

Letters

New Liberal Party Chairman Cites Party Record, Goals

TO THE EDITOR: As the new chairman of Liberal Party, I would like to take this opportunity to explain to the student body the principles, objectives and past accomplishments of the party.

We have just begun our third year as a party, and we are still the smallest on campus, in terms of membership. But since the establishment of USG, Liberty Party has done a great deal to advance the cause of student responsibility, both within and outside the USG Congress.

For example, members of the party were selected as delegates to both the Pennsylvania-West Virginia Regional Conference and the annual Student Congress of the National Student Association, after spearheading the drive for affiliation with NSA.

And in last year's Congressional elections, Liberty Party conducted a series of "Meet-the-Candidate" forums in the dormitories, for the purpose of introducing all Congress candidates, regardless of political ties, to their respective constituents. No other party was active in any way in these elections.

In the USG Congress, Liberal Party actively participated in caucuses, information sessions and legislative efforts. Party members held the posts of By-Laws Committee Chairman and Rules Committee Chairman; and of the 42 bills introduced in the Congress by Congressmen (as opposed to the President), 24 were sponsored by party members.

Of these, 15 were adopted, and these included the adoption of the Constitutional By-Laws, two Constitutional amendments (the only ones offered, to date), and a package of 4 resolutions dealing with NSA.

In the present Congress, a committee of students was established to review the Senate Rules and

Blood Donors Thanked

TO THE EDITOR: I would like to use the facilities of your paper to say thank you to all the students who made the Campus Bloodmobile visit of Nov. 13-14 so successful. This includes not only the workers of Alpha Phi Omega and Gamma Sigma Sigma, headed by the very competent chairman, Robert Spangler, but also all those who were donors.

The Alpha Zeta fraternity is especially to be congratulated for the 77 per cent of its members who gave blood. Since the blood donated benefits not only the students but also the community in which the University is situated, this is truly a contribution of inestimable value to all residents.

—Mrs. L. W. Hu
Chairman
Red Cross Blood Program.

Regulations, with the approval of the administration. The bill setting up the committee was introduced by a Liberal Party member, who is currently its chairman.

A word of explanation is needed about our name: we have been erroneously identified with "liberal" thought on national and international matters. Let me make it unmistakably clear that we are only concerned with campus problems, and that we are working for liberal and responsible student authority. Our "liberalism" extends only that far; if we can achieve that goal, we will have succeeded in our efforts.

In conclusion, student government has been weak because students have felt that there is nothing to fight for. Liberal Party believes that careful and patient efforts will result in responsible action and beneficial results.

—George J. Gordon, '64
Liberal Party Chairman
●Letter Cut

Brumberg Views on Arms Race Hit by Arab

TO THE EDITOR: Mr. Brumberg, in his letter headlined "Israeli Incidents Related," said that Mr. Krantz has sensed a critical problem—the arms race in the Middle East. It is a problem when a small country, in its efforts to expand, tries to possess the same quantity of weapons possessed by twelve countries.

Mr. Brumberg said that Israel arrested a U.N. official on a charge of spying for Syria. Israel would resort to any means "to confuse the issue." It went so far in the past as to murder the U.N. mediator, Count Bernadotte. Further, if the story had been true, Israel would have spread the news to every corner of the world.

In his letter, Mr. Brumberg mentioned UAR's boycott of Israeli ships in the Suez Canal. However, he did not mention the fact that the UAR and all other Arab countries are still at war with Israel because Israel will not allow the Arab refugees to return to their robbed homes, farms and other properties in Palestine.

Mr. Brumberg admitted that he brought these points purposely

"to confuse the issue." Confusing the issue has always been the purpose of the Zionists. For example, they tell the Jews of the world that Judaism, a holy religion, and Zionism, a socio-political movement, are the same thing. Zionists claim that the Arabs, who themselves are semites, are anti-semitic.

As to Mr. Brumberg's begging for U.S. support to Israel, the reasons he gave are not true as stated nor are they valid, if taken as true.

The first reason, Israel's "love for democracy," is contradicted by its policy of discrimination against minorities such as Christians, non-orthodox Jews, and Muslims, especially, their hosts the Arabs.

Mr. Brumberg should have thought of other reasons that would really affect the emotions

of the people in USA for such a support.

As to the false statement that "there is only one thing that an Arab hates worse than a Jew and that is an Arab of different nationality," I would only say that Mr. Brumberg does not know what he is talking about. He is confused. An Arab respects and treats a Jew just as he does a Christian or a Muslim.

It is only Zionists, regardless of their religion, that an Arab hates. Apparently Mr. Brumberg has not met an Arab yet, even in Israel. If he will be humble enough to visit our apartment for a cup of coffee, he will see three Arabs of different nationalities and an American Jew living together. So far none of us killed the other

—Abdul M. Jamid, '63
●Letter Cut

Spring Week Festival Questioned

TO THE EDITOR: We would like to comment on the schedule of events for Spring Week. It is not generally known that the IFC-Panhel Music Festival is not a part of Spring Week. The reasons given for the schedule are very good but they are not the real reasons. The non-Spring Week event—the IFC-Panhel Music Festival—is scheduled for Saturday night because IFC arbitrarily scheduled it that way, for its own reasons and ends.

We are not saying IFC is wrong. They are justified in their actions and they have the power to get their way. We only question whether what they did is in the spirit of raising money for the scholarship fund.

Isn't it a strange thing that USG will bow to IFC by allowing an IFC publicity-seeking event to dictate the Spring Week schedule?

—Robert P. Anderson, '63
—Gary Oberst, '63
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