

# EDITORIAL

## A Newspaper Checklist

Webster says that a newspaper is a "paper printed and distributed at stated intervals usually daily, weekly, or monthly to convey news, advocate opinions, etc." A newspaper is this and much more. Webster, in his brief definition, tells nothing of the standards a newspaper, especially a college newspaper, must set for itself to be successful.

A newspaper conveys news. This is most certainly true, but the most important factor is how the newspaper conveys news. Does it print stories that are "high schoolish" just to fill up space? Does it print stories that are in "bad taste" for a college newspaper? Does it use discrimination in the selection of printable and unprintable stories? Although these items may be interrelated, any one of them could spell disaster for a college newspaper.

A newspaper presents opinions. To analyze this topic further, it does not mean too much. Are their opinions one-sided? Is the opinion of the other party presented or just overlooked? Do they give a true picture of the situation? Is the opinion presented in such a way as to create the wrong impression? These are only a few of the pitfalls that can degrade a newspaper.

These things a newspaper owes the public. Once a newspaper uses any one of these tactics, it will be looked down upon by its readers. The paper will be defeating its very purpose. No one will want to read a newspaper that is anti-this and anti-that. A reporter should not risk the integrity of his newspaper by developing a satirical style at its expense.

Are you doing your fair share to support your newspaper?

## OSGA Convenes For Summer Meeting

The Fourth Annual Organization of Student Government Associations Summer Conference was held last month at University Park, Pennsylvania.

"Leadership Training" was the theme of the convention. University President Eric A. Walker outlined the representatives' responsibilities to their student constituents.

The Hazleton delegation was comprised of: Daniel Cassarella, Eugene Christina, Elaine Hahn, Jerome Kapes, Karen Kreitzberger, Joseph Lucia, Edward Mehalik, Thomas Murmello, Rosemary Pecci, Joseph Zola, and Joseph McCallus, Student Affairs Advisor.

### Introduction of New Teachers

Continued from Page One) coming to Highacres, Mr. Knoebel taught for five years at the Wyoming Center. His subject data varies from Mechanics 11, E Mech 811, and AE 808.

Mr. Knoebel is married and has one daughter who is a freshman honor student at Southern Joint Area High School.

Mr. Knoebel's recreations vary greatly. He has an avid interest in people. He finds it fascinating to find what makes people "tick." Mr. Knoebel enjoys hunting and many spectator sports including baseball, football, and wrestling.

Mr. Knoebel gives us this advice, "A little sacrifice at this time, as far as worldly matters go, will net big returns in the long run."

## Exchange Trip

By NANCY ISRAEL

Every year the Rotary Club sends students abroad to study. The board which selects the students interviews all applicants. Each applicant receives a letter a few weeks later, informing him whether or not he has been selected. I was very fortunate to have been in the former group. When my assignment came, it was for India and I was told that there would be three other girls going.

We four girls departed by jet from International Airport, New York City on July 26, 1963. After brief stops at London, Paris, Geneva, and Cairo, we finally arrived at Bombay, where our Rotary Hosts were waiting to greet us.

I lived with an Indian family of the Parsie Caste. These people are prominent in the business world. The family included three brothers and two sisters and it didn't take long for them to become like my own family. There were only two with whom I actually lived, as one sister was married to a neurosurgeon and lived in England; one brother was a Rotary Exchange student living with families in Scranton, Pa., and another brother was attending boarding school.

We had five servants who did all the housework and a chauffeur who drove me anywhere in an English car.

I attended Cathedral High School for Girls which is administered by the Church of England. Bible readings and daily prayers were part of the school program and every girl participated regardless of her religion. I took the science and math course. My subjects were: biology, history, chemistry, physics, arithmetic, algebra, geometry, world history, Indian history, literature, English, music, swimming, and gym. The Indian students take all the subjects of their curriculum every year for their last three years of school.

I had no difficulty as all the educated people spoke English. I had only to learn a few words of the native tongue in order to speak to the servants.

Home life is very difficult in India. Parents are very strict and often arrange marriages for their children. The poverty is unbelievable — little children live in the streets begging. Most of them are not even aware of such a thing as school.

The wonders of India are many: fires that burn without fuel, men living after being buried in sand for three days, priests lifting a two ton rock with their index fingers, men not eating or sleeping for twenty years and men who can tell your complete past without

## University Park Hosts PACC Representatives

On Sept. 10, 11, 12, a new Pennsylvania State University organization was officially formed. This organization is designated as the Press Association of Commonwealth Campuses. Its purpose is to correlate all commonwealth campus newspapers and facilitate communication among them.

This first meeting of PACC was a training session for incoming editors and staff members. The conference, held at University Park, was attended by Barbara Mondik and Paul Marino from Highacres. Representatives from the commonwealth campuses worked together to put out a special edition of the Daily Collegian. This edition was centered on the history of the campuses, orientation, and customs in order to provide freshmen with a better knowledge of events at their individual campuses.

Membership to PACC is open to all editors and staff members of the campus student newspapers.

## Chem Tech Initiated

A two-year course leading to the Associate Degree in Chemical Technology is now being offered at the Hazleton Campus of the Pennsylvania State University. This new program consists of concentrated specialized instruction in basic sciences including chemistry, laboratory techniques, physics and instrumentation, mathematics, communication skills, and applied chemistry. Graduates receiving the Associate Degree in Chemical Technology at the Hazleton Campus are trained to fill positions in the chemical industries and related fields.

ever seeing you. It sounds unbelievable, but I have seen all these things.

The Indian architecture is fascinating. An outstanding example is, of course, the Taj Mahal. Its pillars lean slightly outward, so if one ever falls, it will not damage the main structure. The perfect symmetry enables one to view the Taj from any side and it will appear to be the front. Each letter of the engraving is slightly larger as it goes up the wall so that all the letters seem to be the same size, whether it is one right in front of you or one 100 feet up the wall.

We spent a month coming home, stopping in Calcutta, Hong Kong, Japan, Hawaii, California, and Arizona.

It was a wonderful experience and the knowledge which I gained could never be equalled by a textbook.

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