

On And Off Campus

by Gill Rock

While campus interest is still high on questions concerning Student Government, I think it would be an appropriate time to stop and form an analysis of our present governmental system. To weigh its past year's activity and see if and where change is needed. Student Government is in part set up like a national system with a separation of powers into three branches, legislative, executive, and judicial. A fourth branch which does not fall into the set pattern is the Student Life Committee which acts as a check on the executive and legislative branches. I feel it would be best to examine each of these separate units and then conclude with several ideas that are presently being talked about on campus.

Legislative Branch

The legislative branch is the largest directly elected student political body in our Student Government and should be at times the key force in all student activities. Many issues brought out in the past election campaigns reflect a question of whether or not the Senate has been allowed to assume the responsibility that it needs to be the leading student policy making body or if it has shown that it can command the respect of such leadership.

The Senate outside of posting a few minutes has done little to inform the students of its own business. It has failed to use the student newspaper as a means of presenting proposed legislation and which has been sent to other branches.

The senators, who are the direct representatives of the students, have failed to approach students on matters concerning them; it can be asked if they are representing their own feelings or those voiced by their constituents. This is not saying that a senator must go out and question the students on every issue that comes before the Senate, but there is a need for a greater sounding out of the campus body than is presently done.

Executive Branch

The Cabinet which functions as a second legislative house also represents the executive branch of our Student Government. The four elected executive officers, President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer plus the presidents of the Interdorm Council, Intramural Sports Council, Student Christian Council, Senate, Student Honor Court, and Student Center Board. The last five cabinet positions are filled not by direct election but by virtue of holding an organizational position.

The Cabinet is concerned with two primary functions: first, to

act as a coordinating center of campus organizations and second, to act on legislation passed by the Senate. This latter function has been carried on in a smooth and close working manner. As for its function as a "hub" for student organization and activity planning, there seems to be some question of its efficacy. Not until last week had the Cabinet set a date for the "Spring Fling" or contracted a band. Surely if the Cabinet can not handle a program that should have been set up months in advance, there is some valid question as to its ability to coordinate any type of organization.

Judicial Branch

Many students, including myself, have begun to have some worry as to whether or not we have a student Honor Court. The present student Honor Court has been reduced to a mere reviewer of decisions made in the dorm councils and may not handle any major decisions that could involve suspension or expulsion. The Student Faculty Judiciary Committee is the major judicial body on campus. Its membership consists of five students and four faculty members and deals with all cases that would involve suspension or expulsion.

It was felt in the spring convention last year that the old judicial system, where we had an entire Student Honor Court and a separate Faculty Judicial Review that students could appeal to, was too slow and involved. To cure the ills of the double trial system the present Student Faculty Judiciary Committee was set up.

The fact that the Faculty Review body did not once reverse a decision set down by the Student Honor Council last year would appear evidence enough that the students acted in the best interest of the college and their fellow students. It would then seem plausible to have a Student Honor Court where the final word would rest upon the students and the President of the College.

A second point concerning the judicial system at St. Andrews is its frequent infringement upon judicial procedure. Although it is largely the students' fault for allowing the judicial branch to run wild with procedure, it

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Letter To Editor

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Mr. Charles Quick
Editor
The Lance
Dear Mr. Quick:

Now that one phase of the elections is over we the students must not cease to be interested in the affairs of the school. In the recent election, several students showed an active interest in student government at St. Andrews by their active support of their chosen candidate. We must continue to be active!!

Even though the particular candidate of one's choosing might not have won, do not slide back under the rock and wait until someone makes a mistake and then pounce upon it and make an issue of it; rather unite with the persons who have been duly elected to their particular office and show active support. In order for St. Andrews to become the college it is destined to be, we the students must become united in our cause; let the past be past. In the present and future we students must show that we are capable of self government by being **SELF-GOVERNED**.

Sure some people are disappointed at the outcome of the elections, but some are happy, too. Whether your candidate won or not, support the people in office because if you do not then how can they possibly represent the students if they do not have the entire support of the students.

During the days before the election I picked the candidates I thought most capable and supported them to the best of my ability. Some won and some did not. Now I must pledge my full support to the ones in office, this does not mean that I must agree with their every policy but that I will be willing to see their point and try to explain my point to them, which I think they will try to see.

As I have already told several of the newly elected student officers I will work with them in every possible way that I can. I ask each and every student here at St. Andrews not only to work with the new president but with the rest of the S.G.A. in order to create a **UNIFIED ST. ANDREWS . . . an ACTIVE ST. ANDREWS**.

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Threbody

by Wayne Wooten

I

When shadows creep about and fill each nick and crack with a dark, thick liquid which blends into one dark void. And the blackest pearl glows as if containing a hidden sun while slit eyes pierce the gloom like butterflies flitting from leaf to leaf. The moon is a mere curved slit grinning down on the mist as its lips from the hollow up through the trees and chills them to the heart.

A lonely figure moves at a paces walk through the shadows with the mist swirling about his legs in anger at being disturbed. An eerie hum fills the void with its on echo and the figure moves as if compelled to follow the dark, silent bird that moves from tree to tree above his head. A shadow upon shadow as his feet seek their way through the wet grass in search of the one last light. And twenty-three stars glimmer through the trees just enough to decorate the leaves with speckles of glow as the humming-bird follows the sound of his death.

II

A single bird flew from the roof top in pursuit of an ebony moth which searched for the source of glow sifting down through the trees. The steps were dark and moaned their annoyance at being tread upon. The ceiling was drawn near the floor by an intricate net of webs which were sprayed with silver dust. The paper on the walls gave the impression of past life but the yellowed corners hung in shame because of their tattered bodies. A single wire fell from a hole above and the end was poised as if to strike in snake-like manner as it slithered from the emptiness above. The trees leaned down to peer in at the lonely figure that moved from room to room in search of things gone by. As scurry of

feet over the ragged floor sent a shiver through the boards as it creaked in surprise. The footprints led back outside and again were dead the memories of fondness which were left entangled in the webs which guarded the silence of the strange old house.

III

Darkness comes sending gleams hiding until it transforms their being into fat, fuzzy forms and the nakedness of a lonely tree is magnified by the moon which stares down at the lonely bird perched on the highest limb until the blushing clouds hide the glarier and cover in a coat of white splendor. Hands search for the long lost warmth and the heart grows cold and weary. A tiny shadow traces its way through the maze of falling flakes and is finally lost as white wins the struggle. Stubby straws grow shorter as if they were being pulled into the earth. And gone is the horror and nakedness of the world as the mist finally escapes from the valley and floats gently above the purged land.

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Final Concert

High School Auditorium.
The Cameo Opera Company presented a new adaptation of "The Elixir Of Love," a romantic comedy in two acts by Gaetano Donizetti.

A cast of eight singers and a small accompanying ensemble performed this delightful farce, embellished with one lovely melody after another. During the 1960-61 season, the Metropolitan Opera had an immediate success with a sparkling new production of "L'Elisir d'Amore." It is no coincidence, therefore that opera lovers are giving Donizetti's delicious opera buffa a second glance with renewed interest.

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