

Editorial Opinion

Privilege Jeopardized

Since the time when the Nixon-Kennedy TV debates were the big news of the day, students and local residents have, on several occasions, enjoyed the use of Eidophor—Penn State's giant economy size TV screen in Schwab.

But inconsiderate acts of some viewers could place this privilege in jeopardy.

An informal atmosphere prevails during Eidophor presentations to be sure, but this is hardly cause for people to break the state fire regulations which do not allow smoking in the auditorium.

Nor does it seem necessary for the audience to be so relaxed as to prop feet on the seats, etc.

Minor damage was done to upholstery and hymnal racks on the seats during the telecast of the Liberty Bowl.

It is unfortunate that Schwab cannot supply the complete atmosphere that Recreation Hall does for sports contests. But such habits as eating cause extra work for janitors who have to clean up the paper and debris after a Saturday night telecast to make the auditorium presentable for Sunday morning chapel services.

Eidophor is too good a thing to lose by thoughtless actions in the auditorium.

Lean Year In Capitol

Probably the most constructive thing that can be said for the University's appropriation request from the state legislature this year is a prayer.

The state's financial condition when the legislature convened this week was anything but sound and there are worries about deficit spending.

Gov. Lawrence greeted the lawmakers with a rewrite of his 14-point program which they killed last year, and veteran observers expect even more programs to drain the state's financial well this year than last.

We hope that the report of the Governor's Task Force on Higher Education convinces the legislature to the tune of a few more dollars this spring.

But it is a lean year to start the new policy of an annual budget request by the University and the outlook for an increase is bleak.

Other Views Of 'Leaders'

A columnist for Syracuse University's "Daily Orange" describes his student government this way:

"No other activity could keep so many children off the streets as student government. It is this function as a cure for juvenile delinquency and traffic congestion that we appreciate. But beyond this we are dubious.

Those elected and chosen instruments of student government can be called many things but certainly the word 'leader' isn't one of them. Student 'lookers', 'dressers' and 'smilers' might fit but that's it."

Bicycle owners at Michigan State University are riding back and forth to classes on specially paved bicycle paths.

The Michigan State News said the paths are designed for one-way traffic, each route having two paths going in different directions.

The University Daily Kansan ran into a bit of difficulty when it printed a classified ad with a "white" only stipulation. Faculty members and students registered protests and the "Daily Kansan" announced:

"Be it resolved by the governing board of the University Daily Kansan that, effective immediately, the University Daily Kansan shall not knowingly publish any advertisement stipulating race, color or creed."

Gazette

Today UCA, dessert forum for faculty, staff, and graduate students, 8 p.m., Eisenhower Chapel Student Movie, 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., HUB assembly room "Summer and Smoke," 8 p.m., Center Stage Testing (Pre-Registration), 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., 214, 215, 216 HUB Varsity basketball, versus Carnegie Tech, 8:45 p.m., Rec Hall Varsity wrestling, versus Lehigh, 7 p.m., Rec Hall

Tomorrow Alpha Phi Omega, 7 to 9 p.m., 212 HUB Artists Series, Robert Shaw Chorale, 8 p.m., Rec Hall Chess Club, 2 to 5 p.m., HUB card room 5 O'clock Theater, tryouts for first production, 1:30 p.m., Little Theater, basement of Old Main Junior Class Advisory Board, 6:30 to 8 p.m., 217, 218 HUB Omega Psi Phi, 3 to 4 p.m., 218 HUB Student Movie, 6:30 p.m., HUB assembly room Swedenborgian, 10:45 a.m. to noon, 212, 213 HUB

Monday Alpha Phi Omega, 7 to 9 p.m., 212, 218 HUB American Chemical Society, 8 p.m., 111 Houcke Bridge Club, 7 to 10 p.m., HUB card room Campus 4-H Club, 7 p.m., 100 Weaver Faculty Luncheon Club, 12 noon, HUB dining room A IFC, 7:30 to 9 p.m., HUB assembly room ISA, 7 to 10:30 p.m., 203 HUB IV Christian Fellowship, 7 to 10 p.m., 215 HUB Materials Science Seminar, 4:15 p.m., 105 ME Model Railroad Club, 7 to 9 p.m., 218 HUB SCCA, 7 p.m., 217 HUB Schuhplattlers, 7 p.m., HUB ballroom Speech, 2 to 3:15 p.m., 212 HUB State College Color Slide Club, 7:30 p.m., MI auditorium

Appropriation Time Again

Budget Awaiting State Consideration

By KAREN HYNCKEAL

No matter what the organization, the word "budget" whether referring to past, present or future, always brings controversy, a swarm of figures and endless predictions. The University's budget is no exception.

In the next week or two, Governor Lawrence will present the state's budget to the Harrisburg legislature. Included will be a portion entitled "Education." And this is where the University comes in.

How much money will be allotted to University Park for the fiscal year beginning June 1. How much more or less will it be than the figure suggested by President Eric A. Walker?

These are the questions which always and inevitably come up whenever the University's budget comes into the conversation.

In 1959, under the biennial system, \$44 million was the suggested figure, \$10 million more than was finally allotted by the state. This year the budget will be decided on an annual basis.

How much the University has suggested this time is still a dark secret as it is a University policy not to release the amount until the state budget has been presented to the legislature.

But this time there are further complications surrounding the budget. Last spring, Governor Lawrence appointed a special task force to study education in the Commonwealth. The results of this study or at least, a report of some sort, are not expected until the spring.

For this reason it is expected that no definite, permanent action will be taken on any funds

concerning education, including the University.

It is expected that when the governor presents his state budget to the legislature sometime in the next two weeks, he will still include the educational section but will ask only for the amounts which were allotted in 1959. In the University's case, the figure would be \$17 million per year.

He will most likely explain to the legislature that these educational allotments are tentative, pending some word from his task force. And in the spring, when that word has been heard, the governor may ask for additional funds or supplements to the original money.

However, recent debates in Harrisburg indicate that the governor, if he does ask for supplements in the spring, will insist that the money come from some tax program rather than simply from "the treasury." And this, too, could present a problem.

Another aspect of the budget is whether or not the University will release its prospective budget (the amount it is asking) this month when the state budget comes before the legislature, or whether it will wait until the spring.

With so many political and economic considerations, this year's budget, more than any other year's, should prove worth watching.

CAMPUS COMEDY



"THAT'S OUR LITTLE GIRL ON THAT FLOAT."

Interpreting

End of French Colonial Power Seen

By J. M. ROBERTS Associated Press News Analyst Some thoughts after scanning a week's news:

President Charles de Gaulle has finally admitted that, no matter how France may consider Algeria a domestic question, the world will not much longer repress its very great interest there.

Either France will solve the problem, beginning with the referendum which started Friday, or someone else will, De Gaulle told the nation.

That is belated acceptance of what has become increasingly evident. After all the fighting, after all the threats to the very stability of France herself, there are strong indications that this marks the be-

ginning of the end of France as a colonial power.

There is even hope for a beginning of a new era of leadership in Africa for a France with clean hands. This hope is not very great. The odds still are that eventually Algeria will take the troubled road of separatism—may even face partition. But the situation has reached the point where even a temporary solution will be an improvement.

With five Africa nations threatening to withdraw their troops from the UN police contingent forming among the Arab states and some of the new African states, Egypt's Gamal Abdel Nasser was the big shot at the Casablanca conference.

But King Mohammed V of Morocco and Kwame Nkrumah of Ghana, the former with acquisitive eyes on Mauritania and the latter hoping for leadership of an eventually federated western Africa, were frying some of their own fish, also.

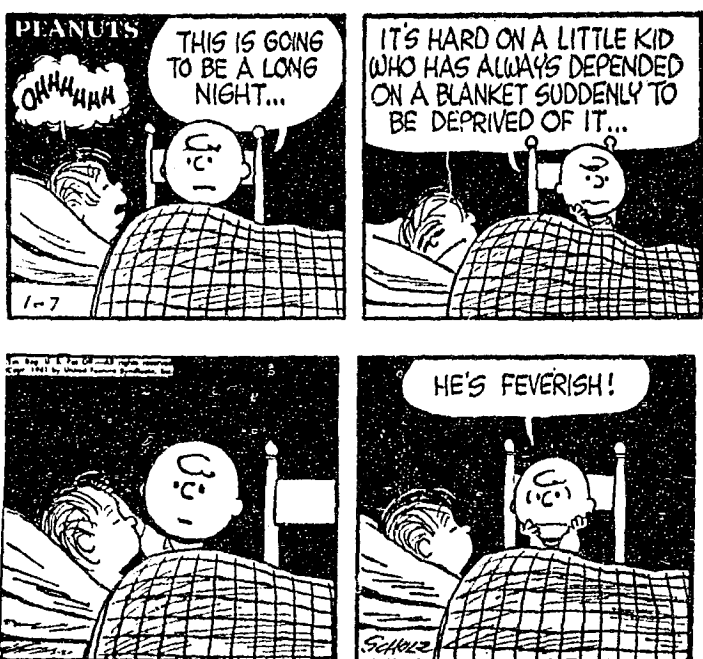
An Arab-West African coalition of any real cohesion doesn't seem to have much future.

Cuba is going to be invaded one of these days, all right. By some Cubans with business interests to regain, by some Cubans seeking political power, by some Cubans and perhaps others who are just incorrigible fighters for liberty. Castro will claim it's all the work of the State Department. Nobody except members of his own regime will help him try to keep up the misrepresentation, for which he's getting ready now.

The world surely looks sour. But I spent Christmas in Greensboro, N.C., a city of more than 100,000 people, where the Daily News remarked quite casually on Christmas morning that Santa Claus had not missed a single home in the city where there was a child. And I was reminded that there are places where goodness is just as normal as badness is in others.



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