

Editorial Opinion

Let's Finish The Job

Let's hesitate no longer in setting up the community living system.

It has been known since last spring that to install this system would necessitate the reorganization of several groups on campus.

WSGA took the lead by becoming the Association of Women Students and is currently organizing itself to fit into the over-all community living concept.

Leonides decided that it was needed most as a social and activities group for independents.

The Association of Independent Men, which has held legislative and judicial functions, was hesitant to join the movement at its first meeting this week. AIM decided to continue in its present form, although it authorized a study of joining Leonides and Town Independent Men in an Independent Students Association.

Leonides, on the other hand, has not yet considered this Independent Students Association.

Each side has gone half way.

The women are setting up their legislative and judicial functions within community councils and organizing AWS as the top all-University body above them.

The men should follow this lead by incorporating the legislative and judicial functions of AIM into the proposed Men's Residence Council, which would be the top all-University body above the men's individual community councils.

AIM then still has an important role to fill as a social and activities organization for independent men.

Therefore functions of a residence hall group which involves both Greeks and independents is handled by one organization, while functions only for independents are handled by another organization.

Finally, Leonides should join AIM in trying to organize an Independent Students Association. The two groups usually worked together in major independent social events such as dances and Indie Week.

Why not for the benefit of more efficient operation and coordination join in an ISA?

It's Going, Going, Going

Students and instructors, athletes notwithstanding, can now breathe a sigh of relief as the last vestige of our University's "policy" (and we use that term loosely) on class cutting enters its final month.

Until last year, the University required all instructors to report students who were absent from class on three successive occasions. This gave dull lecturers the opportunity to make sure they bored a large group of people.

Last spring, the Senate Committee on Rules tried to abolish the K-9 rule; but too many members of the Senate felt that this rule was useful in preventing "unfortunate incidents." Presumably, they thought it helped to keep track of students.

So, the rule was amended by substituting "in any such cases" for three successive absences—leaving it for the instructor to decide if a student who cut his class a few times was emotionally unstable and might have run away from it all.

Our instructors, many of them of high quality, were expected to be part-time baby sitters and record keepers.

Now an instructor can forget about class attendance records if he would rather utilize the class time for something more in his line of work—teaching, we think it is called.

Many instructors had not paid any attention to the K-rules anyway. But a word about those instructors who require attendance, the only rule left on the subject of grading requires that grades be based only on scholastic achievement.

The Senate action abolishing some of the K-rules leaves the subject of class attendance where it belongs—with the student and his professor.

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Letters

Hladick Letter Answered By Campus Party

TO THE EDITOR: After reading yesterday's letter to the editor concerning student politics, I am greatly disturbed at its author's attempt to attribute part of the plight of student government to the leaders of the Campus Party.

The only reason he says the Campus Party is responsible for his plight is that after the election a plank was voted out of our platform by Campus legislators at a caucus meeting.

The author of yesterday's letter didn't, unfortunately, give the complete facts surrounding the situation. Using this half truth and not telling the entire story gives a weak basis for his charges.

These are the reasons why the caucus voted the plank out: Campus Party was the first political party on this campus to make a definite stand against segregation or any other issue of national importance. We brought before the public this important issue and as an outgrowth of the publicity, the anti-segregation organization, DARE, organized on this campus.

By the time elections were over, actions against segregation in State College were being undertaken by this organization. This made us feel that it was expedient, and to the best interest of the student body, to leave the matter in the hands of this organization.

Mr. Hladick's statement concerning the switching of parties on the part of the present University Party officials is the exact stand the Campus Party took in the last election.

In resorting to weightless name-calling, Mr. Hladick, you are promoting the very evil that has plagued student government since its inception.

We of Campus Party invite constructive criticism from any member of the student body, however, the application of blindly applied labels, smacks of the very hypocrisy you spoke of.

—Dennis Eisman
Vice-Chairman
Campus Party

Gazette

- TODAY
- Alumni Association, 8 p.m., HUB assembly room
 - Alumni Registration, 1 p.m. to midnight, HUB first floor lobby
 - Bridge Lessons, 6:30 p.m., HUB card-room
 - Dr. Davis Doctorial Exam, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., 212-213 HUB
 - Fluid Mechanics Seminar, 4:10 p.m., 211 Mechanical Engineering
 - Graduate Student Mixer, 9 p.m., HUB ballroom
 - Geography Colloquium, 4:15 p.m., HUB auditorium, Robert Ho, chairman of geography department; University of Malaya, "Man and Land in Malaya."
 - Interlandia Folk Dance and Workshop, 7:30 p.m., 100 Weaver
 - LSA Football Party, 8:00 p.m., 412 W. College Ave.
 - Mineral Industries Colloquium, 4:15 p.m., Mineral Industries
 - Penn. State Bible Fellowship, 7:30 p.m., 111 Boucke
 - Textiles, 8 a.m. to noon, HUB assembly room
 - W.R.A. Open House, 7 p.m., White Hall

- HOSPITAL
- Gary Briggs, Virginia Bruder, Alexander Cimochowski, Loretta Cowan, Marie Cranford, Carolyn Cross, Ranakit Datta, Linda Fenner, Louis Fiorello, Carole Forman, Dene Garvin, James Gonzola, Richard Hurford, Evelyn Koeblin, Jacquelin Leavitt, Johanna Lochr, Barbara Ludman, Chester Mais, William Martin, Suzanne Mengel, Elizabeth Mulcey, Edward Niskey, Anita Padovano, Gerald Phillips, Michael Ressler, Kenneth Reynolds, Lois Rothberg, William Shenk, Eleanor Simon, Edward Swartz, Barbara Watchorn, Thomas Wunderlich, David Yon.

Job Interviews

OCT. 11
Glidden Co. for Jan BS & 1961 MS & MBA grads in AUDITING, ACCTG, FIN, MKTG, PROD, MNGT, CH E, CHEM, PERSONNEL. Also Jan BS & 1961 MS & PHD grads in R & D, ORG, INORG, POLMER, & COLLOR-DAL CHEM.

- WDFM Schedule**
- 5:00 p.m. Three at Five
 - 6:00 p.m. Studio X
 - 6:55 p.m. Watherscope
 - 7:00 p.m. Album Review
 - 7:30 p.m. Portrait of a City
 - 8:00 p.m. Starlight Review
 - 9:00 p.m. Light Classical Jukebox
 - 9:45 p.m. News, Sports, and Weather
 - 10:00 p.m. Ballet Theatre

and furthermore

Those Frosh Say Strange Things

by carol blakeslee

"Out of the mouths of freshmen, oft-times come gems". That's the form an oft-quoted line could take around this campus.

And I'm not speaking just off the top of my head, either, for I have two sources of first-hand information

on the subject besides the gossip I hear, that is. First of all, I live in a hall that's fairly swarming with blueheads and sparkling white sneakers, and second, I'm an eavesdropper.

Yes, I admit it. I LIKE to listen to things I'm not supposed to be hearing. I guess I'm the type of person the telephone company would have to think twice about before ever giving a party line.

Sometimes it's almost as good, though, hearing only the half of the phone conversation that's going on in the hall outside your door.

Like the other day when a freshman miss was describing her Saturday night date to one of her friends, gleefully squealing, "He's got a car, too—not his dad's, but his own!" Evidently the party on the other end of the line was equally impressed with this phenomenon because a series of "Yes,

he really does," and "Honest" followed the remark.

The date, himself, had been a source of confusion to another freshman girl who spent 15 minutes wandering around the lobby of her dorm, looking in vain for the boy who'd just called her to announce his presence. "All those college boys look alike" she wailed as she told her plight to the sympathetic senior.

Campus vernacular is another thing the poor freshman doesn't quite understand sometimes. We had a difficult time trying to convey the idea that there really was a movie theater in town which had the dubious distinction of being called "the Armpit." It was even more difficult trying to tell her why!

We old senior ladies are also called upon to render girl-type advice to the anxious (Continued on page five)

Letters

Liberal Party Questioned

TO THE EDITOR: I would prefer that my letter be read as though it were a question rather than a criticism. So, let me begin by praising those students who have shown active interest in the new Liberal Party.

If these people are sincerely interested in obtaining proper representation for all the students in SGA, then the fact that they actively intend to approach the situation is greatly admirable.

For this democracy of ours is the outgrowth of a similar well-known dissatisfaction... "Taxation without representation." And, although I might be prejudiced, I believe that there is a deep, awesome beauty in the birth of a nation as in the birth of a child.

But, while I am sincere in my admiration for the beauty in the birth of the nation, I am also doubtful as to the proper stimulus for such beauty. That is, our nation might easily have been born from a more gradual revolution than an immediate revolution.

We must ask ourselves whether any ill effects have arisen from the nature of the birth of our nation.

Therefore, this is the question that the New Liberal Party members must ask themselves: Since the welfare of all students is our genuine goal, would it be wiser to mould our movement into a radical revolutionary organization or a strong reform movement?

—Raymond G. Saba,
Graduate Student

Book Store—What Happened?

TO THE EDITOR: What happened to the student bookstore project that was proposed near the end of the 1960 Spring semester? A front page article was included in your paper concerning it and a sophomore student, Ted Simon, who had devoted a great deal of time to it.

According to Mr. Simon, this is one of the very few landmark institutions in the United States without a student bookstore. Even a majority of the private colleges have student-run shops.

It is the stated purpose of this institution to provide for the student the best education possible for the least personal

cash outlay. This policy should, and indeed, in other colleges, does, extend to student books and supplies.

The project is too large for one person or student organization to attempt. It will require a large initial outlay, but it will save countless hundreds of thousands of dollars for future Penn Staters.

As an aside I would like to note that the Armory is scheduled to be demolished in the next few years. Couldn't this large, centrally located building be converted to a bookstore?

I would appreciate a reply to this letter from the administration.

—Tom Maxwell, '61

