

Editorial Opinion

Oh No, Not Again

The agenda for the Student Government Association Assembly meeting last night stated that the time of the meeting was 8 p.m.

It convened at 8:50 after two members rushed in to give it a quorum. This quorum lasted for 20 minutes till one of the two left.

Another member walked in at 9:17 and Assembly reconvened to pass its first piece of legislation.

Eleven members, only one of whom had received an excused absence, failed to answer the first roll call.

We wonder if anybody plans to run for re-election?

... Contrast

Such a contrast was provided when, after the Assembly meeting finally started, Duane Alexander presented a report of the Stone Valley Work Day committee that showed just how much an interested SGA group can do.

The plans to unite hundreds of students for a massive work project with the added attraction of recreation was figured out to such minute details as providing a canoe shuttle service across the lake for those who may need to avail themselves of rest room facilities.

AIM Moves Ahead

The AIM Board of Governors took one giant step last night as it passed a total reorganization motion and decided to try to eliminate present constitutional restrictions

If AIM gets the go ahead sign from the Senate Committee on Student Affairs, it can proceed with the necessary reorganization without being hampered by technicalities in its present constitution.

Significant Prelude

The Association of Women Students will hold its final elections for Community Council representatives and freshman Senate members today.

AWS is the first group to be reorganized under the new community living system. Today its first elected representatives will be voted into office.

These elections are a significant prelude to the adaptation of the whole community living concept.

Chalk Up a Victory?

Those who advocate a "down with pre and post game spirit" doctrine have apparently achieved their goal. About 25 people constituted the "crowd" at the beginning of last night's pep rally.

During the trek around campus, the "rally" picked up approximately 75 more people who endured calls about quiet hours from the residence hall inhabitants.

Chalk up a victory for the "mature" anti-spirit students.

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Letters

IFC Sing Chairman 'Comments'

TO THE EDITOR: Once again we come to blows over your editorials concerning the IFC Sing. Despite your "earnest" efforts to secure all the facts before writing your comments, you neglected to include a comment which I specifically requested. So, if you won't, I will.

First, the situation which occurred Sunday evening was not a new one. It has happened before. How to prevent this is a problem which confronts the sing committee, but all the editorial criticism and word spankings seem to do very little to alleviate it.

The Greek groups might show a little more of the enthusiasm that Jack Hendricks encouraged in his letter to Collegian several weeks ago if they received a few more affirmative literary comments rather than "you naughty Greeks" remarks. It seems to me that Collegian psychology is rather ineffective in the direction it seems permanently headed.

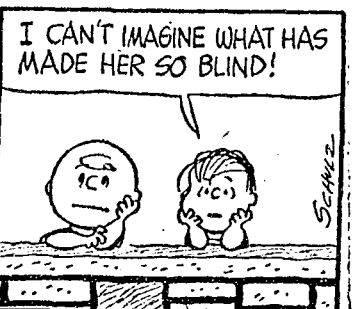
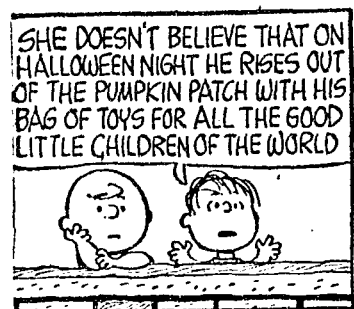
Secondly, the Collegian requested that the committee phone in the results of the preliminaries. From this I assume that Collegian did not feel that the occasion warranted any newspaper representation. From this I infer that Collegian did not feel enough of the "spirit" which it so widely advocates.

Thirdly, in a phone conversation with a member of Collegian staff regarding facts and figures about the sing, I specifically requested that some comment be made to the effect that the overall caliber of the groups participating in the sing this year had certainly risen.

Almost everyone did a fine job on two pieces of difficult music. I think that they deserve the praise and congratulations of all Greek groups. Collegian's discerning ear failed to note this.

When, on Friday evening, the groups have been selected, they will represent what can be done with music by non-professional groups, and I feel that every Greek will be proud of their accomplishments. Per-

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Ministers Discuss Politics

TO THE EDITOR: We want to bring the following statement to the attention of the students and faculty of Penn State. Although we will, as individuals, support different candidates for the Presidency in November, we stand together in our support of the following statement.

It was drawn up by a committee of persons convened by the Fair Campaign Practices Committee and the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

Charles P. Taft, former mayor of Cincinnati, was chairman of the group which made this statement public in April, 1960. They said:

"It is proper and desirable that every public official should attempt to govern his conduct by a personal conscience that is formed by his religious faith.

"No candidates for public office should be opposed or supported because of his particular religious affiliation. A campaign for public office is not an opportunity to vote for one religion against another.

"A candidate should be judged by his qualifications for the office he seeks and by his position on issues relevant to that office. He may properly be questioned about such is-

ues and about the bearing of his religious faith and conscience on them.

"A candidate's religion is relevant to a voter's decision, but only so far as it bears on such political issues.

"Stirring up, fostering or tolerating religious animosity or injecting elements of a candidate's faith not relevant to the duties of the office he seeks are unfair campaign practices.

"Intelligent, honest and temperate public discussion of the relation of religious faith to the public issues will, as it has already done, raise the whole level of the campaign."

—Rev. Albert S. Asendorf, Rev. Robert Boyer, Theodore A. Braun, Rev. Donald W. Carruthers, Rev. John W. Davis, Genevieve Dilts, Rabbi N. T. Goldberg, Rev. Samuel N. Gibson, James Halfaker, Rev. John F. Harkins, Luther H. Harshbarger, Rev. Richard S. Hovanec, Elaine P. Heydenreich, Donald McIlwride, Rev. Richard W. Nutt, Rev. Gerald J. Ream, Rev. P. Barrett Rudd, Arthur R. Seyda, Mark D. Shaw, Patricia Smathers, Rev. Earl F. Spencer, John R. Whitney, Preston N. Williams, Shirley Jane Winter, Bert E. Wynn

On the Block 'S' Club

TO THE EDITOR: In yesterday's Collegian it was reported that I was the President of the Block 'S' Club. This was an error. Betty Segal is the President of the Block and she has done a very fine job in seeing that everything is handled on time.

She and our other two officers have received no credit for anything that has happened.

Sheila Gallagher, our secretary, who is in charge of all regular pep rallies, and Steve Solomon, the treasurer, who is in charge of special events, have worked relentlessly for the progress of the school spirit.

Betty oversees all the functions of the Block. Sheila or-

ganizes all the fine Pep Rallies that we have had. Steve has charge of organizing the rallies that occur when the team returns from a game in addition to being an all-around helper to all of us.

There are many committee members who also put in a great deal of time in designing the flashcard stunts and putting them on the stunt sheets.

These people also go unrecognized, but they are really appreciated when the stunts are good at the halftime show.

I would like it noted that there are a great number of workers in the Block. Thank you.

Paul A. Krow,
Vice President,
Block 'S' Club

Cordover Answers Critics

TO THE EDITOR: In reference to the "Spirit Letter Gets Answer" in Wednesday's Collegian, Freshman Landis sorely needs advice.

Freshman Landis' assertion as to the harmlessness of the brave young Lion guardians, who "were just having a good time," is entirely unfounded and completely ridiculous. If Freshman Landis were a bit more sophisticated he would realize that a dozen irresponsible youths with sticks are about as harmless as a forest fire.

Freshman Landis is in favor of athletic, intellectual, cultural and social pursuits yet blindly can find neither "much needed breaks in the routine" nor his "good time."

If his eyes were open (even

puppies open their eyes before they are weaned) he would see the wealth of teams, leagues and intramural athletics offered to break his routine. There are enough clubs, organizations and discussion groups to whet his intellectual appetite, if he has one.

We have problems of discrimination, parking and student government fiascoes for the socially minded.

When one grows up he finds that there are other, constructive ways of having a good time and breaking routine that are on a mature level.

Freshman Landis says that one might enjoy throwing paper and honking horns. Three year olds enjoy these pastimes immensely. Is Freshman Landis three years old?

—Robert Cordover, '62

More on School Spirit

TO THE EDITOR: I read Mr. Cordover's recent letter with great enjoyment, and I read the reply with great interest. I would now like to voice my opinion on this subject.

I watched these people with "school spirit" perform after the Army game and before the Syracuse game. If a demonstration like this, particularly the one after the Army game, is a demonstration of school spirit, I wouldn't brag about having school spirit. I would be ashamed of it.

The collective IQ of a crowd

like this may be closely approximated by taking the average IQ and dividing by the number present in the crowd.

This sort of crowd is potential dynamite. It can turn ugly with little provocation. I saw this happen once back home, and once was plenty.

Now I wish to ask a question. For What? The way some people act, you would think the school is about to disintegrate and its one saving grace is its football team.

It's about time football was put into its proper perspective

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Gazette

TODAY
Bridge Club, 7 p.m., HUB cardroom
English Colloquium, 3:30 p.m., HUB Auditorium
English Department, 1:30 p.m., HUB assembly room
Interlandia, 7:30 p.m., HUB ballroom
TV Christian Fellowship, 12:45 p.m., 218 HUB
Jazz Club, 9 a.m.-4:15 p.m., HUB ground floor
Kappa Phi, 5 p.m., 214-215-216 HUB
Mineral Industries Colloquium, 4:15 p.m., M1 auditorium
"Romanoff and Juliet," 8 p.m., Centre Stage
Young Democrats, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., HUB ground floor