

Editorial Opinion

Pitch-Don't Pinch

Although pitching pennies and pinching pennies sound quite a bit alike, there is an immediate recognition of the difference between the two.

Beginning Monday we urge all students to stop pinching pennies and begin pitching them into the bowl which displays a picture of their favorite professor.

For on Monday the contest begins to select the campus concept of cartoonist Dick Bibler's amiable Prof Snarf.

This campaign to find the favorite professor on campus will last from Monday through Friday. Voting bowls will be placed along the Mall and in the HUB.

The contest is sponsored by the local group of the World University Service (WUS), an international student organization that aids students in the underdeveloped nations of Asia, Africa and South America.

The pennies collected during the Prof Snarf contest will be added to those amounts collected at other American colleges and universities and the accumulation will be sent to students in areas where educational facilities and opportunities are slim.

Educational needs in these areas are immense. There is an urgent need for professors, buildings, books and hospital facilities—all of which require funds.

WUS provides as many of these facilities as it finds financially possible.

By voting in the Prof Snarf contest students will be doing more than honoring their favorite professor. They will be aiding fellow students who are not fortunate enough to have a HUB or a Mall or a library.

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Little Man on Campus

by Dick Bibler



ONE OF OUR FINEST FRESHMAN COUNSELORS—SEEMS TO RADIATE CONFIDENCE & TRUST WITH THESE YOUNGSTERS AWAY FROM HOME.

Interpreting

A Confrontation of Strength

By J. M. ROBERTS

Associated Press News Analyst Secretary-General Durk U. Stikker of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, doubting the wisdom of a nonaggression pact with the Warsaw powers as being merely a reiteration of the U.N. charter, takes a position which often has been invoked by the United States.

The principle involved, however, is not being followed by the United States with regard to Berlin, at least in public.

On the surface, or at least not formally denied, the objective there is

to obtain reiteration of Allied rights which the Communists have abrogated, or sought to abrogate, time after time, and will again. For this the United States is even reported to be willing to pay with agreement to at least a degree of East German participation in access controls.

On this point the Soviets have just made a reiteration of their own—that any agreement depends on withdrawal of Western troops from the city and full recognition of East German Communist sovereignty over all access including air.

In the face of such talk, resumption of talks with Soviet Ambassador Anatoly F. Dobryn in return of U.S. Secretary of State Dean Rusk from the NATO conference would seem

merely to be for the purpose of not breaking them off. And the Berlin situation thus will remain what it has truly been all the time—a confrontation of strength.

Something of this thought may be behind the reports from Athens, Greece, that the United States is ready to consider sharing control of its nuclear weapons in Europe with NATO if the other important Allied nuclear power, Britain, is admitted to reasonable and working membership in a European political union.

If this were done, it would reduce a confusing number of fingers on the trigger—or possible holdbacks on the trigger—to two, the United States and unified Europe.

Letters

Neat Attire For Sprouts Questioned

TO THE EDITOR: A kooky friend of mine called my attention yesterday to a minor inconsistency in current dining hall dress regulations. It is this: why should students be permitted to appear before their venerable professors in almost any revealing, gaudy or slovenly attire at all and yet have to present such an eminent front to brussel sprouts or a sweet potato?

Since the dean of men might waste hours of his valuable time in a diligent search for a resolution of this paradox, I may be able to save him and his assistants some effort by offering one that is pre-digested, as it were.

Clearly we must choose between two alternatives: either we must spruce up the slob—and in the process teach them how to be good TIMs—or we must give the ruffles formal status equivalent to that of the faculty. Knowing, as we all do, that Karasak's second law—"For all x, if x is a slob, x can never be spruced up"—precludes our using the first alternative, we must turn to the last in all its fortunate beauty.

Happily the small variety of foodstuffs offered will allow us to give an imposing academic title to almost everything down to the last lump in the custard. Unfortunately, however, there is room here only to enumerate the higher ranks—with due apology, of course, to the fried eggs and the meatloaf.

Without further ado: Wiener-schnitzel Emeritus—much respected, hardly ever seen, but when he is, usually turns out to be old and shrunken; Full Professed Meal—this guy is no square, good with figures but hardly ever uses pi; Associated Roast Beef—has a heavy schedule so gets spread pretty thin, poorly paid though, any way you slice it this bloke is not in the gravy.

Assistant Strip Bean—long on the seeds of knowledge, but a little green; so don't wait more than a half hour for him; Instructed Boiled Ham—often better than the full meal, but watch out for the bony ones, you pay your money and... Graduate Liver—don't dig in too hard on this clown, he's still got fight and he may turn around and cloat you right back.

Grad Erat Soluandum. I trust I have cleared up this perplexing dress problem and at the same time stabilized what might have turned into a nasty social problem in the dining halls.

Bon appetit! Lawrence W. Cameron '64

WDFM Schedule SATURDAY
2:00 Metropolitan Opera
5:00 Saturday at State
6:35 Weathercope
7:00 Hi-Fi Open House
9:00 Offbeat
1:00 MTCOOPS
1:15 King's Korner

Action, Not Apathy, Wanted

TO THE EDITOR: In answer to Congresswoman Messick, via Miss Kunkleman, asking for facts rather than generalizations and in support of Friday's editorial on the MRC dress code, I present the following information.

During the fall term I was a member of MRC. As I have always been against dress regulations which actually create a man's student, deprive a student of the right to be responsible for his own appearance, and intensify a feeling of "outrage and impotence" toward the school and administration, I managed to put through MRC a resolution that an opinion poll should be taken of all students as to their feelings toward the dress code.

This action on my part was prompted by the fact that Raymond O. Murphy, assistant dean of men, told the assembled MRC that the dean of men's office had not created the dress code, rather the MRC had, consequently, it was in the power of the MRC to even abolish the code completely.

At the next meeting of the MRC the results of the polls were presented. Unfortunately, only East Halls conducted a complete poll which showed that student opinion was against the present code. With recommendations stretching from revision (as in the present) proposed bermuda shorts rule to complete abolishment.

After presentation of these results, a debate ensued; the conclusion, "We are the representatives of the students. How dare anyone take polls of student opinion. We know what the students want." Thus further polling of student opinion was ceased; the MRC by refusing to recognize the students' voices, because of the power-seeking and jealousy motives of some of the representatives, lost a wonderful opportunity to show that student government is meaningful. Is it hard to see why there is apathy at Penn State?

The present situation is even more horrendous than the one above. The dean of men's office, after the MRC finally took some long delayed action on behalf of the students, has destroyed the little sovereignty of student government be-

cause this government voted into existence a policy which the administration did not like.

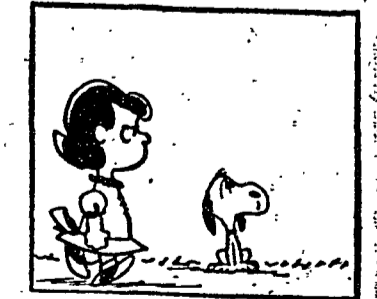
In summary, Miss Messick, I do not believe a better example of the fantastically ridiculous aspects of student government and administration workings could have been presented. When is there going to be unification and cooperation among students and their representatives? When will the University's administration stop their double talk.

The answer is simple: When everyone stops arguing about apathy, and starts to take action to get a unified student opinion in order to show the administration that we students mean business, that we students are not going to be coddled and fondled any longer, that we students are ready to take a place in American society by fighting for the ideals of a democracy which we cherish.

—Burt Kaplan '64

WDFM Schedule SUNDAY

5:00 Sign-On
5:00 Chapel Service
6:00 Chamber Music
6:30 Mormon Tabernacle Choir
7:00 The Third Programme
12:00 Sign-Off



Letters

NEA Journal Defended

TO THE EDITOR: I would like to direct a comment to Miss Joan Mehan in regard to her remarks of May 1 concerning the dry NEA Journal.

To some of us, the NEA Journal is one of the most useful tools of our profession. Perhaps there is a carry over of enthusiasm for the profession of teaching to its accompanying literature, however, I for one find nothing dry about information that will make me a better teacher.

—Felicia Ward Grad Student