be crusading. don't share the same view for they elected him president of the Pennsylvania Association of Colleges and Universities last year.

The editors in referring to "Pennsylvania State University" do not even know the name of their own state institution of higher learning, which is the case with many citizens of the state. Few could tell you whether their state school is the University of Pennsylvania or Penn State.

Five years ago Penn State capitalized the article "The" in front of its name and made it part of the official name. It appears that the significance of the addition of this article is the thing that is missed by most citizens and taxpayers in this state.

An identification with his state university is going to have to be made by every taxpayer. He is going to have to forget his outmoded, conservative groanings, realize what other states are paying for their education system and make a realistic contribution of his own, if this state is to come anywhere near meeting the educational demands of the coming years.

Interpreting

Each Thinks He Stands On **Political Center**

By J. M. ROBERTS

One of the great American activities every election year is the apportionment of political labels. Let's discuss liberals and conservatives for example.

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Opposition to the liberals seldom comes from conservatives anymore, there not being near enough of them left to go around, if you take their own evaluations.

Barry Goldwater is one of the few conspicuously admitted conservatives.

The meaning of the liberal tag varies greatly, depending on the point where you are standing. If you stand in the middle of a road, a man nearby but just to your left may be a moderate liberal. A little farther left, he is a liberal. A little farther left he is a leftist and perhaps dangerous.

A man a little on your right, even up to a considerable distance away, is a conservative.

Just a little farther away he becomes a rightist, and again, to some schools of thought, a possible menuce. The terms leftist and rightist are becoming too d a n g e r ous for general use, be-



ROBERTS cause when a man gets that far off center, he's liable to be called a Communist or a Fascist.

By dictionary definition, a liberal should always be seeking changes in political institutions, liberal changes, of course. Nietzsche said "Liberal institutions cease from being liberal the moment they are soundly established." Some philosophers say there is no such thing as liberalism, for to be a liberal you must be tolerant, but to be a liberal in the United States you must be intolerant of things like McCarthyism, and if you are intolerant you can't be a liberal.

A search for definitions in this field can be fun, if you don't carry it too far.

You can make an argument for the thesis that political liberalism - the search for change -– itself produces conservatism, which is the resistance of change, and moderate conservatism, which is the resistance of change until the new can be clearly seen as better than the old.

For years, political liberalism in the United States has revolved around the thesis that whenever something good needs to be done, it is proper for the federal government to do it. Recently this has been complicated by the con-tention that the federal government should right moral as well as economic wrongs. This has faced many men with the problem of being economically liberal and racially conservative.



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In such confusion, what does it mean when a candidate claims to be a liberal, or denies being too conservative?

He's trying to outguess the boss. You're the boss. Where the can-didate stands on specific issues is the question.

Gazette

TODAY

TODAY Boal Barn Theatre, "All My Sons," curtain time 8::30 p.m., route 322 in Boalsburg Mateer Playhouse, "The Playboy of the Western World," curtain time 8:40 p.m., route 305 at Neffs Mills Commencement, 6 p.m., on the Mall in front of Pattee Library (in case of rain --Recreation Building) Swimming for men and women, 4 and 8 p.m., Glenuland Pool TOMORROW

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