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## **EDITOR COMMENTS**

# Respect Comes With Maturity

During the past week there has been much controversy over the meaning of respect as applied to the administration and to the students of Louisburg College. Some have stated that respect cannot be given unless it is earned and others say that respect should always go to the elders whether they be right or wrong. Not everyone in this world thinks alike and of course no final decision can be accepted by all.

The recent expulsion of one student of Louisburg College has brought much tension and discontent among the administration and student body. The reason for the expulsion stemmed from the student stating that he had no respect for the administration of the college.

Respect is one characteristic of a person that has to be earned. It is logical that the administration would not have to earn respect since they are the authority of the college and they are more experienced and capable people than we are.

We are working now to obtain our places in the world and as we do so we are gradually earning respect mainly for the way in which we approach a situation and handle it. If we are mature enough to do it in a dignified manner we should not have to worry if we are respected. Respect can be noted in the feelings that people have for one another.

When a student comes to Louisburg College he comes with the understanding that he will uphold the principles and ideals upon which the college is built. Naturally the administration should receive respect since they are the persons of authority. They do not work against the college but for it. They strive to make this institution a place of higher education with mature young adults as its community.

The college administration should be respected for its judgment because it is the future of the college at stake along with that of the students.

Louisburg College should be given the most respect a person can offer. This institution gives its best to you and it is the administration that works daily to insure the student that while he is here he can expect nothing but the best from Louisburg College.

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1. All material must be typed neatly on erasable bond paper with all mistakes corrected.

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All material must be turned in before publication deadline.

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5. All material must be signed.

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Dear Sir:

Louisburg College is behind the times. Someone higher in the school than I am must be shaking in his shoes. On October ninth, during chapel, we were told that there would now be a rule against "panty raids." We were told that panty raids are silly, immature actions typical of high school students and not 18-19-and 20-year old college students. I would like to know where these high schools are because I know a lot of 18-19-and 20year old college students who would like to go to one of these schools. Panty raids are part of college life on campus. I don't know of a college that doesn't have panty raids.

The rule, we were told, was passed shortly before the disturbance of Ocotber sixth. It seems funny to me that when the students try to get some changes in rules they must go through the "proper channels." All the "proper channels" must have met pretty quickly on Monday night. They must have set some kind of record for passing a rule at Louisburg College.

We were told that the students had no respect for the administration. Respect is earned, not given randomly. The students are opposed at every turn. They go home for the summer assured they will come back with old-fashioned rules thrown out of their beloved Acorn. When they return in the fall, they find few-very

few-rules changed.
Louisburg College is behind the times and unless it changes some there is no telling what the future has in store for it.

Sincerely: Worth Kinlaw

Dear Sir:

We would like to introduce you to a friend of yours; a man, who despite the campus disorders now in progress, can still say, "God Bless My Students." He has stood alone in the matter of the expelled student and has accepted all re-

sponsibility for the situation. Whether we agree with him or not one is forced to admit that he is a man of courage. He has put himself in a position to be openly criticized not only by the students but by the administration and faculty, and yet he has still invited everyone to come to his office and speak with him. He is being as fair and just as he can possibly be for the position he holds. He has never said he was infallible; and he has never asked that anyone agree with him, but only that he be accepted as a man of principle and be given the respect due the position that he rightfully holds.

We have met and have talked with him and find him to be a man with a great deal of understanding and a man who is truly concerned with the welfare of the students as a whole.

We believe that he should be given the support and respect that he gives us. There should be no question of where authority lies, and it could not be in a better place than the hands of Dr. Robbins. We must realize that someone has got to be in command, and it is not a job that any one student or group of students could handle. Are you such a perfect person that you can find fault with a man that loves this college and its students so much that he would give up his life's work to preserve the uniity of Louisburg College?

Why did YOU come to Louisburg College? Did you come here to get an education or to find fault with the institution? There are many colleges where students are rioting, protesting, and destroying their own education. If this is what you want, why aren't you at those colleges? One of the most attractive features of Louisburg is that it is a place where we can get our education without disruption. As students we are obligated to preserve this, not only for ourselves, but also for our fellow students. Do you want an education?

### Will you help us to save Louis-

capable and mature leaders? Sincerely, Pat Wiygul, Charlene Thomas, June Tomlinson, Nancy Filer, and Nancy King

### Librarian Thanks "Non -Headliners"

burg College and to grow more

Not enough has been said about people who stay out of the headlines. The majority of our student body is composed of such young men and women. Many areas of concern could be mentioned here, but I would like to speak specifically about one-the college library.

The C. W. Robbins Library was built in 1965 and all areas which are now in use were in use then. We constantly receive comments such as the following from our visitors: "This is a new building, isn't it? Wasn't it completed last year?" "What, it's that old?" "You certainly take good care of it." "Every-thing still looks new."

And, we have the "nonheadliners" on our campus to thank for such comments. Our students have assisted in many ways to help maintain the appearance of our library, and we are grateful.

The library has only two rules for its users--no smoking in the building, and respect to the rights of others. These have been adhered to by the majority. Only rarely is there an exception, and that exception has usually resulted from a misunderstanding or a misinterpretation. We regret that the library is not designed to permit extended discussions. Any lengthy conversation can be heard over the entire library. Actually, the biggest source of noise is not our students, but ourselves-the library staff, the machines we use--and our visitors, who do not realize their voices carry so easily in the library. We have a conference room available for extended discussions, and it can e used by making previous arrange-

We are constantly seeking to improve services and facilities on the library and we are open to suggestions. What you say to us does count. Things may not be developed exactly as you suggest, but then again, they may. Your cooperation in caring for the library facilities and equipment and your respect for our two rules have helped to free our staff to do the things necessary for good service and to plan for better things for you.

There are many services the library offers which our orientation program could not tell you. If you see something you do not understand, ask us about it. If there are services you think we should offer, ask about them--we may offer them. Ask to have any machines you see explained to you if they interest you.

And so, to all you "non-headliners", in behalf of the library staff, I say "Thank you."

Donald R. Richardson Associate Librarian

# LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS

