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It is indeed gratifying to learn that the Combined Professional Societies have at last taken advantage of the opportunity to reorganize offered them so many months ago by the Institute Committee. Obviously some men with a little drive and initiative have gotten behind the organization to revitalize it and to start it once again as an active society. They deserve credit for their efforts, as late as they may be.

When the Institute Committee gave the organization provisional Class A status and a seat on the Committee it was assumed that the Combined Professional Societies were reorganized and would assume their seat immediately. Months passed, no representative appeared, and nothing was done to reorganize the society. It was claimed that first one and then another of the individual professional societies was obstructing the reorganization of the combined organization.

In typical fashion the Institute Committee did nothing to investigate the delay. They had conferred recognition on the organization and, as far as they were concerned, that would be the extent of their interest in the matter until the group's year-long probation period was over. No move was made to withdraw the recognition when it became evident that attempts to get the society going reached a standstill. The blame for the long delay must be placed in part on the Institute Committee for its lack of interest in the matter. The group should not have been given even probationary status until its reorganization was completely finished, but, even after giving the group premature recognition, the Institute Committee should have and could have kept it from lapsing into inactivity by showing a little interest and by lending a helping hand in getting it going. The affair of the Combined Professional Societies serves to illustrate the lackadaisical attitude which must be eliminated if we are to have a student government worthy of the responsibilities vested in it.

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