Automobile!

ture page earlier this week highlighted a very important problem for this campus: automobile traffic-

Everyone is aware of the acuteness of this problem and some solutions have been offered, with varying degrees of success. But the problem never really has been solved to everyone's satisfaction.

We propose the banning of all traffic from the campus during daylight hours, to make things a little safer for all of us. In the place of automobiles, we ask that the University provide a mass transportation system, according to the

available finances.
SAFETY OF STUDENTS has to be the most important consideration in asking for a ban on all vehicles. Traffic signs are obeyed only rarely; the Campus Patrol would have time for nothing else if it decided to make an all-out efspeed limit.

But it is not only the lawbreakers who create the danger. Simply weaving among slowly moving cars along Pollock Road in the Mall area is dangerous, because one is never quite sure what a driver is going to do.

The warm weather in Spring, Summer and early Fall Terms brings out the ballplayers who, in many residence areas, play near the automobiles. There have been no accidents lately involving a ball-player and a car—but the presence of autos prevents us from ruling

out the possibility.

THOSE WHO HAVE classes near a major campus road can attest to the noise created by these vehicles. In more than one building it is periodically difficult or impossible to hear.

Another problem associated

pollution. Some might scott at this. but a major focus for pollution fighters in cities is the exhaust from the innumerable autos on the city streets. Since the population density on campus is 48.000 persons per square mile, University Park

seems to classify as a city.

Opponents of this traffic ban might say that it is much more convenient to drive on campus than to use any alternative form of transportation. But there must be a better way-as anyone who has seen the traffic jam at 5 p.m. along Pollock Road can declare, A feasible mass transit system might do the trick: it certainly could be no worse.

HOW ABOUT IT? We believe it will be worth the effort, both financial and personal, to see that the campus traffic problem is alleviated. Quick action by the University is in order.

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Wants 'Playboy' format

TO THE EDITOR: I am a faithful reader of The Daily Collegian, mainly because it is available. The only sections I read thoroughly are the Editorial Opinion" and "Letters to the Editor," and I find very little correlation between the two. The editor's opinion is placed next to the Peanuts strip and generally imparts approximately the same amount of information. The "Letters to the Editor" column consists mainly of running battles between left and right wingers, or attacks by concerned souls with a personal ax to grind.

I would like to see the "Editorial Opinion" written on pertinent topics, i.e., ORL, GSA, UDG, BSU, Caalition of Peace, YAF, etc. with personal interviews of the groups leader somewhat like "Playboy's" format. As for the "Letters to the Editor," restrict them to the same subjects and require the authors of these letters to produce substantial evidence for the claims they make.

With all the current topics for debate, it is a shame the movie critic gets more space than anyone, except possibly the sports writer. You ask for my evidence? I submit the Collegian issue of Saturday, May 1, 1971.

G. L. Adams (4th-engineering-State College)

All-American pastime

TO THE EDITOR: The "All-American" pastime is now in full swing again this year. Challenging football and baseball, the demonstration season is here; a time when all our morally motivated youths come together to get stoned and get balled for fun and profit or peace and freedom, which ever comes first on the scorecard. This season promises record batting averages and the highest gate attendance in history. All this glorious information comes by way of our militant organizations who, as a sidelight, print copies of "Love Story" on their ditto machines.

There have been murmurings throughout the league to have the President's pitcher's mound lowered to give the batter a better chance. All the radicals in the dug-out have decided to blockade the entrances to the grounds-keeping equipment room in righteous indignation. Of course the old guys in the league aren't going along with the idea of all this protesting because they think things are fine the way they are; besides, they are awaiting the return of Calvin Coolidge. However these old-timers are gradually becoming radicalized by militants who quote inspiring slogans from "The Adventures of Dudley Do Right". Swelled by the gray-hairs, swarms of people shouting emotion-laden "right-on's," (a familiar phrase often bantered about by the water boys), march toward the equipment room. The jenitors are scurrying about, totally confused. These courageous men in white look about for their leader, but where is he?

Someone spots him; he's sitting on the flagrole singing

Someone spots him; he's sitting on the flagpole singing "Power to the People." His commissioner, affectionately referred to as "Spiro," is about to come in on the chorus with

Letters to the Editor a little "soul shak'in." but to the audience's dismay the grounds keepers' union executives come in and call the game because no one is there to sing stirring renditions of the "Star Spangled Banner" and other danceable tunes. The tarp then is spanied danker and other than the darkness one can hear cheering and booing from the blindfolded audience, depending on what Johnny Olsen flashes up on the idiot cards.

Well fans, it all stacks up to be another exciting season. But it is not too early to tell who's going to come out on top in this year's pennant race. It looks pretty much like last year's winner is going to run away with it again.

HOPS decision 'arbitrary'

TO THE EDITOR: As former chairman of the Graduate Student Association rules committee, I became intimately involved in the chartering of student organizations, particularly Vendanges, a French literary organization. In doing so, I became familiar with the University policies concerning chartering procedures and criteria. It is my opinion that the suspension of the use of the University's facilities for the Homophiles of Penn State (HOPS) in an arbitrary decision based on prejudice and bigotry rather than unbiased policy.

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decision based on prejudice and bigotry rather than unbiased policy.

The regulations governing student organizations are clearly spelled out in the Guide to University Regulations (1969-70). Although I have not had the opportunity to personally review HOPS' constitution, from its description in The Daily Collegian, it would appear to meet all of these regulations. According to Dean Murphy, however, the organization's privileges have been suspended until University legal course has decided if it is in keeping with University educational policy.

When I investigated the procedures for chartering Vendanges, I spoke with W. F. Fuller, manager of Associated Student Activities. He told me that the basic criteria for chartering an organization were that its purpose did not violate any laws and that it should be an "cducational experience." Pinning him down on this point, he said that even Students for a Democratic Society would probably satisfy the latter criterion. He qualified this, however, by saying that the ultimate responsibility lies with the administration. In other words, the chartering powers of the student governments is another examble of token authority delegated to the responsibility we deserve.

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While I intend no discredit to Vendanges, I feel that if a French literary organization, which is limited to a narrow segment of the student body and for the most part is irrelevent to any major social problem, can be easily chartered; then certainly an organization such as HOPS, which is intended as a "educational experience" for all students and devoted to such a major problem as discrimination against homosexuals, deserves those same privileges.

John Moore (graduate-microbiology-State College)

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