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**Collegiate Calliope**  
*dick leighton*

One or two absurdities usually manage to wend their way into every campus political campaign and this one looks like it is going to be no exception.

The prize for last fall goes to the group which tried to organize an exclusively independent party because, as

one of the proposed members said, "If you let one or two fraternity men in, the place will soon be loaded with them."

This spring, first place will probably be a toss-up between the status seeking question and a do or die referendum which would have the power to make student government members resign if their constituents are displeased with them.

The term "status seeker" has been rather loosely thrown around in the presidential campaign, and naturally the greater number of activities a candidate has, the bigger the "SS" man he is.

A close look at the candidate's activities lists on the election posters reveals, however, that Mr. Foianini has had one non-political activity, Mr. Alexander has also had one and Mr. Harrison has had three. Honoraries are, of course, not activities.

The bulk of the so-called status seekers' activities lies within the political field and can, for the most part, be consid-

ered as good experience.

On the other hand, however, disassociation with the established order, even if that organization appears to be unsuccessful and a status symbol does tend to show some anti-statusism, but it is an invalid reason for heading an organization of similar intent.

Campus party's student referendum is a daring move, but it appears that very little thought was put into this plank and its possible consequences. It appears to be instant anarchy. Student government has always had difficulty getting students to vote for its projects, but voting against them may prove to be a ballot of a different color.

What would happen if only one Campus party candidate, say Mr. Huffman, were elected and that the assembly (or its equivalent) had a University party majority? Could the assembly ask the students for their opinion of the organization?

If the response were negative, could the assembly ask Mr. Huffman to leave, since he was pledged to do so? It would still be a "referendum" as far as Mr. Huffman is concerned.



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*the megaphone*  
**Campaigns and 'Regulations'**  
*by meg teichholtz*

The new ruling which prohibits campaigning in the men's residence halls can only hurt one person, Dennis Foianini.

And all the signs point out that the ruling was designed to infringe on the right of an independent candidate to make himself known.

The ruling won't dampen the campaigns of Bob Harrison or Duane Alexander because they have already followed the "right" course of gaining publicity in SGA.

That Harrison's actions have been pure compromise and Alexander's autocratic is not generally recognized. Unfortunately the familiarity of their names in connection with SGA has bred security among the student body.

Foianini is not secure. He is a student who has analyzed positions, events and actions and who thinks SGA and the people in it have done enough compromising and running of well-timed one man productions.

The one draw-back is that his name is new and therefore

most of our readers, unfortunately, think of him as a dark horse branching into politics for kicks.

Well people just don't slave every night until two or three in the morning campaigning in dorms for fun.

And now, the only way for the first independent candidate for the SGA presidency in four years to make himself known to those in dorms has been imperiously blocked because the dean of men's office, late in the campaign, decided to insure "personal privacy."

This lame reasoning is too broad to be basic.

Just for the record, we'd like to know why the administration is suddenly and staunchly standing up for the rights of the one individual in Pollock who complained when it has not stood strongly behind massive student demands

for little things like bookstores, budgets and voluntary ROTC?

The not so very pretty answer may be that the administration is worried about Foianini's growing popularity.

And the thing that is making them worry is Foianini's tenacious determination to remain  
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