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UP AND DOWN THE PIKE

by Dave Williams

In pursuit of my rapid urban education it has been my good fortune, misfortune, or plight to spend a good portion of my day on the Pennsylvania Turnpike. During the hours I spend tooling up and down the pike between Middletown and my home in Philadelphia, I have a considerable amount of time to reflect on the news and issues of the day, and life in

general. This is due largely to the lack of a suitable radio station sixteen miles west of the Valley Forge exit. I might add that I can neither afford to purchase a tape player, to listen to my own brand of music, or have the desire to jabber with a "Good Buddy", C.B. type with his pedal to the metal. In all honesty I have made good use of them from time to time in avoiding the speed traps of, "Nab Jones".

With my passion being people, and what makes us the way we are, you can expect this column to be about people oriented issues. These issues I hope you will find at times entertaining, though provoking and perhaps enlightening. If I rankle or sting some of the values and principles that you hold dear, tough! Please feel free to comment or respond in any manner you like, except physical, (I grew up in Philly)

and don't say nothing about my Momma. If you would like to corner me for some "rapping", as they say on the block, you can find me somewhere in the hallowed halls of Capitol Campus, where good people are getting off on each other. Tucker, the Secretary of the Commonwealth, who was fired

by our lameduck Governor Milton Shapp. Mrs. Tucker spoke on our campus last spring. Those of you who were here last spring and chose to come and hear her speak have a lasting impression of this grand lady, an impression that won't be marred by her recent firing.

I did want to use this space to share my thoughts and feelings about C. Delores

Perhaps I will get back to Mrs. Tucker at another time, for now, "Y'all Be Cool".

EDITORIAL

Do Your Own Thing?

Ever since the industrial revolution critics have maintained that man is becoming increasingly lazy, unimaginative and irresponsible. While this criticism may not be totally valid there are many signs that it is partially true. For instance people no longer do anything unless they are told to do it or have instructions on how to do it.

Today there are more How-To-Do-It Books on the market than there are sam pans in Tokyo Harbor. People no longer trust their own judgment on even the most basic issues. People have become afraid of making mistakes. Evidence of this can be found among college students who write research papers. They get so caught up in their papers they don't start writing

IF MICHELIN RATED OUR RESTAURANTS...

by John A. Stachowiak

Because of our country's fast pace, we have neither the time nor desire to eat right. Something quick and easy enough to hoof down on a street corner suits us fine. The hot dog is as American as the Stars 'n Stripes. And fast-service restaurants like Burger King, McDonald's and Long John Silver's are now established as part of our culture. What's happening, America!?

Michelin, which prints ratings of European restaurants, would probably massacre the eating places of America and their fried steak,

standards are considered "Acceptable" and awarded one star. Those of higher distinction with very good food and service receive two stars. The best restaurants, considered to be haute cuisine, are awarded the top rating of three stars.

Recently, evaluations were done in the British Isles and France. France had 625... 65.... and 15..... In the British Isles, not one eating place was deemed worthy of or even and only 25 were accorded ... Although no evaluation was ever done, how many restaurants in the United States would win three stars?

restaurants in New York's East Midtown. Hess also said Jean Pierre in Washington and Le Perroquet in Chicago would probably both rate ...

With a high volume of customers it is not economical to prepare fresh meats and vegetables. Few restaurants along the coastlines serve fresh seafood anymore. This is mostly due to the cost of time and effort in preparing fresh food. And money doesn't guarantee quality; many expensive eating places use frozen foods in their dishes.

Somehow, it all seems so unimportant. Our generation is growing up with a lifestyle