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## Strong Protest Needed Con W20

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On March 15, 1969, the University Senate at State College adopted a rule that blatantly violates the rights of free speech and a free press guaranteed by the United States Bill of Rights.

W-20, as the rule has been coded, states in part: "The University shall bar from sale or distribution on its campuses any publication which in its opinion violates the civil libel laws. The University shall also bar from sale or distribution on its campuses any publication which in its opinion is incompatible with the University's standards."

We believe that Senate Rule W-20 must undergo grave revisions or complete abolition so that true freedom of the press may be restored to Penn State and its Commonwealth Campuses. Whatever means necessary to effect this change should be utilized.

Responsible criticisms and pressures from literary organizations are not sufficient to change W-20. This was demonstrated quite plainly on March 4, 1969, before W-20 was adopted. The faculty of the School of Journalism wrote a letter to the Senate condemning the rule. The letter articulately listed inconsistencies, ambiguities, and false presumption found in W-20. It closed by saying, "We believe that nothing could be more compatible with the standards of a university than a policy of nonregulation where the expression of ideas is concerned. We urge that Rule W-20 be defeated in the University Senate."

A little more than a week later, Rule W-20 was adopted and added to the Senate Policies and Rules for Undergraduate Students. Obviously, stronger methods of protest are in order.

The effect of W-20 goes beyond the University's press and literary organizations to the student body itself. The endangering of the right of these organizations to publish what they feel appropriate is only half of the problem. Equally, if not more so, the student body has the right to receive all available publications and to discriminate in the purchase of those publications for themselves.

This is, in part, the very purpose of a college education. It is wrong, therefore, that University newspapers and magazines are alone in the attack against W-20. Student support and petitions, if organized and massive, could be a key factor in amending W-20.

Rule W-20 takes the right to choose ones reading matter away from the student and puts it in the hands of a would-be omnipotent administration. Its vagueness is a clumsy guise for deliberate censorship. Test cases along with student petitions and support are needed to pressure those still backing W-20 into revising or abolishing it. We, as a recognized campus newspaper, are going to protest the "wrongness" of Senate Rule W-20. We urge that all students join us and do the same.

## PSU To Hold Career Day For Black HS Students

University Park, Pa., Nov. 26—Representatives of each of the ten colleges at The Pennsylvania State University will hold a special college career conference in Philadelphia on December 13 for students from the city's predominantly black high schools.

The day-long program, scheduled to be held at Benjamin Franklin High School, is aimed at

giving prospective college students a chance to learn of the various career opportunities and spinoffs for possible employment that are offered through education at Penn State.

"This kind of program is vital for inter-city schools," said George Culmer, director of the Special Educational Opportunities Program at the University, who help-

# Marijuana - Weed With Roots In Hell

by Gary Thornbloom

Conclusion: The Wicked Weed Isn't So Wicked!

The conclusion that has been drawn from the information in this paper is that marijuana is not bad in any way whatsoever for a

## "The Firebugs" At Playhouse

"The Firebugs" is an entertaining piece, and it is a scathing remark on the human situation."

That is the opinion of Martin Gottfried, New York critic. Fellow critics from 17 European countries found it "a new and spectacular way of using laughs as a vehicle for serious thinking", "a stream-lined satire" and "a wound spring whose nature is simply to uncoil."

Swiss playwright, Max Frisch, wrote it originally in German but its setting is in an unidentified European country in the home of the typical middle class man. This unknown country is in the midst of a serious outbreak of arson and the weakness and complacency of the main character is its theme.

While the play seems to deal with arson, it is more a comment on every social disorder. To encourage students to acquaint themselves with this timely satire, the student discount rate has been extended to cover every night of the play.

Opening night at The Playhouse is November 28. The show runs through December 7th, with the exception of Monday and Tuesday, December 1 and 2. Reservations are now being accepted at The Playhouse, Box 2042, Erie, Pa. 16512. Orders should include a check or money order plus a stamped, self-addressed envelope. Tickets are priced at \$3.00 for Wednesday and Thursday nights, and \$3.50 for Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights. Students receive a 75c discount on all nights for this production.

### EDITORIAL POLICY

The editorials appearing in this newspaper will be opinionated and therefore subject to criticism. All letters that are typewritten and submitted to the newspaper staff will be printed with the exception of those that are repetitious or in poor taste. The staff reserves the right to correct or delete portions of the letters or publication purposes.

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

ed coordinate plans for the "Career Day."

The project was arranged in conjunction with Helen Foust, director of counseling and pupil personnel, and Marcus Foster, director of community relations for the Philadelphia Board of Education.

"We expect about 1,000 students to participate," Culmer said. "In addition we will have about four representatives from each of the colleges on hand throughout the day to work with the high school students. This will give interested faculty members a chance to continue their recruiting efforts and participate in the final selection of students who will come to Penn State."

Culmer and Hodges Glenn, assistant director of the Special Educational Opportunities Program, also reported that they have visited high schools in Pittsburgh and Philadelphia over the past few months, speaking to some 2,000 students and issuing more than 800 application blanks.

person to consume or smoke. Marijuana can in no way be proved to be a factor in crime, murder or rape. Marijuana does not harm bodily functions to any noticeable extent, likewise this herb has never been found to cause any damage to the mind of a normal person. In fact the opinion which may be regarded as the true one in regards as to how marijuana affects the mind is the one which says marijuana is good for the mind.

These following quotations are intended to make the readers think and to this research paper. The reader is not asked to agree entirely with any of the following statements, but just to read them with an open, unprejudiced mind and then to draw a conclusion of his own.

"Over 50 percent of the American population is under the age of 25. Ominous isn't it? From 50 to 70 percent of the use of mari-

juana and LSD is by the high school and college age group. From 50 to 70 percent of the arrests and imprisonments for possession of psychedelic substances fall on the shoulders of those under the age of 30. Whiskey-drinking middle age imprisons pot-smoking youth. Think about this."

"The two commandments for the molecular age: I. Thou Shalt Not Alter the Consciousness of thy fellow man. II. Thou Shalt Not Prevent thy fellow man from Altering his own Consciousness."

"Prediction: (Note the following is excerpted from an interview with Richard Albert.), 'I mean, do you realize that in about seven or eight years of psychedelic population of the United States will be able to vote anybody into office they want to, right?'"

Think about the above quotes and then go do something about them.

## BULLETIN BORED

### STAFF MEMBER LEAVES

Linda Brower, clerk/typist for the Faculty and receptionist in the Administration Building will be leaving Behrend this Friday. Mrs. Brower has been a member of Behrend's secretarial staff since May. She is leaving to work at her father's drafting and engineer supply store, D. J. Burgnon Supply, as a secretary. We would like to thank Mrs. Brower for her months of fine service.

### SUB DANCE SLATED

The Student Union Board will sponsor a mixer after the Christmas break on January 4, from 8:00-11:00 p.m. The mixer, admission free, will be held in the Reed Mail Room Lounge area with music to be provided by EPIGENESIS. This group alone is enough to incense one to attend.

### HANDBOOK MEMBERSHIP

Students interested in working on the Student Handbook for next year are requested to get in touch with Dean Seanor. All persons are welcome to work on this publication.

### ICARUS

ICARUS, the campus literary magazine, is accepting material for their annual publication now. All poets, artists, or writers are requested to submit any work they want considered to Kathy Valentine. The CUB office will forward any material brought to us to her.

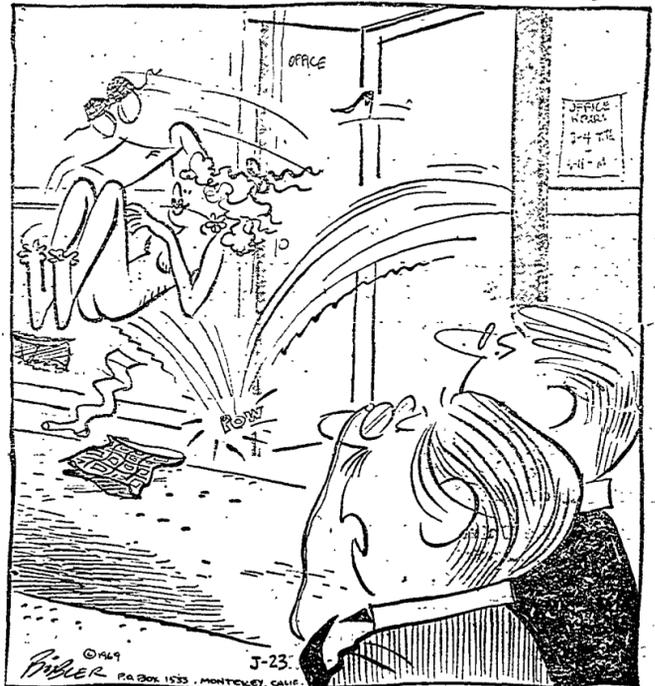
### STUDENTS NEEDED

Mr. Stoner needs nine more students with transportation to take the section of Phy. Ed. next term which includes handball and squash. Transportation is needed to the Erie YMCA for those students who are already pre-registered for that section and do not have a way there. This class meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30 to 10:30 A.M. Anyone interested should contact Mr. Stoner in Erie Hall as soon as possible.

### WRESTLERS VS. BOYCE

This Saturday, the Behrend Wrestling team will play their first scheduled match against Boyce Campus at 2:00 in Erie Hall. Support the team by attending this match.

## LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS



I HATE THIS TIME OF THE YEAR WHEN THE STUDENTS START PRESSURING FACULTY TO CHANGE GRADES.