

# Beer shortage handled

By the Hand

I thought I'd seen and felt it all until I went to a New Year's party a few nights ago. Soon after I arrived, I found myself wrapped around a mixed drink -- a pina-cuticle if I recall correctly. When what to my wondering nails did appear but a C.C. student -- without his beer! After setting down my drink, I crawled over to him (never did hold my liquor very well) to find out what had brought about this deplorable state of affairs.

I had to rap my knuckles on his toes a few times, but I finally got his attention. Upon questioning him on his sobering condition, all he could do was mumble something about the end of social life as we know it. When I pressed him for more information, he only whimpered and turned away.

With my curiosity now highly aroused, I decided to take things into myself and start an investigation into these most puzzling circumstances. What I learned was

enough to give even a steady extremity like myself the shakes! There was actually an acute shortage of the sustaining suds in Middletown and surrounding suburbs! Further inquiries into this matter led me to the office of R. I. Dculus, chief of operations for Metropolitan-Edison.

Rather handily, Dculus also happened to have a hand in the local chapter of A.A.

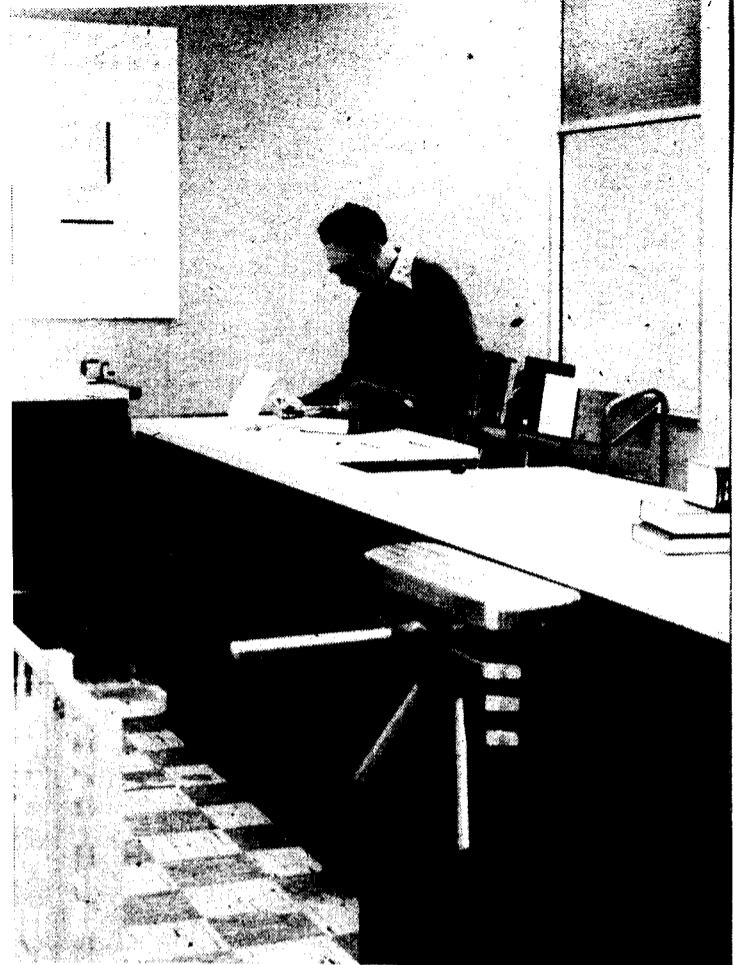
It seemed that Met-Ed had found a new use for the sacred brew. If just the right amount of beer was mixed with the contaminated water in the bottom of the containment building, the solution would be neutralized. There is no scientific explanation for it, but it has been experimentally proven that the carcinogens present in beer and those in radioactive water cancel each other out. This leaves a safe, crisp, clean-tasting liquid which really packs a wallop. Combined with the fact that Met-Ed is now paying its TMI workers \$3.10 per hour plus all they can drink, this discov-

ery had brought about the serious shortage in the area.

Met-Ed had been buying almost every ounce of the likeable liquid as fast as local distributors could ship it in.

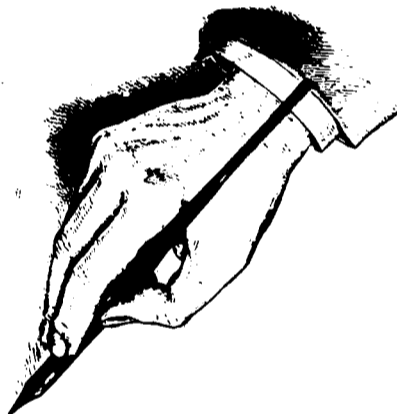
They only left us Bartel's. After making a thumb-nail sketch of the diagram explaining the process, I thumbed my way back to the office to find a solution to this problem. After hours of wracking my wrist, I finally put a finger on the answer. C.C. and Met-Ed should draft an agreement to cooperatively buy the happy juice directly from the brewers. This would allow students to purchase beer at a discount rate, as well as keeping the electric bills of Met-Ed customers at a minimum. I wanted to give myself a pat on the back for this stroke of genius, but that's kind of hard to do when you don't have a back. So I settled for shaking myself.

Preventing C.C. from drying up, fighting inflationary prices, holding down energy costs -- all in a day's work for . . . . .The Hand.



Mr. Levine at work in the Capitol Campus (Heindel) Library's new circulation desk area.

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## Stress reduction workshop

An ongoing, nine-week, stress reduction and personal growth group will be offered to students beginning on Wednesday, January 16, 1980 through March 19, 1980. Sessions will be held from 1:30 - 3:30 p.m. in the Counseling Center.

There is no fee for this offering, but registration is limited to twelve people.

A pre-registration appointment must be made with

Ed Beck, the workshop leader, before Tuesday, January 15, 1980. Registration will be on a first come, first served basis.

The workshop will be designed primarily for student stress-related problems and stress management for students. Through examination of stressful concerns of the participants, individuals will be encouraged to develop more productive and less stress-producing coping strategies.

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