

Tired President Raps on Retirement

by Marianne Waters

It was a tired and disillusioned college president who faced EAGLE EYE reporters Monday afternoon to talk about his early retirement plans. "A lame-duck president isn't good for an extended period of time," commented Richard T. Parsons, the president of Lock Haven State College since 1942.

Parsons, who is retiring this August, a year earlier than expected, also stated that, "For the first time I felt that I could not communicate with certain students...There seems to be a great barrier between certain student leaders and their attitude toward my office."

Signs of fatigue

Parsons, showing obvious signs of fatigue, went on to add that, "I think the college should have some new president; I'm not getting along too well...and I just don't have the heart anymore...All my years I've been on

the vanguard of student activity but the students blame me for lack of rights."

Parsons, however, placed partial blame for his unpopularity on the faculty. He said, "Students are blaming



Richard T. Parsons

me when the committees (faculty committees with student representation) are formulated by the faculty...The faculty is to blame for not continuing the process of using students on committees, a process that had long been a policy at this institution."

Miller situation

When asked whether the Harry I. Miller (a faculty member dismissed last May) situation had had any connection with his early retirement, Parsons replied, "No, definitely not. It had nothing to do with my retirement, but it did have a great deal to do with the attitude of students toward my office."

Commenting extensively on the Miller situation, Parsons still clung to the idea that, "there was no careful evaluation of facts in the Miller case on the part of certain student leaders and faculty members." He also concluded that "there was a lot of emotional leadership and not truth...

I don't think very many people knew the real issues." He further stated, "the faculty never stood on their feet in times of crises to indicate what the administration has been like and what the relationship with students has been here."

Commenting on whether he will have anything to do with the election of the new president, Parsons stated, "I will not take part in electing my successor; I won't have anything to do with it." The college president also declared, "I don't expect to visit this college."

After his retirement Parsons plans to travel to Spain and Greece because he and his wife are interested in seeing a little more of the world. He jokingly commented that he is "not planning to write my memoirs or anything like that."

The soundest argument will produce no more conviction in an empty head than the most superficial defamation.



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Arab El-Okdah To Speak Here

Tomorrow, the social science international relations club will present Mahmoud El-Okdah, chief of research for the Arab States Delegations Office. The meeting will be held in the PUB at 7:30 p.m. The topic of discussion will center around the Arab-Israeli conflict.

Mahmoud El-Okdah, holds a B.A. and an M.A. degree in political science from Cairo University and is now a Ph.D. candidate in international relations at the University of Pennsylvania.

El-Okdah held a Fulbright scholarship the following year. In 1961 he was one of the students chosen to be a United Nations trainee during the summer.

From 1957 to 1960 El-Okdah worked as a reporter in Cairo for the newspaper Al-Akhar and the semi-monthly periodical El-Ahram (The Economist). He has been head of the research section of the Arab States Delegations Office since April 1964.

Every summer the Millbrook Playhouse furnishes room and board for the members of their company. During these months, however, Millbrook often has difficulty finding rooms. Therefore, to alleviate this problem Millbrook is looking for interested students or faculty who might be willing to sublet apartments during the summer months. In this way, members of the college would also be assured of having a place to live when they return in the fall.

Anyone interested in subletting his apartment should contact Vincent Stewart in Raub 303.

Chi Alpha to Organize

Tomorrow the students of LHS can help in the formation of the first Chi Alpha Chapter on campus. An organizational meeting, open to all interested students, will be held at 7:30 p.m. in room 121 of the Parson's Union building. Paul J. Westlocky, district C.A. president of the Assemblies of God, will be present to direct a group discussion of the aims and purposes of Chi Alpha. Social activities, including games and refreshments, are also planned.

Chi Alpha is a church related student-led movement depending on the responsible initiative of concerned students. The first college Chi Alpha fellowship was initiated in 1948 at Southwest Missouri State College in Springfield, Missouri. Since then Chi Alpha has sparked the interest of thousands of students so that today there are over 80 Chi Alpha groups on campuses throughout the United States.

Local efforts are geared to meet a threefold emphasis of worship,

training, and fellowship. With the assistance of a chaplain, Reverend and Thomas E. Cline of the Lock Haven Assemblies of God, the group plans to provide a full-gospel witness to the students on the LHS campus.

The immediate focus of Chi Alpha is every Christian student interested in the contemporary move of God's Holy Spirit. It has been estimated that over 90 percent of the college students in the U.S. have no active personal contact with the church. There is an urgent need for trained and effective Christian leadership today. Chi Alpha hopes to fill this need.

The name Chi Alpha is based on the words "Christou Apostolou" (Christ's Ambassadors). Chi Alpha is the name of the national organization. Each chapter, after organization, is issued its own Greek letter chapter name.

DID YOU KNOW THAT:

The first Roman Catholic priest to serve in Congress was Gabriel Richard, who served as a delegate from Michigan Territory in the 18th Congress, from March 4, 1823, to March 3, 1825.

The first university in the world was the University of Salerno, founded in the ninth century.

The first women's college in America was Mount Holyoke Seminary, South Hadley, Massachusetts, chartered in 1836.

Hey John Weigel of the English department—did you know that at Miami University of Ohio there is also a professor John Weigel (that's 'al') who is in the English department?? He recently presented a lecture on dirty books.



WATER AGAIN: The picture above shows the pump in front of Smith Hall which was temporarily installed to aid in the pumping of water to North and McIntire Halls. Both

dorms had been without water early last week because of a leak in a pipe near Boom Island.



CANCELLED
Alan Lomax,
folksinger,
will be
re-scheduled
for a
later date.

Humanities Film Series

RASHOMON

tonight 7:30 PUB

What's happening in Russell after hours?

Requiem for a Prerequisite

by Dick Wolfsie

AH, The prerequisite. The enigma of the American college student. Courses like English composition, European civilization, and freshmen biology (yesterday two girls fainted after dissecting a maple leaf) all plague today's young scholars. What IS the origin of the prerequisite? How do most colleges arrive at their choice of required courses? I disguised myself as an olive and slipped into a cup of coffee at a recent faculty meeting.

"Students must take English four. Learning how to footnote a secondary source, which was quoted from a text whose author is unknown, that got its information from a book whose author is not recognized by Bennet Cerf, is a vital part of growing up."

"NO, NO, you're all wrong. Every student must learn Russian. Russian, I say. Our young men and women must be able to speak the Russian so we can send troops to Moscow and prevent a Communist take-over."

"I agree. We must have Russian, but we need at least eight hours of intensive Chinese. That way, no matter who wins over there, we can't lose. Not only that, think how you'll impress your friends next time you eat at a Chinese restaurant."

"German!!!"

"French!!!"

"Yiddish!!!"

"NO, NO, you are all crazy. Students must have more humanities. I say nine hours of philosophy!!!!"

"Philosophy is no good. What in God's name can you do with philosophy. . . open a philosophy shop. We must have art, music. . ."

"We'll make you a deal. You give us 6 hours of Spanish and Old Greek, and we'll let you have all the appreciation courses you want."

"My God, has everyone lost their mind? We must think logically, rationally, we must not be led by bias. We must require witchcraft and sorcery."

"You're all nuts. How can man begin to understand the world, until he studies his own body. We must require the gross anatomy of the pelvis and perineum."

"No, the central nervous system."

"Head and Neck."

"Upper Extremities."

"Circumpolar regions."

"That's an anthropology course, you idiot. Has everyone gone loco? Where would man be without religion? We must require the Old Testament."

"The New Testament."

"The Talmud."

"As head of the anthropology department, I must say that anthropology should be required of every student. Everyone must take my course. In fact, sometimes when I look at my class, I think everybody does."

"Anthropology is no good. Man must study sociology. We must require every student to take juvenile delinquency and criminology. . . or something closely related -- like marriage and the family."

"I am amazed at my learned colleagues that they will not admit to themselves that English literature is by far the most fascinating and important intellectual endeavor. If it were not for Shakespeare's tragedies, comedies and errors, there would be little culture in the world."

"I'll trade you Shakespeare for Homer."

"I'll give you the romantic movement, for Victorian literature."

"I'll give you the American short story."

"I'll give you a punch in the nose."

"I'll give you a kick in the face."

"And I'll break every bone in your damn body."

"Gentlemen, gentlemen. Can't you stop those ladies from fighting? This bickering is getting us nowhere. We're mature, intelligent, rational individuals, so let's stop acting like teachers and get to work."

At this point I was forced to leave, but I want to reassure my readers that everything will work out for the best.

Taking into account the new pass-fail systems, large lecture classes with unlimited cuts, and the whole attitude of today's student, does it really matter what classes you don't have to go to.

—o p i n i o n , l h s—

To the editor:

In your publication of Feb. 2, 1970 you printed the following: "Tom Wolfe, parliamentarian, stated his view that 'this would be insulting to the faculty.'"

This statement is not correct. I was not especially concerned with the feelings of the faculty; I was referring to the students. I stated that I felt the 10% discount on books in the bookstore to faculty members would be an insult to the integrity of the students. I further commented that I felt that the 10% discount, while proposedly a gesture of good will might take the appearance of trying to "buy love". I further stated that I feel such a move seemed to emphasize rather than do away with the dichotomy between students and faculty which I feel must be bridged for more meaningful cooperation. This proposed bridging of the gap between student and faculty by a more general feeling of equality would not in any sense lessen feelings of respect. On the contrary it would lead to a better type or more profound degree of respect; that of a more personal

nature.

Perhaps I am being too sensitive. I would be eager to hear other comments (preferably from non-SCC Board members.)

Thomas Wolfe

To the editor:

It has been called to my attention that Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority has been advised by their advisor, Mrs. Martha Moore to ignore and discourage girls from a "certain geographical location" on campus from rushing their sorority. I realize, of course, that there are some girls who may not fit into a certain sorority, but isn't this the reason one holds rush--to determine where one feels most comfortable? No true Greek would allow hearsay or advice based on rumor to judge a girl before she knows her. A pre-judgement of this type is totally unfair and destroys the object of rush and the entire Greek ideal! Perhaps it is this type of action that gives "Greek" the unappealing name it has seemed to acquire lately. Therefore I ask out of concern for all Greeks on this campus, that everyone be given an equal chance from the beginning. In all probability the girls whom you wish to ignore would not want your sorority in the end. However a pre-judgement of the type displayed by this sorority is unnecessary and ignorant. I ask why a sorority of the quality of Tri-Sigma would allow such a thing to happen?

Name withheld for obvious reasons.

To the editor:

It seems that the sororities are having trouble recruiting pledges. It really is a pity you know, that this year many freshmen seem to have a mind of their own. In other words, they are independent thinkers, doers and do not wish to become a member of a select social group. That is to say a member of the very "elite" of Lock Haven State College!

But girls consider the advantages!

You can have 40 sisters! You can all wear the same dresses. Furthermore, you can all eat dinner together. When in need your sisters will be there to help--with 40 varying opinions!

Since I have portrayed such a pretty picture, I'm sure you're all ready to join so...RUSH RUSH RUSH GIRLS it will be the most unforgettable experience of your life.

GDI's Forever

I have learned to seek my happiness by limiting my desires, rather than in attempting to satisfy them.

John Stuart Mill

Friendship often ends in love, But love in friendship never.

Charles Caleb Colton

Our characters are the result of our conduct.

Aristotle

ROXY THEATRE

STARTS TONIGHT

The most explosive spy scandal of this century!

SHOWS AT 7 AND 9

ALFRED HITCHCOCK'S TOPAZ

IT'S GREEK TO ME

KAPPA DELTA RHO

Monday night Kappa Delta Rho elected new officers. They are: President, Larry Schubert; Vice President, Larry Shervanic; Pledge Master, Gene Taxis; Treasurer, Jim Molleca; Corresponding Secretary, Bruce Killefner; Secretary, Jim Adelsberger; Chaplain, John Rech; Centurian, Rich Seitz; Social Chairman, Tom Losch; Fire Marshall, Tom Losch; House Manager, Dale Goodreau; Intra-mural Chairman, Vic Campagna; Academic Chairman, Paul Mahoney; SCC Representatives, Larry Schubert, Steve Bedford and Mike McCorkle; and IFC Representatives, Larry Schubert, Dan Sheaffer and John Ripoli.

We would also like to congratulate the recently initiated brothers of KDR. The class included Scott Brooks, Mike Colligan, Dale Goodreau, Charlie Hower, Mark Hutti, Mike Longenberger, Paul Mahoney, Jim Rupp, George Sagan, Dan Sheaffer and Mike Shenkle. The Brothers recently decorated the Old Folks Home here in Lock Haven along with the Sisters of Alpha Sigma Tau. Even Santa Clause (Loshe) helped us!

SIGMA SIGMA SIGMA

The sisters of Sigma Sigma Sigma are very happy to welcome ten new sisters into their bonds. Initiated on Sunday, December 14, 1969 were: Anne Bagley, Susan Baum, Deb Davidson, Rosanne Farry, Sally Kidd, Susan Kodad, Wendy Martikes, Ruth Anne Schade, Ann Welsh, and Karen Wilt. Sally Kidd received the outstanding pledge award. All of them worked hard during the pledge period. The sisters want to thank them for the party Wednesday night, the favors, and the beautiful trophy case which was their pledge project. Congratulations to all of our new sisters.

We would also like to congratulate all the other girls who were initiated into the Greek world during the past week.

Best wishes to sister Diane

James on her marriage to George Yanzuk and to Julie Bell on her engagement to Carl Kirk.

ZETA TAU ALPHA

The sisters would like to extend best wishes to two of our sisters who have recently become engaged. They are Holly Arnold, engaged to Steve Kuneck, and Sandy Ross, engaged to John Tippett.

Our pledge class and the pledge class of Lambda Chi Alpha entertained at the Old Folks Home recently.

Several of our sisters displayed their aquatic talent in the Aquafins show, Mimi Kramer is the president, and Melody Valmont is the treasurer. Cathy Pelc is the student direr. Also appearing in the show were Karen Triel, Rosie Lehman, Barney Steffen, and Dottie Haas. Betty Jo Chitester, and Kathy Ranzinger helped with the production. The Aquafins did a very good job.

On December 8, at the Great Island Presbyterian Church, we initiated twelve new sisters. Betty Jo Chitester, a sophomore in liberal arts, chemistry, from Cochran; Sue Crowley, a sophomore in liberal arts, social service, from Pittsburgh; Dottie Haas, a sophomore in elementary, from Hatfield; Linda Harber, a sophomore in elementary, from Altoona; Andy Kesselak, a sophomore in elementary and math, from Johnstown; Pam Mock, a freshman in physical education, from Roaring Spring; Trice O'Brien, a freshman in secondary math, from Mohnton; Sandy Ross, a sophomore in elementary from Hawk Run; Sue Saylor, a sophomore in liberal arts, social science, from Somerset; Bobbi Slavin, a sophomore in elementary, from Indian Head, Maryland; Kerry Smith, a sophomore in secondary biology, from Oreland; and Margie Wolf, a sophomore in secondary English, from York. Kerry Smith was awarded the best pledge award. They held their Big and Little Sister party recently. Congratulations girls!

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Moe, you stand in Russell and watch the girls awhile. Larry, you go over to the PUB and get a cup of coffee. Curley, you amble around campus and look like you're sleep walking. All right men, Dismissed!

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