

Assembly members criticize Collegian

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Collegian Staff Writer

The Daily Collegian does not cover campus news as effectively as it should, members of the Undergraduate Student Government's Academic Assembly said last night.

"I feel that the Collegian has lost its perspective on covering student academic issues which are of great importance," Academic Assembly President Chris Hopwood said.

"The Collegian has been neglecting student issues which could produce very harmful affects, especially when student needs are concerned," Hopwood said.

He also said the Collegian deals too much with national, world, and state issues and not enough with immediate student concerns.

"I don't like to read the Collegian to find out about national issues. If I wanted information of that type I would pick up a USA Today. Most students read the Collegian to find out about campus and local issues," East Halls Senator Darnell Daisey said.

Hopwood said the Collegian is too much like a miniature Centre Daily Times or Philadelphia Inquirer, rather than a campus newspaper.

Daisey agreed: "Last year when there was much more student and campus issue coverage, the Collegian received the award for the number one campus newspaper

in the country."

Several complaints about Collegian coverage of the University's Commonwealth campuses were made.

The assembly also discussed the possible creation of a semester transition hotline. Students could use this device to receive information or get help with any problems.

Some colleges do have handbooks which state semester requirements but this varies. Hopwood recommends that students seeking help go straight to the office of the dean of their particular college.

White was concerned about the visibility of the Academic Assembly among students and the way in which the assembly is perceived.

"The assembly's name is only as good as the people in it," Daisey said. "The individuals must make themselves known to the students in their colleges. If the students become more familiar with their reps they will then begin to seek help from them."

In other business:

- A student trustee is soon to be appointed by Gov. Dick Thornburgh. Any student is eligible for screening by a board which will then submit two names to Thornburgh.

- The Faculty Senate is considering a proposal to change the pass/fail requirements. A grade of A, B, C or D is considered passing under the current system. The new system would change this so that a grade of D or F would receive the status of failure. The committee that is working on this is also trying to make a grade point average of 2.5 a prerequisite for taking a course pass/fail.

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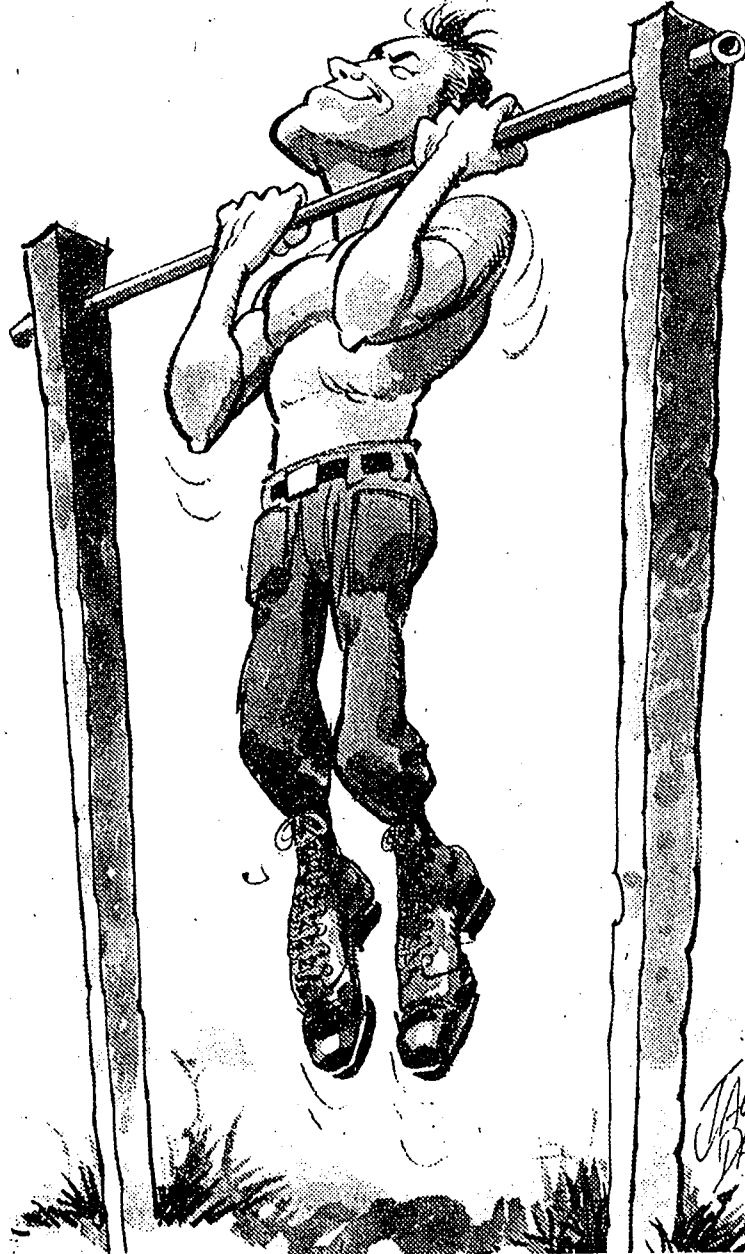
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ABC taking action in video case

By WILLIAM SCOTT
Collegian Staff Writer

Attorneys for ABC are determining a course of action, as well as the parties who may be involved, in an alleged violation of federal copyright laws involving video cassette recordings of the Sugar Bowl.

James T. Scarpello (7th-computer science) was allegedly selling video cassette recordings of the Sugar Bowl game for \$50 each after placing classified advertisements in The Daily Collegian.

RoAnn Levinsohn, director of public relations for ABC Video Enterprise in New York, said yesterday "some type of action will be taken" in the case, but it was still undecided. A decision will be reached before Monday, she said.

According to reports in The Centre Daily Times, Scarpello was selling the tapes from his apartment, listed as 623 Beaver Hill by

the University registrar's office. Scarpello, a Philadelphia area resident, said the tapes were manufactured by his uncle, a store owner, the report said. Neither the store nor the uncle was identified.

However, Scarpello said yesterday The Centre Daily Times' report was inaccurate, and denied any wrongdoing.

"I did not sell any tapes of the Sugar Bowl, and I have no further comment," Scarpello said.

The advertisements for the tapes, which appeared in the Jan. 7, 8 and 10, issues of the Collegian were discontinued Tuesday.

David E. Leibowitz, an attorney at the Library of Congress general counsel's office, said Tuesday the Collegian may be liable for running the ad, especially if intent can be proven. A concept in the copyright laws says that if an ad may encourage someone to act against the law, by purchasing the tapes, the news-

paper may be considered as a party in legal action, he said.

"Really, it's only a 'maybe' that the paper will be liable," he said, although he made it clear that he was not offering any legal advice.

Statutory damages from \$250 to \$10,000 may be awarded to ABC, depending on circumstances in the case. Actual damages suffered by ABC, which could include the profits that the Collegian made from taking the ad, could also be awarded, he said.

Paul Rudoy, business manager for the Collegian, said he did not think that the newspaper was liable for running the ad.

But he said, "I think by us pulling the ad we took the proper action." The ad was scheduled to appear in yesterday's paper.

H. Denning Mason, the Collegian's attorney, said Tuesday his office has not been contacted by ABC.

UNIVERSITY CALENDAR Thursday, January 13

CDPC seminar, Resume preparation, 5th period, Room 312 Boucke;
Interview Skills, 6th period, Room 312 Boucke.
Campus Crusade lecture, 7 p.m., Rooms 311, 312, 314 Boucke.
P. S. Wingers meeting, 7 p.m., Room 108 Forum.
GSA social committee meeting, 7 p.m., Room 305 Kern.
Liberal Arts Student Council intership preparation meeting, 7 p.m., Room 137 Sparks.
Marketing Assoc. Distinguished Speaker Series, Bambergers, on "Opportunities, Marketing, and Logistics," 7:30 p.m., Room 105 Forum.
Army ROTC Lion's Guard meeting, 7 p.m., Rooms 318-319 HUB.
P. S. Undergraduate Entomology Assoc. meeting, 7 p.m., Room 204 Patterson.
Beta Alpha Psi meeting, 7 p.m., Room 209 Hum. Dev. South.
IPC Dance Marathon meeting, 7 p.m., Rooms 102 & 105 Forum.
College Republicans meeting, 7:30 p.m., Room 169 Willard.
E.M.S. meeting and lecture, 7:30 p.m., Room 112 Walker.
P.S. Advertising Club film and lecture, 7:30 p.m., Room 67 Willard.
Microbiology Club meeting and film, 7:30 p.m., Room 317 Willard.
Sports: men's basketball vs. West Virginia, 8:10 p.m.
Delta Sigma Pi rush meeting, 9 p.m., Rooms 320-322 HUB.

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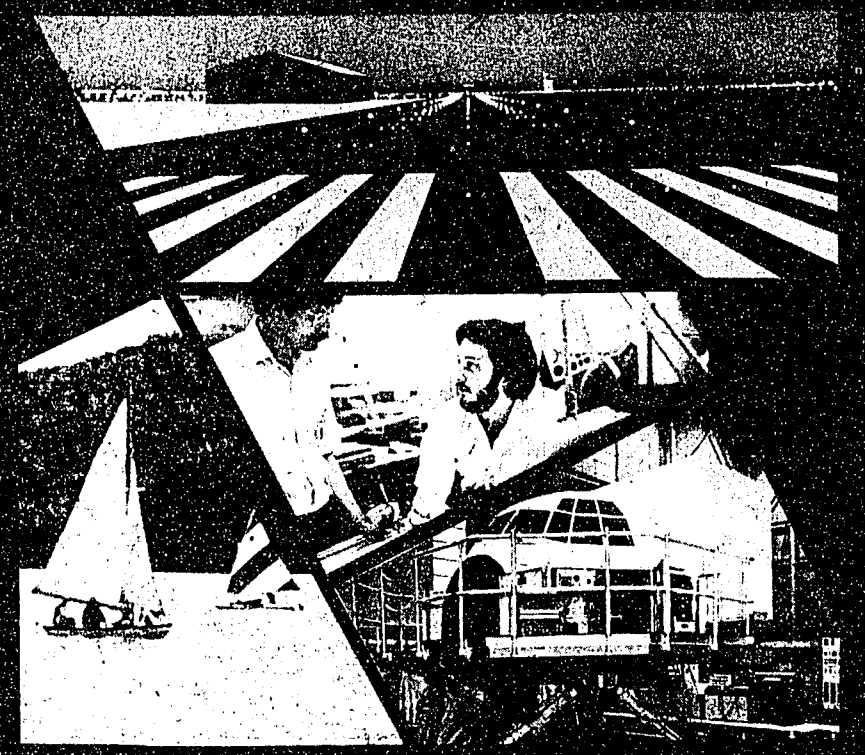
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