

## LIBRARY NEWS

Just a reminder for those who have not yet read the bulletin boards yet, the Library has new hours. The Library is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m.-5p.m., Saturday afternoons from 1 p.m.-4 p.m. and Sunday through Thursday evenings from 6 p.m.-9:30 p.m.

In addition to the hours, the Library also publishes a book list twice each month of new books. Some of the new books are as follows:

Social Sciences: McKee, Bill, *New Careers For Teachers.*

Education: LaCrosse, E. Robert, *Early Childhood Education Directory.*

Fine Arts: Kadinsky, Wassily, *Concerning the Spiritual in Art and Painting in Particular.*

Music: Nadeau, Roland, *They Symphony, Structure and Style.*

Language and Literature: Bailly, Rene, *"Dictionnaire des Synonymes de la Langue Francaise."*

Philosophy: Hower, Richard L., *Heidegger and Jaspers on Nietzsche.*

History: Longford, Frank, *The History Makers, Leaders and Statesmen of the 20th Century.*

America: Nixon, Richard M., *Nixon: The Fifth Year of His Presidency.*

Mathematics: International Congress on Math Education, *Developments in Mathematical Education.*

Physics: Chapman, Alan J., *Heat Transfer.*

The above listings are only a few of the many new books that are waiting to be used. Others deal with technology, bibliography and library sciences, agriculture, biology, political sciences and anthropology.

## Rush on Dorms

More than 8,000 students, including more than 3,000 entering freshmen, already have filed requests for the Fall Term for the 11,500 available spaces in residence halls at the University Park Campus of

The Pennsylvania State University.

"It's the first time there has been a rush to apply during the first few days after contract forms have been made available," William H. Reiber, of the Department of Housing and Food Service Operations, says.

A probable reason for the rush, he says, is the fact that more than 800 upperclass students last Fall had to be informed they could not be accommodated in the residence halls, although they filed requests before the deadline. Their applications were received after all vacancies and staging facilities had been assigned.

The filing deadline for students now living in the residence halls in April 15 but it is expected that spaces probably will be filled long before that deadline and students are advised not to wait for the deadline.

If there are more contracts filed than spaces available, students now living in residence halls who cannot be accommodated will be notified no later than May 16 that their contract will be canceled and the \$45 required advanced payment will be refunded. Others not accommodated should be notified by May 30. Cancellations will be made starting from the latest dates contracts were received.

While there has been no action taken on increasing room and board charges at Penn State, University officials indicate that rising costs suggest that an increase starting with the 1975 Fall Term can be expected.

## Movie Review: *Hearts and Minds*

By James Gormley

Sometime within the year Warner Brothers will begin to realize a profit from a property called "Hearts and Minds." The release was delayed until a national consensus was reached on whose fingerprints were on the smoking revolver (they were Nixon's).

The film is basically a well-edited recapitulation of the evening news from 1965 to 1972 with an eye for impact and

irony. For this reason it will be categorized as blatant propaganda, which it is, that tells a good deal of the truth about Vietnam. Many Americans had bit parts in the film and for them it will be a painfully redundant exercise analogous to watching home movies of a now official divorce.

The title is the most interesting part because it is the mirror which reveals so much of the war, why we were in it and why it was a failure from the start. It also addresses the country more directly than the film's depiction of the deceptions and callous stupidity of our leadership. When Lyndon Johnson and John Wayne exhorted us to wage war on the VC they didn't say, "We're going to kill about a million of them." They said, "We're going to win their hearts and minds." So burning with confidence we set out to win the heart and mind of our reluctant Vietnamese peace object.

When the Vietnamese refused to surrender their collective heart and mind, and thus confirm our perceived goodness, we suddenly stopped seeing them in their charming aodais off to market but rather as a fatigue clad assortment of gooks, dinks, slopes and inept zipper heads who wouldn't run their country efficiently (i.e. our way). The Vietnamese-American affair is almost over and they're about to take their country to restore their land and their lives. They're going to run their heart and mind their way. But what about us.

"Hearts and Minds" will tell us ultimately that we failed there because we never saw them as people. Its not going to tell us how to win the next banana war by seeing the natives as people but rather to avoid it by doing so. It says communists, gooks, teachers, wives and children are people who resist being used as facilitators of arrogant egos the only way they can. It tells America it cheated itself by trying to cheat them of their humanity. This abstraction seems so remote from reality. Perhaps because we see it so seldom in reality that it only exists as an abstraction.