

Editorial Opinion

Discrimination Fight Begins . . .

A quiet fight against discrimination beginning right here in State College and right here in University Park brings hope that this time maybe something more than a brief flash of sentiment has finally taken hold of the campus and community, and maybe this time the fight will reach the core of the issue—the prevailing attitude toward the discrimination problem.

This attitude that has impeded the attainment of true equality in this supposed "land of the free," this attitude that has crippled the effectiveness of the the U. S. to function on many issues in the United Nations, this attitude that has laid the U. S. open to attack by leaders of the newly emerging nations of Africa and Asia is

. . . Housing Up First

One of the most pressing problems of discrimination currently facing the community and campus is in the field of housing.

The University in recent years has eliminated all discriminatory practices in the residence halls. No designation of race is called for on any University housing form. No pictures are included with the applications.

But discrimination still exists in the attitudes of some of the landlords in the community. And the University maintains an off-campus housing list through which discriminatory-minded landlords can advertise the same as others.

The University turned down proposals asking that only those landlords subscribing to a non-discrimination policy be carried in the University list. President Eric A. Walker said that the University could not properly "police" such a policy. The University could not arbitrate between the student and the landlord, who may subscribe to the policy then turn away Negro or foreign students under other pretenses, nor judge the validity of the claims.

It is, to be sure, the people who are discriminating and not the University. And the University has indicated it is unwilling to be held responsible in this manner for insuring that discrimination does not exist through its list. Whether this is considered

found in many forms—antagonism, hypocrisy, ignorance, hesitancy, apathy.

Hope for action in the community is kindled by the recent meetings of a group of interested citizens intent on forming an active investigation committee. Hope for the campus is kindled by indications of student concern through individuals and organizations.

Demonstrations last spring, though deplored by some, did serve to reawaken both the community and campus to the local manifestations of the problem. The problem has festered into demonstrations at least twice before in the last 12 years. Unfortunately, lasting remedies to the problem did not follow.

an evasion or not does not help solve the problem.

Dr. Walker said he had been considering eliminating the list entirely. He added that if we could come to him in a month, indicating that the students would rather have the list eliminated than to exist in its present form, he would get rid of it.

This calls for an expression of student opinion. Ways of doing this are through the Letters to the Editor column in this paper, through student government and student organizations.

Eliminating this list would also eliminate a service to students, for many students check this list when searching for downtown housing.

But, if the University list were eliminated, why couldn't the Student Government Association maintain a housing list as a service to students? Landlords could call the SGA office just as easily as they do the Dean of Men's office. And SGA could require that the landlords subscribe to a non-discrimination policy in order to obtain a listing on the SGA board.

Dr. Robert G. Bernreuter, special assistant to the president for student affairs, has said that the University's criticism of SGA is that it has not been responsible in regulating student conduct and welfare.

Would not a housing list be a fine responsible way for SGA to look after student welfare?

8 o'clock fog

'Laundry Battle' Common in Dorms

by Elaine Miele

If you think that the football team will have a hard battle against Syracuse on Saturday you should witness an even harder one that takes place right here on campus—in the laundry room.

Dormitory living is supposed to make college students grow up, we suppose, but doing your wash is sometimes enough to make your hair turn grey.

We'll start first with the unsuspecting coed who tries her luck with the change machine. She deposits her precious fifty-cent piece and waits. For what? For the 15 or 20 cents that comes out. That's what. We believe in every hard working man making a living but just how hard does the man in that little machine work, anyhow?

I guess that he is given over to generosity sometimes. Rumor has it that he gives especially pretty girls one quarter, two dimes, one nickel AND another 50-cent piece. Oh! to join the ranks of those who have beauty (or pulchritude, as Bill Coleman puts it.)

We realize that every catastrophe that takes place in these dungeons beneath the earth is not the fault of the machines. Despite large signs warning of the danger, we have seen many a coed put too much detergent in the washing machine.

The resulting flow of soap

suds over the floor makes it dangerous to walk even if your sneakers are well-treaded. Future American housewives?

The battle of the machines continues with the "Saga of the Extractor." These little contraptions are designed to take excess water from your clothes. They are tricky, however. As they spin 'round and 'round they are likely to swallow an item. (Anyone want ONE slightly used green knee sock?)

On and on until we come to the dryers. We are of the opinion that these dime eaters are hexed. If you are lucky you may get one that will work for five minutes without stopping. Then you take your clothes (still wet) up to your room and drag out the "illegal" drying rack.

Of course, if the maid catches you the Department of (almighty) Housing may impose a sentence of solitary confinement in the laundry closet for one year for you. So Beware!

Now we really don't mean to scare you and all this really does not matter. The only thing that really matters is that we BEAT SYRACUSE.



Miss Miele

GAZETTE

TODAY

- American Ceramic Society Meeting, Student Branch, 7 p.m., 26 MS Aud. Arnold Air Society Meeting, 7:15 p.m., Pledges 7:10 p.m., Sigma Pi, 303 S. Thompson St., Uniform—Class A Formal Accounting Club, 7 p.m., HUB assembly room AIM, 8 p.m., 203 HUB AWS, 6:30 p.m., 203 HUB Biophysics Lecture, 4:15 p.m., 117 Osmond Chemistry-Physics Student Council, 6:45 p.m., 215 HUB Chess Club, 7 p.m., HUB cardroom Combined Glee Club and Women's Chorus, 6:30 p.m., HUB ballroom Delta Zeta, 5 p.m., HUB ballroom Faculty Newcomers, 7:30 p.m., 217 HUB Gamma Sigma Sigma meeting, 7 p.m., 218 HUB

- Greek Week, 7 p.m., 214 HUB ICCA, 6:45 p.m., 214 HUB I.V. Christian Fellowship, 12:45 p.m., 218 HUB Newman Club Committee, 7 p.m., 218 HUB Outing Club, 112 Buckhout, Rock Climbing Div., 7 p.m., Ski and Winter Sports Div., 8:30 p.m. Penn State Grange, 8:15 p.m., 100 Weaver Riding Club, Refreshment Committee, 6:30 p.m., 216 HUB Scroll's Meeting, 6:30 p.m. Kappa Delta Suite Sociology Club, 7 p.m., 212 HUB TIM, 8 p.m., 216 HUB Women's Chorus, 7 p.m., HUB ballroom World Series, 12 p.m., HUB ballroom Young Democrats, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., HUB ground floor

Job Interviews

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- Proctor and Gamble Co. for JAN BS and 1961 MS Grads in CHEM CH E for R AND D; HS MS Grads in CHEM CH E CE EE ENG SCI IE ME for plant management; BS MS Grads in CH E CE EE ENG SCI IE ME for central engineering div. OCT. 27 ALUMINUM COMPANY OF AMERICA for JAN BS grads in ACCTG for ACCTG positions; BS in ARCH E CE CH E EE ME IE for industrial sales & sales development. BS in LA BUS AD for sales admin; BS in CH E EE IE ME METAL for prod &

- enrg; BS & 1961 grads in CHEM (Analytical, Inorganic, Organic, Physical) CH E EE ME METAL & MS in ENG MECH for R & D. ALLIED CHEMICAL CORP for 1961 MS & PHD grads in CHEM CH E ME. REMINGTON RAND UNIVAC, Div of Speery Rand Corp. for JAN BS grads in EE ME-PHYS (w/Electronics Interest) BA in MATH. Also MA MS PHD in EE ME PHYS (w/Electronics Interest) BA in MATH. Also MA MS PHD in EE ME PHYS (w/Electronics Interest) MATH.

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Interpreting

Who Best Estimates Prestige?

By J. M. ROBERTS

Kennedy and Nixon have now stirred themselves up an issue which rivals all the other intangibles of this campaign.

We have the issue of which one of these relatively inexperienced young men has the most experience applicable to the presidency.

We have the issue of statistics — whose program will cost the most or get the most for the least, form surplus, national income, national gross product, and, again years of experience.

Now we have the fundamental issue of the welfare state versus

conservative government depending upon private enterprise for expanding the national economy.

Now we have that ectoplasmic thing — who is the best estimator of the nation's prestige.

Kennedy, Nixon and the nation can say "I think" about that one all night without reaching a provable conclusion. You can't even get an agreement on what sort of prestige you're talking about.

If there is any prestige in it, the United States is certainly richer in material things than other nations.

But how many people consider that a flaw in itself, and a detriment to consideration of spiritual things?

Do more people revere President Eisenhower above Premier Khrushchev? Undoubtedly

ly yes. But do more people revere President Eisenhower than Prime Minister Nehru of India? I, for one, seriously doubt it.

Many consider the material values of the democratic nations to be out of their reach, and are unfamiliar with the spiritual values, while seeing something attainable in the materialism of communism. The answer among them probably is yes, if they could, but—

Does the world trust the leadership of the United States?

The trend toward establishment of a separate neutral force in the United Nations answers no. So does the establishment of a hard core of three million neutralists in the British labor party. Yet there is an obvious tendency to accept the United States above the Soviet Union. No decision yet on that point.



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