

## Editorial Opinion

### Companions of Injustice

The Penn State Panhellenic, a member of the National Panhellenic Conference, this week ignored the 1957 binding agreement of its national organization's stipulated judicial procedure.

Mrs. Nancy M. Vanderpool, assistant to the dean of women and advisor to the local Panhel, and Dean of Women Dorothy J. Lipp said the decrees are recommendations and are not binding.

Mrs. Vanderpool said that the NPC recognizes that in unusual cases where established administrative policy differs from NPC agreements, the college panhellenic shall concur with such established policies of the administration of the college or university.

We have never heard of an "established administrative policy" differing from NPC agreements existing on this campus.

But if it does, then we abhor the existence of such a policy that completely disregards justice and allows the denial of basic rights guaranteed by our national constitution.

The local Panhel operates under a rush code which says, "Panhellenic Executive Council shall have the right to investigate rumors and punish according to the information found."

Such a rule denies the right of the accused to hear the charge against him, the right of the accused to meet the accuser, the right of the accused to hear the evidence, the right of the accused to present a defense, and the basic tenet of "innocent until proven guilty."

It is pertinent to note that the National Panhel Conference agreement stipulates just how proceedings shall be run when disputes or charges result from inter-sorority activities.

The national conference demands that "the accused meet the accusers for discussion of the charges before any solution or penalty is imposed." This parallels the concept of justice upheld by our national Bill of Rights.

The national agreements further state that "if no amicable solution can be reached, the accusers must submit their charges in writing within 24 hours." These are then presented to a full meeting of the local Panhellenic Council at which time the accused may present its case and debate the charges.

At this time the entire council decides the validity of the charges and reaches a solution or imposes a penalty. Provision is also made for appeal.

The accused sororities, Kappa Delta and Alpha Omicron Pi, have never been permitted to present their cases. They still do not know who accused them or what, if any, evidence was presented to substantiate the accusations.

Miss Janet Carlisle, the local panhel rush chairman, has refused to release the identity of the accuser and the evidence presented. She also refused to permit the accused sororities to defend themselves at the executive board hearing.

It is quite in order that the sororities concerned appeal their case as stipulated in the National Agreement and that the local Panhel adopt a judicial procedure that insures the rights of all parties in a dispute.

In conclusion we quote the statement of policy made by National Panhellenic Council in 1959:

"We will not contribute to the erosion of the freedoms and principles that were basic to the adoption of the Constitution of the United States, and which have been consistently cherished since then and which are checks for individuals to exercise against excessive power and the corruption and/or deception which are its inevitable companions."

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## Grad Challenges Greeks and Prexy To Remove All Discrimination Clauses

**TO THE EDITOR:** I was very much surprised to see The Daily Collegian publish the article about a fraternity (Phi Delta Theta) banned at another state university (Wisconsin) because of its restrictive policies. As a fraternity man myself, I feel that I have to say the following in this matter.

The president of the Phi Delta Theta chapter here maintains the view of his national fraternity in this matter: "Don't bother us." It is obvious that he is in favor of the policy set by his national and does not care what they do at the national convention this summer.

The state of Wisconsin gave six fraternities ample time to conform with its policy on human rights. Five nationals complied.

We as American college students should set the example for the rest of the world in this problem of the inequality of man and therefore we should abolish this idea of segregation on this college campus.

I do not deny the right of any organization to admit whomever they choose. But I do deny selection along racial,

ethnic or religious lines. This is the unfair and high-handed manner in which many of the existing fraternities act on this campus.

It is about time that the Northern chapters exert some pressure on their Southern chapters to lift this ban or face annihilation in the large Northern universities.

The time has come for this movement of human rights equality in all social groups on campus to be adhered to as well. Wisconsin is not the leader in this struggle but has only joined it.

We as a state university must do so as well to preserve equality in this Commonwealth. The University has a ruling that all new social organizations must have open national charters before being allowed recognition on this campus. This policy must be extended to include all existing groups on campus giving them a reasonable time to comply. The period allotted at Wisconsin of three years is ample time.

If this leadership is not taken by the I.F.C. and Panhellenic council, then it is the re-

sponsibility of President Walker to force the issue of human rights on this campus.

Fraternities and sororities are voluntary organizations. Many of our independent students refuse to join them because of these unfair policies.

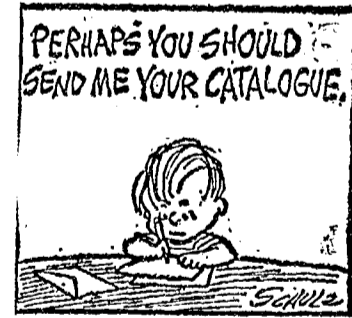
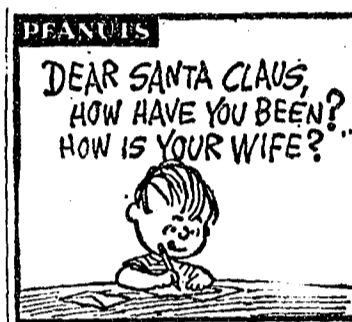
The fraternity system will never change these practices unless the major colleges and universities compel them to do so. This has already been done at Colorado, Wisconsin and more recently Lake Forest College.

We at Penn State must join these institutions in this battle. It is a part of the segregation-desegregation battle our Supreme Court is fighting for the people of this great nation.

It is up to the students of American colleges to do their part in this fight, to establish human rights as free Americans.

—George Richard  
Grad Student

(Senate Regulation Z-1 prohibits the chartering of any organization with a discriminatory clause. This became effective as of 1956. Groups chartered before this regulation was passed were not affected.)



## Gazette

TODAY

American Chemical Society, 9:15 p.m., HUB main lounge  
Block 8 Executive Committee, 6:30 p.m., 213 HUB  
Chess Team, 8 p.m., 217, 218 HUB  
Delta Nu Alpha, 7:30 p.m., Chi Phi  
Engineering and Architecture Student Council, 7 p.m., 215 Hammond  
Faculty Bridge, 7:30 p.m., 212 HUB  
Film Series, 8 p.m., HUB assembly hall  
Gamma Sigma Sigma Pledges, 7:30 p.m., main lounge McElwain  
Gamma Sigma Sigma Sisters, 6:30 p.m., main lounge McElwain  
4-H Club, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., 218 HUB  
Hillel, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., HUB ground floor  
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IRC, 7 p.m., first floor HUB  
Mineral Industries Student Council  
Student-Faculty Tea, 7:30 p.m., HUB dining room B, C  
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Speech Group, 7 p.m., 214 HUB  
Speech and Hearing Clinic, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., 212, 213 HUB  
Wesley Foundation Communion, 5:15 p.m., Wesley Foundation

## World Roundup

### Congo Crisis Brings Action By U Thant

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (AP)—Acting Secretary-General U Thant took personal charge of the situation in the Congo yesterday and authorized U.N. forces to take "every measure possible" to put down a mutiny believed led by Congolese leftists.

The uprising in the troubled nation presented the Burmese diplomat with a new force working against Congolese unity and stability, which the United Nations is pledged to promote.

Another major decisive force, the secession of Katanga Province, occupied most speakers in a Security Council meeting on the Congo. Ceylon, Liberia and the United Arab Republic asked the 11-nation council to strengthen U Thant's powers to oust mercenaries from Katanga and stop arms shipments to Katanga President Moise Tshombe's regime.

A U.N. spokesman said U Thant spent more than an hour in direct telegraphic communication with U.N. officials in Leopoldville.

U Thant told them to restore order in Albertville and Kindu, in the eastern Congo.

### Twin Satellites Orbiting by U.S.

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP)—A double-header rocket vaulted skyward yesterday in an effort to put two satellites at once into orbit.

Riding in the nose of the 50-ton rocket were a Transit navigation satellite with an atomic generator and an untried, self-stretching "Dumbbell," testing a scheme for concentrating space signals earthwards.

The Thor-Able-Star rocket blasted off at 5:26 p.m. with the complex space twins in its nose. The satellites, each weighing 200 pounds, were to settle into separate circular orbits more than 600 miles above the earth.

In Washington, the Navy called the launch a success.

The Defense Department announced 15 minutes after launching that the second stage had separated and ignited as planned.

Officials reported that a stream of signals had been received within a few minutes of the time the rocket left the pad.

### Terms Dispute Delays Talks

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (AP)—The United States and the Soviet Union expressed willingness yesterday to resume disarmament talks as soon as possible, but clashed once more on the makeup of a negotiating body.

Moreover, the sharpness of speeches by U.S. Ambassador Adlai E. Stevenson and Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Valerian A. Zorin, opening disarmament debate in the General Assembly's main Political Committee cast doubt on chances for agreement in the near future.

Zorin wound up his opening speech by handing Stevenson a draft resolution that he said both countries should sponsor.

It would create a negotiating body divided equally among Western, Communist and neutral nations, and fix June 1962, as a deadline for reaching agreement on a draft treaty for general and complete disarmament.

At that time the U.N. General Assembly would be called into special session to take action on the treaty.

### Macapagal Leads Philippine Elex

MANILA (AP)—Vice President Diosdado Macapagal, talking like a winner, took an apparently insurmountable lead in the decisive phase of the Philippine presidential election Tuesday. His supporters claimed victory was already assured.

"We made it," declared Macapagal, 51, as late returns failed to give the expected boost to his opponent, President Carlos P. Garcia of the ruling Nacionalista party. However the leader of the opposition Liberal party declined to make an official claim of victory until Garcia conceded. This Garcia refused to do.

### Wetherill Will Seek Republican Nomination

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—Elkins Wetherill, president of the Montgomery County commissioners, announced yesterday his candidacy for the Republican nomination for governor in next year's election and immediately launched an attack on the Democratic administration.

"We cannot let class, or economic status, or race, or religion, or anything else stand between the party and the people," he asserted in advocating what he termed a Republican return to government.