

EDITOR COMMENTS

The Inevitable Question

It's one of those bright beautiful days at LJC when students are either taking advantage of the weather conditions by passing their time in leisure on front campus, or occupying those free hours in the student union.

Two students, one we will call Editor and the other simply first student, pass their time in light conversation.

"Editor, when's another paper coming out?"

"Oh, I don't know. Sometime next month."

"But you ought to get one out before then. There's a lotta news that needs to be printed."

It is about this time that Editor decides to move on to more amiable company before the discussion becomes too heated.

Upon moving from the union to the hall, editor heaves a sigh of relief to have escaped answering the dreaded question. But suddenly a shrill voice can be heard throughout the building.

"Hey, when's another paper coming out?"

"Oh, uh, I'm going to try to get one out before the end of this month."

"I thought you'd have one ready after Christmas vacation.."

This conversation isn't going so well either, so editor decides to move on to front campus.

Once outside, a third student approaches. Editor shrinks back in fear as she anticipates the inevitable question.

"When's another newspaper coming out?"

"Oh, definitely in a couple of weeks."

By the end of the day the question has been asked about a dozen times with the result that editor has committed herself to getting a paper out by the end of the week.

Work begins and articles trickle slowly in. By the day before deadline date there are a total of three articles. A day and night of whirlwind activity begins, with frightened editor and staff forever apprehensive about being unable to meet that promised deadline.

But believe it or not the newspaper comes out. The excited staff eagerly awaits reaction of this issue. One student who has been especially anxious to receive his newspaper skims through it taking time to look at a few of the pictures. Then, turning to editor, who hopes for a word of praise or constructive criticism, he speaks:

"When's the next paper coming out?"

The Columns Advocates:

- That professors begin and end their classes on time.
- That students use the privilege that has been given to voice their opinions at the open SGA meetings.
- That more students support the basketball team by attending the games.
- That the bookstore either be enlarged or kept open longer hours at the beginning of a semester.
- That textbooks not be changed every year.

SGA Meeting

An SGA open meeting was held in the AC auditorium Thursday, January 27. The fact that only a few students attended seems to reflect the student apathy that prevails here.

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Letters To The Editor

TO THE EDITOR:

Of the few of you that stay for the week-end here at Louisburg, how many of you get up to eat breakfast on the week-ends? Not many, I am sure.

This is probably due to the great variety of choice breakfast foods served on the week-ends. Those of you that do make the effort to get up in time to eat breakfast on Saturday and Sunday mornings, know what I mean. For you that don't, who are about 95% let me explain.

It is hard enough to get up at 8:00 in order to get to the cafeteria, especially after a rough night, but when you do finally get up and into the cafeteria it is very depressing to find on the menu for that morning doughnuts and cold cereal. Sometimes they even have toast, but you might have to fix that yourself.

If you ask the lady where the food is, she gives you a bad look and says "ask the boss. It's his idea!" I believe this is wrong. Breakfast has always been my big meal, and I am sure it is that way for others. Who wants to get up to eat cold cereal? Most of us have that in our room!

I sincerely hope that Louis P. Waskey III will read this and do something about it!

Woolford

TO THE EDITOR:

It has recently come to my attention that this institution, Louisburg College, is not only one of higher learning, but also one of restricted learning. The average student arrives with a curious mixture of expectation and excitement, but soon finds things to be a strange mixture of fact and, perhaps, deliberate disillusionment.

There are too many cases of student's progress in education being impeded because classes are closed or subjects restricted since they are offered only to second year students. In a long established school such as ours, it would seem evident that the administration would be aware of what courses are in demand and provide more classes for

them, but little has been done to alter the situation. What student has not been faced with the dilemma of not simply closed classes but closed courses as well? To add to this frustration is restriction from classes simply because one is a freshman and not because of one's prerequisites.

Some people came to this junior college because they wanted a slow introduction into the system of college education, but isn't this carrying things a little too far?

Carla Garrette

TO THE EDITOR

It has come to our attention that the Entertainment Committee and certain members of the SGA have decided against having a Spring formal which has been an established event at Louisburg for many years. Instead they plan on having a rock concert in place of the May dance. We also understand that the presidents of the Freshman and Sophomore classes have seriously considered donating the class funds of \$400 a piece in order to help finance this concert.

Although there could be a possibility of having both, doing away with May weekend may very well be what the majority of the students would want. We feel it is only fair to give the students a voice in this decision. The SGA has stated that it cannot function without student support. How can it expect to gain this support and respect if it does not keep the students up to date on the proposed events on campus? SGA and class officers were elected in the belief that they would represent the students. Making plans for an all campus event without consulting those involved is not a very efficient way to run such an organization.

As members of the sophomore class, we do not appreciate these few individuals making such a decision which we feel concerns us. The SGA should have the perspicacity to work

within a budget without having to call on the separate classes. However, if they plan to use class funds, it is only fair to allow the respective class meetings to determine how their money is spent.

We suggest that the SGA use a little more consideration and a little less dominance in executing their offices.

Mary Lou White, Betty Hood

TO THE EDITOR:

On December 1 of the fall semester all first-year students had their class registration. Starting at three o'clock, many students had already formed a long line that caused many problems. For some who had been in the Student Union Lounge since one o'clock, the registration was no difficulty. However, there were a few unfortunate ones who had many arguments with each other and with the faculty. I do not like to disagree with this school's system, but I saw many things that should most definitely be improved. For instance, many students were climbing in through the windows to break into line. There was pushing and shoving, and it actually looked like a bunch of grade school kids rushing to the lunch line. Dean York was trying to keep things organized, but it was useless.

Another problem was the closing of classes. I don't see why students should not be able to take the courses they want. After all, they don't pay \$1000 a semester just to eat and sleep.

I feel that something should be done to make a better registration program. Maybe a better selection of courses, or more teachers in a certain subject should be sought. Whatever the solution may be, I feel that it should be reached in the near future.

Eddie Hunter

TO THE EDITOR:

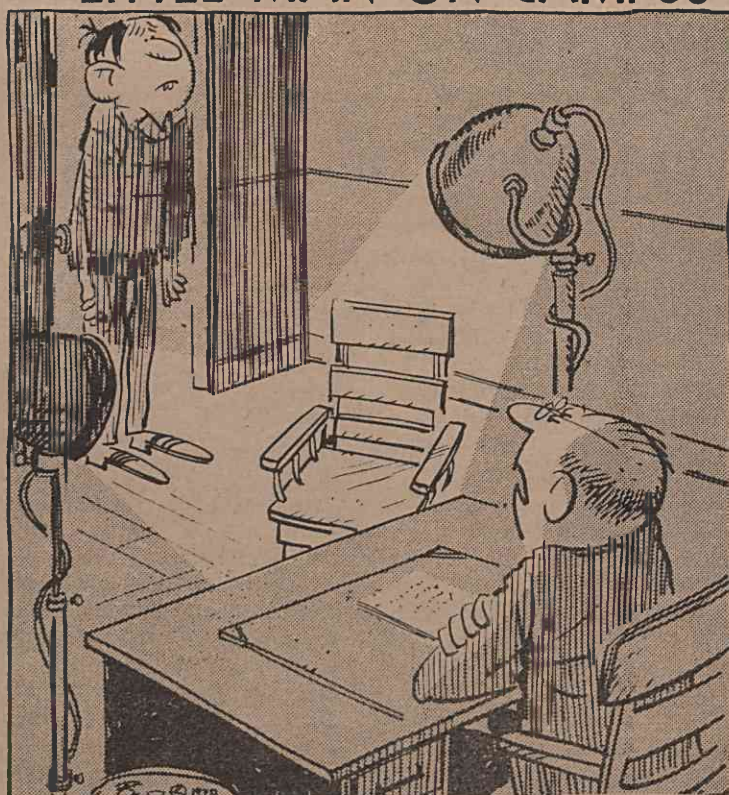
Living in a dormitory is a great asset to a student's life at college. Knowing that this is a Methodist institution, I can see the school's concern for its student's morals, but do they have to resort to extremes?

When a student enters college, he must adhere to the responsibilities placed upon him. Grades, social relations, and conduct all press heavily upon him. Why then must the school have such strict regulations on student control? I realize that the school must show to the student that it has the upper hand, but when it is forced so strictly, it seems like an "iron hand" to the students. They become fed up with the rules and are tempted to break them, for instance, the girls being in the boy's dorms. If there was a little more slack on the open house program, maybe students would not break the rules as much.

The student's appeal for this subject is not being heard by the faculty. When will this school compromise a little? The students are part of the system also.

Eddie Hunter

LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS



"I'VE ASKED YOU IN TO DISCUSS WITH YOU THE CONTENT OF THIS ALLEGED ORIGINAL TERM PAPER YOU TURNED IN."