

The silence

The silence of the University Administration about the Nuclear Accident at Three Mile Island is startling.

W came back to classes Monday, April 9, after the chaotic dispersal on Friday, March 30, expecting public outcry from the University against the nuclear fiasco. There was nothing!

There were no meetings called to decry the idea of humans being used as guineapigs -- There were no bulletins issued to explain truthfully what dangers lie in the months ahead as the Metropolitan Edison Company is trying to dispose of its nuclear waste; this being the most insidious problem of nuclear energy. To date there is still nothing, only silence!

Why are there no reactions from the administration?

The only signs of public abhorrence to this bizarre affair have been from students and professors. Is the university not going to help call a halt to the outrageous shenanigans going on at the Three Mile Island nuclear power plant?

Is the university not going to insist that the complex be closed?

What is the stand of the university toward the problem?

Is there a spokesman who can clarify the matter. or are we to deduce from the silence that the university is going to be as wishy-washy as the majority of officials that has

paraded before the public?

The plant must be closed. It is unconscionable that the

university not do its duty and represent and care about its university population. It must investigate the progress of nuclear waste elimination and all problems apertaining to the closing of the plant. It must report its findings openly. It is our right to know!

The university has a respected place in society and as such is a leader. Let it behave as one.

Through out the nuclear crisis, lack of leadership from all sides, political, business, and government has resulted in total confusion. Consequently, the want of credibility towards the respective agencies by the public is justified. For the university to continue in the same vein is morally repugnant.

We need to know the situation exactly, so that Metropolitan Edison can be made to act in a manner benefiting the public.

It behooves the university to act in the public's behalf and do its duty. If not, mass transfers of our students to other institutions may occur.

We need leadership from the university, not silence. We need to know.

letters



editor

This ain't love

Editor

As the weather breaks and people take to the courts, the residents of the University Apartments would like to remind all persons using the playing courts that the parking lot in front of the apartment building is for the residents and their guests only. Parking is provided for court users in the rear of the Multi-Purpose Building. Avoid hassles and tickets.

Thank you,
Residents of University Apts.
c/o James F. Kravitz Jr.

Seal it

Editor:

Concerning the article entitled "Elvis is King." Elvis Costello has as much talent as a seal with a broken nose. This is obvious since the pervert can't scrape up enough 'John Lennon' cords or 'Bob Dylan' lyrics for more than a three minute feedback blur. Not only is Elvis a pervert and an imposter of musical taste, but he should be shot behind the eyes and do the world a favor.

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Crunch Nestle's Quick

Editor:

I applaud your March 2 editorial on the J.P. Stevens Boycott. As responsible consumers we need to recognize unethical business practices and to participate in boycotts against corrupt companies.

Let me bring to your attention another injustice that is currently being fought—the Nestles Boycott. Why are thousands of people refusing to buy one of our favorite chocolate candies? Because Nestles is killing babies.

The Swiss based parent corporation is a primary manufacturer of infant milk formula being sold in Third World countries. Illiterate families are told by Nestle employees and through Nestle advertising that the Western bottle baby is better nourished than breast fed babies. Mothers, wanting the best for their children, buy the milk products they cannot afford and do not have the facilities or education to mix properly. As a result, the diluted and impure "milk" is poisoning an estimated 10 million babies in poor countries.

Speed-out

Dear Editor:

There are about 643 parking spaces in the rear lot. Of those 643 spaces, two are reserved for motorcycles. There are a few people who consistently park their cars in these two spaces. These people probably figure that the motorcycle only sign means motorcycle parking only if they get their first. Maybe if security ticketed the parked cars the bikes could park in the two spaces.

Paul Meyer

Nestles refuses to cut its radio advertising time and defends itself by pointing out that specific instructions for mixing the milk are printed on each can of formula.

Nestles products to be boycotted include various candies and coffees (check the label before you buy), Nestea, Soup-time, Stouffer products and restaurants, Libby and Libby McNeill products, Crosse and Blackwell products, and L'oreal cosmetics.

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Draft inevitable

The Army's personnel officer has informed Congress that a return to the draft is inevitable.

According to Lt. Gen. Robert B. Yerks the declining size of the reserve and increasing difficulty recruiting men and women into the active force leaves the nation with no other choice. "The only question, says Yerks, "is when."

Until recently such military views were only expresses off the record, but increasing Congressional support for registration and the draft has had a dramatic effect on the Pentagon's position. As recently as Dec. 28th, the official Pentagon position was that the all volunteer armed services were in satisfactory condition. But the changing political climate has encouraged the military's top officials to reverse their previous position.

Opponents to registration and the draft have called for a nationwide protest on April 30th. A broad based coalition including the American Civil Liberties Union, the Students for a Libertarian Society, and the United States Students Association will be holding an 'informative rally' on the steps of the Capitol Building in the nation's capital at twelve noon on April 30th.

The United States Students Association is already distributing buttons calling on youth to "Register to Vote: Don't Vote to Register."

The Students for a Libertarian Society has charged that: In the hundreds of pages of Congressional testimony on the draft, not one Representative—either for or against conscription—makes any real effort to justify the global commitments that make a 2.1 million armed services necessary in peacetime.

The SLS, a California based organization, is holding a series of news conferences in major cities and is organizing a national resistance movement on college campuses.

The Friends Committee on National Legislation has established a Committee Against Registration and the Draft which will help coordinate the national lobbying effort in D.C..

The Director of the Committee on Militarism in Education charges that our alleged need for more manpower is part of the same 'crackpot realism' that led us into Viet Nam. According to Dr. Robert I. Rhodes, this 'need' rests on a series of dubious premises: If the Russians start a conventional war in Europe; if it doesn't quickly escalate into a nuclear war; if NATO airfields and ports are not destroyed in the opening battles; and if we can build an enormous naval fleet that does not now exist, then the million men stationed in the United States will be useful in the next war.

Since these premises are clearly absurd, Dr. Rhodes believes that the new call for registration and the draft will increase the power of the Pentagon and cold war tensions, and recreate the bitter campus protests that existed in the late '60's and early '70's but will make no positive contribution to our national security.

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