

Looking Up

by Frank Landis

What I'd like to know is what kind of an administration do we have. If I remember right, President Kennedy did a lot of griping about Ike's prestige and foreign policies in the 1960 election. Since that election, when the Kennedy dynasty and his theory-minded Harvard boys took over, we have crawled, backed, and stumbled into the most ridiculous posture this country has ever assumed.

The United States, the strongest country in the world, is now being mocked and intimidated by an arrogant, boastful communist dictator in Cuba.

Why do we put up with Fidel's ranting? Why don't we pluck this thorn from our thigh, this threat to our security?

One reason the administration gives, is that the United States would be acting as an aggressor nation. Evidently, they have forgotten the Monroe Doctrine.

Perhaps JFK should take a lesson in foreign policy from the Russians. When Hungary revolted, Nikita knew how to handle the problem, and forcibly. He moved in with tanks and infantry to brutally crush the revolt. Countries of the world cried "aggressor."

And where is Hungary now? In the communist camp.

Needless to say, when you're boxing, you're boxing, you don't wear kid gloves.

What is our policy toward Cuba? Do we have a positive one, or is just a matter of waiting for them to make the first move? Economic boycotts, and naval blockades have been brought up, but to what avail? It would seem that we are afraid of losing "friends" among our foreign neighbors. Maybe this notion that we have to be everyone's friend is costing us more than it's worth, both in taxes and in prestige. We pour millions of dollars in foreign aid into India every year, and yet who was the first country to slap our hand when we resumed nuclear testing?

Also, trying to be buddies with "the great neutralist", Nehru, might possibly have caused a small loss of prestige in Portugal. If I were Salazar, I would probably think twice before letting the United States renew their lease for military bases on the Azores.

While Fidel is waving a red flag at us, we are straddling a barrow afraid to move either way. Perhaps our troops belong in Cuba instead of Mississippi. Well, it's a thought anyhow.



Administrative Problems

To the Editor: I administrate a business with approximately 9,000 employees. With rare exception, around 6,500 of these may be characterized very similarly. As a group they have a tendency to great turn-over, and as individuals their interest in the company is minimal.

There are, on the other hand, around 2,500 workers at the plant, some in labor leadership positions, who are characterized by longer tenure and more interest in the affairs and image of the business.

As an administrator, however, my policy is to treat all of my employees, especially the 2,500, with general distrust, lack of confidence, and often animosity.

I have been told by my advisors that I should trust these people. I feel, however, that this would leave them free to run wild. My advisors in turn have told me that my reasoning is a result of being too remote from my employees (due to a recent reorganization). However, as you can see, this is ridiculous. After all, my office processes IBM cards on every one of these people at least twice a year.

My reason in writing is for some advice. I am trying to cut down on the amount of smoking that is going on at the plant and at the employees' parties,

because my business is such that it is in the public eye constantly. My advisors tell me that if I were to just place my confidence in the group of 2,500, they would recognize their responsibility and respond favorably. Of course, my idea is to threaten them with their jobs.

Since your paper deals with a similar problem, I wondered if you could tell me what to do.

Sincerely,
Ad Minny Distrust
(Editor's Note: I have read your letter several times and I think that I now understand what you are trying to say. I would suggest a transfer to another firm. I hear that there is an opening in a similar position for a man of your qualifications at the Ball State Firm, Muncie, Indiana.)

All Except Football

To the Editor: I was interested and amused by the comments of Jane Fishendon of London, after watching her first game of American football.

However, I wonder if she had "tongue in cheek" when she wrote of the huge "gods of strength," and compares them with "the mere weak and puny" footballers of England?

The latter play a different game, of course, called soccer, which has no quarters with only a ten minute interval, and lasts some 90 minutes (all continuous action). The selected team plays throughout with no substitutes and no time outs. If a player is injured, the rest of the team completes the game and very often wins.

So the question arises how these "gods of strength," who appear to

play about 10-20 minutes before going off to rest or take a dose of oxygen, would stand up to such a test of stamina.

What would Coach Devaney say if he was only permitted to take one team with him, even if it would be a considerable saving in the expense department during a w a y games?

I recall seeing my first game in the same stadium, some 14 years ago, and when asked for my impressions, I could only answer that I have witnessed and enjoyed a colorful spectacle, cheerleaders, a fine band, pop corn and hot dogs, in fact everything except a football game.

Sincerely,
Harold Hompes

Right of Free Association

To the Editor: It has been interesting to note in recent issues of the Rag several articles both criticizing and defending the Greek system. As a Greek, I would be the first to admit that our way of life is not all that it should be and I welcome any and all valid criticism.

However, I do not consider the article which appeared in Wednesday's Rag in the "Campus Forum" as being valid criticism.

I agree that a qualified Negro student, or Indian student or whatever he may be, should have an equal chance at the educational opportunities of a university. I am against segregation in schools, buses, or wherever the use of public services is concerned. But I maintain that I have the right of free association with whomever I please. If a group of men have similar ideals, do they not have the right to come together and say who can or cannot belong to their group? What is the right of free association?

Sincerely,
Warren Hill

The Gyre and Gimble . . .

The fact that Nebraska clobbered Michigan on Saturday will be of no importance this weekend. What really appears to be assuming major importance is the "fun and games" that took place on the mall Saturday morning. Wouldn't you say that it is "beneath the dignity" of a house president and a member of the high order of hooded, baldricked and red hondas to climb up a fire escape?

CENSURE HIM!
Is he not giving a bad example to the entire Greek system?

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Should he not be open to scathing criticism, since perhaps through this action he became an object of ridicule on the campus?

HUZZAH!
As long as the topic of beneath the dignity is under discussion, a few other comments, perhaps of some note, could be enumerated.

What could be more beneath the dignity of a sorority girl than sitting

down in a Monday, four o'clock Pannhellenic meeting and going from the insipid to the vapid each week . . . and in addition not particularly caring anyhow.

Would it perhaps not be a constructive suggestion that members of the group first censure themselves for their marvelous ability to continu-

ally lock the barn after the horse has been stolen, or the football centered, as it were?

In any event, the idle threat is one of the most marvelous means of getting nowhere fast.

It would appear that the most logical suggestion would be that the members of this group try to put a little faith

in their reason for being, and make the meeting more than a gathering who still haven't the foggiest idea where their TREASURY is. Don't worry, girls, you will find it, probably about the same time that they reinstate College Nites. Oh, shall it be a short life and a merry one! —m.s.

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SCHOOL IS FUN WITH THE RIGHT CLOTHES

There is much fashion to be seen within the portals of this establishment. The selection of which has been influenced by the preferences of gentlemen attending universities east and west, south and north. Each garment number of buttons, placement of buttons, texture, color and craftsmanship. Also correct to be seen is correct in cut, fabric, proportion, and the prices.

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