

Editorial Opinion

Take an Extra Step

Students have frequently tried to make changes on campus, offtime with little success. But there is one phase in which they have a lot of influence—creating new walks.

Workmen have almost a year-round job paving and building new walks which have been created by students taking shortcuts.

Contrary to some prevailing opinion, the shortest distance between two classes is not necessarily across every lawn between the two locations.

Students complain that with all the construction in progress and being planned there will be no more greens left to beautify campus. They say this while tramping across the lawn fronting Old Main.

With each new path, a new walk is built. Workmen must be paid; materials bought. More money is needed. Student fees are raised. State taxes rise to give more funds to the University.

Ridiculous? True. But a couple extra steps to stay on the walk would be a good gesture on everyone's part.

More Recognition

Presentation of the Horatio Alger Award to President Eric A. Walker is just another step along the University's path of outstanding recognition.

The award, of course, is a fitting tribute to Walker himself, and to the lifetime of work he has devoted to the science and education fields.

But it has even further meaning. The University is growing rapidly through the ranks of the nation's great educational institutions. And there are no signs of leveling off.

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British Gamble; Agree to Aid Kassem Army

By J. M. ROBERTS Associated Press News Analyst

Great Britain, by agreeing to modernize the Iraqi army, is gambling that Gen. Abdel Karim Kassem will be willing and able to defend himself and her oil against either the Communists or the Nasserites.

The move has been assessed on both sides of the ocean as a calculated risk which the British, skilled in Iraqi politics, believe worth taking.

Communists already have infiltrated the Kassem government to a large degree. There is a possibility that they can do the same in the army, and eventually take it away from Kassem if he chooses a show-down.

Nasserite elements already have staged revolts in northern Iraq and armed Russian-Kurds have been exported by Moscow to aggravate this situation by further disturbances.

There is always the possibility that one of these elements might one day seize the arms and the army and use them against Middle Eastern friends of the West after forcing Iraq into the Soviet sphere.

The British also are gambling with their newly improved relations with Egypt, which have brought about negotiations in several fields for renewal of their traditional commercial relations.

Cairo propaganda already is taking the line that military help for Iraq represents a kind of revenge for Suez.

On the other side of the picture is the knowledge that if Britain does not continue furnishing arms, which the Iraqis prefer because they are accustomed to them, Kassem will be forced to turn to the Communist bloc.

The next logical step after that, from Kassem's standpoint, would be to nationalize the oil wells now operated by foreign interests, primarily British, in order to pay Moscow. That would be a blow felt throughout the West.

Kassem's attitude toward the Western oil concessions undoubtedly has played a great part in the British arms decision.

Little Man on Campus by Dick Biber



"I see they've patched things up."

How 'bout That?

Vacation Is Near—We're Ready For It

by cathy fleck

The library is suddenly crowded. Last-minute preparations for handing in term papers are being made. Lots of cramming for finals. "Who has the most finals in the least amount of time," seems to be the major topic of discussion.

But behind all these worries is the pleasant thought of summer vacation and the students' plans of three months of study-less-ness.

Study-less-ness is a new term, my own, but an appropriate one for almost every student who will leave, bag and baggage, within the next few weeks for various destinations. It seems to be the only term that gives all of us the energy to pull through finals and it may connote many things depending upon how each student spends his or her summer.



MISS FLECK

It could mean evenings at Somer's Point after a long day's work at waitressing or bussing tables. It may also mean soaking up every ray of seashore sun when you are not putting in work-hours.

It may mean playing mother, father, sister and brother to a bunch of kids at camps in the cool mountains—teaching songs and learning to like snails, snakes, and other infamous creatures, and running off to the big city on time-off to get a glimpse of the civilized world once again.

And then there are the more

unfortunate ones who will wake each morning to the strains of reveille long before the sun comes up in some torrid ROTC summer camp. There are some lucky Navy students who will see faraway places on summer cruises.

Hot cities—air conditioned office buildings—the constant sound of typewriter keys—this is another way that many will be spending their summer.

All these phases of summer life and many more make up the field of study-less-ness. They do not all denote leisure and freedom from hard work, but they are far removed from life at Penn State.

Removed from the constant rushing to and from classes, rushing to get assignments completed, and projects handed in. Removed from participating in student activities, the feeling of intense responsibility to others who are higher above the student body, and the feeling of relief when TGIF comes around at the end of every week.

Three months of study-less-ness—a vacation greatly needed by every student after a year of University life. For the seniors, it will be permanent.

But the rest of us, if my (Continued on page five)

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T and T Club Stirs Talk in Washington

By ARTHUR EDSON

WASHINGTON (AP)—

Promptly at noon, Speaker of the House Sam Rayburn (D-Tex.) pounded his gavel, and the Thursday to Tuesday Club was in recess again.

The Thursday to Tuesday Club is one of the most hush-hush outfits in a secretive town.

Officially, it doesn't exist. Even unofficially, no one would admit membership.

Anyone who lurks around the House soon learns that important business rarely is scheduled either for Mondays or Fridays.

Unless he has committee meetings to keep him here, a York, Connecticut or New Jersey congressman from, say New Jersey can get home in time

for dinner Thursday night and not have to be back in Washington until the House meets at noon Tuesday.

Recently these T. to T. commuters were brought up by Rep. Glenn Cunningham (R. of Omaha, Neb.)

"It would be to the benefit of the taxpayers, it seems to me, if Congress would meet for five or six days a week, get the necessary work done, and then adjourn," Cunningham said in a newsletter to his constituents.

Other congressmen also have complained, mostly in private, but four years ago Rep. H. R. Gross (R. of Waterloo, Iowa), brought the subject up in a floor debate with the Democratic leader, Rep. John McCormack of Dorchester, Mass. Their exchange included this:

Gross — "Mr. Speaker, have we not progressed far enough

in this session so that we can abandon the Thursday to Tuesday Club and work once in a while on Friday, meeting at noon on each day? I hope the gentlemen will give some consideration to those who live a thousand miles away from our homes and who are stuck here each weekend."

McCormack — "This talk about the Thursday to Tuesday Club has no foundation, and there is no basis for any such statement, because when I draw up a program there is always legislation that is not controversial. I put that down on a Monday, rather than on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Any responsible leader would do that."

Well, Gross didn't get far, and Cunningham doesn't expect to, either. For Congress is habit-forming, and a legislative addict is the worst addict there is.

