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# Time's Survey Of Youth Valuable

Time magazine recently brought out the first Time magazine recently brought out the first real attempt at an evaluation of the present "younger generation," ages 18 to 28 by Time definition. The survey, conducted by Time bureaus throughout the country, is of value to all who have been living with this younger generation, and particularly to the younger generation itself. It is a think piece, one you won't agree with entirely. but one which is worth agree with entirely, but one which is worth looking up to stimulate and perhaps modify your own ideas.

The article is characterized by an extremely high quality of writing throughout. It is dotted with incisive paragraphs like this one:

"What of today's youth? Some are smoking marijuana; some are dying in Korea. Some are going to college with their writers.

are going to college with their wives; some are making \$400 a week in television. Some are sure they will be blown to bits by the atom bomb. Some pray. Some are raising the highest towers and running the fastest machines in the world. Some wear blue jeans: some wear Dior gowns. Some want to vote the straight Republican ticket. Some want to fly to the moon."

As to Time's conclusions on the younger generation, drawn after consultation with teachers, eration, drawn after consumation, when the group itself, guardians, and members of the group itself, there are summed up in the phrase, "The Silent guardians, and memoers of the group itself, they are summed up in the phrase, "The Silent Generation." Time finds that conformity has become the rule, replacing the radicalism of past younger generations. "Professors who used to enjoy baiting students by outrageously praising child labor or damning Shelley now find that they compet got a rice out of the April find that they cannot get a rise out of the docile note takers in their class."

And "Most of today's youngsters never seem to lose their heads; even when they let themselves go, an alarm clock seems to be ticking away at the back of their minds; it goes off sooner or later and sends them back to school, to work, or to war."

Time's bitter evaluation of the soldier produced by this generation shows him as a magnitude.

duced by this generation shows him as a mag-nification of its average citizen. "He does not go in for heroics, or believe in them. He is short on ideals, lacks self-reliance, is for personal security at any price. He singularly lacks

There is little digging for the basic "why's" of this almost shockingly anonymous youth in Time's study, but what there is is significant. "Youth does not blame (world problems) on its parents dropping the ball. In real life, youth seems to know, people always drop the ball. Youth today has little cynicism, because it never hoped for much."

And "Many students and teachers blame the

generation's lack of conviction on fear—the fear of being tagged 'subversive.' Today's generation, through fear, passivity, or conviction, is ready to conform."

The most hopeful sign Time sees in a generally dark picture is gone into far too briefly in the article—tolerance. Time didn't seem to realize what it had here, glossing over the fact with a brief paragraph concerned primarily with the narrow, sexual aspect of the generation's tolerance. If this tolerance is a fact, it may be one of the most hopeful signs yet for world peace, reversing the trend of 5000 years of intolerant war. The basic ability in people to let each other alone has seldom before manifested itself as a characteristic of an entire generation. Perhaps, out of tolerance, even out of conformity, will come a negative kind of peace, based simply on an entire generation's lack of interest in

One wonders if foreign segments of the younger generation share some of these qualities.

-Ron Bonn

## Gazette...

Tuesday, November 27 BAKE SALE sponsored by Kappa Phi Club of Methodist Church, Nittany Electric Co., 9 to

CAMERA CLUB, 1 Main Engineering, 7 p.m. CHESS CLUB, 3 Sparks, 7 p.m. COLLEGIAN business candidates, 1 Carnegie

COLLEGIAN business staff, 9 Carnegie Hall, 7 p.m. COLLEGIAN editorial sophomore board, 2

Carnegie Hall, 7 p.m.
DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB, TUB, 6:45 p.m.
EDUCATION STUDENT COUNCIL, 215 Wil-

lard Hall, 8:30 p.m. HOME ECONOMICS STUDENT COUNCIL meeting canceled.

Student Showing Poor at Readings

The second reading hour of this semester will be held at 8 tonight in Simmons lounge. Much effort has gone into the preparation of the reading hours, held monthly. The programs, one hour in length, have been arranged by students in advanced oral interpretation classes under the direction of Harriett D. Nesbitt, assistant professor of public speaking.

At the first reading hour, held Oct. 29, there

was a poor student turnout, an indication that most students do not recognize the real value, involved in these programs. A great effort has been made to present a well-varied program from month to month and those students who have attended will agree that this has been done.

Why, then, has there been this lack of student attendance? We all enjoyed hearing fairy tales in our youth, as well as fables. As we progressed through our education we came in contact with creative literature. Many of us enjoyed reading and analyzing particular pieces. The job involved for the persons performing

at the reading hour is an unusual and difficult one. They are presenting some of the greatest creative literature by means of the voice, probably the most interesting characteristic of humanity.

Reading hours at the College began in 1948 with all of the performers being faculty members. The following year saw 12 faculty performers and two student performers. Last year only students, 26 in number, performed at the monthly programs.

The persons who take part in these reading hours are trying to revive the art of reading aloud. Their efforts in the past have been com-mendable. However, it is certainly difficult to do an admirable job when a meager 15 to 20 students attend. These programs have been planned with the students' interest in mind, and thus far, the students have not proven that they are worthy of this consideration.

In literature, one can see many individual characteristics. However, he is often handicapped because he reads only a certain group of selected writings. By attending the reading hours, students have the opportunity to hear some of the poems and dramas listed among the world's greatest. It is time that more students realized the value involved in these programs and we sincerely hope that more will attend the reading hour tonight. -Mimi Ungar

## Safety Valve—

#### Correction of Impression Caused by Collegian Story

TO THE EDITOR: We would like to correct the impression made by your account of the soccer game between the Varsity and the Foreign Students.

We played and thoroughly enjoyed ourselves and did not mind losing one bit. But please, why didn't you mention that the foreigners were older fellows, nine of whom had not played for about four or five years; that they were completely out of training having lived the flabby lives of graduate students without othletic for lives of graduate students without athletics for

the past few years???
You did not report that of the five goals scored, two were accidental deflections by the foreign players themselves. You missed the whole point of substitutions; there were eleven dead-tired foreigners on the field at half-time, and on came a brand new squad of Penn State men to outrun them. And as for 'toying,' we didn't notice too much of it.

We hope this will become an annual affair.

—Geoffrey E. Brock, Rustum Roy,
Prodipto Roy

### **Movie Prices**

A number of pictures playing in State College recently have been distinguished by high quality and/or high price. Both "David and Bathsheba" and "Streetcar Named Desire" were exhibited at \$1 admissions, almost double the usual fee.
When Hollywood makes a very bad picture—

by accident or design, it does so quite oftenthere is never a whisper of reduced admissions. You pay full fee however low the budget, however poor the quality of the cheapest "B" film. But when Hollywood gets something good-or something it thinks the public will call goodthe admission figure shows a surprising mobility

"Streetcar," in particular, had had a small cast, few sets. Yet the notoriety invoked by the play's successful New York run made it a natural for a price hike, and this was promptly forthcoming.

The only way for the public to beat this practice is to stay away from the overpriced shows in the proverbial droves.

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PANHELLENIC COUNCIL meeting canceled.
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RELIGION-IN-LIFE WEEK COMMITTEE,
209 Willard Hall, 7:30 p.m.
TRIBUNAL, 201 Old Main, 7 p.m.
WRA HOCKEY, Holmes Field, 4 p.m.
COLLEGE HOSPITAL
Stephen Chehi, Barbara Jones, Leonard Lesko, Richard Malone, Joseph McHale.

Little Man On Campus

By Bibler



"All right-which one of you guys brought a mouse to the lab?"

A Column, by George!

# A Day with Stolid Staid Old Business

By GEORGE GLAZER

We spent the past summer working for the Associated Press in the Philadelphia bureau. Now, the AP has a reputation for being one of the most stolid and staid organizations in the country. It is professional from the word go, and has a reputation for not making

We must admit that we were a little bit awed and more than somewhat frightened when we first went into the streamlined be a good boy and that we weren't

Philadelphia office, and in truth, the awe never quite wore off.

But as with any group of working people, there's a lot of fooling around that goes on to relieve the high speed that goes with the gathering of the day's news.

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We started out as a copy boy, and before the fright wore off, we were treated to a neat little trick that has been going on for

quite a while, but was new to us.

As the copy is punched out on the teletype machines, paper tape is perforated and runs through a second machine. This insures a smooth flow of copy on the machine transmitting. When the tape is perforated, the little pieces of paper fall into a receptacle under the per-

forator, leaving something that looks like confetti.

One of the teletype operators poured some of the stuff into a hollow paper tube. Then he wandered over and wont through dered over and went through the motions of trying to break it over his head, and bet us that we couldn't do it either. Needless to say, it broke all right, and left us standing in the middle of a pile of the confetti, about ankle

Later in the summer, after we had moved over to the editorial side, there were slack periods during the day that were taken get a little frisky and hooked the up with such things as trapping machine into a test circuit. As fellow editors in fishing note. fellow editors in fishing nets.

One of the wirephoto photographers had a passion for fish-chine. This time the boys were ing. So he finally bought himself ready.
a fishing net, and brought it into
the office to show it off.
they c

selves out in coats of white news- the machine shook, and in gen-print and hats to match. Then an eral made a big racket. unsuspecting editor was called in- And as the little man watched to the room.

On Saturday afternoons, things are slow, and the teletype operators and editors used to sit around without much to do but

talk. One Saturday afternoon, were talking about how school kids came in five days a week and gawked at us through the plate glass windows of the bur-

Bearing a little exaggeration over the years, one of the punchers who has been with the AP a good many years, swears to the

truth of this story: The Frisco bureau of the AP is built much like the Philadelphia bureau, with plate glass windows

along one wall. As a convenience for sight-

seers, a spare teletype had been set up just inside the door. The machine could be hooked into any of the wires, or used to test any circuit. Now, it seems that a little man would come in everyday and ask, "What's the news?" and then lounge around the machine for about ten minutes and watch.

usual, the little man came in, and wandered over to the ma-

In another corner of the room, they conrtolled the machine. The opportunity was too good They rang bells, moved the carto miss. Two of us decked our riage up and down so fast that

pop-eyed, they typed out, "Look As he walked through the door, out, the machine is about to ex-we dropped the net over him and plode!" He lit out of the door, paraded him around the office, and our puncher swore that he telling him in soothing voices to never bothered the boys again.

## Gazette ...

COLLEGE PLACEMENT January graduates in M.E. and E.E. interested in the Wright Manufacturing Division of American Chain and Cable Co., Inc. should sign up in 112 Old Main before November 28.

Firestone Tire and Rubber Co. will interview January B.S. candidates and M.S. candidates who will receive their degrees in 1952, in E.E., I.E., Ch.E. and M.E. Monday, Dec. 3.

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Standard Oil Co. of Indiana will interview January graduates in M.E. and C.E. Monday, Dec. 3.
Babcock and Wilcox Co. will interview January graduates and 1952 M.S. candidates in Chem., Metal., Phys., Cer., and Fuel Tech. Wednesday, Nov. 28.
Delaware Power and Light Co. will interview January graduates in M.E. and J.E.E. Tuesday, Dec. 4.

Dow Chemical Co. will interview graduates at all levels in Com. Chem., Chem. Eng., Metal., and Chem. Monday, Dec. 10. E. I. Du Pont De Nemours will interview 1952 Ph.D. candidates in Chem., Chem.E., M.E., Phys., Agron., Bact., Bio-Chem., Ento. and Path. Monday, Dec. 10. The National Carbon Division of the Union Carbide and Carbon Corp. will interview January graduates and 1952 M.S. candidates in Ch.E., M.E., I.E., Cer., Chem., and Phys. Friday, Nov. 80.

North American Aviation, Inc. will in-terview graduates at all levels in C.E., E.E., Aero.E., and M.E. Thursday, Dec. 6. Provident Mutual Life Insurance Co. will interview January graduates in C&F, A&L, Phys. Ed., and Ed. Friday, Dec. 7. Sylvania Electric Products, Inc. will interview January graduates in E.E., M.E., Ch.E., I.E., and Phys., and 1952 M.S. and Ph.D. candidates in Chem., Metal., and Phys. Friday, Dec. 8.