

## From The Cole Mind

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When installing lights, cigarette or candy machines, Penn State gives their business to the company who promises to do the job for the lowest amount of money. One would think this economic technique admirable, for it seems that it would save both the University and the students a great deal of money.

But if one looks a little deeper into the matter, the manner of purchasing becomes ridiculous. Let us assume that when the lights were installed in the dorm, the contract for the job was given to the lowest bidder and this company did the job for the amount agreed upon. The lights have been on in the Residence Hall since September 15. In the six months since that day, these "New" lights have gone out twice, once for a long period of time during the night. Faulty and cheap installation can't take the blame for these blackouts.

The rooms in the dorm have cracked walls, the showers don't work and the washing machines are always out of order. It seems strange that so many relatively new things here at Behrend are faulty. Perhaps if the University paid a bit more for their products, they wouldn't be plagued with repairs.

## CALDWELL, DEAN LANE BEGIN WORK FOR PROJECT REACH-OUT

Dean Lane and Student Body President Arnie Caldwell are putting the finishing touches on preliminary work for Project Reach-Out. Now that contacts have been established with all representatives of the black community definite plans can be made for the program.

### COLLEGE DAY PLANNED

The major project is a College day to be held here at Behrend. Students will attend classes, stay for lunch, and possibly spend the night in the dorm. The experience will give them some impression of college life.

Caldwell and Dean Lane are also considering the possibility of organizing a College Night to be held at local high schools. If enough students are interested in Project Reach-Out, a big brother, big-sister program will be set up, with a ratio of two visitors per student.

Dean Lane, Mr. Kochel, and several black leaders have already offered to counsel black students who are accepted on financial help available, and on the demands of college.

### TENTATIVE U.P. TRIP PLANNED

In the plans is a possible trip to University Park where training of recruiters will take place at the Penn State Admissions office. Recruitment will involve talking with students at black centers on the reasons for attending college, procedure to follow and reasons for choosing Penn State.

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