Capitol switches to metric

by Gayle Greenwald

As you may already be aware, beginning next term Capitol Campus will follow the trend set by several other branch campuses and begin its conversion to metric time. Since Capitol has always been in keeping with the times, it is only natural that we begin the switch as soon as practical. The following is a condensed explanation of the new system, and is by no means comprehensive. If you have further questions, consult your advisor.

The basic units of time are based on our current standard, the day. Other units will be changed as follows:

Old unit New unit milliday second centiday minute

hour deciday week decadav month hectoday kiloday year

metric system, there will now be 10 decidays per day, 10 centidays per deciday, 10 millidays per centiday and so on. For convenience sake, the hectodays of March and August will be eliminated, as it was add. Students will be excused found that nothing occurs dur- for 300 centidays to adjust to ing these hectodays anyway. the new schedule. Birthdays and other events can Rules for Students.

days and the new schedule will day. be as such:

1st period 3:05 to 3:90 2nd. period 4:95 to 4:80

3rd. period 4:85 t0 5:50 Time between classes will be five centidays or 50 millidays Classes will be held for six consecutive days, allowing 2/5 of a decaday for the decaday-

end. The term 'Thank goodness it's Friday' will be replaced with 'Thank goodness it's the sixth day of the decaday.' Likewise, the expression 'a month of Sundays' is obsolete, and will now be 'a hectoday of Decadays.'

Courses will be 21/2 decidays In keeping with the apiece and a total of 4 decadays will be required to complete your 2 kilodays at Capitol. Grades will be distributed every 1/4 kiloday and you will be allowed 1.5 hectodays to drop a course, but only 40 decidays to

The C.C. Reader will be be found by a simple conversion published twice hectodaily. For formula that will be included in safety reasons, you may wish to the revised Policies and remember that the speed limit in the Heights will now be 18 Class will now run 85 centi- kpd or 18 kilometers per deci-

> To further simplify things, instructors will also convert to the new system. Sick leave will be based on 45 centidays per deciday worked and annual leave will be accumulated at the rate of one deciday per hectoday, except for leapkiloday, when it will be computed as 600 millidays for every kiloday of tenure. The head of every department will be required to spend 4.5 decidays per hectodayto keep track of their subordinates, except for the Engineering department because they are already familiar with the business of metric conver-

It is estimated that this new system will greatly improve the efficiency of the campus by the end of the third kiloday, when everyone has either graduated, retired, or resigned.

It's no secret to some people, but the government isn't telling us that building nuclear weapons is hazardous to our health.

Residents of Utah and Nevada living downwind of A-bomb test sites are getting cancer.

People living near the Rocky Flats weapons plant in Colorado are getting higher rates of cancer.

Workers at the Hanford, Washington Nuclear Reservation have increased levels of cancer.

The more bombs we build. the more radiation exposure and chance of increased cancer rates.

Support a moratorium on nuclear weapons.



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Dear Aunt Dorothy

Dear Aunt Dorothy:

My father is a machinist who was laid off by the B-1 bomber cancellation. Military cutbacks cost him his job!

—Out in the Cold in California

Dear Out in the Cold in California: Your father's employer, Rockwell International. was guaranteed total compensation for all expenses and losses from the B-1 cancellation. The workers got the ax. It was another case of socialism for the rich and "free market" for the workers. More jobs are created by converting to non-military projects. But planning is necessary. Support a bill for conversion planning presently in Congress (the Defense Economic Adjustment Act). Contact me or your congressional representative for more information.

Dear Aunt Dorothy:

The Reader's Digest says it's high time to dig deeper fallout shelters because the Russians are way ahead of us in civil defense and are getting ready for a first-strike. And President Carter wants plans to evacuate our cities. What about it?

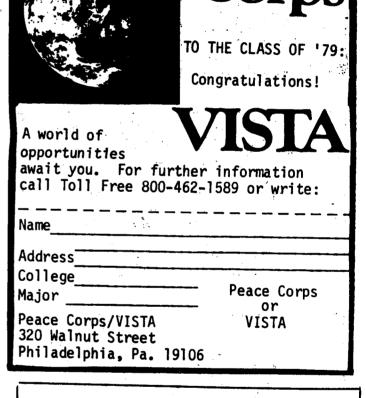
-Eighth Grade Reader Dear Eighth Grade:

Dig a deep hele and bury all your Digests. They use their own writers for scare articles to keep up the arms race, Our own National Security Council says that 140 million Americans will die in a nuclear war. Both countries would be destroyed. The Russia have a civil defense program but it is sheer str laybo they have be Reader's Digest. Russians have nicknamed their program "grob," which means "coffin." There is no nee against nuclear weapons. Write President Carter and tell him so.

Confidential to Worried in Wisconsin:

I'd be werried tee about the chances of getting raped in the "Wemen's Army"! Den't depend on the campus recruiter to tell you everything. Rape is one of the fastest growing crimes in the military. In the words of one enlistee: "These guys think the servicewomen are here to service them." And you thought all the mache men were in the fraternities!

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