

Editorial Opinion

1962 General Elections

According to the latest available figures from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, 5,677,000 citizens of the Commonwealth are registered to vote in the 1962 General Election today.

We will watch with interest the election tallies tonight to see how many of this number will exercise their right to vote for state officials and U.S. Senator from Pennsylvania.

Reviewing the history of Pennsylvania governorships, we see that since the office of governor was initiated with the Constitution of 1790, it has been filled 40 times.

Of these 40 governors, eight were Democrats, 21 Republicans, seven Democratic-Republicans, one Anti-Mason, two Whigs and one with no party affiliation.

Looking at the political face of Pennsylvania today we see that the state has 47 counties in which a majority of the registered voters are Republican and 20 counties with a Democratic majority. However, considering those counties which have a voter population of over 75,000, 12 are predominantly Democratic while only eight have a Republican majority on the registration rolls.

The Democratic majorities in these 12 counties are enough to give the Democrats a 190,000 plus voter registration lead in the state. Just 12 years ago the Republican party had a registration lead of over one million voters.

With the Democratic majorities in the more highly populated areas of the state, elections in Pennsylvania in the past six years have pitted the Democratic majorities in the urban areas against the Republican strength in the rural sectors of the state. We will watch for a repeat of this pattern today.

We have stated our position on the two major races in the state. We have endorsed William W. Scranton, the Republican candidate, for governor and Democrat Joseph S. Clark, for re-election to the U.S. Senate.

We urge all registered voters to cast their ballots today and remind all students who have received absentee ballots that this ballot will become invalid if postmarked after today, Nov. 6, 1962.

The UN and Penn State

A model United Nations General Assembly session will be held on campus in February under the auspices of the Liberal Arts Student Council. Applications from groups seeking to participate must be turned in at the Hetzel Union desk by tomorrow.

This project is educational, social and intellectually stimulating. It will give students a chance to get together under totally different conditions than are provided anywhere on campus. They will learn about the workings of the U.N. in a more relaxed and practical atmosphere than can be provided by the classroom.

It will also provide the discipline needed to make students broaden their academic scope from the limited range of "classes in the winter term." It will cause students to probe deeply into the problems and philosophies of many countries of the world.

We believe the program is an extremely valuable addition to student extra-curricular activities on this campus. It is open to all groups, formal or informal, and to individuals who may apply to serve on the delegations from the United States or the Soviet Union.

We hope to see full participation from residence hall units, fraternities and sororities, independent groups and organizations of all interest areas.

This program will offer the many interest groups which have sprung forth on this campus a chance to unite in a vital and worthwhile effort—the deep study into problems facing the world and the gaining of true insight into the views, policies and ways of life of countries other than our own.

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viewpoint

Replacement for Froth

by dave bolbach

Now that the University has seen it fit to stamp out Froth and thus, according to the administration's brilliantly logical way of thinking, protect the school's "good" name, most students will probably be looking for a replacement for the ill-fated humor magazine.

Most students may not know it but there is already a flyer available on campus which could aptly serve as a substitute. It is published by the Panhellenic Council and its official title—The Formal Rush Code—believes the fact that it is a humorous publication. In its own subtle way, however, it is just as funny as Froth ever was in its prime.

For those students who may not be able to obtain a copy of the rush code, following are a few of the gems which it contains.

• "Rushes may visit rooms of sorority women, but not sorority suites."

The reasoning behind this, as I understand it, is that if rushes were allowed in the sorority suites, a party could develop and this, of course, would not be kosher. Just what, I wonder, is to prevent these gay tete-a-tetes from developing in the rooms.

• "Sorority women and rushes may attend the same parties during the Christmas vacation, providing the sorority woman, as hostess of the party does not in-

vite a rusher to her party." (Punctuation — or lack of it — by Panhel.)

This little piece of logical thinking takes the top prize for the best joke in the entire booklet. I cannot fathom its purpose nor the method by which it would be enforced. Suppose, for example, that Sarah Sorority-Woman is having a party and wants to invite Ruth Rushee. Instead of inviting Ruth herself, Sarah simply gets her friend, Ina Independent, to invite Ruth and thereby technically gets around the rush rule.

• "Blood sisters must clear exceptions through the Panhellenic Office."

Isn't it a shame that a sorority woman with a sister who is a rusher would have to ask Panhel if she could invite her rusher sister to her own Christmas party. What if the rusher sister wanted to watch television in her own living room where the party was being held and hadn't cleared it with Panhel?

• "Contacts between sorority women and rushes shall be confined to Panhellenic scheduled rush parties in the formal rush period. Outside the sorority suites, contact shall not extend beyond the Penn State "Hello." Necessary contact in the classroom is permitted. Any other necessary contact, such as academic, social, extra-curricular, etc., must be approved by the Panhellenic Office. Requests for contact must be submitted on a standardized contact form to the Panhellenic Office."

I wonder where Panhel is hiding

its watchdogs to enforce this one? • "Cokes may be served at 7:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. Sorority napkins may be used. Small cokes are to be served in bottles with straws." (This rule refers to those festive occasions known as second round chatter dates.)

The point about the time is good (to prevent the poor rushes from getting sick) but I wonder just how much influence it would have on a rusher if she drank a coke from a bottle at one sorority and from a glass at another.

• There may be no fresh flowers (as opposed to permanent plants or artificial flower arrangements that are in the suite at all times.) (This also refers to second round chatter dates.)

If the second round chatter dates were during hay fever season, this rule might have a point. However, hay fever season hits its peak during September.

The purpose of all the above rules, as well as the less humorous ones contained in the code, is to give all the sororities an equal chance at rushing and prevent "dirty rush."

If these rules prevented dirty rush everything would be fine. However, any sorority woman who is honest (and what Penn State sorority woman isn't honest?) would have to admit that dirty rush goes on no matter what rules are handed down by Panhel.

But don't get me wrong. I'm not opposed to the Panhel Rush Code as it now stands. In fact, I can't wait for the next issue.



BOLBACH

Letters

Prof's Views Called Unclear

TO THE EDITOR: In my opinion, Dr. Aspaturian's views on "Asian clashes" need a little more clarity as some of his statements were partly clouded with some kind of a restraint to elaborate on truth. When he said the people of the disputed areas are culturally closely tied to the Tibetan Lamas and that they are Buddhists, he seems to have overlooked quite a number of things:

• That India is comprised of different cultures and one has to travel hardly 100 miles from any point to meet people of an entirely different culture, speaking a different language and leading a different way of life.

• That Buddhism originated in India and there are people all over India who do respect and believe in Buddhism although all of them may not have shaved their heads and may not be wearing saffron robes.

• That if the "Chinese" claim on the so-called closeness to customs is a recognizable factor, it can any day be extended to Nepal, Bhutan, Sikkim, Burma, Assam and even to some parts of Bengal where the people are of the Mongoloid origin.

While it is true that the Tibetans are different from Indians, it is not true that they are similar to Chinese.

Again, when Dr. Aspaturian said "Really this area is not a Chinese Communist claim, but a 'Chinese' claim," he seemed to have been answering the question why the United States did not recognize Tibet at the first meeting of the U.N. held in San Francisco in 1945.

I fully agree with Dr. Aspaturian's conclusion that India learned a lesson and I only hope that it will not be at the cost of the freedom she gained after a hundred years' struggle and also by not completely losing her faith in others.

—K. K. S. Pillay Grad Student

WDFM Schedule

TUESDAY

- 5:00 Dinner Date
6:00 This Week At The U.N.
6:15 WeatherScope
6:20 Contemporary Classics
7:30 News
7:35 Highlight
7:45 Campus Sports Parade
8:00 Folk Festival
8:55 Sports News
9:00 Meet the Professor
9:15 Monthly Music
9:30 News
9:35 Monthly Music
10:00 Symphonic Notebook

Wolf Claims USG Seat

TO THE EDITOR: Recently, there has been some question as to the official standing of my seat on the USG Congress. In the October 27 issue of The Daily Collegian, George Jackson, Elections Commission Chairman, was reported to have said: "Technically, Wolf was never declared a winner in the election."

Here are the facts that led to that statement:

• Two days after the election, Jackson phoned me, and gave me official notification that I had won the election. He asked me if I planned to accept the post, and I replied in the affirmative.

• I received a letter from Dean Wharton, dated October 18, which stated, "Congratulations on your election to the Undergraduate Student Government of the Pennsylvania State University."

• On October 23, I read in The Daily Collegian that only six of the eight town representatives were to be sworn in, so I contacted Jackson. He informed me that there was a question as to the number of men downtown, which would affect the number of representatives from that area.

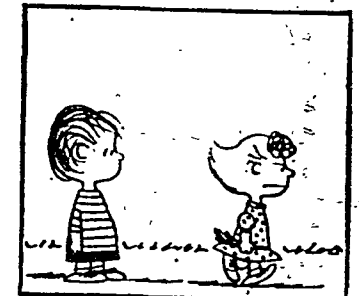
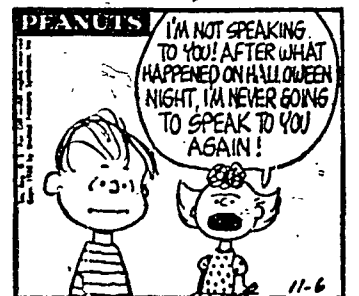
• At the Congress meeting on October 24, the names were read of those who were not to be sworn in. Since my name was not read,

I took the oath, and in fact, voted at that meeting.

Considering the results of the election, my official notification, and the fact that I was sworn in, and voted at the first meeting, there should be no doubt that I am a member in good standing of the USG Congress.

There may be no problem once the number of seats allotted to the town area is determined. However, it is quite apparent that Jackson did not handle the elections properly.

—Al Wolf, USG Congressman



Opinion Poll Annoys Soph

TO THE EDITOR: Will someone please explain to me why, the Undergraduate Student Opinion Bureau would not accept my opinion on the Froth issue after the caller representing it was unable to reach the desired party, and I offered to give my ideas on the subject? I was told that, "my name didn't come up," which is all well and good, but I am a student here, and I feel my opinion is as good as anyone else's.

I was rather surprised and a little annoyed that I could not state my feelings under any circumstances, or at least that they would not be taken into account. Is this another example of our organized, representative student government?

—Frank Rinciuri, '65

(Editor's note: The Student Opinion Bureau uses a set code to determine which students to question. They must adhere to this code to make the survey valid.)