

Editorials

Proceed With Caution

These are dangerous times for you, Wesleyan student. There is an organized movement underfoot that begins April 12 and continues through May 15. As an active student on campus you are advised to proceed with extreme caution during this period.

Beware the Elections Committee; they will try devious ways and means to make you aware of the impending Spring Student Body Elections for class and S.G.A. officers. Don't let them trap you into stopping to consider possible candidates. If they get you thinking, you're lost to begin with. The trick is to outsmart them. Don't stop fighting until the bell rings May 15.

When you get up Thursday morning, April 12, go back to bed. Don't even go to classes. This is likely to be a rough day. But if you do forget and happen to stroll through the Administration Building, don't look at the bulletin board. If you do, you'll see a list posted of all those students who are eligible to become class officers or to hold positions in the Student Government Association.

If you succeed in avoiding this list, you'll have it knocked because you can always say that you can't nominate anyone on April 17 for the simple reason that you don't know who's eligible to run.

In case this little bit of strategy is anticipated and you end up in Assembly anyway—be nonchalant! Don't listen to the speaker because if you do he will have succeeded in letting you know that he is opening nominations from the floor for the principal officers of the S.G.A.—President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Chairman of the Student Life Association. Once you have sunk into this fatal attentiveness you might as well listen to the rest of the agonizing speech. He will continue to tell you that if these nominations exceed three, a plurality elimination vote shall be held which will limit the number of candidates to three. On April 27 the Student Body will vote by secret ballot for these offices. You'll want to miss it. In case no person receives a majority of votes, a run-off election will be held on Monday, April 30. Make a note of these dates because you, my friend, are going to forget to vote!

When Assembly is over, quickly leave. Make sure you engage in no conversations or debates on the qualifications of the different candidates. Don't take sides. Maintain your indifferent attitude. Always remember to play it cool.

Plan ahead of time for another skirmish with the enemy on Tuesday, May 1, when the nominations for the Chairmen of the Commissions—Athletic, Social, Publications, Inter-Faith, shall be made. Smile, whistle, hum—do anything but listen. If you do it will be explained that if the nominations exceed three, or after the plurality vote a majority vote will be taken and the person with the majority of votes will be elected.

For heaven's sake try not to understand what is going on! This will be a triumph for the enemy. After all they planned this for a little recreation for themselves since they have nothing else to do.

Don't loosen up a bit because: you're not safe yet. On Tuesday, May 8, nominations will be held for Class Officers in a class meeting. The manner of nominations will be determined by the individual classes. The election of Class Officers will be on the Monday following the day of nominations which will be May 14.

On the following Tuesday, May 15, they will be at it again. The classes will elect one representative each to the Athletic and Social Commissions. The manner of their election is to be determined by the classes but of course you had nothing to do with it.

If you can come out of this ordeal not having voted, your conscience will be clean. The responsibility for electing these officers will not have rested on your shoulders, no sir-ree! This is the time to start your campaign on the irresponsible student leaders.

Qualifications Listed

There will be a transition of officers in the Spring Elections this year. In the past two years basically the same students have held SGA offices.

We all know that electing officers is a serious business. One of the main reasons for early elections is to give the outgoing administration an opportunity to work with the new officers. Since a student may hold only one office at a time, the chain of elections has been set up in relative order of position so that candidates running for top positions, who are not elected, may run in subsequent elections.

This year since there will be this major change-over, it is important for every student to give careful consideration to the required eligible candidates for office. The following, issued by the Elections Committee, are the required qualifications for students running for SGA offices.

1. Interest and enthusiasm in organization.
2. Knowledge of parliamentary procedure.
3. Organizational ability.
4. Preferably, previous experience within the organization.
5. Person must have at least a 2.0 average to be eligible.
6. Only those students carrying 12 semester hours or more are eligible to hold any elected office.
7. No person may hold more than one elective office in the SGA.
8. No person on the Community Council may hold an elective office in the SGA.

Duties Of Principal Officers

President of Student Government Association:

1. To preside at all meetings of the Senate and Association.
2. To be the official representative of the Association at public functions.
3. He must come from the Junior Class.

Vice-President of Student Government Association:

1. To assume the responsibilities of the President when necessary.
2. To co-ordinate the work of the Commissions.

Secretary of Student Government Association:

1. To be responsible for keeping a record of the minutes of all Association and Senate meetings.
2. To act as historian for the As-

sociation and be responsible for all of the official records.

3. To notify Senate members of meetings and post notices of Association meetings.
4. To co-ordinate the correspondence of the Association and serve as general office manager for the Senate office quarters.

Treasurer of Student Government Association:

1. To be responsible for the financial and administrative records of the Association and Senate.
2. To be Chairman of the Finance Commission:

Chairman of the Student Life Association:

1. To preside at all meetings of the Student Life Association.
2. To call meetings of the Student Life Association when necessary.
3. He must come from the Junior Class.

Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor,

Three cheers to the Community Council and Student Government Association for holding the open meeting last week for residents of the Women's Dorm.

At last we are seeing proof of the Wesleyan spirit of action, and even more important we have been given an opportunity to prove to the community that we are mature and responsible students, able to govern and discipline ourselves with fresh attitudes and enthusiasm.

This is what we have been fighting for, collectively and as individuals. This is what we will achieve as responsible young adults!

Mary C. Hodgkin
Dorm Student

Freshmen Working On School Emblem

According to Walter White, treasurer of the Freshman Class, the project committee is waiting for a reply from the company on the possibilities of printing a cloth patch before the end of this semester. The exact pattern of the emblem hasn't been decided upon as yet, but it will contain the school's new mascot, the Wesleyan Bishop. The style will be similar to that of the official school emblem of John and Charles Wesley.

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