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# etters To The Editor

and happen to be an unforunate the girl with the pencil (someenough to miss breakfast, then times Mr. Bickel), and make your you lose out on lunch, as well. way to an unoccupied table. As By the time third period rolls you sit there, the meatroll seems around, you are ravenously hungry. You make a wild dash from the OB to the Cafeteria, and what do you find? Meatrolls again!! As the lady throws one scotch pudding, and hope you on your plate, and slops gravy commuters (and dorm kids who teria, and what do you find? are rich) as they purchase all Leftover meatrolls? No, this time, manner of cheeseburgers, ham- since you are late, the delicacys burgers, and hotdogs. You think (like stuffed flank steak) are all you think to yourself as you miss all sorts of vile, evil things about gone, and you are left with sec- it and the cycle begins again.

If you are a dorm student, as you mumble your number to to glare back at you and laugh uproariously.

You push the meatroll away and fill up on stuff like butterwill last until dinner. At 5:45, all over it, you see happy con- you make another wild dash from tentment of the faces of the 7th period in the OB to the Cafethe Director of Food and Hous- ond choice liver. "I wonder if I

# Their Cry Is From Hunger . Their Plea Is For Help by Doug Brower and Eric Walker ing to alleviate the problems of dents and residents of the Eric

ridden country somewhere in a forgotten corner of the globe; its people half-crazed with starvation, and bordering on the brink of despair. A small child reaches a scrap of food, but there is no food to be given; follow the blank look in the face of this child, the pitiful stare from eyes that have seen and gone through too much even to be able to cry. Picture the silent acceptance of tragedy as a way of life. Imagine not looking to the future but rather grasping for a hold on the present, not living one day at a time but hoping to receive the help to be able to live one day. PICTURE HOPE-LESSNESS.

Switch your focus to a prosperous, carefree, stable country, the center of attention of the entire world; the bulk of its people successful, their stomachs always full or over-full, content and able to achieve the luxuries of life. PICTURE IRONY. See yourself as one of these people and imagine wasting more in your life than the people of the decadent country receive or hope to receive in theirs. Picture this contrast as real, pitifully real, for it is. This destitute country is Biafra and its people desperately need your help. As a member of the prosperous country you are able to give this aid. Sacrifice some of your luxuries so that the children of Biafra won't have to sacrifice their necessities. Picture yourself help-

Sincerely yours, Name withheld by request

Anyone interested in bowling on an intramural mixed bowling team go to the Eastway Lanes on Monday nights at 6:30 p.m.

The 12,500 Orange Bowl tickets allotted to Penn State are on sale by mail for \$7.50 and \$6 plus handling charge of 50 cents per order.

Each applicant is limited to four tickets. Mail orders should be sent to Penn State University Ticket Office. 236 Recreation Building, University Park, Pa. 16802

The Harborcreek Association for Music will present the Seventh Arrangement plus the Sportsmen Four on Saturday at the Harborcreek High School at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$1.00 for students. The Kufawiaki Dancers and Singers will be presented March 20, 1970 and the Fredonia State University Band will round out the concert season on April 11, 1970.

There will be no women's intramural volleyball games next Wednesday, due to the absence of participants who will be leaving for Thanksgiving vacation. It has been postponed to the following week.

# ing or whoever invented this shit can hold out until breakfast?"

by Gary Thornbloom

A great number of persons have smoked marijuana in this country and most of them find noth- is inadequate to substantiate this. and LEMAR, which has chapters ing wrong with it. Use of mari- Tolerance and physical depen- in many cities, are all such orjuana is not limited to long-hairs dence do not develop and with- ganizations. alone, there are a lot of prominent businessmen, doctors, actors, teachers, musicians, members of the Armed Forces, and even campaign led to the present fedmembers of the police depart eral legislation against MJ . . . ment, People in all walks of life opponents of marijuana blamed possession or sale of Cannabis a and in all professions smoke marijuana. Just look in any newspaper and read who gets busted. Marijuana laws are ridiculous, when one stops to look the situation over. If marijuana has been proven to be less harmful than tobacco or alcohol, why then isn't marijuana at least put on the same legal status as tobacco and alcohol? Almost any article may be quoted as stating that marijuana is not the killer drug it is made out to be. Some quotes:

"After an investigation extending from April 1 to December 1925, the Committee reached the following conclusions: There is no evidence that marijuana as grown here is a 'habit forming' drug in the sense in which the term is applied to alcohol, opium, cocaine, etc., or that it has any appreciably deterious influence on the individual using it." 1

"It is the opinion of the Panel that the hazards of Marijuana perse have been exaggerated and that long criminal sentences imposed on an occasional user or possessor of the drug are in poor to commit sexual offenses and juana has long been held to the other antisocial acts, the evidence Buffalo, CAMP in Los Angeles, drawal does not produce an abstince syndrome." 2

" . . . an extremely emotional for murder, rape, and sex crimes. The Establishment press fostered this view in sensational horror stories linking pot with violent crime, and the public came to believing it."

Smith said that there was no evidence of a causal relationship between pot and crime, and that there was no evidence that use of MJ leads to drug addiction."3

Many groups of interested citizens are forming organizations to promote the re-legalization of marijuana. These organizations all have the same basic goal and that is to present a true factual source of information on marijuana. SUNYAB is located in

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All letters must be signed, but names will be withheld upon re-Signed columns represent the view of the author only and do not reflect the Editorial policy of the Nittany CUB.

reputation of inciting individuals | social perspective. Although Mari-

"The ultimate purpose of LE-MAR is to get all Federal, state, and local laws prohibiting the use of marijuana changed. At present, such laws in toto make the crime punishable, in some instances, by penalties more severe than those for murder."3

Most everyone is in agreement that even if marijuana isn't legalized that the present laws governing it are way too harsh.

"Under federal law and in some states, marijuana is classified with powerful narcotics like herion. Possession under federal law is punishable by two to ten years' imprisonment for a first offense. A number of people urge the legalizing of marijuana on the grounds that it is relatively harmless; some others argue that prohibition of sales to minors, as in the case of cigarettes and liquor is sufficient control. Some who oppose legalizing its use would nevertheless remove it from the category of "hard narcotics" and thus lessen the penalties for possession." 4

Another quote, this time from a

"... Dr. S. J. Holmes, director of the narcotic addiction unit of the Alcoholism and Drug Addiction Research Foundation in Tor-(Continued on Page Four)

Picture a small, lonely, disease- these people. PICTURE HOPE.

sociation has undertaken the task food for the Biafran people. In of raising money for The Biafra the last three months of 1968, the Relief Services Foundation. In BRSF sent thirty tons of food inour capacity as representatives of to this starving country. In the his hand upward to his mother for Behrend Campus we appeal to you first three months of this year, to help feed and clothe these star- this was increased to three thouving children and to give them sand tons. Let's not let them down the medical attention they so des- now when they need our help so perately deserve.

Biafra is a war-torn country located on the eastern coast of Africa. The Biafra Relief Services | HELP SAVE BIAFRA! ! Any stu-Foundation is a private non-profit dent willing to donate his time organization created to raise and services to this campaign money in response to the urgent please contact Eric Walker at needs of the 70,000 left homeless 899-3836, Doug Brower at the SGA by the Nigeria/Biafra war. The office, John Greer at 899-4208, or money donated by Behrend stu- Steve Lewis at 899-2156.

area will be used for drugs, hous-The Student Government As- ing and construction supplies, and badly.

> We are making a general appeal to the study body, PLEASE



LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS

