It Was Uncalled For

Last night's riot, like all others which have ever taken place, can be said to have had no positive origin, no definite reasons behind it. It was, as riots always are, a spontaneous explosion of mass energy, growing from something small to something entirely out of proportion.

Rioters, as they are traditionally termed at the University, have occurred with some regularity, although each time they manage to have a different combination of incidents which lend their effects. Last night's was no exception. A seemingly harmless gathering, early in the evening; a major riot in West Philadelphia; some firecracker explosions and blocking of streets; and then a Calvinist eruption which could only be seen as inevitable, in the light of similar past actions.

The consequences which do not seem to enter the average student's mind when these events begin are (1) that action on the part of both the University and certain City agencies would surprise no one; (2) that this action must ultimately result in direct penalties to the participants and direct embarrassment to the University, and (3) most important of all, possible unnecessary consequences to the student body as a whole.

Disruptions of this nature in the past few years have resulted in penalties, namely expulsion, probation and suspension of student activities. This is not the major consequence of the riots. Worse than this, the City and its citizens may raise a cry for action—action which we believe the University may be powerless to stop.

Specifically concerned with last night's events was a rumored shooting of a student. Fortunately, it was only a rumor, for, were this to happen at any time, the results would be in no sense that we do not hazard a guess as to what they might entail.

There will be repercussions throughout the University and the City, as regards this riot in a long series of unfulfilled promises. We cannot predict what they will be. We can, however, foresee some drastic action taken.

The participants deserve everything meted out against them. The innocent ones are the ones who will suffer.

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The initial disturbance, which one policeman termed "just a case of the students having spring fever," started when about 100 students gathered to watch two automobiles rac ing on Locust Street. Shots from the students and fire crackers to the air produced a campus patrol car which arrived at the scene, but refused to notify students until they attempted to quell the riot. The campus guards made vain attempts to disperse the demonstrators.

Word of the riot spread to the campus which was already on high alert. The University police arrived on the scene and arrested 27 students. The campus guards had been reduced to nothingness by the time the police arrived and the situation was turned over to Philadelphia police. The police arrested another 22 students and a bonfire at 36th and Woodland Avenue was extinguished.

The second riot began at 11:30 a.m. when 150 students gathered in front of the Wharton School, police still on hand, and attempted to halt matriculation car traffic. The students were kept back by the Wharton School faculty members, and a rumored-shooting incident kept the police at arm's length.

The police left, satisfied that they had permanently quelled the campus, only to be called back later in the afternoon when the police had to clear the street and firemen extinguish a small fire started by students at the Walnut Inn.

The police arrested 28 students, many of whom were under 18 years of age, and charged them with obstructing the public peace. The students were ordered to appear in Court next week.

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"Nuf' Is Raided

The Bar on 36th Street, "Nuf' Walnut Street, will be re opened today under orders of the State Liquor Commission.

Students who have been arrested for possession of alcoholic beverages will be able to obtain their liquor from the State Liquor Commission. The bar will reopen on Friday at 11 a.m.

The students who were ordered to appear in Court next week are under subpoena to testify.

Ruminations Of Shooting Denied By Police

Rumors that a University student had been wounded during the Rowbottom arrest were denied by the Philadelphia Police Department.

The unconfirmed report stated that the student had been shot attempting to resist an officer who was picking up the drinking.

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Lightweight Oarsmen Face Midshipmen For Callow Cup

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**The New I-F**

To the newly-elected officers of the Interfraternity Council, we extend our congratulations and best wishes for a successful year. Equally, we must again recognize the efforts of the outgoing officers of the Council, not only in fulfilling their duties during their term but also by making the routine work which they handled—ranging from the ordering of supplies to the conduct of meetings—both smooth and effective which went toward promoting the President.

Now that the new Council setup is officially recognized, what is to be done with it?

Simple enough, it must function, and function efficiently. The purpose of this new set-up was determined, as far as the representative area—of the responsibilities. It should not fall into the same rut as the old, and the new officers should not be content with mediocrity. Neither should it become just another meeting place to put down in an appointment book.

The value of a strong Interfraternity Council, hence, a stronger fraternity system, is obvious. It is not our particular interest to dwell on this. We do feel, as most others, that an organization now exists that must be groomed immediately. The University would be at a major loss without the fraternity system. It is from these fraternal houses that individual houses do not coordinate efforts to make themselves financially independent. Their total value is considerably lessened.

In support of this, in any way possible, the new officers and the men now serving must coordinate their efforts. How best to achieve this, we shall know when the time comes.

The new Council system is still in its infancy. We look forward to the first executive Council in a number of years.

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**Commendation**

We extend our sympathy to the late Arthur C. Hanle, a native of Philadelphia and a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, in the passing of the latter.

Arthur C. Hanle spent his entire life in the service of the University. He was a devoted, faithful, and generous member of the fraternal community.

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**Chips Off The Block**

by Joseph Corriere

**This sheet's off the weekends for thieves and
such as we part the week. It may be
down.**

Kimboe, who is to have a
test of the football season
best room for next weekend? The
Sharon and the Millikan.

Phi Alpha is bearing the war with the
host. They have a chance with the
top for Saturday night. The event
will be of Phi Alpha.

A Japanese paper with kimonos will be
the main attraction at The Kate "Kap" house. They will not do the
ceremonial kimonos until after
but from then on, chop-

friends can enjoy a
bunch of the fraternity
to the benefit of their
and the event. The orchestra
be together with their brothers with the theme in the
and the music on the
this.

Jera Pui is doing up big, for they have
visited their chapter from Rensselaer to help have a blank. The event is scheduled
and will feature "Carnival" and
his chapter as a whole on the
Who is the girl in the
this of 11 who don't want her name in the

What Kappy finally put her gun down and
accepted a date with J. R.

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APRIL 28
Penn Diamondmen Play Yale; Runners Host 3-Team Meet

Quaker Batsmen Seek 4th Straight

Pennsylvania's high-flying baseball team is now, looks for third straight Eastern League Victory when they return to eligibility tonight at Harvard Field tomorrow night. The Evening Sun's baseball writer, Jack Anson, notes that the Blue Quakers, led by veteran infielders Bill Whitcher and Wm. Curry, should win any contest without much effort.

Penn game will start at 1 given time and will be second of the three league contests.

Penn Diamonds, though they will be without Bill Whitcher, the Penn star in rear the Penn-Dartmouth game, should win easily in that meet.

Penn will send out a team of its best players, all of whom are expected to give Harvard a good tussle.

Penn Engineers, Scarlet Oppose Trackmen

Pennsylvania's track team played their best in Lehigh and Rutgers tomorrow afternoon on Franklin Field in the third annual triangular meet between the three schools.

Penn lost, but looked in the interest of Penn Athletic Association's description of the Penn-Eastern League and finished the contest with the most gut.

Penn Coach "Doc" Morrow, whose team is in the best stage of the season, is optimistic that the team will have a good chance against the Penn-Eastern League, which finished second in the Penn last season.

Penn will have six defending eastern champions in the lineup in this meet. It is Penn's third consecutive victory over the Quakers in this meet, and Coach Morrow will be in search of another win over the Quakers in this meet.

Pitcher Uncertain

Coach Bill E. Allen has not yet decided on his starting pitcher, but the way of the team is fairly set.

Pitcher Joe McCormack of the Eastern College is expected to return; Bill Greenling of the University of Pennsylvania is expected to return in time for the meeting; and Joe McCormack, who will have two for three and two for three in Yale's victory over Penn, is expected to return.

The veteran lefty is probably the best in the league.

The Penn-Eastern League, with three elections, is expected to be the champion of the Eastern College.

The team, heavy favorites to win in their votes, has gained the edge over the other eastern teams.

The final election will be the decision of the eastern teams.

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