

## Interview with the Administration

The conversations I had with Mr. David Shelby, v.p. at U.A.H.S., have been shortened to question and answer form for the reader's benefit. Replies by Mr. Shelby are distinguished by quotation marks. The statements below are not exact but are in effect what was said.

Who makes the rules concerning proper dress and grooming for U.A.H.S.?  
"The Administration."

What guidelines does the administration have? "The Administration is given a short statement from the Board of Education saying establish what rules you think are necessary." Then it would seem that the administration has a degree of flexibility in rule-making and could permit a lenient dress code at U.A.H.S. "Correct."

Why doesn't the administration do so? "The administration has certain responsibilities: not only to Mr. Heischman and the Board of Education, but also to the community.

To the community? "The rules set up by the administration must be in accordance with the attitudes of the community."

Doesn't the administration have a responsibility to the students as well? "Part of the school's responsibility to the students is to enforce conformity so that when the individual is faced with the problem of conformity in, say, the business world, he can accept it."

Then isn't the school breeding conformity? "Again, you will be faced with the decision of whether or not you wish to conform to the outside world's standards and if you don't wish to, what happens? "Expulsion."

### Indirect Quotes and Rebuttal

1) According to Mr. Shelby, U.A. is a community which changes very slowly. Then why should the administration have to rely on the attitudes of the community

in establishing rules? The young are always the ones to initiate social change while the community, controlled by an older generation, will not accept change and is thus behind.

2) Conformity is not only being enforced in the high school, it is being taught! It is perpetuating the system as it now stands with little hope for change.

3) Concerning change. When asked how change in the existing school rules could be made, Mr. Shelby said that petitioning would probably be ineffective. He also stated that he would not initiate change for 4 reasons: 1. it is not his job, 2. personally he doesn't like long hair and a lot of the new dress fads, 3. he is extremely loyal to his superior, Mr. Guesman, and 4. he has no power to change rules anyway.

Mr. Shelby further stated that the best way to secure changes would be to talk to Mr. Guesman, Mr. Heischman and then to the Board of Education. In response to the question as to what the Board considers before it acts, Mr. S. said that the Board relies on the recommendation of the administration, specifically Mr. Guesman and himself. Contradiction: The administration claims to have no power in changing existing rules, but who does the Board refer to when it is considering change?

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