

Editorial Opinion



Blue and White Eyesore

University officials must be on a "Desecrate Our Campus" campaign by the looks of the unsightly blue and white signs springing up recently.

The signs are to serve as guides to visitors, but in doing so are beginning to make Pollock Rd. look like a modern highway—complete with signboards to hide the beautiful "campus-side."

Physical Plant officials say there will be at least 25 of these signs of various sizes erected around campus. Officials say the signs are being erected as a result of a year-long study. The study showed a need for the signs, especially in the summer.

The need for the signs is debatable since most campus visitors, whether future students or persons attending conventions and conferences, are provided maps to follow.

However, even if the need exists, the signs being erected are gaudy eyesores. The signs now in place along Pollock Rd. have lettering so large they can almost be read from College Ave. Also, a description of the buildings is hardly needed on the signs. One reads: "Psychology Lab, Oldest Building"—an apparent half-hearted attempt to balance the lettering on the sign.

Should the beauty of campus be sacrificed for the convenience of visitors who can't follow maps?

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Letters

Student Blasts Anti-Semitic 'Desecration'

TO THE EDITOR: It is with a feeling of disgust that I comment upon the second-class type of so-called practical jokers that have been making their appearances in this area with the Nazi-beloved swastika.

These acts of desecration could only have been perpetrated by a person or persons who hold so little faith in the basic principles of American life that they would have us, as a nation, be delivered propoganda-wise into the hands of their Russian neighbors.

Let anyone who may be reading this letter think that we as a nation are isolated in these actions, let me call their attentions to a news broadcast that I have heard about such acts of neo-Naziism on other campuses that will certainly find their way into the hands of the leaders of a nation no less evil than that of Nazi leaders of ten years ago: "Work of anti-Semitic students who defaced properties at universities in Syracuse, N.Y., and Columbia, Mo., is under investigation by local authorities."

Of course, American church leaders speak out against these deeds, but the actions have already spoken much louder than these words of renunciation can ever hope to speak.

Let us, then, as individuals of what we call university calibre, take a stand in bitter protest of the work of those few who, in a weakened state of mind, have the urge to undo years of diplomatic work of our nation; to say nothing of making our American Creed look like one ridiculous farce.

—Rick Wolfman, '61

Gazette

TODAY
Air Force Glee Club, 8:30 p.m., HUB assembly room
Alpha Kappa Psi, 7 p.m., Theta Kappa Phi fraternity
Angol Flight, 6:45 for drill, Armory; 7:30 business meeting, Willard
Christian Fellowship, 12:45 p.m., 218 Hetzel Union
Collegian Promotion Staff, 7 p.m., 219 Willard
German Club, 7:30 p.m., McElwain study lounge
Greek Week Committee — IFC, 8 p.m., 216 Hetzel Union
Intercollegiate Conference on Government, 7:30 p.m., 203 Hetzel Union
Liberal Arts Student Council, 6:30 p.m., 213 Hetzel Union
Mineral Industries Student Council, 9 p.m., 217 Hetzel Union
Newman Club, 7 p.m., 217 Hetzel Union
Organization Board of Control, 7 p.m., 216 Hetzel Union
Philosophy Colloquium, 3:45 p.m., 214 Hetzel Union, Talk by Henry W. Johnstone, Jr. on "Reason Unlimited"
Schuhplattler German Folk Dance Club, 7:30 p.m., 8 White
Science Fiction Society, 7 p.m., 218 Hetzel Union
Sigma Tau Delta, 7 p.m., 214 Hetzel Union
Sociology Club, 7 p.m., 217 Boucke; Talk by Dr. Judith Leventman on "The Changing Ethnic Community"
University Party, 7:30 p.m., 214 Hetzel Union

HOSPITAL

James Austraw, Peter Bronca, Benjamin Bronstein, William Brown, Bernard Buhl, Vivian Coste, Marjorie Downer, Sheila Dubrow, Brenda Fitchner, Ronald Graczy, Carolyn Greer, Channing Grigsby, Robert Hoskins, Marilyn Houser, William Kraft, Dee Lauver, Judith Lohley, Joseph Markiewicz, Walter Martin, Hal Miller, Rosalyn Miller, Frank Moyes, Harry Mumford, Jane Prutzman, Robert Rabenold, Harold Rosenman, Robert Schalm, Gail Schultz, Joanne Scott, Elizabeth Taylor, Robert Telford, Jacob Trueblood, James Vitale, Kathryn Wesner, Sheila Williams.

SGA to Give Trip Information

Applications and information on the SGA-sponsored flight to Europe will be available from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. every week day starting today in 203 HUB.

The cost of a round-trip ticket will be about \$285 to students, faculty members and members of their immediate families.

The flight will leave New York for London June 13 and will return from Paris July 23. Those taking the flight must go both ways on it.

A deposit will be required but the amount and date for payment have not yet been determined, committee chairman Carmella LaSpada said last night.

SGA approved the flight Thursday.

Property Seizure In Cuba Protested

HAVANA (AP) — The United States protested yesterday against the Cuban government's seizure of American private property as a violation of Cuban and International law.

U.S. Ambassador Philip W. Bonsal delivered the State Department note — the third in less than three months — to acting Foreign Minister Marcelo Fernandez.

The protest is expected to provoke a strong reaction from Cuban Prime Minister Fidel Castro and his supporters. Castro has said previously that what happens in Cuba is a domestic matter not subject to outside interference.

The U.S. Embassy did not release the text of the note but a press statement said it involved the seizure and occupation of land and buildings of U.S. citizens without court orders and frequently without any written authorization.

It noted that in many cases no inventories were made nor were any receipts offered for the seized property, and no indication was given that payment would be made.

The U.S. government recognizes the right of foreign countries to expropriate lands and privately-owned business abroad, provided fair restitution is made. Its only course in the present situation is to press for quick adequate compensation for American owners.

Officials in Washington have said the Castro government has made no payments whatever for any American-owned property seized so far, except in the case of a few plantations producing fiber used in making twine.

White Praises U.S. Defense

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Air chief of staff declared his belief yesterday that the total defense position of the United States is many times stronger than that of the Soviet Union.

Gen. Thomas D. White said also in answer to questions after a speech at the National Press Club that the United States "may now have a slight edge in military missiles."

White was asked whether he would rather have the total defense posture of the Soviet Union or the United States.

He said that a single command authority over all U.S. strategic forces, including the Strategic Air Command and the Navy's new Polaris missile submarines, is absolutely essential.

British Officials Claim Eden Prevented War

LONDON (AP) — British officials claimed yesterday that Sir Anthony Eden may have prevented World War III six years ago.

As told here, U.S. Navy bombers were poised to go into battle against Communist fighters in Indochina, but Eden refused to go along with an American plan for intervention in the Indochinese civil war.

Anti-Jewish Activities Denounced

BONN, Germany (AP)—Chancellor Konrad Adenauer declared yesterday that West Germany's anti-Semitic activities must be stopped.

Adenauer spoke in West Berlin as his government in Bonn received a note from Israel expressing deep shock at the upsurge of anti-Semitism.

In an obvious reference to the Soviet bloc, Adenauer told a TV hookup of all West German stations:

"One must clearly understand that such incidents will be utilized by the enemies of Germany—and as you know, Germany still has very many enemies—who will say that the Germans are the same as they used to be."

In Hamburg, Foreign Minister Heinrich von Brentano called for the entire German nation to rise against the "criminals and fools" responsible for the outbreak of anti-Semitism.

Those who paint swastikas and anti-Jewish slogans should be thrown into prisons or locked up in lunatic asylums, he told a meeting of the Hamburg Overseas Club.

But Adenauer's political opponents in West Germany also were demanding that ex-Nazis be cleared out of the West German government.

Supreme Court Opposes Force In Confessions

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court told the states yesterday it will not permit criminal convictions to stand if they result from confessions that the court concludes are involuntary.

By a 9-0 vote, the court struck down the 1948 robbery conviction in Colbert County, Ala., of Jesse Blackburn, a Negro, 24 at the time, received a 20-year sentence for robbery.

Chief Justice Earl Warren, who spoke for the court, agreed with Blackburn's contention that a confession introduced in evidence against him had not been made voluntarily.

Blackburn, who had a long history of mental illness, said he had no recollection of making the confession. Warren said Blackburn was questioned for eight or nine hours, and that most of the interrogation took place in closely confined quarters with as many as three officers being present at one time.

