

Editorial Opinion

Obligation Supercedes Business Rights

For almost a month since a group of Penn State students started a non-violent demonstration picketing Bunn's Barber Shop, a verbal war has been waged on campus and downtown.

The various approaches to the problem boil down to just one basic stand for each of the two opposing sides of the issue

Those who support Bunn in his refusal to cut Negroes' hair hold as their basic tenet that an individual American businessman in our competitive free-enterprise system should have the right to decide whom he wants to serve through his business.

On the surface this is a commendable stand, but another element adds complication to this view. Bunn's business is one that involves a public service and it should have been considered at the outset that a business in this realm entails obligations and restrictions fostered by the moral tone of that public.

The barbers' union has a lobby in Harrisburg. In Pennsylvania statutes dealing with segregation in public services some types of businesses are mentioned but barber shops never appear specifically.

The basic case for those who support the movement has nothing to do with business, the American competitive free-enterprise system, or an individual's exercise thereof. It is a case founded on moral grounds that delve to the very core of a man's feelings for his fellowman.

The purpose of the demonstrators is not to ridicule any individual but to bring to light discriminatory practices here. If the demonstrators had not found their test case at Bunn's, they would have searched elsewhere.

All persons engaged in public service in State College who practice discrimination can hide behind Bunn's coat-tails while he takes the brunt of the attack and be glad that they weren't the ones discovered and singled out as the test case.

Whether acknowledged outwardly or not the Negro has had handed to him in this country a status of second-class citizenship. He is expected to fulfill his duty and is accorded most of the privileges considered due him.

But when the situation calls for complete acceptance without reservation, the Negro encounters a hesitancy that lowers the acceptance to a toleration accompanied by a sympathetic, paternal pat on the head indicating a status just a shade less than human.

The demonstrators fail in their purpose if every inhabitant of this community does not help to rid himself of any feeling, discrimination or reservation, or hesitancy to complete acceptance of his fellowman.

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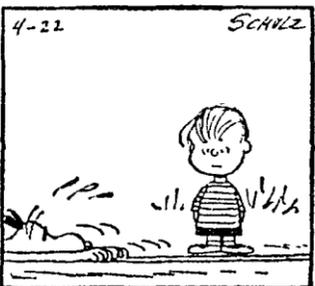
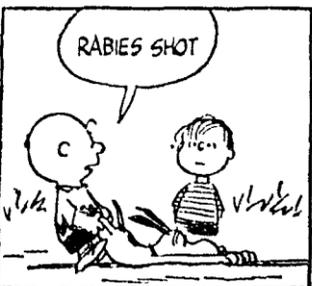
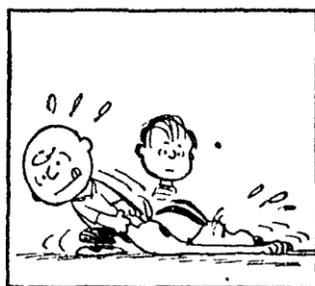
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Interpreting

Berlin Issues Being 'Whittled'

By J. M. ROBERTS Associated Press News Analyst

The United States is continuing to whittle down the area of negotiation over Berlin when the chiefs of state meet in Paris next month.

The position that the status of West Berlin can be solved only in connection with reunification of Germany has been reaffirmed.

There is little room for doubt that Germany will be reunified. Prospects that it will come any time soon are nil.

After their recent Washington conference the Western foreign ministers announced they were in complete agreement on the stand

they would take on this issue at the summit.

Now Undersecretary of State Douglas Dillon has restated the equation of Berlin to reunification, which just about closes that door.

The possibility of an interim compromise is mentioned again.

The Allies said at Geneva they would consider a reduction in West Berlin occupation forces, with steps against espionage and propaganda originating there, about which the Communists have complained.

Whether the Allies will even stick to this offer at Paris is a question now.

The West German government has recently made and published a thorough survey of Communist

tactics in East Germany. It shows large and detailed efforts at subversion in West Germany and intensive espionage organization.

It shows convincingly that the Soviet Union has raised the Berlin issue only as a step in a campaign to take over all Germany.

Any issue involving war would of course be up to the Soviet Union, since the Allies only seek the status quo.

The issue faced by the West, after failure of settlement on Berlin, will be what to do if Khrushchev carries out his threat to assign East Germany complete sovereignty over communications between West Germany and Berlin, and theoretical sovereignty over the city.

Letters

Out-of-Stater Finds Town Disappointing

TO THE EDITOR: Nearly two years ago I left my native state of New Jersey to get an education at Penn State. I am beginning to wonder whether this was a wise move.

Many of the disappointing aspects to non-resident attendance here are obvious. To begin with, I am paying exactly twice the tuition of the Pennsylvania resident. Secondly, when I reach my majority, I will have none of the voting privileges due me as a citizen of the U.S. Moreover, I am obliged to spend great sums of money on transportation and communication to and from home.

These were just a few of the disadvantages that I was prepared and willing to meet. However, there's a big ugly one I had not counted on: the "sweet little college town" serenely nestled in the Nittany Valley—State College.

I'm a loyal product of my society and since the other 10,000 odd students here are willing to go on filling the cash registers of the money-grabbing clique of State College "businessmen," I won't complain any more than the next man.

About this time last year I decided that, to offset this uneven flow, I would take a short job as intramural baseball umpire on campus. However, I quit after just a few games, having earned about \$5. Certainly, it was no more than this.

And so, State College, when I first received your income tax form blank I couldn't help smiling in the direction of my waiting waste basket.

However, my eye caught a word which is found sprinkled freely throughout this area: "penalties." The paragraph that followed was a warning that failure to properly file a return as specified by a mysterious "Resolution," would possibly cost me \$100.

At the specified one per cent I should pay you a nickel. Instead, I'm sending you a quarter. Please take the remaining 20 cents and cover the tax incurred by some of the more forgetful people who are proud to attend Penn State but can't realize that "sweet" State College actually does want their nickels and may soon be asking for \$100 worth of them.

—Thomas Loman, '62

Rochow to Deliver Priestley Lectures

The 34th annual series of Priestley Lectures will begin Monday and continue through Friday.

Dr. Eugene G. Rochow, professor of chemistry at Harvard University, will present the lectures on the theme "Unnatural Products: New and Useful Materials from Silicon."

All the talks are scheduled for 8 p.m. in 119 Osmond except for Thursday's lecture which will be given at 4:15 p.m.

Dr. Leo H. Sommer, professor of chemistry, will be chairman of the first lecture, "The Synthesis of Unnatural Products."

Grad Answers Baker

TO THE EDITOR: In yesterday's Collegian, Mr. William Baker suggested that the American, Confederate or Pennsylvania flags would add to the meaning of non-violent demonstrations. I wonder if Mr. Baker is familiar with the ideals and traditions for which these flags are symbols.

The group assumed that Mr. Baker would know that he was living in the United States of America; consequently, it would not be necessary to remind him of this by waving the flag.

I also assumed that a graduate student would be familiar with the American ideals of equality of opportunity and justice. Perhaps I was mistaken in Mr. Baker's case.

Finally Mr. Baker quotes a pro-

fessor of sociology at Wisconsin, who called these demonstrations the "harmless pleasures of students a little 'starry eyed'."

It is good, I suppose, that Mr. Baker has found comfort in following this leader at this distant institution; although, I do not think that all professors of sociology would take this view.

However, I wonder if Mr. Baker has written to this professor to obtain the reasons for his views. Does Baker plan to attend any of the group meetings so that he might determine their position for himself, or does his five-sentence letter to the Collegian represent the extent of capabilities?

—Nolvert Scott, Graduate Student

Gazette

- TODAY American Society of Agricultural Engineers, 3 a.m., HUB assembly room Biochemistry Seminar, 3:15 p.m., 214 Bouché. CLE Alumni College, 10 a.m., 214, 215, 216, 217, 218 HUB Center Stage production, "The Dark at the Top of the Stairs," 8 p.m. Chemistry, Physics, Liberal Arts joint faculty meeting, 4:15 p.m., 119 Osmond. Christian Fellowship, 12:45 p.m., 218 HUB I-H Conference, 10:30 a.m., 212 HUB Interlandia, 7:30 p.m., 3 White Lecture, Hugo Weisgall, 8 p.m., HUB assembly room Penn State Model Railroad Club, 7 p.m., 217 HUB Senior Class Day committee, 6:30 p.m., 218 HUB

Weekly Crossword Puzzle

- ACROSS 1 Boy ____ 7 Moves too slowly. 12 Part of a sailing ship; 2 words. 14 A set formula. 16 Asker. 17 Awry. 18 Shoulderwear on the gridiron. 19 Marine animal. 21 Consume. 22 World War II theatre. 23 Lamps for heating liquids. 24 Harden by heat. 25 Missiles. 28 King, in Spain. 29 Rise high. 30 Angry man. 32 Cheroots. 33 Composes. 35 Incursions. 36 Jewish month. 37 Benefactor. 38 City of Lombardy. 39 Term of address. 40 Dancer's forte. 44 Abbreviation in proofreading. 45 Budgets. 47 Thermometer scale; Abbr. 48 Allow. 49 At the nadir. 50 A continent; Comb. form. 51 Poet and novelist Wylie. 53 Monster of the deep; 2 words. 55 Golfer's replacements. 56 Unroofed areas adjacent to houses. 57 Ghostly. 58 Fed the fire. DOWN 1 "Moonlight ____." 2 Rimsky-Korsakov opera (with "Le"); 2 words. 3 I Down, for example. 4 North Caucasian language. 5 To the point. 6 Regal adjuncts. 7 Medicines. 8 Alain ____ Lesage. 9 Card. 10 Type of TV program. 11 Orators. 12 ____ down (stopped talking). 13 Silver coins of Denmark or Norway. 15 Lists by name. 20 Not so. 24 Winner of an Oscar, 1951. 26 Of a group of people. 27 Archfiend. 29 Beginners; Var. 31 Come by. 32 Peruse. 33 One form of polite excuse; 2 words. 34 Father, for one. 35 Looks ahead. 36 Looked cheerful. 37 Deprive of honors, titles, etc. 39 Farm animal. 41 Obliterate. 42 Left in a particular place; Slang. 43 Bluchers. 45 Senator from Oregon. 46 Set out. 49 French novelist. 50 Biblical giant. 52 Conjunction. 54 Rialto sign.

