

Boycott ?

The question of whether or not students should support the faculty in their current contract negotiations is a tricky one.

On one hand, if the faculty doesn't get what they want the students will suffer. A strike will mean loss of class time for all and could mean a loss of money for those relying on VA benefits. Also, a low instructor morale could cause the quality of instruction to be lowered.

According to Dick Andrews, student-faculty liaison, strong student support in the form of a boycott would force the board to give into faculty demands, and thus avoid the proposed strike.

On the other hand, there has been a decided lack of interest on the part of the faculty for what students want.

Last year, when students went to the board and asked for a position on the negotiating teams that decide policies ultimately affecting students, the faculty voted not to support the students demands.

The reasons given at the time were that they felt that students were not sufficiently responsible, dedicated or qualified enough to sit in on the negotiations.

As Mike McCarty, Associated Student Government president, so aptly put it, "Students are like a tennis ball. We get hit from both sides but have little say in how the game is played."

Maybe it's time we had some say in the game. Maybe we need some strong commitments from the faculty before we agree to support them in their wage negotiations.

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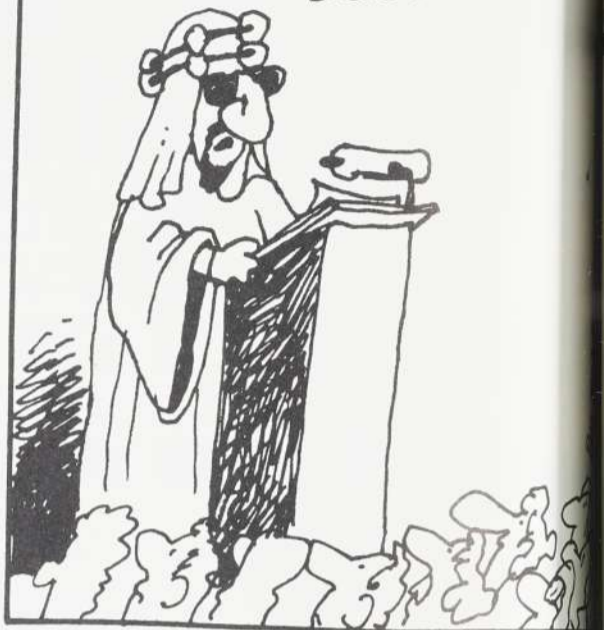
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I WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME ALL OF YOU TO HARVARD AND ANNOUNCE A FEW CHANGES IN THE DIRECTION OF THE SCHOOL...



feedback

Mr. Lonely

To the Editor:

Hello, girls. I'm writing from McNeil Island Federal Prison. I have a couple years to do and am getting real lonely. I'm 30 years old, was born in Oklahoma City, and my blood line is Norwegian. I've been here for quite a while so if any of you can dig making a lonely guy happy, please drop me a line.

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