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DALLAS, TEXAS

October 7, 1970

Shared Authority Governance's Goal

By Joann Harris

A year-long study that began with the President's conferences of June and July, 1969, produced the new governance plan as adopted by the Board of Trustees last May. Assuming that "the only valid test for any system of University Governance is the degree to which it advances the educational views of the University," the plan idealistically seeks a visible, far-sighted, self-renewing system, based on the proposition that decision-making itself is an educational experience.

All this rhetoric means that beginning in September students, faculty, and administrators share the accountability for governing Southern Methodist University. Much of the day-to-day labor will be done by the same personnel, some with different titles in the same jobs; many of the same committees will continue to make decisions and policies as they have in the past.

But the informal process -- and the people who create the process -- will be responsible to vastly different governing bodies that answer, in turn, to more broadly-based (Cont'd page 4)



Bush Begs Ballots

Touching a wide range of topics, GOP Senatorial candidate George Bush presented his views to SMU last Monday afternoon. John Stone reports, page 3.

Law Reps Elected

In elections completed on September 23, the first year class elected three representatives to the Student Bar: Fred Biery 691-5914 Mike Chitty 691-0234 Chris Jameson 691-8405 First year students with any questions, problems, or complaints should contact them. E.J. Block and Steve Buholz were elected to the SMU Governance Committee and Joann Harris to the University Assembly. ALL FIRST YEAR STUDENTS WHO HAVE NOT TURNED IN THE SMALL, PASSPORT-TYPE PHOTOS TO MRS. MORRIS, PLEASE DO SO AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IN ORDER TO COM-PLETE THE FILES. NO GRADES WILL BE ISSUED TO STUDENTS WITH INCOMPLETE FILES.

October Calendar Busy, Varied

7	Esquire Week contin- ues	12	Practice Exam - Con- tract 4:00 p.m.
7	Faculty meeting	12-14	
7	Law wives meeting		for Block Seating at
7	SwLF Short Course on		Rice Game. SBA office
	Fed Taxation Cont.		8-12 noon
7	Phi Delta Phi Contracts	12-16	
	review session, Room		PAD buses to Rice
	207F, 1:00 p.m.		Game. Buses available
8	SBA Speakers Forum -		for entire student
	Lloyd Bentsen - 1:15		body. \$1.75 per per-
	p.m., Lawyers' Inn		son - FREE BEER!
9	SBA Beer Bust 2:30		Contact Gary Huselton
	p.m., Glenco Park;		at 528-1055 or Bob
9	Spittoon Bowl - PAD		Carter at 691-4158
	vs Phi Delta Phi,	14	Phi Delta Phi Crimes
	3:00 p.m., Glencoe		Review Session, Room
	Park		207F, 1:00 p.m.
10	Texas-OU Game	15-16	
	Phi Delta Phi-TV		Institute
1.0	Party for Game;	16	_
10	SBA Esquire Dance,		Rice Game - SBA Office
	Marriott 9-1	16-17	
12	SBA Meeting - SBA		Ailing Business
	office		(Cont'd page 4)

Polution Personified

Positive law must move toward humanization. Unfortunately, existing, archaic and oppressive laws result in dehumanization -- abortion laws in particular. This strangling of freedom of choice is another paradox in the American way of life.

Thanks to New York state, changes may occur. The Oct. 5, issue of Newsweek reports favorable statistics on abortion in N.Y. City since July 1, at which time the law was liberalized. Now any woman may obtain an abortion for any reason up to the 24th week of pregnancy, providing the operation is administered by a physician. Over 20,000 abortions have been performed with only four deaths resulting since July 1, (two attributable to serious illnesses). Once past the initial trauma which always sets in when the pendulum swings in the opposite direction, the sailing will be smooth.

For years, women plagued by unwanted pregnancies, have sought answers for their problems in vain. For a world already as polluted by population as other unnecessary debris, the answer is obvious -- ABORTION, NOW.

--fbv

Proposals Given to City Officials

(Editor's note: Following is the parking proposal of Dale Lyndon Gross submitted to the City Commission of University Park, Texas, October 5, 1970.)

1. All parking on the east side of Hillcrest Avenue between Daniels and Dyer should be limited to three or four hours, instead of the 2-hour limits now imposed.

2. Parking on Rosedale between Hillcrest and Airdale, on Haynie between Hillcrest and Thackery, on University Blvd. between Hillcrest and Thackery, on McFarlin Blvd. between Hillcrest and Thackery should be either unlimited or changed to four-hour limits. (Frankly, we all admit that these are heavy student parking areas. Why not set the limits realistically, so that the students can legally park from 8 a.m. until noon, during which time most classes are in session?)

3. The police should be instructed by the City Commission to allow at least a ten-minute period of grace on all limited parking areas. (The reason for this is that most students are really conscientious, and do watch their time closely. It is possible, though, for the most conscientious student to be caught by a policeman who comes back exactly two hours - to the minute - after he had marked the cars.) EVERY MAN DESERVES A BREAK!

4. We citizens of University Park must remember that "the spirit of the law" in regard to parking reulations is to insure that everybody from the homeowner to the student to the customer has adequate space to park. They are not intended to make a profit for the City.

5. The parking areas on the east side of Hillcrest Avenue

5. The parking areas on the east side of Hillcrest Avenue specified in Item No. 1 above should not be enforced on Saturday and Sunday (to allow Law Students to stay in the Law Library all day, if necessary).

from the SBA desk...

It is nothing short of ridiculous that law students must park four blocks from school, when multilevel parking structures could easily be built across the street from the law school, as well as at other points on campus. What prevents this convenient and modern solution is a City of University Park zoning ordinance which outlaws these structures. The glut of parked cars has seriously congested neighboring streets and has created an endless and needless nuisance for local homeowners.

The time has come for a change in the law. One practical test of the value of the legal education we have been getting is how well it has prepared us to negotiate and solve a local community problem like this one. This is a perfect opportunity to use the skills of diplomacy and legal maneuvering. The first step is to formulate the best possible plan of action to alert the mayor and city council to this problem.

If you like the challenge of real-life problem solving, come to the SBA office for our meeting on this subject: Monday, October 12 at 12:15 p.m., and get involved in this effort.

> Mike Poynor, President

To the Editor:

We wish to express our support for the forwardlooking concern of Al Ellis and Richard Grisham. Those who are concerned not only with "social justice" in some abstract sense, but also with the concrete realization of human potential in this and every other nation, believe that all persons who are innately capable of success in a particular field should be sought out by those who make a business of preparing individuals for careers in such fields, i.e. by trade schools, universities, professional schools -- regardless of social or economic difficulties which may have limited the

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Senate Hopeful Explains Issues

By John Stone

Commenting on suggestions that his senatorial opponent was surrounding himself with LBJ proteges to capitalize on the former president's popularity, U.S. Rep. George Bush lashed out: "The tired old faces of the Democrats are getting out their tuxedoes now at rallies. A friend told me it may get the penguin vote, but that's all."

The Houston oil magnate brought his quest to SMU Law School Monday afternoon, hoping to pick up support to edge out Democratic contender Lloyd Bentsen in the Nov. 3 Senate contest for the seat about to be vacated by veteran politico Ralph Yarborough.

Bush added that he didn't think his fellow Houstonian, Bentsen, was necessarily a captive of LBJ's forces but that, "Those old faces from the old establishment don't scare me."

"Democrats have historically associated themselves with change," he said. "But those days are over. We can't be satisfied with old programs that have been tried and don't work.

Moving to the Middle East crisis, Bush told his audience of 150 that one result of the upheaval will be a re-evaluation of United States naval strength. He then jumped to the construction of Soviet nuclear submarine bases in southern Cuba, emphasizing that the Kennedy version of the Monroe Doctrine instituted in the early sixties to deter Soviet nuclear presence in the Caribbean should be affirmed and enforced by the Nixon Administration.

He called the President's committee report on campus disorder a "positive" force in urging better communications between the

administration and campus dissidents, "and I think the President set the tone for greater dialogue with his speech at Kansas State."

"Agnew isn't polarizing the country with his rhetoric now," said the Republican senate hopeful. "But I'm not primarily concerned with the question of polarization in this campaign."

"We should take care of the senility question in the judiciary by requiring judges to retire at the age of 65," he offered, insisting, "I think this method is better

an having a political review of the judiciary."

Aware of his opponent's sweeping plans for judicial reform, Bush concurred that he agreed with U.S. Chief Justice Burger's suggestion that speedier due process is needed.

The Nixon favorite opposed the concept of a guaranteed annual income, stressing that revamped welfare measures he supports call for requiring recipients to register for work and to take work offered them in order to remain eligible for welfare programs, if they are able to work. "Not everyone on welfare is abusing the system, but those who are able to produce need incentives," he observed.

He stated that his welfare stance also includes (See next column) expansion of day care centers for working mothers and enlarged vocational educational programs.

"Most people equate conservatism with racial matters, but my conservatism concerns mostly fiscal matters, although I do feel that busing should not be used merely to achieve racial balance," he argued.

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previous achievements of an individual. It is the business of the schools to seek out talent, whatever obstacles might stand in the way of the search. To fall back on "defense of the standards" is to opt for convenience, certainty, ease, and to ignore the pressing requirements of a world which is going to need all its citizens and all their talents to create a viable future for mankind.

The present response of American society to the questions raised by Messrs. Ellis and Grisham remind us of a fellow in Indiana who carelessly broke the leg of a man he was to run a footrace against and then protested bitterly when it was suggested that his opponent be allowed to use a cane.

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constituencies. Hopefully such a system will better advance the interests of the whole University as well as providing the fresh ideas and new faces that were missing from the former establishment.

As a representative to the University Assembly from the Law School, I will serve both in the Assembly and as a student member of one of its standing committees. These include 1) University Libraries, 2) Student Center, 3) University Facilities, 4) Student Activity Fee, 5) University Convocations, 6) Communication within and beyond the University, 7) Financial Aid to Students, 8) Safety and Security, 9) Orientation of New Students. As policy-making bodies, these committees work generally with one or more administrative staff members responsible for the implementation of the decisions of the standing committee as approved by the Assembly.

The 18 student members of the Assembly will also serve along with the elected students on the Planning and Priorities Cabinet and the Advisory Boards to the Provost and the Vice-President for Student Affairs to comprise a 32 member student caucus. The rules and policies for this group are yet to be decided. Its major responsibilities now include the administration of student elections and the allocation of the funds assigned to student groups from the Activity Fee. A similar body will be elected by the General Faculty to exercise the powers formerly delegated to the Faculty Senate.

Obviously, it cannot be said that any one of these groups is "like the old Student Senate" or "takes the place of the old Faculty Senate committees." Some of the powers groups is "like the old Student Senate" of the old senates now rest in the Assembly; some are reserved to the caucus of each constituency group. The longest step forward, however, is the breadth of responsibility delegated to the 41 member University Assembly. In the first weeks of the semester, the Assembly has a huge task merely fixing procedures and making committee appointments. Hopefully it will subsequently prove its effectiveness in dealing with the issues it will soon face.

Next issue:

- 1) the relationship of the Assembly to academic governance of the schools.
- 2) the relationship of the Assembly to Law School governing bodies.

the little things

by Al Ellis

Hardly a day passes that one can't pick up the news-paper or turn on the boob-toob without being lambasted with all the major problems of the world: WAR, POLLUTION (political and environmental), INFLATION. The list goes on forever. Needless to say, the important people are worried about these problems. Vice-President Agnew is worried that his Webster's Dictionary will not last him throughout the campaign and is seriously considering a switch to the Oxford. Mr. Kuntsler is worried that all the people won't get out of the building before he decides to burn it down. Sen. Fulbright is worried about the fact that President Nixon is not letting him run the world as it ought to be run. Mrs. Mitchell is trying to decide whether to run on the American Party ticket in 1972.

As all these major problems are worried over, debated, regurgitated and devoured again, the lonely little law student wonders who is going to take care of the little things. (See next column)

LITTLE THINGS, cont'd

Who is going to turn up the temperature in library South Pole and North Pole? Who is going to refund the dime he lost as his coffee dribbled out of the vending machine looking for the cup that never showed up? Who is going to see that the undergrads don't park in the law school spaces? (All ten of them) Who is going to see that the Xerox machines work on weekends or that the library has change available to make them work?

Perhaps we should have an Assistant Dean for Little Things. After all, last year we had an Assistant Dean in-charge-of-making-surethe-blackboards-in-Florence-Hall-had-enough-chalk-onthem. Of course since that time a lot of little assistant deans have vanished from the scene so perhaps such an appointment would not be economically feasible. So, when ten or 20 students fall asleep in front of the coffee machine waiting for the hot water to turn to coffee, and when half the law school freezes to death in South Pole, and when the little things become the important problems of the world, then perhaps the little old law student will have his little problems solved in some small way.

CALENDAR, from page 1

SMU-PLI Estate Planning & Will Drafting

17 LSAT

17 SMU vs Rice - Cotton Bowl. Buses leave in front of library at 5:30 p.m. Game at 7:30 p.m.

19 SBA Meeting - SBA

Office

19 Practice Exam -Crimes, 4:00 p.m.

21 Phi Delta Phi Property Review Session, Room 207F, 1:00 p.m.

ESQUIRE WEEK DANCE "The Novas" BYOB Thru Wed. \$4 couple. After, \$5

A JOINT VENTURE

By Harry L. Najim

and

Peter A. Lesser

I have coopted the services of my unmilitary advisor and defender of the realm, Brother Lesser in an attempt to out-Spiro Agnew. A man of finite wisdom, Mr. Agnew has graced the daily newspapers and news reports with his five to ten syllable euphenisms specifically directed against those who criticize administration policies. His latest adventure in the land of semantics has resulted in the formulation of a new breed of politicos. Mr. Agnew labels these individuals as "Radic-libs" -- those he accuses to be responsible.

sible for all domestic violence, all social ills and the Revolution.

The "Radic-lib" was "conceived in censorship and repression and dedicated to the proposition that all people to Spiro's left are undoubtedly enemies of the Crown" -- Hail King Richard! Newton's laws of motion are relevant to the politics of today in that we may readily see that "for every action there is an opposite and equal reaction." Hence, the obvious conclusion, at least to the liberal mind, would be the formulation of a Grand Alliance between those great American Organizations which represent the highest in American ideals including: the American Legion, John Birch Society, D.A.R., the K.K.K., and the Minutemen (sorry if we left out your favorite). This organization will hereinafter be referred to as "Reac-Conservs" (patent pending).

The Founding Fathers of this stellar organization, who one day hope to edit the Constitution and delete those liberal creations known as the Bill of Rights and Due Process of Law, will represent all four sectors of the nation in a nonpartisan effort. The nominees from the West include: early favorite Senator Barry Goldwater from Arizona; sentimental favorite of late show fans Governor Reagan; and dark horse candidate (no Peter we're

not calling you a Black) Senator Dominick of Colorado.

The nominees from the South include: that illustrious stump of a politician, the honorable John Tower of Texas; former presidential hopeful (and we hope that's all he ever is) George Wallace of Alabama; and that old ax handle himself, Lester Maddox of Georgia. The contenders from the East are: running as a team, Attorney Generalisimo John Mitchell and the lovely Martha; William F. Buckley Jr., fresh from the firing line; and last but not least, our beloved Spiro, who needs no further introduction. From the North, in an unusual turn of events, Mayor Richard Daley of Chicago, who had his police club all other contenders, is therefore running unopposed.

One more category must be mentioned and that is "Honorary Founding Father" of all these United States. The nominees include, that perennial nomad Richard the First and our previous emperor who has permanently been put out to pasture at his ranch in Texas. In the next issue, the winners will be announced and awards will be presented. Losers will

be given seats on the Bored of Directors.

The list is, unfortunately, endless and we have tried to chose the best of the worst. If we have overlooked your favorite or someone who deserves special recognition, there is always next year. Tune in next issue, censors permitting, for the returns of this very exciting race. Sorry, but according to the Reac-Conserv Constitution, you can't vote.