



# New Copyright Bill May Affect Students

Just two days before the semester begins, a professor frantically calls the university library to request 25 copies of an article to be put on reserve. He has neglected to order the book or journal from the publisher or perhaps he simply wants to write off the expense to the school instead of charging his students for the original. Or maybe 25 copies of the original were unavailable.

The library pays for the copying machine, the paper, the administrative details, but it pays no one for the educational material which it reprints. In fact, the material that is so valuable to the students in the class is absolutely free.

But if Congress passes the copyright legislation now being considered by committees in both the House and Senate, the library would be liable for a \$50,000 fine for reprinting those 25 copies. The new law will protect authors and

publishers from losing revenues because of free reprints while depriving educators and libraries of the right to provide educational materials to students that might otherwise be unavailable.

Last year, a substantially similar bill was passed in the Senate but the session ended before the House considered its own copyright legislation. Committee sources in the House predict that a new copyright bill will be voted on within the next year.

The new law as proposed would allow the free duplication of copyrighted material "for purposes such as criticism, comment, news reporting, teaching, scholarship, or research." This "amorphous doctrine" of "fair use," as the Supreme Court called it last year in ruling on a copyright case, varies from case to case depending on such intangibles as "the nature and

purpose" of the work, the amount copied and the financial effect of copying on the potential market for the material.

Fair use does not include what the bill calls "systematic" reproduction of copyrighted material. Library copying for inter-library loans and reserve copies would probably fall under this category of "systematic" reproduction.

In testimony before the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Courts, Civil Liberties and the Administration of Justice this summer, educators claimed that this bill would be devastating to the teaching process. "Educational users need special protection over and above that provided commercial users," Bernard J. Freitag, a National Education Association representative said. "They have a public responsibility for teaching. They work for the people--not for profit."

The benefits of using reprints--access to materials that would otherwise be too costly for most libraries and students to afford--would be lost if the bill were approved, the educators argued. Providing resources from a wide range of journals and collections gives the student a broader view than if one textbook were assigned for each class.

But writers and publishers have a different perspective. While cheap reproductions mean less money from student pocketbooks, they also mean less money in the author's bank account. In many cases, this is a substantial financial loss for the writer.

"(Librarians and educators) are asking writers to ignore their own economic difficulties and act like good socialists, spurning the profit motive and resigning themselves to a diminished income, while the rest of the country continues to act like a clutch of hard-nosed capitalists," author Michael Mawshaw wrote in the Chronicle of Higher Education.

The editors and staff of The C.C. Reader welcome letters for publication. Letters must be typed, double-spaced, and must contain the writer's signature and telephone number. Anonymous letters will not be accepted. However, if the writer requests, a pseudonym will be used in publication. The editors reserve the right to edit letters for style, grammar, and good taste.

Anyone who wants the world on a string these days must be a yo-yo.

## Grad Exams Announced

In order to help those students who are considering graduate school, the Counseling Center will periodically publish in the C.C. Reader the registration deadlines and testing dates for upcoming graduate and professional school examinations.

Study guides, graduate school information (catalogs from approximately 1000 schools), cross-references and indexes are available on a two-week loan basis for students who are researching their graduate program choices.

Counselors are available to assist in this process. Applications for tests listed below are available in the Counseling Center, W117.

Test	Test Date	Closing Date for Application
Graduate Record Examination (GRE's)	10/18/75	9/22/75
	12/13/75	11/12/75
Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT)	11/1/75	10/10/75
	1/31/76	1/9/76
Law School Admission Test (LSAT's)	10/11/75	9/11/75
	12/6/75	11/10/75
National Teacher Examination (NTE's)	11/8/75	10/16/75

The Miller Analogies Test is given in the Counseling Center by appointment. Study books are available on a two-week loan basis and may be picked up in W117.

A counseling and discussion session for students interested in attending graduate school in Humanities at Capitol Campus or specific disciplines in humanities at other schools will be held in the Gallery Lounge, 6th period, Thursday, Oct. 23. Professors William Mahar, Troy Thomas, and Theodora Graham, along with a member of the admissions staff, will give brief, informative presentations after which individual questions may be addressed to the faculty members or admissions person or discussed in general.

### Role of Women Lecture Slated

A lecture entitled "Thoroughly Modern Millies" will be presented in the auditorium Thurs., Oct. 30 at 12 noon. This lecture given by Anna Cervenak, is presented in cooperation with Bell of Pennsylvania, according to Roberta Mcleod, coordinator

of student activities.

Miss Cervenak's talk covers the time from the first suffrage movements to the passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and continues through the changing role of women in industry today.

## Weapons Banned In Residences

According to Chief Paul all weapons, to include but not restricted to hand guns, long guns and hunting arrows, are to be turned in to the security office in accordance with campus regulations.

A receipt will be issued so you may get your weapon for hunting or target use during the regular business hours of the security office.

It is a violation to have weapons in your room or residence on campus.

The Marksmanship Club will begin sessions after the first week in December.

## His Gun

Sometimes,  
When his wife  
Is out shopping,  
He takes it out.

He feels a kind of  
Excitement  
As he moves his hand  
Up and down  
The barrel.

He wants to squeeze  
The trigger,  
To feel the sudden  
Ejaculation of  
The bullet when  
It shoots out.

He wants to but  
He puts it away  
For later  
When he hears  
His wife opening  
The front door.

by Susan Wohlbruck

## Research Award Given

Dr. Sabir Dahir, associate professor of engineering at Capitol and Professor J.J. Henry at Penn State-University Park have won a research award contest sponsored by the United States Department of Transportation.

The award will sponsor research on friction and wear of highways. The specific program is entitled "Alternatives for Optimization of Aggregate and Pavement Properties Related to Friction and Wear Resistance."

The DOT award is for \$99,250 and extends from July 1, 1975 through March 31, 1977.

Dr. Dahir, a resident of Middletown, has a well-established reputation in highway surface design. A former professor at the Christian Brothers College in Memphis, Tenn., Dahir has taught in the engineering technology program at Capitol since 1971.

## V D Lecture Held

On October 8th, at 12:00 noon in the auditorium two V.D. films followed by a lecture were scheduled, according to Roberta Mcleod, coordinator of student activities.

Only seven people, all members of the staff at the Capitol Campus, were present to hear Dr. David R. Halbert of the Hershey Medical Center. Since the turn-out was poor and the films could not be found, Dr. Halbert answered questions for nearly one and a half hours.

According to Gary Banks, Pennsylvania of Health, venereal disease is increasing. Although this rise can be attributed in part to population growth and cooperation in seeking aid, it is only through information and knowledge that the current increase can be checked.

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