



Editorial

Traditionally, the editorial of the yearbook is a soft-hearted, meaningless bundle of post-effervescent "thank you's" designed to make everyone feel at least neutral, if not friendly. This one isn't!

This editorial is devoted exclusively to the now-infamous bulletin boards of the college. The bulletin board was the most often recurring item on the agenda of the Students' Representative Council meetings.

What is the purpose of the bulletin board? Everyone knows what a board is, and a bulletin, according to the dictionary, is an "official report regarding some matter of public interest." Therefore, one would rightly suppose that it was for informative purposes only.

Nevertheless, the college bulletin board this year became the battleground where personal, political, educational and religious battles were fought to the usual inconclusive end, where the underlying motive was to prove to everybody, including the individual responsible, that he was smarter, funnier, more intellectual, and generally superior to everyone else in the college. This involved a great waste of time and energy on the part of the person who felt morally bound to make clever comments on the posters and notices, and also on the part of the person who made poster or notice which was wrecked in the process.

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This disturbed several people, especially the S.R.C. It is the job of the S.R.C. to see that the activities of the students are organized and carried on properly. The bulletin board is often the only medium available to further this purpose.

As the year progressed, an unsettling fact became evident. It was obvious that many students were not reading the bulletin board regularly, if at all. This was often the only means of contact between the S.R.C. and the students. If it is to be useful, it must be used by everybody concerned.

The aforementioned battles, though frowned upon, bared another disturbing condition. Frequently, the illicit humor and attacks were mature and excellent in content, but were lost on the crowd of ignorants who happened to glance at the boards. A college is expected to contain students with a fair amount of intelligence. It jolts a person to find that many college students have neither intellect nor a sense of humor deeper than the comic book variety.

Efforts were made to stop this rather ridiculous waste of time and energy, but the S.R.C. was unequal to the task of stopping the behind-the-back poster markers, so they ignored it.

The bulletin board incidents showed the types of people who were in the college this year. There were a group of people who were in college for some inexplicable reason, who lived in a private world of disregard for everyone and everything but themselves. There was the group who came to college to learn, to grow in intelligence, to become mature. These were the activity supporters, who needed the bulletin board to know what was happening. Finally, the group of students who came to college with a "here-I-am-teach-me" attitude, who read the bulletin board with little interest and no understanding.

Too bad to find a college with an enrolment of one half machines, one sixth active, interested enthusiasts, and the remainder apathetic meatheads.

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