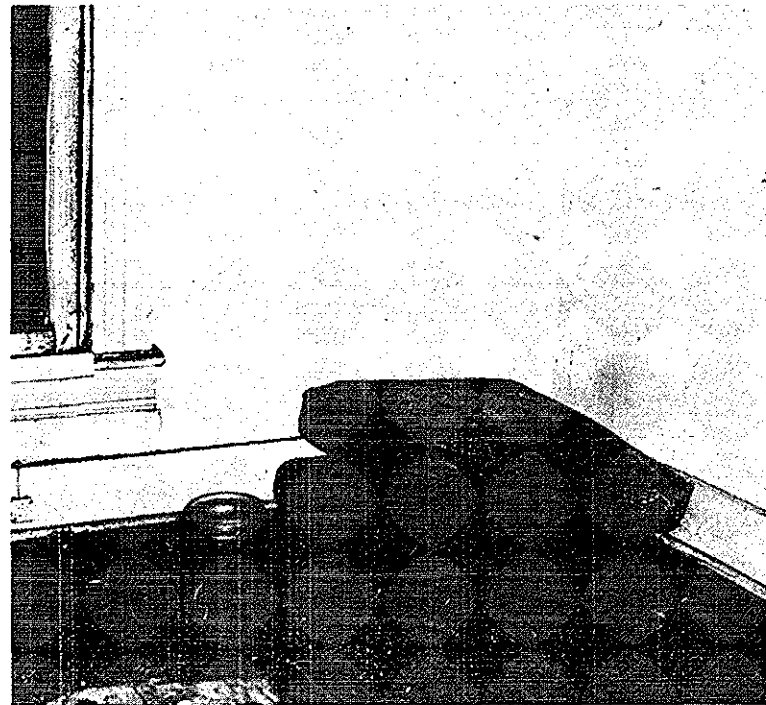


Landlords, Students Clash on Housing



This dirty, old Appalachia scene is less than a mile from campus . . . in someone's living room.



A room-for-rent sign shares a place with a broken window.

City, School Gets Complaints

By BEN HAYEK
and NEIL ALTMAN

Student complaints about off-campus housing in recent months have been on the rise. The dissatisfaction ranges from rats to landlord demands.

The problem of adequate student housing is not new to the University. However, students recently have taken advantage of the community's involvement in urban renewal and have voiced their opinions and demands for changes. The problem has been voiced from the offices of city officials to the cafeteria, but it seems that little is being done.

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LaRue Reinstated At Chair



Last week, the Jambar ran a story on the rock in the Kilcawley Courtyard which has always been ignored. It is no longer ignored.

Executive Committee Says No Dismissal

Student Council president Jim McBride announced at the 3 p.m. meeting Friday that his executive committee had voted to not remove Denny LaRue from council or from his position as chairman of the Constitution Committee.

LaRue was reinstated as chairman at the meeting of the committee at 2 p.m. Friday, one hour before the council meeting. The decision to not allow any discussion of the issue or any motions asking for the impeachment had also been made at that meeting.

LaRue had been suspended as chairman three weeks ago, pending investigation of charges made against him by some 600 students who signed petitions saying he was incompetent.

The petitions were circulated by Theta Chi fraternity after LaRue told the Jambar that he was going to recommend Theta Chi and about 25 other organizations for inactivity for failure to compete annual report forms.

Councilman Bill Gillota, who last week had made a motion asking for LaRue's removal, was not present at the meeting.

McBride said the decision had been reached when the committee decided that "at no time"

had LaRue acted in a way which would "warrant his dismissal."

McBride also announced that the investigating committee of the executive cabinet, headed by Duane Karr, had found no grounds for the impeachment of Jambar editor Jack Murphy and that no action would be taken against him at this time. Petitions asking for Murphy's removal had been circulated at the same time as the petitions against LaRue.

The investigating committee had made a report last week recommending that LaRue be permitted to retain his seat on council but that he be permanently removed as chairman.

LaRue told the Jambar that McBride had told him of his reinstatement after the regular council meeting. He also told LaRue at that time that he had been personally in favor of replacing him as chairman but the committee had voted otherwise.

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183 At Circle K Convention

Nearly 200 delegates from 32 colleges and universities invaded Youngstown last weekend for the largest Ohio District convention of Circle K, service fraternity.

Jim Sanko, organizer of the convention for the local club, said that 183 delegates had come to YU for three days of symposiums, caucuses, contests, lectures and speeches.

The YU chapter was judged best chapter in Ohio for an unprecedented third straight year. They also won third place in the scrap book competition and second place in the single service project. The project was the Pennsylvania manhunt for the father of a YU football player.

Donald Teasley, director of Circle K, was among the people from the international's Chicago headquarters who were in attendance. Two trustees also attended the meetings, Jim Giardot and Richard Fietag.

The locals, cited for having contributed 7,800 manhours of service to the school and the community, hosted the second convention to be held in Youngstown. The first was in 1958.

The delegates stayed at the Valley Park Motel and the conferences took place in the motel, the planetarium in Beecher Science Building and Kilcawley Student Center.

Johnston Mails Questionnaire

Howard Johnston, senior class president announced last week that he intends to mail out to seniors a questionnaire on a number of topics, including the proposed senior class gift.

A class meeting last Wednesday which attracted only 40 seniors caused Johnston to decide to take this new action. The class was expected to vote on the proposed gift of a giant penquin; however, Johnston said that he wanted at least 80 seniors to vote before accepting the gift.

The main speaker for the weekend was Dr. Harry Wanamaker, superintendent of the Youngstown city schools and the president of the Downtown Kiwanis organization, the sponsor of the YU chapter. In his talk, Dr. Wanamaker stressed the importance of every one developing a name as an individual.

Ronald Reinky of Wilmington College was elected state governor of the Ohio district, Joseph

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Hitchcock Is Neon Editor

John Hitchcock, junior-business, was named editor of the 1968 Neon at the Friday Student Council meeting.

Hitchcock, a member of Tau Epsilon fraternity, is a Student Council representative from business. He held council that he intended to use a greater amount of color in the new book by submitting pictures earlier than usual. This would lower the price, he said, allowing more use of color.

He said he was a member of the staff for the past year, had a 3.5 accum and had taken courses in advertising layout. He

had also edited his high school yearbook, he claimed.

Jerry Singer, the present editor, recommended Hitchcock to the council as his successor. He said Hitchcock had worked many hours on the present yearbook and was well qualified for his position. Hitchcock ran unopposed.

Student Council also began discussion of changes in the voting regulations which would per-

mit the polling places to be moved from the present Strouss Auditorium site to the cafeteria, which council has been considering the move.

The proposed amendments include the changing of terminology in regulations governing formal campaigning areas and the definition of formal and informal campaigning.

SC did not consider a bill recommending Ken Kendall, junior-liberal arts, and Ben Hayek, junior-liberal arts, as managing

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LaRue said he has not decided what action he would ask Council to take concerning the groups which did not turn in their report forms. SC had not acted on them at the time of LaRue's suspension and has not acted on them since.

The chairman said his committee would probably devise some recommendation by the next Council meeting.

John Hitchcock Is Neon Editor

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editors of the Jambar. The recommendation was made by the Student Faculty Publications committee on March 8 and has been put before Student Council by Iona Johnson, activities chairman.

Jim McBride, SC president, told council that the bill had not appeared before the steering committee on the Wednesday before the meeting, and he didn't know where it was.

The chairman of the publications committee, Assistant Dean S. I. Roberts, received a letter from McBride March 13, the Monday before the council meeting, in which McBride said that the recommendation of the Publications committee was a violation of procedure and he would not allow council to entertain a motion on the acceptance of the two students as managing editors until the publications committee would withdraw their recommendation.

Circle K Hosts 183 Conventioneers

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Dennig of Ohio State University was named state secretary and John Bonner of Capital University was elected treasurer. Gary Everhardt of Kent State University was named lieutenant governor of Division Three, the north-eastern Ohio district to which YU belongs.

Rio Grande College took first place in the scrapbook competition and Ashland College had the best single service project.

Book on Dylan To be Published

A photography journal of the young American poet-folksinger Bob Dylan will be published this spring.

The book written by Daniel Kramer is a first hand account of Dylan's life and contains some 150 photographs. In order to write this book Kramer took a one year leave of absence from his professional life.

There was some speculation whether Dylan would let the book be published, but the courts upheld that the public was entitled to have a book on the life of one of America's great folksingers.

Kramer states in the text that his purpose was "an attempt to document Dylan; who he was, what he was doing; and to make this documentation available to the public at large." Copies are available from Kramer Books, Box 51, Midtown Station, N. Y. 10018.

Coast Guard Wants YU Seniors For OCS

The U. S. Coast Guard has invited all YU male seniors to attend their officer candidate school.

The 17-week course begins each September and February at Yorktown, Va. Graduates are commissioned as ensigns and serve for three years, fulfilling their military obligation.

All applicants are notified of acceptance by OCS before enlistment. For further information, write to Commandant, U. S. Coast Guard Headquarters, Washington, D. C. or see the Coast Guard recruiter in the Post Office Building downtown.

Nolen Wins

Howard Nolen, Zeta Beta Tau Fraternity, was crowned Topsy Turvy King at the annual Sigma Sigma Sigma dance at Strouss Auditorium. Nolen and his brothers collected \$490 to qualify for the crown.

Concert Monday

The Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia Jazz Concert will be held at 8 p.m. Monday in Strouss Auditorium. The program will feature the Sinfonia Jazz Band, under the direction of Orlando Vitello, and the Four Sounds from Kent State U. Admission is \$1.00.

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Behen Gives Up History Chair

Dr. David M. Behen, chairman of the history department since 1956, has retired from the chairmanship to devote full time to teaching.

Hugh G. Earnhart, assistant professor of history, will serve as acting chairman. The history department has recommended that a search be conducted outside the university for a new chairman.

Dr. Behen came to the university in 1954. A native of Cloverport, Ky., he received his Bachelor of Philosophy and Doctor of Philosophy degrees from the University of Chicago with additional graduate study at Harvard University.

Prior to joining the YU faculty, Dr. Behen was an instructor at Knox College, lecturer at the University of Chicago, and a teacher in a number of public schools in Kentucky.

He was appointed chairman of the history department in 1957 and named a full professor in 1958. His major field of specialization is American Economic History and Political Theory. In 1964 he was named a Walter E. and Caroline Watson Foundation Distinguished Professor.

A native of Urbana, Earnhart

graduated from Bowling Green State University and received his Master of Arts degree from the University of Maryland where

Webster Retires From Biology Chair

Willard L. Webster, chairman of the biology department, athletic director and trainer, has resigned the biology chairmanship to devote full time to athletic programs. He will continue as biology chairman until a successor is named.

Webster started at YU as an athletic trainer in 1938. He was appointed as a biology instructor in 1939 and in that year established the pre-medical program at the University. From 1942-44 he was assistant professor and chairman of the biology department and from 1944 to 1947 was chairman of the physical education department.

Webster was appointed as director of athletics in 1945 and was made an associate professor of biology in 1950. He became acting chairman of the biology department in 1964 and was made head of that department in 1965.

A native of Ambridge, Pa., Webster attended the public

Chapel Today

An ecumenical release chapel will be held at 9 a.m. today in St. John Episcopal Church. The Rev. Anthony Esposito, Catholic Chaplain, be the main speaker.

he has done additional graduate work. Prior to joining the YU faculty in 1964, he was a graduate assistant at the University of Maryland.

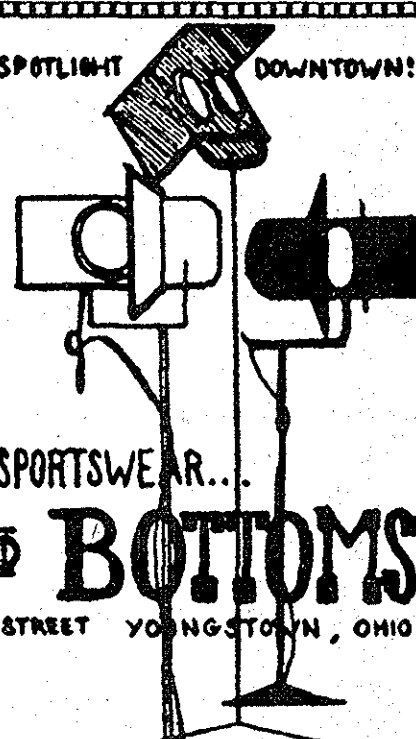
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Classmate of the Week



Coleen Morrison

WAC Seeks YU Coeds

The United States Women's Army Corps is offering a program for college juniors, designed to give opportunity to see what the Army is like.

A four week vacation with pay, during the summer between her junior and senior years, will give the college woman an insight into Army life. This orientation takes place at Fort McClellan, Alabama. The Army pays for transportation to and from Fort McClellan, plus room and board while there. This is in addition to a base pay of \$168.

At the completion of this program the "cadet" is under no further military obligation. She does, however, have the option of applying for the Army Student Program, whereby she will receive \$300 a month during her senior year. After graduation she is commissioned a second lieutenant in the active Army, with a commitment to serve two years as an officer.

Applicants are currently being accepted for the 11th Annual College Junior Program to be held in July. Interested college women may obtain additional information from any United States Army recruiter.

Military Ball Queen

Applications Due March 28

Women who are interested in being candidates for the Military Ball Queen must fill out an application in the Dean of Women's office before March 28.

Coeds must have at least one year of school remaining and be in good scholastic standing. The queen will be selected by cadets

from the advanced corps at a reception at 8 p.m., March 30 at Pollock House. She will be announced at the ball.

The ball, which is sponsored by the military science department, will be held April 8 at Stambaugh Auditorium.

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MISINFORMED

Student Council President James McBride last week took issue with the Student-Faculty Publications Committee, charging that a routine decision by that group "constituted an attack upon the limited sovereignty of Student Council."

The crux of his complaint was that the committee accepted two students for the positions of managing editors of the Jambar and recommended this decision to Council for approval. McBride, however, charged that this was a "violation of procedure committed by people who should have known better." He claimed in a letter to the committee chairman that "standing policy" is for Council to recommend to the committee and not as the reverse.

It is perfectly understandable that a misinformed president, who perhaps did not take the time to investigate past procedure or the Student Council Constitution itself, could be angered by such an outright "attack" on his, or rather Council's, "limited sovereignty."

Indeed, it has been past procedure that the committee work both ways; in fact two of the last five Jambar editors were approved by Publications committee and then sent to Student Council.

The president also said, at the Student Council meeting that he was not going to allow people to "get away" with that which had been done before. Apparently this officer has forgotten about the legal theories of precedent, that is to say prior interpretation of the law. The law, in spirit, says the people must be approved by both, but puts one before the other seemingly because this would be an easier method. The council meets more often than the committee.

The president then, for the purpose of enlightening the faculty of Council procedures, explained that the names should have been placed before Council and if approved, he then would adopt or veto the resolution, and send the decision to the committee for approval.

However, the president chose not to permit Council the right even to vote on the question and then submit it to the sovereign executive and his obliging Executive Council for an expert decision.

He concludes his letter: "I, for one, have no intention of permitting Council to approve either of these gentlemen for their respective positions until such time as the Student Faculty Publications Committee revokes the motion which was approved last Wednesday."

It is indeed curious that the president, perhaps slightly confused by this obvious "attack" on HIS Student Council, chose to commit the same error that he is accusing the joint committee of committing—a violation of procedure.

In this instance the president, instead of vetoing or signing a bill which has gone through council, has vetoed a bill before it has gone through council. This puts the president on the enviable position of having a rubber stamp council which will submit for his approval only that which he has already approved. It eliminates the necessity of publicly vetoing legislation which he has given to him.

It is obvious that, with this power, the president would be a fool to allow legislation which he did not like to appear before the council. With this method he saves the students a great deal of time in which two votes by council would be needed to approve bills the president does not like; first the original vote and then the vote to override the veto. This way there simply is no vote and, is no law.

An executive branch of student government is in theory an excellent idea. A system of checks and balances which a multiple branch system affords offers a great deal to the students in the way of safety. The present system allows nothing of the sort. The president runs both branches of council at the same time. He decides which laws will be voted on, runs the voting branch and runs the branch which enforces his laws. He has become the only lawmaker.

Students must wonder about a government which puts this kind of power in the hands of one man: he spends \$55,000 a year. This system should be fully explained, the students told where the power lies and then a referendum be taken during a voting period. We shall be happy to fulfill the information part of this suggestion, but the president, unfortunately, also holds the power over the elections. This reeks of tyranny.

Dilapidation . . . From Top To Bottom



The new housing is in bad condition from the chimney . . .

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to raise standards. Student complaints cover nearly all areas from health and living conditions to exorbitant rental costs. Student tenants also are concerned about the lack of restrictions on landlords and their many demands.

City officials and landlords, on the other hand, charge that students are destructive and lack respect.

Many students at the University feel they are not being fairly treated by their landlords but have no course of appeal. Many question, "Where does the responsibility for student housing conditions lie?"

Student opinion ranges from passive acceptance to extreme dissatisfaction. "We have no choice. We simply take what's available. It's either here or in the street," explained one of five students living in a six room house. He termed the \$150 a month rent "ridiculous."

Another of these students asked if there is "a Board of Health in Youngstown," as he looked down at a dead cat that had been laying in front of his house for two weeks.

Another student renter said the problem has grown because "most students are not aware of the conditions that exist in off-campus housing." Concerning the condition of his apartment, he noted that "most of the improvements were paid for and done by ourselves."

His attic, he stated, "is a good example of what the apartment looked like before it was repaired," asserting that its main features were cracked walls, scratched and gouged flooring and piles of open, half-used paint cans.

This apartment, he said, is occupied by three students who pay a total of \$180 per month in rent.

But the students here were not just concerned with what they termed "unsuitable living conditions." They stressed that adequate conditions are necessary for proper studying. "The more like home it is, the easier it is to study," he said.

"It is difficult, to say the least, to make this hole like home. Surroundings such as this not only fail to provide an atmosphere conducive to study but also tend to arouse mischief and lack of respect for the authori-

ties," he said. Another distressed student pointed out in a rather blunt tone, "What the hell do people expect from us? We're supposed to share our apartment with two rats and I don't know how many cockroaches, and at the same time maintain our morality and self-respect. These rats eat better than we do, but we pay all the rent."

Many of these complaints have been lodged with city officials, students say, with the hope that they are concerned about the University's development.

A representative of the City Prosecutor's office said students claim landlords not only fail to provide adequate housing and facilities, but also charge high rents and require a variety of deposits, apparently designed to protect their buildings.

Students charge, he said, that landlords demand advance payment and deposits for property damage and student repairs. These initial expenses sometimes boost the first months expenses to \$300, students say.

The official noted also that many students claim the landlords are misusing the deposit system and, as one charged, "this is just another money-making proposition."

In recent months about 20 students, renting from the same landlord have charged that the owner takes the deposit and within several months evicts the student without returning the deposit.

"The turnover is so rapid that I have a difficult time keeping track of those with whom I live,"

one of the complaining students is reported to have said.

In retaliation, landlords say students burn tile, break windows and chandeliers, and cause other serious damage to the houses and apartments.

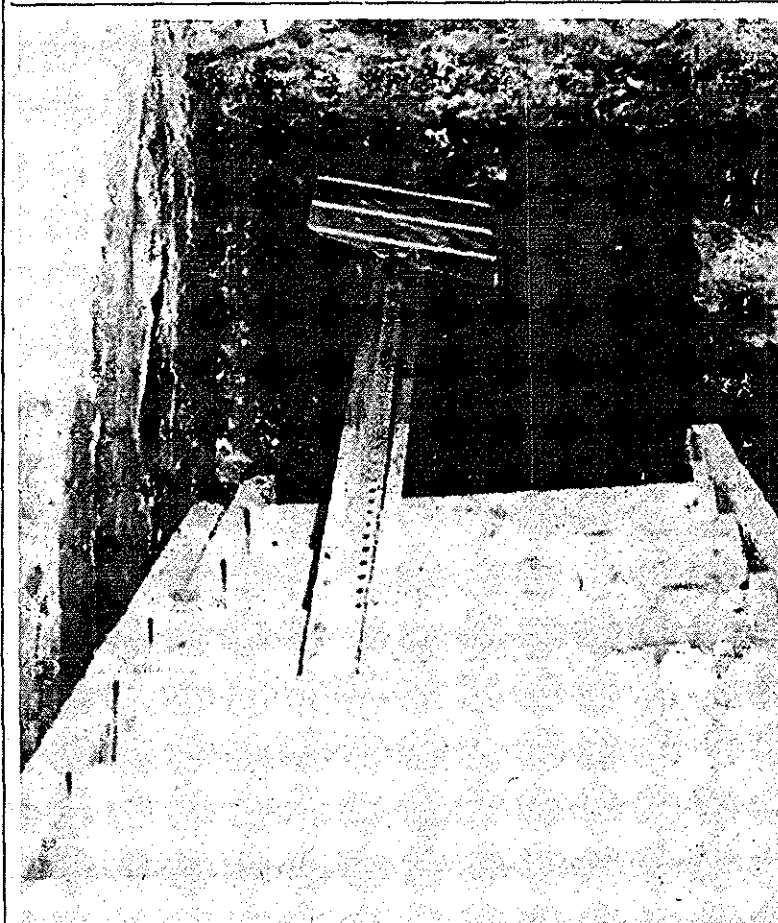
The official said student and landlord complaints have nearly reached a balance. Landlords tell of student destructiveness such as a fraternity party that turned into a "chaotic wreck." Another tells of a student lying in bed with a BB gun using the window for target practice.

Thus, as far as city officials are concerned, the problem is stalemated: some landlords say they are reluctant to make expensive improvements because the students have a tendency to be careless and damaging.

Students say the landlords involved are not in the majority. Many landlords are fair people who keep up their property and expect the students to do likewise. The bad landlords do, they claim, represent a sizable proportion in terms of holdings.

At the same time, the students claim the landlords hesitate now to make improvements because their investment will not be returned when their property is sold for urban renewal.

But the problem hasn't been solved: students pay their rent for poor apartments; landlords have their property misused and the school and city officials hear the complaints. There is, to say the least, an impasse.



. . . To the cellar stairs.

The Jambar welcomes all letters to the editor. Letters should be limited to 200 words, typewritten, double spaced, and should contain the student's name, class rank and telephone number. The Jambar reserves the right to edit any and all letters.