

# editorials . . .

## The Position of Editor

As present editors of the News Argus staff, we feel there should be certain criteria used in the selection of editors. Though it has been school policy for quite some time to elect the editor along with the SGA officers, we feel the position of editor should be filled by selection rather than vote. The position of editor is one which requires a lot of skill and know-how. One cannot, simply because he wants to be editor, walk into office and pick up its editorial responsibilities. The position itself is a difficult one even for editors who have had high school and college experience.

A mere amateur will have much difficulty unless he has a well experienced staff. Then too, this is not the answer. The editor is the backbone of a news-

paper and when all other staff members fail to report, it is the editor's responsibility to get the existing news. Even if an editor has a continuous source of news items, it will not be easy. It will not be easy because there are things like lay-outs and headline writing to be done by the editorial staff (those who know and understand the techniques). As editors, we know that this is not easy. It takes hours to lay out a newspaper properly.

Now, some advice to the amateurs, if you have never done it before do not seek the position of editor. The glory is miniscule and the salary is misleading — you receive pay on the basis of the number of issues published per semester. Now, do you still think you want to be editor. I think not!

## Watergate Unfolds

Not since the Tea Pot Dome scandal has the American government experienced such corruption. Like the little Dutch boy, Nixon stuck his finger in the dike to prevent Watergate from disturbing the "calm" waters of the White House. Fortunately for the American people (but unfortunately for Nixon), his efforts were fruitless.

Yet, there still seems to be some discussion among the public as to whether or not Nixon is actually involved in Watergate. That seems a rather strange question to raise when one considers that nearly everyone in the White House (except "maybe" the domestic help) is involved.

We contend that Nixon has two alternatives in the case:

## Save Black Schools

A recent cutback in federal funds dealt a severe blow to Black schools throughout the United States. This cutback necessitates a decrease in financial aid to students.

Without aid, Black students will not be able to attend school, and the Black school will eventually disappear due to lack of enrollment or a change in the color of the students enrolled. While many Black administrators prefer to play the ostrich (sticking their heads in the sand — denying the existence of the threat), Black schools have gone under. The Black people of America can not afford to lose such an important and influential social institution. We must fight

to preserve our schools and strive to reach and maintain standards that make them worth saving.

The latest tightening of the purse strings was only one in a series of tactics used in the dissolution of the Black school. Having lost so many battles has made the war harder to fight, but it must be won.

Join the army and save our schools! Free your mind so you can help free your people.

Take pride in your Blackness. It's there to stay!

Save Black schools. They're worth it. Organization is essential in any battle — especially ours.

## Letters to the Editor

To The Editor:

There are 165 courageous people at the Dow Chemical plant in Bay City which has been on strike for 14 months. They would like to enlist the aid of your newspaper and members of the student body so that we may survive. Dow Chemical is using its unlimited resources in an attempt to destroy us economically and eliminate the collective bargaining process of our Local Union which is 14055 of the United Steelworkers.

Many workers and their families have suffered unlimited hardships in the loss of income and personal property which they have had to sell in order to feed their families because Dow Chemical refuses to resolve an unjust labor dispute provoked by Dow Chemical and its local management.

In the interest of humanity we ask that you print this letter in your college paper and that the student body aid us by refusing to buy Handi-wrap plastic food wrap and Ziploc bags which are made at the Bay City plant.

If there are individuals or groups on campus who would like to aid us in this humane endeavor, please contact me at the address which is given below. We request that they boycott the above mentioned products which are produced by Dow Chemical in Bay City and by any other aid or activities which may aid our cause.

Thank you,  
Martin Schwerin  
401 N. Chilson St.  
Bay City, Michigan  
Local 14055

## Farewell

There is little need for a long, drawn out farewell from the News Argus editor. Therefore, there won't be one. However, I do feel the need to make a few parting statements.

Although holding the position has not been an easy task, I have enjoyed the editorship of the Argus for the last two years. During this time, the paper has begun to appear with some regularity. But, the battle is only half fought — not yet won. It must do more than appear. The paper must become not only the voice of, but an influential element to the WSSU student body and surrounding community. This is the challenge I leave to my successors. Make the News Argus a publication to be reckoned with — if not first among college papers, second to only a few.

Power to the pen. Write on!

—Marilyn Roseboro — Editor  
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## Where To Live in New York? Urban League Has Answers

Graduates of Black colleges who came to New York this year to accept jobs with major companies found unexpected help in locating a place to live.

Their employers referred them to a new housing program conducted by the Urban League of New York City and adjoining Westchester County.

This unique assistance program helps new staff members of over 40 companies find both temporary quarters and permanent apartments in New York City and the suburbs.

"When you're leaving home for the first time and going to a place as big as New York it's scary," Wanda Goosby says in describing her experience. After graduating from Florida A & M in June 1972, she visited companies in Chicago and several other cities to consider job opportunities. She raised the question of housing with all of them. When Haskins & Sells, a large accounting firm, asked her to join their firm in New York, she said she would need help in finding housing. They said that was no problem — they were part of the Urban League open housing program.

"Before I even came", she added, "The Open Housing Center in New York wrote to me and sent a lot of information about places to live in New York."

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## Eastern Offers Hosted Plan For Young Travelers

MIAMI, April 27, 1973 — Eastern Airlines is offering young adults a new answer to one of the major difficulties of summer vacation travel — a quick, easy way to find comfortable, reasonably priced lodging at their destination. It's a modern approach to an old institution, the youth hostel.

Starting in June and continuing through August, Eastern's Hostel Plan will offer accommodations at \$5.25 a night in university dormitories and selected hotels in 45 major cities throughout the U. S. as well as in Canada, Mexico, Jamaica and Puerto Rico.

Cities with Hostel Plan dorms or hotels include Los Angeles, San Francisco, Denver, Chicago, Boston, New York, Washington, D. C., Atlanta, New Orleans and Miami.

No reservations are necessary, for the Hostel Plan guarantees a place to sleep. In the event a dormitory is filled, a representative at the dorm will find comparable lodgings elsewhere at the same price.

Maurice L. Kelley, Jr., vice president —marketing services for Eastern, said "We're pleased to make our travel services for young adults more complete by offering reasonably priced lodging in addition to Eastern's Youth Fare. Eastern flies to many of the Hostel Plan cities and our Youth Fare provides discounts of about 25 percent from regular coach fare to anyone under 22 who has an Eastern Youth Card."

Use of the Hostel Plan requires the purchase of Bed Checks, available only from Eastern ticket counters or ticket offices. Each Bed Check costs \$5.25 and is good for one night. They're also available in books. If not all Bed Checks are used, they will be completely refunded.

Eastern ticket counters also have a brochure that lists all dormitories or hotels participating in the Hostel Plan. More information is available from Eastern ticket and reservation offices.

After arriving at your destination, just go directly to the dormitory or hotel and check in with the Hostel Plan representative. Those staying at the dorm also have free use of other university facilities, such as swimming pools, game and recreation areas and cafeterias.

For further information contact: Robert T. Raynesford — (305) 873-2352.



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