

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editors:

The growing concern of today's youth about the present situation in South Vietnam is indicative of their concern about the future. Those who seek an immediate withdrawal of Pro-Western forces are seeking peace--peace with a price, that price being the Communist take over of South Vietnam.

Red China, as we know, is a hungry, over-populated country that is unable to accept the modern concepts of collective bargaining. They want the territory and natural resources which would enable them to further their Communistic doctrine; the only method of expansion which they know is through force.

The West has learned from experience what appeasement would bring. Hitler's acquisition of the Sudetland was part of a series of events which led to WWII. I, therefore, believe that whatever the price, it is necessary for the West to remain in Vietnam and for the United States to stand firm to her commitments to the World.

The Free World has in effect surrounded the Communists, isolating them from the territory and natural resources necessary to their expansion. In Vietnam, as in Korea, Cuba, and Indonesia, they are attempting to break this chain of isolation.

The United States is the keystone of the West; therefore the responsibilities fall upon her to keep the world able to enjoy the freedoms and security necessary for peace.

America's role is more than justified in that she is invariably preventing a larger confrontation between the East and the West.

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In the previous editions of the CUB letters to the editor have been written concerning the SGA and the controversy with the Constitution, the student-faculty relationships on the Behrend Campus, and the lack of school spirit. This letter, however, would like to concentrate on the of the "younger generation".

Physically this young adult generation is the eighteen to twenty-five year age group. Even though Behrend consists of supposedly mature, responsible adults; the students have proven their mental age to be between seven and thirteen years.

Have you noticed the neglect of our newest edition: The Reed Building? By 4:30 p.m. each day the cafeteria is filthy. The paper cups and empty potatoe chip bags pushed onto the floor or to another table by groups of roaving pinocle players are a disgrace. Empty ash trays are found by the cafeteria help as they push their mops from the canteen machines to the bulletin boards. Small, table-top, trash disposal reminders (which took someone an hour or two to make) are ripped apart and used as score pads or scrap paper for a chemistry assignment. Surely these untidy people can afford a notebook or at least have a friend who will lend

them a piece of paper.

The cafeteria is being abused, as are the rest rooms, and the recreation area. As it looks now, Behrend may have to initiate a reading course into the curriculum. Students are not heeding even if they are reading the reminders not to litter, not to put books and coats on the SGA counter, to put back pool cues and stop butting cigarettes on the floor.

I could close by asking nicely to please stop being such MESSY people. But you haven't listened in the past, and so further pleas would have very little effect. I will, however, close by stating that if students do not begin to pick up after yourselves stronger action by the SGA will have to be taken.

Marcy Barton

"MAKE MINE BLACK"

Last Wednesday, January 17, 1968, the first of a series of informal summit meetings was conducted in the Reed Union Building from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Neither students nor faculty attended in throngs. In fact, the total number that amassed barely exceeded thirty. This was the typical response from the Behrend Campus on both the part of the students and the faculty. Students had complained of the lack of communication between the faculty and themselves, but when Opportunity knocked nobody was home. Faculty, who supposedly were concerned with student relationships, showed their concern by staying away en masse. To the few students and faculty who made their appearance--it's about time! To those not present, a lively and stimulating discussion (which at times became more lively than stimulatint) was missed. (Continued)

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