

Tokenism

Only one student sits on the University Board of Trustees. One token student.

This student is chosen by a Harrisburg bureaucrat. The bureaucrat makes his choice from three to five names recommended by a committee of a handful of students.

Anyone may apply for the student trustee position. Sixteen persons did so. The selection committee chose three names who will be recommended to Harrisburg. One of the three will become the student trustee.

And more than 99 per cent of the students were excluded

from the entire selection process.

This student trustee is potentially the most influential student among us all. As a trustee, he will vote on tuition hikes, the Beaver Stadium expansion, major remedial programs, requests for a student Public Interest Research Group, and all costly expenditures that are taken from students' and taxpayers' pockets.

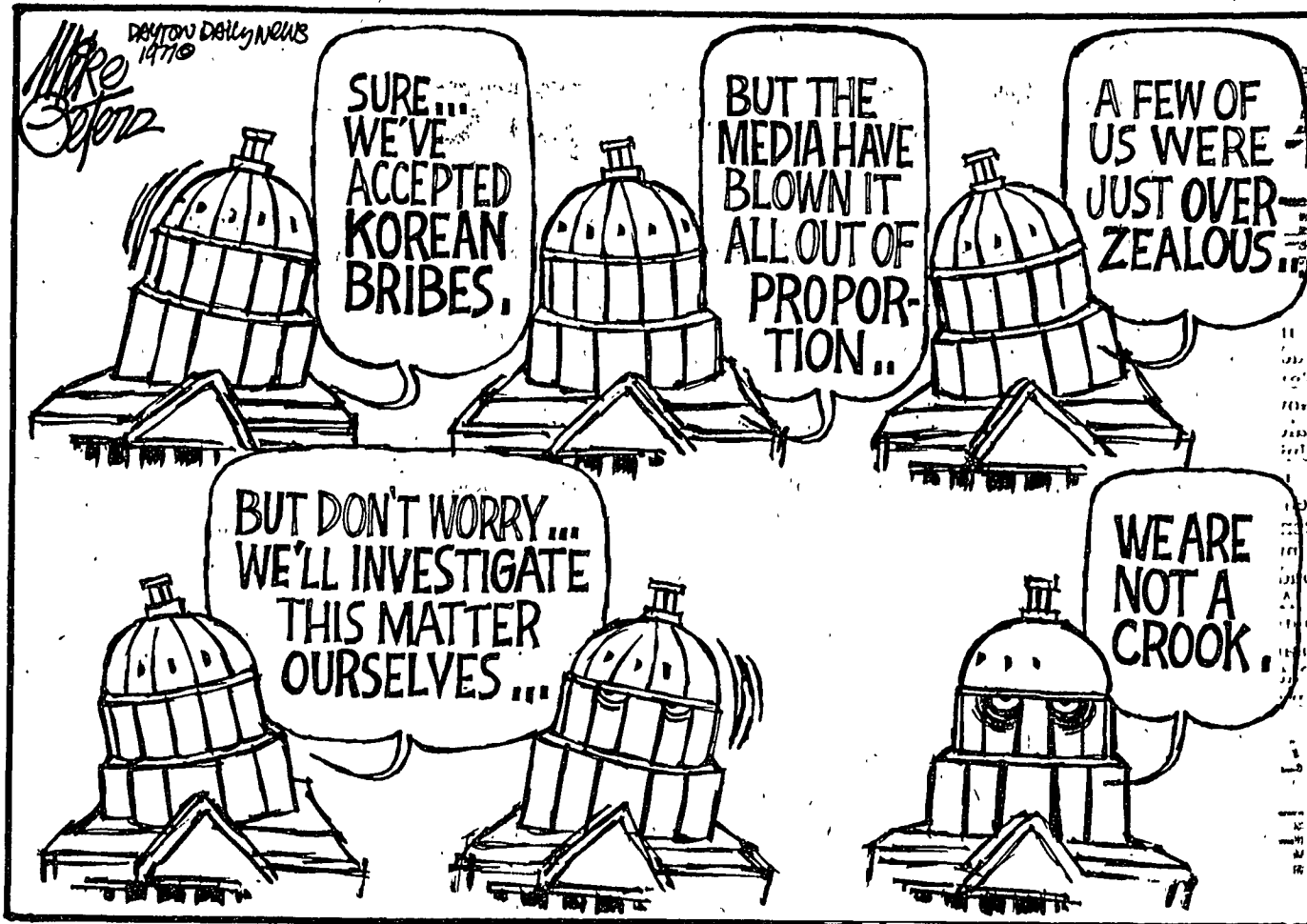
What's more, the student selection committee will not release the names of the 13 persons rejected as recommendations to the Harrisburg bureaucrat. The committee chairman, Alex Holt, says it is

unfair to the applicants to release their names.

Not only are students excluded in deciding their representative on the Board of Trustees, but also they cannot learn who was rejected.

They must trust a handful of students they did not pick to make this important decision for them. They must assume that the three chosen are the most capable. They must assume that the 13 rejected deserved to be.

Students might as well be apathetic. A handful of students and a Harrisburg bureaucrat are sure they know what is best for us.



ADMINISTRATION BACKS BILL PROHIBITING FEDERAL FUNDING OF ABORTIONS. — JAMES TITMUS



Orange juice lady squeezes logic

Bryant's daughter propositioned

Anita the Orange Juice Lady is barking up the wrong tree.

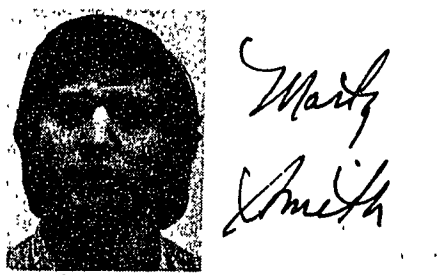
There is an aspect of her campaign against human rights that I feel has been overlooked by Anita and her blessed hoard.

Consider for a minute Anita's own squeaky-clean daughter. Anita sends her to a squeaky-clean high school somewhere in God's little acre, Dade County. She then gets involved in all sorts of squeaky-clean high school activities. She is in choir. She is in the honor society. She is a cheerleader.

Her daughter has a biology teacher, a real normal guy. He is married to a woman, and they have produced two fine children.

He is a heterosexual. Like many heterosexuals, he is attracted to

members of the opposite sex (i.e. young Miss Squeaky-clean). Anita is probably flattered.



Nothing wrong with that, right, Anita? After all, who would not be attracted to a girl with straight teeth and hair that smells of strawberries. No pimples here, nosiree.

But what happens when this teachers decides to tell Squeaky-clean of his sexual desire for her. Or even worse, tries to show her?

Anita might demand his job. Anita might publicly humiliate him. Anita might file criminal charges.

But he is not a homosexual. The trauma passes and her daughter has survived without any deep emotional scars. Praise the Lord.

But what will happen when Squeaky-clean is propositioned by her math teacher... Miss Flannigan.

Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, ship her to the Frisco Coast.

Anita might demand her job. Anita might publicly humiliate her. Anita might file criminal charges.

Miss Flannigan is a homosexual.

Now, Anita, you tell me what the difference is. The common thread linking these two instances together is not homosexuality, is it?

So why are homosexuals getting all the blame? To be raped, molested, or otherwise mishandled by anyone is yukky regardless of their sexual preference.

Sitting in a class and hearing the ramblings of a teacher on his or her sexual preference would indeed have no place in the school, regardless of their sexual preference.

One final thought for Anita Bryant: If I had a dollar for every teacher who preached his or her sexual preference in the classroom, I'd be broke.

Letters to the Editor

Radically relevant

I wish to express my personal applause and admiration for Ms. McClellan's educated and effective response to Jeffrey Imm's letter on radicals. Also, I would like to present a few relevant points that Claudia McClellan did not approach or perhaps does not adhere to. Understand, please, that the views presented in this letter are not common to the entire radical and revolutionary population, but only to certain modern revolutionary groups and their adherents, who remain discretely silent.

Most importantly, Mr. Imm does not understand that it is not within the power of contemporary government of any type, party, or inclination to implement the plans of revolution, to listen to revolutions policies, and to change itself and society in the way that revolution demands. This is simply not a revolution of politics. Unlike our more conventional comrades

(socialists, Black Power, etc.) we, the modern revolutionaries are not principally interested in a change of government. A quick view of history will show that government, whatever its external form, remains the same — a device by which certain individuals gather influence and power.

The "good of the people" is definitely a secondary consideration. Government is necessary, for the comfort and order that it brings. We should leave it alone, until it interferes with the functions of society; and then, we should reprimand it with all the power that society can bring to bear.

As you may have noted, society is the key word in the above statements — and society is the key factor in revolution. Unless the minds of the people-at-large are opened, their consciousness as a whole raised, their abilities, dreams, ideals, and goals lifted, the rewards and potentials of revolutionary ideas will never be known.

"Today's kooky notion is tomorrow's orthodoxy." Thank you, Ms. McClellan.

There are many ways of speaking to society, Mr. Imm. This letter is one. Posters and slogans are another. Individual speaking and discussion still another. And, very definitely, so are "bothersome" demonstrations or even violence. (For these methods, by their power and disruption, communicate their message far and wide) letters to politicians and "student lobbies" (With the exception perhaps of such groups as NORML), while valuable within their province, have minimal effect for Revolution.

I propose to you, Mr. Imm of the world, that you do not understand in any way the goals or techniques of revolution. Look around you; see our incredible energy crisis, food shortages, overpopulation, pollution, environmental destruction, the threat of nuclear war, the degraded human condition of three-quarters of the world (including much of the U.S.), the apathy and boring, half-dead mentality and spirit of people all around you (especially PSU students). Then tell me, with conviction, that great and immediate change is not

vitaly necessary for the survival and continued growth of culture and the world.

We quite seriously face, within our lifetime, cataclysm and destruction right out of a sci-fi novel — and you complain about bothersome demonstrations.

Revolution is the most demanding, exciting, and important job that we face. We shall have to shoulder our responsibility, face our fear, give up our comfortable blanket of apathy, and work now! I hate to be a harbinger of doom (though I only report what many others and myself can clearly see), but if we do not act quickly, our children may face a world in which scavenging for survival is the highest good.

Fight in any way you know.

Bill Eichman
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Hot item

While I have existed at the University Park for less than a month, it has become quite apparent that the University Concert Committee, (UCC) is a hot item when it comes to the editorial page of The Daily Collegian. The article, "Booking Hard for U.C.C." (June 22) is sheer fallacy to anyone who is at all familiar with concert bookings. Being a native of Allentown, (where's that?) I find the UCC's excuses rather weak.

In Allentown, a high school organization, The Allentown Council of Youth (ACY), has booked such names as Blue Oyster Cult, Kansas, Rush, Angel, Richie Blackmore's Rainbow, Supertramp, Mott, Styx, Montrose, Budgie, Foghat and Kiss, to name a few. The average attendance was about 3,000 and yet the ACY president has time and time again stated how successful their adventures in the concert bookings have been.

Imagine that, the ACY is in the black with such massive audiences of 3,000 and tickets selling for about five or six dollars. It is almost inconceivable that our own tried and true

UCC with 32,000 students to exploit this fall is being shown up by a small group of high school students in the massive metropolis of Allentown, Pennsylvania.

Another excuse is the expenses encountered by the booking of the band (i.e. dry ice and carnations.) This is a fine example of the 100 per cent pure, genuine simulated, sugar-coated, vitamin enriched bullshit that is being tossed around. That is the equivalent of Blue Oyster Cult telling the ACY to buy them a laser, light show or Richie Blackmore asking the ACY to buy him a band a 50 foot computer-operated electronic rainbow. Bpy oh boy! If Z.Z. Top came to PSU, they could probably talk the UCC into buying them a new Texas-shaped stage complete with buffalo, long horn steer, rattlesnakes, etc.

Not every touring band is grossing the same as Pink Floyd or the Who (\$100,000-plus), therefore because of the no stadium policy of the above, plus Led Zeppelin and a very few others that are in that price range, cannot be possible. However, there are many bands that will perform here for a reasonable fee. If the ACY can do it, I believe the UCC can do it if they stop letting the harassment bother them and set out to do the job at hand.

Paul Bertalan
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You think you've got problems?

Dear Gabby,

I am the president of a large democracy in the Western Hemisphere and am plagued by all kinds of problems.

If it's not the Congress it's my U.N. ambassador, if it's not the Congress it's the oil companies, if it's not the Congress it's the Congress.

I try hard, really I do. In my campaign I promised to lower unemployment, I promised to lower federal spending, I promised to revitalize this country's sagging economy and to give the nation a new, bright future.

I could do all those things but the damn (oops! pardon) Congress keeps taking half measures and cutting back the legislation which is this country's only hope for survival.

I mean, who the hell (sorry) do they think they are, anyhow?

I had really big plans but somehow they've gotten confused. My special committee to study methods on cutting back the tangle of bureaus, commissions, boards and subcommittees is threatening to disband unless I approve their \$1.3 billion budget.

My energy bill succumbed to oil company lobbying and they're threatening to turn off the electricity in here if I make any more trouble.

My wife just returned from her vacation and all she does is mumble

something about La rhumba this or la rhumba that.

My ambassador has a near terminal case of foot-in-mouth, and my little daughter, bless her heart, wants to take her school class on a junket to Disneyland.

On top of all this, my press secretary wants me to pay \$6,000 in federal taxes when I legally don't owe anything! Me and my "Morality in government officials spending" speech! Jesus! Six thousand bucks! What does he think I am, a millionaire?



Bob Frick

But my main problem, Gabby, is the Congress.

It's not as if they were a bunch of Republicans, most of these people are my own flesh and blood. I feel like I'm being betrayed.

Perhaps if I reasoned with them, told them how much they're hurting the

image of the president and consequently the country they'd be more receptive to my plans.

Signed, Troubled in D.C.

Dear Troubled,
What you're experiencing is a common ailment contracted frequently by politicians who expect the world, but only get the shaft. I call it "prospects pox."

It's not the Congress that's really giving you a hard time, it's your antiquated notion that the Presidency is some kind of one-man-band.

It's unfortunate that you broadcast this to your country's populace in such a manner that they expect your God-fearing image to raise you to be a god-like administrator.

You are not a Lincoln, and some would argue you aren't even a Ford, and you certainly aren't the kind of politician who's going to get everything you lust after.

Perhaps the legislature from which you came is a pushover compared to the big league you're in now. Perhaps you thought that politicizing ended on election day.

In any case, now's the time to settle down and rid yourself of prospects pox by developing better relations with the Congress, and by asking it for advice, instead of expecting it to rubber stamp all your proposed policies.

