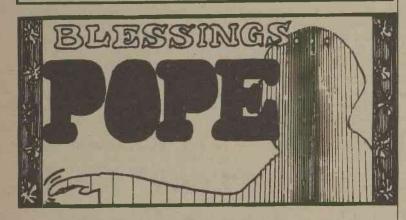
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We're back at St. Andrews or some of us are here for the first time. Anyway, we have all been confronted with the dumb little things we have to tolerate here.

All summer long you think how nice it would be to be back at school here. That is until we get back. Then we realize that those people missed weren't really friends anyway. They're still the same . . . funny what the summer can do to your mind.

That's bad enough. But this summer someone put a blue rules-of-the house sign in every room. It's got everything but the rates and the check-out time. To make matters worse, you can't deface or remove them, Where's the fun that was once St. Andrews? The person who did could have at least contacted us as to what color we wanted. Blue just doesn't go with my room. Sorry.

Little signs I can almost take. You do get used to them, but after four fall registration lines I still can not understand the mind of the man who organizes those semi-annual fiascos.

This year seemed worse than any. The upper classmen had pre-registered last spring, but still the lines stretched around the Vardell out into the parking lot beside the building

Again the upperclassmen were given those information cards to fill out. People are extremely tired of feeding personal information to the different departments. Maybe I'm must a dull person, but none of my information has changed since my freshman year. I'm still me.

And then, much of the information you given them is never used. For example: your hometown newspaper. (I was called on that one yesterday.) I gave them the newpaper's name for three years and decided this year that I wouldn't. Why bother? No one ever uses it. My sophomore year I was editor of The Lance--that was two years ago, and my hometown newspaper hasn't heard of it yet. But maybe this is the year they will inform the world. What the heck, I'm a has-been

Book-buying is another one of my all-time gripes at St.

Andrews. A person can sweat at a job all summer trying to earn some money and lose it all on one run around the small gym. With the prices they charge you would think they could at least make a loan to the college.

Note to the book selling people: President Richard Nixon of the United States has put a freeze on prices, or is the bookstore exempt?

Some things just never change here.

Question: Who distributed the "Book of Loving" to the freshmen class?

Is this year's class slow or are they just too fast? No matter, someone's watching out for you, gang. Any chance of upper-classmen getting their hands on a copy of the book . . . the pictures are pretty racy, even if we can't understand the writing.

By the way, open dorm hours have now been cut. Twenty-four hour open dorms are now twenty-one hours long. But those books are floating around so I guess there is no need for the extra three hours.

What's this I hear about freshman girls, er, women, wanting unlimited hours like the big people. Don't you know that there is a difference between a first semester woman and a second semester freshman woman? At least to the administration there is. Me, personally, I think all women look alike

P. S. I signed your petition! Good luck, but I don't know why you want to be out at night. Between you and me, the campus is even deader at midnight than it is at noon.

We have a new cafeteria service, or as it is better known—the Who, What or Where Game. We now ask ourselves, "Who was it? What was it? Where did it come from?"

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Have a good year. If you are a freshman, remember STMS ain't the only course on campus, even if they tell you it is.

Women Gather Strength To Back Abolition Of Curfew

BY MARY ABELL AND JOANN FOIL

As most of you know, a petition has been circulated demanding the abolition of the curfew for first semester freshmen women. Not only does this regulation discriminate against women, it allows the school to assume parental authority and thus contradicts the position expounded by St. Andrews concerning "in loco parentis." Our student personnel service has professed on numerous occassions that the administration does not wish to assume the role of parent in regard to the student. This curfew, however, deviates from this policy in that the administration assumes parental authority over the social life of women.

There have been several arguments from both students and administration opposing the abolition of these hours. This editorial will attempt to refute those arguments. One major argument is that the freshmen women need a period of adjustment in order to operate maturely in their new environment. This argument ignores the fact that freshmen men are equally as disoriented by their new environment as freshmen and thereby blatantly reinforces the idea that men somehow are able to conduct themselves in a more mature manner than women.

Another argument frequently encountered is that women can get pregnant. This tends to suggest that women can become pregnant only after 12:00 midnight and that freshmen men do not engage in sexual relations and thus do not need the protection of St. Andrews. The

Bikes, Dogs Find Friends

Joining those clubs and organizations already in existance will be two additions. The first club being created is the cyclist club for those students and faculty members with either light weight or 10 speed bikes. The organizational meeting of this group will be Monday night at 8 p.m. in the Student Union Lounge. Topics to be discussed will include affiliation with a national club and possible tours. For additional information contact Dyer Ramsey at 268-4879.

Tuesday night at eight an organizational meeting for the possible formation of a dog club will be held. The purpose of this meeting will be to organize a group to negotiate with the administration the conditions and stipulations under which kennels could be constructed and dogs permitted on campus. A favorable response has already been given by the administration for the possibility of constructing kennels. For further information contact Jeff Neill at extension 273.

In Brief

This Saturday night Farrago will start its new season with a show featuring local talent. It all starts at 7 p.m. in the Farrago Theatre which is located directly behind WSAP. Admission is 25¢.

freshmen at St. Andrews must face the responsibilities of being college students; a curfew, however, will not teach these women to maturely cope with responsibilities but it "will encourage them to allow the administration to take the responsibility off their shoulders;" thereby encouraging immaturity in freshmen women.

The main argument presented by the orientation committee is that the curfew exists for the protection of freshmen women. This argument seems slightly humorous due to the fact that every incident jeopardizing the physical safety of a women has taken place before midnight. Also the incidents involved upperclass women—not freshmen. Personal protection will never come from locking oneself in one's room.

Rather it will come when individuals learn to become aware of the actual dangers present and learn how to deal realistically with these dangers.

Still another argument encountered states that freshmen women can ignore the curfew anyway. This is a dangerous answer to the curfew, primarily because it is an honor code offense for an upperclassman to inform a freshman of the combination number to her dorm. Thereby, when one states this suggestion, one is asking women to risk committing an honor code offense, Women should not have to break a regulation which should not exist.

In conclusion, please seriously consider the above arguments and support the abolition of the freshman curfew.

