

Editorial Opinion

Mr. and Miss Student Penn State University University Park, Pa.

Dear Fellow Students:

We have heard you talk about how "mickey mouse" student government is, how it doesn't do anything. We would like to ask you then, why didn't you do something about it?

Thursday and the day before you had the chance and only 17 to 20 per cent of you used it.

You may say you don't care, but don't you realize that even if you don't vote you will be affected by what student government does.

Since University party now has control of the Assembly you have committed yourself, even by not voting, to a party that has told the student body it will engage itself in a reorganization program to make SGA coordinate most student groups, give SGA the power to pass group charters and also the power to coordinate the judicial system.

If you agree with the University party plan, you have nothing to worry about. If you don't, you have lost your chance to protest.

If you would have rather seen in office a party which, as Campus did, promised to work for voluntary ROTC, student multi-level parking lots, four terms of physical education and a student-run book store, by not voting, you killed your own viewpoints.

Or maybe your sympathies were with the independent candidates who promised a book store, housing check, student-faculty forums and tutoring list.

Did you vote for the party that you thought would carry out the plans you agreed with? If you did, we salute you. If you didn't, we would like to say that you

Our Vote for Eidophor

Eidophor, that over-sized television screen in Schwab and the rest of the equipment that goes with it has proved to be an intermediate solution to the University's lack of a field house or large auditorium.

After the Kennedy-Nixon debates were carried over Eidophor for the benefit of the students who couldn't crowd around the 21-inch. receiver in their dorm, public sentiment immediately pressed for Eidophor's use in tele-casting sports events, concerts, etc. which may be sold out at Recreation Hall or other auditoriums.

Saturday's telecast of the wrestling meet and basketball game in Recreation Hall was the first experiment with sports events.

In addition to the capacity 6000 crowd which jammed Recreation Hall, another 1200 watched at Schwab. Thus the meet and game could be seen by more fans than ever watched an indoor sports event here before.

It is encouraging to note that there are other sports events already scheduled to be shown over Eidophor this winter, and Dr. C. R. Carpenter, director of the Division of Academic Research and Services, has said that if students create a demand for it the Soviet-U.S. gym meet may also be telecast to Schwab.

If tickets for this meet go as fast as they did for the Finnish-Penn State meet two years ago, there will certainly be a demand for Eidophor.

The use of Eidophor, despite the expense, indicates an important attempt by the University to help alleviate the problem of outgrown facilities until a field house and auditorium can become realities on campus.

have forfeited your right to complain that students have no voice in this University. You have no voice because you did not do anything to try to obtain it.

For those of you who did not vote on the referendum we have nothing but scorn. Here is the greatest chance you had to make student government stronger.

If you thought the \$700 SGA Campaign Fund bill would make it possible for the ablest candidates to run instead of the ones with the most money, you should have voted for the referendum.

If you thought the bill would lead to fouled up and biased campaign publicity, you should have voted against it.

Forty per cent of you voted for mock elections in which the outcome would have no effect on you. Yet, less than half that number voted in student government elections where you will feel every effect, good or bad.

If you thought that none of the candidates were worth voting for, why didn't you run yourself or go out and convince abler students to run for the office and offer them your support. Anyone can run. It only takes 100 legitimate student names on a petition.

We are sick and tired of people who complain about a situation and then when the chance is given them, do nothing about it.

—Yours for a better Penn State,
The Daily Collegian

P. S.—As for the 103 people who wrote Piddle on their ballot, a joke is a joke, but only a sadist would play a joke on himself.

P. P. S.—Don't miss the editorial on student government coming next Tuesday!

Letters

Eidophor Opinions Asked of Students

TO THE EDITOR: It is with great pleasure that I view Dr. Carpenter's enthusiasm concerning Eidophor. He has taken a true interest in the welfare of the student body. Dr. Carpenter has asked the student body for certain information with regard to the demand for Eidophor.

To aid Dr. Carpenter in getting the desired information, the SGA Public Relations Committee is circulating a short, but comprehensive, questionnaire. These questionnaires are located on the HUB, Waring Hall, Warnock Hall, and Pollock Dining Hall bulletin boards.

The student body has a real obligation to itself and to Dr. Carpenter. Every student is urged to answer the questionnaire in a complete and responsible manner.

—Earl Gershenow,
Chairman
S.G.A. Public Relations
Committee

Gazette

TODAY

Graduate Students Dance, 9-12 p.m., HUB ballroom
Home Economics Extension Leaders, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., 213 HUB
I.V. Christian Fellowship, 12:45-1:10 p.m., 218 HUB and 7:30 p.m., 111 Boucke
Singers, 12-1:30 p.m., 6-10 p.m., HUB assembly room

World At A Glance

Laos Army Takes Over; Reds Flee

Reduced Taxes Expected for Old Age Group

VIENTIANE, Laos (AP) — Military units vowing loyalty to neutralist Premier Prince Souvanna Phouma took over Vientiane yesterday and pro-Communist elements fled or were placed under guard. Capt. Kong Le, who leans toward the left, was sacked as garrison commander.

The predawn maneuver appeared aimed at the pro-Communist Pathet Lao and other leftists who have infiltrated the capital. Rumors had swept the city that Pathet Lao guerrillas nearby might try to seize Vientiane.

Some Western diplomats said the military maneuver might be designed to strengthen the premier's hand in his peace negotiations with the rightist regime of Gen. Phoumi Nosavan. Phoumi's forces have broken through on the jungle front 100 miles to the east and are reported advancing on the capital.

In his southern headquarters at Savannakhet, however, Phoumi asserted forces loyal to him had staged the uprising, that it is directed against Souvanna, and his forces expected to have complete control of the capital soon.

Armed Invasion Of Cuba Rumored

HAVANA (AP) — Armed invaders were reported yesterday to have landed on Cuba's north coast near the town of Carralillo Tuesday and engaged government troops and militiamen in a furious battle.

There was no confirmation of the reports but anti-Castro sources insisted they were correct.

Earlier the government claimed it had destroyed a band of insurgents in a battle at Cabanas only 32 miles west of Havana. Carralillo is a few miles east of the Matanzas-Las Villa border to the east of Havana.

Rumors of fighting in the Carralillo area about 100 miles east of Havana have been current for the past two days.

Pickets Reduce Attendance

NEW ORLEANS, La. (AP) — Hard-working neighborhood pickets yesterday whittled down still more the number of white children attending the William Frantz School.

In contrast to Wednesday's 19 and the 23 Monday, only 14 white pupils entered the building.

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Soph Gives Thanks for Eidophor

TO THE EDITOR: I'd like to thank the University for their closed-circuit television broadcast of Saturday night's wrestling matches in Schwab Auditorium. It was a thoughtful move on the University's part to enable those students who were turned away from a jammed Recreation Hall the opportunity to witness our team in action.

My only objection to the

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government is working on two major changes in federal income tax procedures. If both innovations are adopted, millions of people will be affected and many will pay less taxes.

One change is definitely in the works. The Internal Revenue Service will announce shortly a new tax form to be used by certain taxpayers who itemize their medical deductions. This form will be used by those 65 or older or who support parents in that age group.

The new form stems from a 1960 law which, for the first time, allows bigger deductions for those who pay the medical bills of dependent parents.

The second change still is under consideration. Revenue people are debating whether to issue special tables telling how much may reasonably be deducted on federal tax returns for paying state sales taxes.

This is a problem that has long troubled many taxpayers who itemize deductions but don't keep accurate records of sales tax payments.

Algerian Settlers To Stage Strike

ALGIERS (AP) — Algeria's right-wing European settlers ignored official warnings of a crackdown on rioters and went ahead with plans for a general strike to coincide with President Charles de Gaulle's arrival today.

Officials admit the tension in Algeria has reached such a point that it could mushroom into mob violence.

While peaceful street demonstrations were not specifically banned, the government warned storekeepers any shop which shut down could be seized for up to 30 days. They told grocers to consider themselves requisitioned by the army and to stay open as usual or suffer military discipline.

Clarion College Students Boycott Food Center

CLARION, Pa. (AP) — About 700 students boycotted the Clarion State College student food center yesterday in protest against what they called "poor food and poor food service." Some 200 of the students picketed the center.

About 14 students ate breakfast at the center. They said they couldn't afford to eat elsewhere. School officials declined to comment.

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