James F. Foraker, first elected president of the Stark Branch Student Government, has resigned his post due to the fact that illness has forced him to reduce his activities to that of a part-time student.

Mr. Foraker submitted the following resignation in care of the Student Government:

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The Christmas Message

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There are only 10 more shopping days 'til Xmas. The merchants are smiling, the town is decked out in sassy, two-bit plastic wreaths, the beggars are begging, and there is a bored-looking Santa on every corner. Across the street, an all-electric, plastic Madison knolls about 20 feet from a foil, cardboard St. Nick.

The sensitive, discerning will note it looks pretty glum. Is it all some sort of a horrible joke that we are annually forced to be a part of? I think not.

For out of it all, somewhere a voice is saying surely, "Unto us a son is born; the Lord God omnipotent reigneth. Joy to the world!"

Ahold all the hope and there is goodwill and love and smallness and beauty. There are the seekers of truth and wisdom, the peacemakers, the healers, the communalists, the artists. There is Tom Dooleys, and Albert Schweiters, and Adlai Stevenson, and Robert Frost. And there are the little people who go on in their loves and strengths.

And so this season, our message is again one of reassurance and hope to men of all faiths. Let the child who was born a king remind you of the love that will always exist. And, "come, my friends, it's time to build a better world."—N. Yoon for the Kentonian Staff.

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An Editorial

Well, we have a new Student Government president. I think. Let's see. Camps really got the popular vote, Forsker was elected, and Masen is now serving. That makes Gary Sigley the vice-president and Tim Sigler the probable president pro tem of the Senate. I think. Now, if Matson flunks out.

Seriously, I think Mr. Forsker has done an admirable job in uniting the Student Government for the common good and has used good judgment in his appointments. It is my sincere hope that the Student Government will not accept his resignation but rather make a quarter leave-of-absence available to him.

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Dear Editor:

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Remember back in high school when principals handed out wholesale suspensions for so-called "irregularities" in dress and grooming? They said it "creates distractions... disrupts classes... corrupts morals..." and on and on. But then that was high school with its lunch lines and hall passes.

School here is a different animal. "It's college, baby," someone once said. Here if you want to go mini, it's all right. Maxi is fine, too. Boots, mustaches, business suits, blue jeans, smoking hot pink window pane peck-a-boo fish net stockings; they all fit in.

A quarter is over and the school has survived the dire circumstances preferred by the high school administrators. Mini and maxi appear to be here to stay, or at least until something new catches on. Some people will call this freedom, although we would like to refer back to the previously mentioned observation, "It's college, baby.

A Letter To The Hippies: Tell It How It Really Is!

You're right, there is a lot of hypocrisy in the world. The idea is scarcely original with you. And man's violence to man is present. But neither is that an exclusive. (Look what happened to Groovy.) You haven't even dealt with the sham of the world much better than the rest of us... only louder.

We all know what you think about hypocrisy... war, greed, and hate. Most people who are not in this world of hip are in agreement. But where are the alternatives? And what do you have to say about responsibility and honor? Statistics show that the greatest majority of you will eventually return to the society you now shun. Hopefully, you will return better equipped to deal with the fear, greed, and hate which are present to varying degrees in the real people of a painfully real world... a world which most responsible adults never turn their backs to.

You dislike our land and our government and our people. Yet you don't renounce your citizenship. You point the finger and you criticize, but you won't help.

Born free? Hardly. What freedom we have has been won with the blood of our brothers. And that is how it really is.

—NEY

As I See It...

David M. Seffens

Today there seems to be a great debate about civil rights and liberties. Every time I pick up a newspaper, someone is complaining about not having been given his constitutional rights. But just what are a person's real rights?

When our forefathers wrote the Constitution, they had the same rights in mind as those who first settled the new land. We do not have the right to do as we want, but we do have the right to do as we are led.

In Detroit last summer, did people do as they "wanted" or as a few Communists instinctively wanted?" At a nearby college this fall, an officer of the United States Navy was attacked by some radical students... students doing as they wanted and not as they ought. (In the analysis, the naval officer was doing as he was ordered (ought) and not necessarily what he preferred (wanted). At Central State College, students went far beyond their right to peacefully protest. They not only threatened the life of the school's president, but they also caused physical damage to the college. This far exceeds the "ought" right for a "want" right. We have the right to disagree and to protest, but not to the degree where physical damage is inflicted.

Our generation may bear witness to it and be a part of the eventual downfall of our nation. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

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