

Editorial Opinion

We Repeat— Move Johnson's Speech

With the hour of Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson's address fast approaching, the time has come for a decision on the location of the speech. We urge that this address be rescheduled for Recreation Hall so that more of the student body may hear the Vice President of the United States than can be accommodated in Schwab Auditorium.

Yesterday the responsibility for making this decision was passed back and forth between administrators and students.

We urge that some one person, be it President Walker, Dean MacKenzie of the College of Business Administration or Robert Barraclough, student chairman of the Career Day committee, accept this responsibility after heavily considering student interest in Johnson's speech.

Several inconveniences resulting from such a change in plans have been used as reasons for not making the change.

We are convinced they can be overcome.

Time has become an important factor, but Rec Hall officials have assured us that the building would be available if a decision were reached before noon Monday.

The Career Day committee has pointed out that not enough tickets have been printed for Rec Hall. We cannot conceive of this as a problem and suggest that the committee could follow the procedure planned for Schwab— admitting persons holding tickets until 4:00 and then opening the doors for students without tickets.

Security measures are being directed from Washington, but Col. William G. Pelton, head of the University Department of Security, has said that all security measures would be taken to protect the vice president.

Although University television operations could not be carried out in Rec Hall, we feel that the increased seating capacity would eliminate the need for televising the program in the University area.

The Undergraduate Student Government showed a strong representative student interest in moving the address to Rec Hall when they approved, without dissent, a proposal to back the switch financially.

Students of the University showed their interest in hearing the address yesterday as they converged upon the desk where tickets were being distributed only to find that the 400 tickets available had been distributed in the first three hours.

Considering the educational value of Johnson's address, the student interest shown and the possibility of overcoming physical problems, we urge that someone accept this responsibility and relocate the address.

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Interpreting

Berlin Backdown Feared

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Millions of people in West Germany saw the Russians come into Germany's eastern territories in 1945, never want to see them again, and many of them live in a constant nagging fear, sometimes aggravated into a belief, that an Allied back-

down will eventually open the door once more.

Cessation of Soviet "fright flights" in the Berlin corridors, coupled with various statements that the talks in Geneva did something to ease if not settle the Berlin dispute, appears to have revived this feeling.

There is nothing readable on

the cards to support it, nothing in the fundamental situation to suggest any need for it, and nothing, but denials from Allied authorities.

Relaxation of tensions is not a valid basis for fear.

The best the United States expects to get out of all the long discussions with the Soviets about Berlin is a tacit, de facto but mutual understanding that neither side had better push the situation too far. Positive agreements on new or changed positions have not been and are not expected.

The Soviet Union undoubtedly will continue to think up ways of trying to make young Berliners doubt the wisdom of starting careers there if they can get away, and of trying to frighten both German and foreign investment in the city.

Whether the more dangerous forms of harassment will continue depends upon momentary circumstances. But the Soviets know now they are not going to get the city, or get the Allies out of it, through physical pressure.

The allied position is exemplified in the beefed up military posture already assumed.

President Kennedy has repeated that overwhelming Soviet conventional armed forces trying to overrun Western Europe will be stopped by atomic bombs if no other way.

The Soviet Union has problems, even as the United States has problems. Neither wants to push the other into an irrevocable conflict.

The minute the Soviet Union becomes too much involved in Europe she will begin to lose influence in Asia which already is seriously threatened.

The United States has problems in Asia, also, and in the Western Hemisphere.

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Peace Corps Wins Influential Friends

by joel myers

The success of the Peace Corps was accentuated when earlier this week the House of Representatives voted to give President Kennedy authority to more than double the Corps' size next year.

Perhaps even more representative of the Peace Corps' achievements was a recent comment by Sen. Barry Goldwater, one of the earliest and strongest opponents of the Corps.

"I think the Peace Corps is beginning to remove the doubts from the doubters' minds. I have been impressed with the quality of the young men and women that have been going into it. At first I thought that it would advance work for a group of beatniks, but this is not so. As a businessman, I know that two years overseas experience will be invaluable and rewarding. I'll back it all the way."

The willingness of Peace Corps members to work with

the people of underdeveloped countries without fanfare and propaganda and the enthusiasm of its unremunerated directors have been the main ingredients in making this pioneering venture a success.

The appreciation shown by the countries where Peace Corps volunteers are working and the requests from at least a dozen governments for more of them seem to indicate that the Corps is already fulfilling part of its goal of helping underdeveloped peoples to achieve a better way of life.

It would appear too that the Corps is helping to tear down the idea that Americans are snobbish and unconcerned with the problems of the peasants in underdeveloped nations.

The Peace Corps is still too small and youthful for its efforts to have an important effect on the world's ideological balance.

However, if Corps volunteers continue to approach the challenging job of working with uneducated and underdeveloped peoples in disease-ridden countries with enthusiasm and energy, the Peace Corps may someday become one of our most effective weapons against the spread of communism.



MYERS

Letters

Jr. Urges Speech Move

TO THE EDITOR: Now that Rec Hall has been made available for Vice President Johnson's address, the remaining arguments presented by the Bus Ad council against the move are, to say the least, specious.

Changing the security arrangements at such a mundane institute as a university will present little challenge to the Secret Service, used to guarding high officials under hazardous circumstances.

Tickets would be unnecessary. Even with security arrangements, Rec Hall will probably seat more than 5,000. And as for programs, the Collegian has already printed all the information and more than would be contained in them. The Tuesday morning issue could easily run a recap of the essentials, to insure that details of procedure are fully explained.

Concerning TV arrangements—the vice president is coming here to address the student body, not the people in TV-

land. He can address them from Washington. Allowing it to be broadcast is a concession to the television station and should not interfere with the primary consideration.

Mr. Barraclough & Co.'s main argument, then, hinges on the fear that Rec Hall won't be filled, which they apparently think would be regarded as an affront by the vice president. Do they consider Schwab a compliment?

How many universities would schedule a speech by the second highest executive of the United States government in an auditorium with a capacity of less than one-tenth of the student body?

Finally, it will be a rather sorry reflection on Penn State if the Senate or an administrative directive does not suspend classes in the conflicting periods (sixth and seventh, it now appears) for such a significant event. Especially after a week of the fall term was transposed for a football game with such ease and dispatch.

Kurt Simons, '63

Wanted: One Umbrella Thief

TO THE EDITOR: Although I am quite certain this letter will not result in either the repentance of the umbrella thief or the return of my \$7 umbrella, it may serve the purpose of alerting the honest faction of the student body so that they are aware of the fact that there are persons, most likely "students," who roam the halls between classes for the expressed purpose of filling the gaps in their wardrobe by stealing whatever is within each of their kleptomaniac fingers, be it an umbrella, a raincoat, or a hat. It is useless to dwell on the

morality of such delinquent activity because such persons obviously have no regard whatsoever for the moral virtue of integrity.

I would be quite anxious to meet the person who took my umbrella from the coat rack outside 209 Willard during the fourth period on Friday, April 6. During such a meeting, we could exchange my umbrella for the "clunker" which he left in its place and we also might be able to exchange other things which, I am certain, would tend to clarify my position in this matter.

Bernard A. McCue Grad Student

WDFM Schedule

- SATURDAY
2:00 Texaco Metropolitan Opera
5:00 News
5:05 Saturday at State
6:55 Weatherscope
7:00 Hi-Fi Open House
9:00 Offbeat
1:00 MTGOOB
1:15 Kinn's Corner
SUNDAY
5:00 Chapel Service
6:00 Chamber Music
6:35 Mormon Tabernacle Choir
7:00 The Third Programme