

## HOPS seeks order against University

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Members of the "Other Vision: Homophiles of Penn State" last night announced that they will seek an injunction against the University to demand the return of their privileges until the University has determined the legality of the organization.

According to HOPS Vice President Diane Whitney, representatives from the group yesterday met with a University lawyer who claimed that the group had grounds to seek an injunction. The lawyer said that their charter was perfectly legal, that the University look our privileges without stating a reason, and that they have no right to do that, she said.

HOPS is also basing its evidence on a letter dated May 14 from Elton Atwater, chairman of the University Senate Committee on Undergraduate Student Affairs to Raymond O. Murphy, acting vice president for student affairs.

In his letter, Atwater, professor of political science, said members of SCUSA had expressed concern about the abridgement of Senate procedures in the suspension of privileges of the HOPS organization.

### Freedom stressed

## Strong Africa urged

The blacks in America must help to develop and free Africa if they are to survive in this country, Tim Thomas of the Black Organization for Student Unity said yesterday.

Thomas, speaking before a predominantly black audience in the HUB Assembly Room, said, "You must fight to develop and to save Africa. Survival in this country is contingent upon gaining a strong Africa because there is nothing to stop white folks from committing genocide (against the blacks)."

Thomas said the gaining of a strong Africa would give the blacks "a land base from which to wage our battle," the lack of which is one of the four great problems facing the blacks today. The others are capitalism, racism and a lack of identity for the black, he said.

Calling this country's educational system "the major vehicle by which we have been brainwashed," Thomas said it teaches two things—the support of capitalism and the support of racism.

—*Material Wealth*

The system, Thomas said, "emphasizes and even encourages material wealth as a yardstick of your social worth, of your social position."

"You are always programmed to live in the life styles of the American



THOMAS

### Hutto to play

J.B. Hutto and the Hawks will perform at 7:30 tonight in Schwab. The Chicago-based blues group will present "Blues Music of Black America." There will be a \$1 admission charge.

## 3 CRIME coordinators preparing to incorporate

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Three members of the Committee for the Reintegration of Inmates through Meaningful Exchange were recently released to pre-release centers in Philadelphia and Harrisburg prior to parole.

Willie Davis, Timothy Perry and Donald Blouse, who have been released to the centers, and two other committee members still in the Huntingdon penitentiary, are now working to incorporate CRIME.

According to Willie Davis who spoke at a Colloquy '71 workshop Monday, they want to make CRIME—which began as a committee to "tell it like it is" about the penal system—a nonprofit organization on the outside.

Davis said he had scheduled a series of meetings about the incorporation next week and that it "looks promising."

CRIME, which has made two appearances on campus and held a press conference at the prison, was disbanded May 3 following a remark the Associated Press printed after a press conference last month.

A Daily Collegian article May 5 quoted sources who charged that the convicts had been re-assigned to individual work duties and were being harassed by guards.

According to Willie Davis, CRIME's first aim—once it is incorporated—is to set up a center to prevent incarceration. He said they also plan to set up a day care center to look after the families of inmates and to arrange family visits with the inmates "so they don't lose contact with the outside."

According to the Senate Policies and Rules book, the Undergraduate Student Government has the authority to charter student organizations and to revoke such charters if the group violates Senate policies. The rules also specify that official recognition of an organization may be withdrawn only after an appropriate hearing by the USG Supreme Court.

Atwater also said University President John W. Oswald wrote a letter to Senate Chairman Thomas F. Magner saying that "the existing rules of the University Senate would continue in operation during the present academic year, pending the reorganization of the Senate."

The new Senate does not officially become effective until June 1, 1971; therefore, the old rules are still in effect at the present time, according to Atwater.

**Temporary Suspension**  
He explained that the University's suspension of HOP's privileges amounts to a temporary suspension of the charter because the charter becomes meaningless if the privileges are not enjoyed.

"We think you have, in fact, sus-

ended the practical existence of the charter and this has been done in a way which is contrary to the intent of Senate rules and procedure," Atwater said in the letter.

He said the suspension of privileges interferes with the basic principles of freedom of enquiry on campus, and thus is not in harmony with basic University education policy and objectives.

**Talk To Lawyer**

According to Bruce Miller, a member of HOPS, his counsel advised that before the group seek an injunction they talk with University lawyer Delbert McQuaid, who is inquiring into the legality of HOPS.

"We asked him to meet with the officers of HOPS to discuss exactly what the University is investigating but he said he would not have any meetings with us," Miller said.

HOPS presently is looking for a lawyer because their counsel, employed by the University, could not work for them; HOPS also is soliciting funds for the injunction from campus organizations. It will take one to two weeks to obtain an injunction.

The group presently is meeting at the Women's Liberation House in State College. At a meeting tonight, the USG Senate will vote on a resolution allowing HOPS to use University facilities under USG's name.

**Will Reserve Room**

USG Senate president pro tempore Russ Sensing said if the proposal is passed, the USG will reserve a room in the Hetzel Union Building and allow HOPS to use it.

According to Diane Whitney, the Colloquy workshops on homosexuality were successful. "Between 50 and 120 people attended them," she said.

Concerning Gov. Milton J. Shapp's speech at the University on Friday to begin the Renaissance Festival, Miss Whitney said, "He jumped on the bandwagon. He supported war, women and all the things that he knew students wanted. But when Frank Kameny, worker for Gay Liberation, confronted Shapp with the HOPS issue, Shapp didn't say much because he didn't know the student's feelings."

Members of HOPS also accused Shapp of backing up the administration although he didn't know what the administration was doing.

## Veterans offered aid for visitors

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The Penn State Veterans Organization has been flooded with offers of food, lodging, and funds for 30 disabled veterans coming here this weekend.

The visitors from Valley Forge Memorial Army Hospital had no place to stay when the University said no rooms were available. Since this announcement, offers of help from private sources have been pouring in.

The veterans will be sleeping at fraternities during their stay. Seven fraternities volunteered use of their houses.

According to Stewart Koontz, a member of the Veterans Organization executive committee, at least four people have offered to house veterans in their apartments. Koontz said students have also offered their residence hall rooms.

Koontz said many stores in town had expressed their willingness to give the visitors a 10 to 20 per cent discount. Woolworth's has donated decorations for planned parties.

Koontz added that "quite a few



### Black talent in Schwab

BLACK STUDENTS ASSEMBLED in Schwab last night for a talent show as part of the Black Arts Festival. The festival will continue this week with workshops and black artists, performers and lecturers.

## Lettuce boycotters ask support for protest against University

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The State College Lettuce Boycott Committee has been attempting to gain support for a boycott of lettuce purchased by the University by leafletting in University dining halls this week.

The University presently is serving lettuce that does not carry the label of the United Farm Workers Union which was organized by Cesar Chavez prior to the grape boycott last spring, according to Nick Brink, co-organizer of the boycott committee. In March a moratorium on the lettuce boycott was called against those growers who were negotiating with the farm workers and the Teamsters Union to exact certain conditions favorable to the farm workers. The issues under contention had not been included in a previous contract which was issued solely by the Teamsters Union.

However, according to Brink, the moratorium does not apply to 12 grow-

ers who refused to participate in the first contract talk with the Teamsters Union or in the later negotiations in which the farm workers were included.

**Lettuce Shipment**

Last week the University bought a shipment of lettuce from a grower in California who is among those who remain absent from the negotiating table, Brink said.

He added that the lettuce being served this week is grown by a corporation which is in the midst of negotiations but that the purchase of this particular shipment was an accident and not a manifestation of the University's recognition of the United Farm Worker's Union.

According to Brink, leafletting occurred at Rec Hall Saturday following Julian Bond's speech at the Hetzel Union Building and dining halls in Collock and West Residence hall areas on Monday, and in the dining halls at East, North and Simmons Halls yesterday.

The boycott committee has also re-

sented University President John W. Oswald with a resolution passed by the Graduate Student Association stating their support for the purchase of farm worker's lettuce, Brink said.

Brink said Oswald had given the resolution to Ralph E. Zilly, vice president of business, for consideration but that no actions have been taken as yet. He added that a petition is being circulated to members of the University staff and faculty asking them to voice their opposition to the purchase of lettuce without the farm worker's label by the University.

The boycott committee is not only calling for the purchase of farm worker's lettuce but also for the display of the union label so students will not be deceived into eating lettuce grown by corporations who refuse to make contact with Chavez's Farm Worker's Union, Brink said.

**Major Tactic**

The major tactic that the boycott committee is using to eliminate non-union lettuce from the dining halls, according to Brink, is the application of pressure on the Administration in the form of resolutions and petitions issued by various organizations in the University.

According to Irwin Weintraub, another organizer of the boycott, people may become tired of continuous boycotting especially if a strawberry boycotting materializes after the lettuce boycott.

"In oppressed groups who have no funds to fight their rights in court they have in boycotts a great weapon," he said. He added that the boycott can be used to "awaken the conscience of industry" and emphasize the difficult conditions under which they are forced to live.

Brink emphasized the need for students to become aware of the situation in which the farm workers find themselves. He said the American public is willing to send its food surplus to foreign countries but is unwilling to pay one more penny to improve the condition of the farm workers calling it "America's paradox."

Both Weintraub and Brink said they would urge students to demand to see the union label of all lettuce in the dining halls. They said they would be glad to express the ideas of the boycott to any group that requests such a presentation.

## Homosexuals shed secrecy

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In the term used by homosexuals themselves, the gay subculture at Penn State has finally "come out." After years, maybe decades, of hiding and secrecy, homosexuals here have publicly declared their existence and are beginning to fight for legitimate status within the University community.

In past years it was different. The gay subculture, although very much present, was visible only to the careful observer who watched the action in certain downtown bars or on Old Main walk late at night. The message was more blatantly purveyed by notes scrawled on toilet stalls in men's rooms across campus, but for the most part, gays stayed underground and out of sight, known only to themselves.

Now, in 1971, three years after homosexuals at Columbia University started the first above-ground campus homophile organization in the United States, gays at Penn State have shed their cloak of secrecy by founding The Other Vision: Homophiles of Penn State. Why their sudden emergence?

It's part of the spirit of the times. Homosexuals, like other minorities, are "sick and tired of getting shoved around," Frank Kameny explained.

**Governor's Address**

Kameny is the man who incurred the displeasure of two important Pennsylvanians, Gov. Milton J. Shapp and University President John W. Oswald, when he grabbed the podium following the Governor's address at Old Main Friday to demand an immediate reversal of the University's decision to temporarily suspend the HOPS charter pending an investigation of the organization's legality.

In sharp, angry tones he denounced Raymond O. Murphy, acting vice president for student affairs, as a "be-knighted bigot," and later called him a "sick man who should be put on compulsory-sick leave." Murphy is the man who the gays believe is responsible for the suspension of the HOPS charter, which was obtained through regular channels from the Undergraduate Student Government Supreme Court on April 20.

Kameny threatened legal action under the First Amendment if the Uni-

versity refused to immediately reinstate the privileges to which HOPS is entitled as a regular USG-chartered student activity, including use of University facilities and access to student activities funds.

During the harangue, Shapp conferred with Oswald in frantic whispers. Replying, the Governor executed a deft political put-down and then retreated into Old Main visibly ruffled, cutting short a question and answer period. Stunned, the crowd dispersed quietly. Kameny and HOPS, it appeared, had won a tactical victory; they had made their point.

This sort of confrontation is not new to Kameny, who, at 46, is an aging warrior in the Gay Liberation movement. A decade ago he founded the Washington, D.C. chapter of the Mattachine Society—the NAACP of homosexual civil rights groups—and since then, as a member of the American Civil Liberties Union, he has waged a continuing battle against employment discrimination of homosexuals by the Federal government and private industry.

Last year he ran for the District of Columbia congressional seat as a publicly declared homosexual—the first to his knowledge anywhere in the world. He lost, but considers his defeat a victory that will lead to the "politicalization" of gays.

**Harvard Graduate**

Balding and dressed in a rumpled business suit, Kameny, who has a doctorate in astronomy from Harvard, does not fulfill the hisping, prancing stereotype that has come to symbolize the homosexual in American society. The only clue to his sexual leanings is a small "Gay is Good" button on his lapel. He takes credit for coining the phrase.

Kameny will preach the message of homosexual equality to any willing ear. In word choice and delivery, his style borders on the evangelical.

Interviewed at a HOPS steering committee meeting Saturday night, Kameny spoke his mind on the gay militancy. "People are refusing to hide, to cringe in corners," he explained. "Homosexuals are first class people, first class citizens. Homosexuality is not an affliction and by God, we're going to enjoy it."

Kameny takes quick issue with the

belief that homosexuals are sick and in need of psychiatric treatment. Homosexuality, he explained, is simply a preference, in no way inferior to heterosexuality. It has been labeled a sickness by "bad science" aimed at engineering social conformity and by the "bias, bigotry and ineptitude" of the psychiatric profession.

"Homosexuals are sick because a sick society says they are sick," he said.

Kameny believes the courts can be an effective battleground in the war for homosexual rights, and he has advised HOPS to seek a temporary court injunction against the University that would reinstate the organization's privileges as a chartered student organization. HOPS is presently investigating the legal procedure by which this can be done.

Further, he has suggested that the homophile group bring a charge of criminal conspiracy against Murphy and Oswald for conspiring to deprive persons of their constitutional rights.

Homophile Organizations  
Kameny is convinced the University "does not have a legal leg to stand on" in the HOPS case. He estimated that between 50 and 75 campuses across the country have homophile organizations which are completely legal and enjoy university approval.

As Kameny and HOPS continually point out there are no laws in the state which make it illegal to be a homosexual. There are laws which prohibit certain sex acts between two persons—even between man and wife—but these laws are seldom enforced.

Kameny discounted the argument that the University administration—fearing a ruckus in the state legislature similar to the one raised last fall when 24-hour visitation in campus residence halls was made official—moved against HOPS with one eye on the upcoming appropriations fight. "You cannot make people's rights contingent on the prejudices of legislators. Rights are rights, period."

**Gay Leaders**

Kameny and other leaders of the gay movement, Tina Mandel of Daughters of Bilitis, Wayne Stelman of the Gay Activist Alliance in New York and Barbara Gettings of the Homophile Action League in Philadelphia, were in State College over the weekend to con-

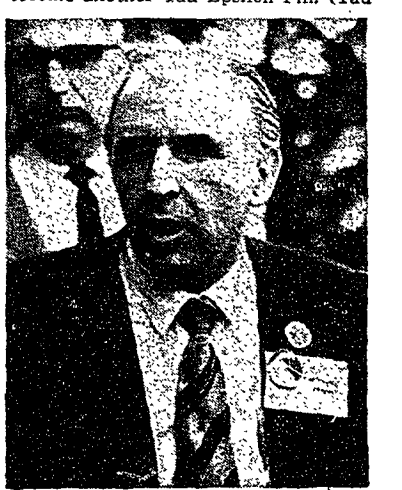
duct Colloquy workshops on homosexuality.

Their other reason for being here was to provide moral support and tactical advice to HOPS, now facing its first major challenge from the University administration.

Miss Mandel, co-chairwoman of the New York chapter of Daughters of Bilitis, the oldest lesbian organization in the country, saw Murphy's action as an attempt by the administration to shove the HOPS controversy aside, hoping the organization will fall apart.

**Vote Unity**

HOPS members vowed this will not happen. They said HOPS will not become another Tau Epsilon Phi. (Tau



KAMENY

Epsilon Phi fraternity had its charter revoked last term after it initiated a short-lived coed living program, which crumbled after 10 weeks).

The HOPS steering committee has made public its plans to work during the summer for the establishment of a Gay Liberation House off-campus. The house, they said, will be a center for gay social activities, discussion about homosexuality and counseling of homosexuals.

The latter is necessary, they said, because personnel in the University's (Continued on page six)