

Editorial Opinion

'Little' Things Add Up

Students who are looking apprehensively toward a rise in residence hall fees this year or next should take a moment to reflect upon the things that they can do themselves to help hold these costs at a minimum.

The thoughtless, inconsiderate and sometimes outright malicious actions of students often cause unnecessary bills or added expense because of waste of utilities or abuse of furnishings.

The results of such actions are inevitably going to turn up in increased rates for the students.

Most students at some time or another are guilty of the thoughtless little things that add to the expense—leaving a faucet running, an electric light on, or a window open when the room is not being used.

According to figures compiled by the University Maintenance and Utilities Department, one faucet left running all day would provide the normal daily water requirements of 90 students. One free-running drinking fountain can waste 7,200 gallons of water in 24 hours.

The University's electrical bill runs about \$220,000 a year and the heating bill approximately \$300,000, according to Albert E. Diem, vice president for business administration.

He has estimated that if such simple rules as turning off lights, radios and appliances which are not in use and turning down the heat rather than opening windows were followed as much as a five per cent reduction in costs might be realized.

This would mean a yearly savings of \$11,000 in electricity and \$15,000 on heat.

Open windows often allow damage by wind and rain to walls, floors and painted surfaces.

Piling coats on heating and ventilating units in classrooms not only causes added expense but does not allow maximum comfort for occupants.

Pranks, such as lighted newspapers under doors and water floods in the rest rooms, can cause extensive damage.

Paths across the grass which must be reseeded constantly may save the students a few steps of physical exertion but cost them several dollars in fees.

Some favorite pastimes of students in dining hall waiting lines is digging out ceramic or acoustical tiles with fingernails, files, etc., and carrying chairs up the steps so they can sit down. Some of these chairs have been dropped down the stairs and seriously damaged.

All these things may be little but when added up they can have a significant effect on the fees students have to pay.

In their own interests, students should catch themselves each time they do one of these "little" things so that conservation and care become daily habits.

Letters

Spectator's Behavior Discussed

TO THE EDITOR: This Saturday, as is the case on many Saturdays throughout the autumn, Penn State students will make asses of themselves. Their vehicle has been and will be the flask.

The foul language, raucous noises, horseplay and general rowdiness covers the obnoxious display while the unbalance, vomit, smell and liquor that is sprayed over the crowd include most of the disgusting displays.

Is this all done for the sake of school spirit? Baloney! The only spirit they have is in their flasks.

The University is partially to blame for this. The senate regulation W-4 states: "Possession or use of alcoholic beverages on University property . . . (is) prohibited."

Does the University condone these Bacchanalian orgies or is it simply blind to them? If the former, why don't they open the stadium every Friday and Saturday regardless of football games and make enough money to lower tuition?

There is a time and place for everything. If these clowns want to get drunk let them do it in the cellars of their fraternity houses or at any of the fine local taverns, and let us watch the game in peace.

—Robert Cordover '62

Letters

Senior Answers Toor

TO THE EDITOR: I'm delighted to hear that at least one English instructor realizes that most advertisements are better reading than many of the books in the library.

The satirical letter to the editor by Mr. Toor must be judged in the light of what he practices, not advocates. I doubt very much if he still wears old fashioned sack cloth or, if married, has his wife do the wash with homemade lye soap and a scrubbing rock.

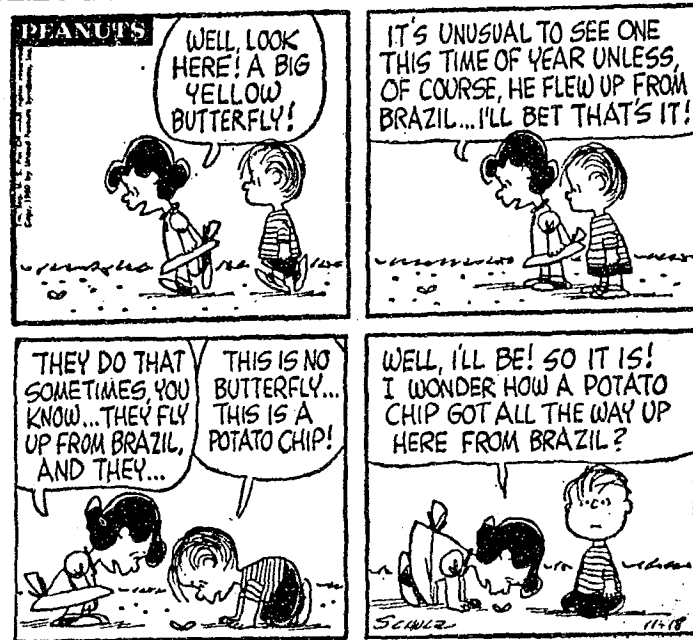
It could be that he rides to school on a horse, but I think it's more likely that he arrives

in a car made by the methods of modern enterprise.

Due to advertising, products can be developed and marketed in a year or two, whereas in the past it would take ten to 30 years. Magazines, newspapers, television, radio . . . no mass media could exist without advertising.

Mr. Toor, your complaints against the library may be justified, but your use of advertising to propagate those complaints is not justified. The day of "The Hucksters" is long gone and buried. Try reading "Madison Avenue USA" objectively, Mr. Toor, it may be enlightening.

—Donald Bellisario, '61



Trend to Group Action Protested

TO THE EDITOR: The recent campus trend towards group action is showing alarming tendencies to accelerate in an apparent effort to reach its unavoidable end — product of group thinking as soon as possible.

The few worthwhile techniques obtained from such organization are being forced into every nook of student life, with the resulting destruction of individual thoughts and abilities. It is a well-known fact that an idea which works on a small scale is often clumsily inoperative when magnified.

Granted we are no longer Farmers' High School, we must remain a university, not become a corporation, to be tip-top.

—William G. Prast '61  
—Member, TICS

Food Praised

TO THE EDITOR: We would like to offer our thanks to the cooking staff of Waring Dining Hall for the delicious dinner last night.

So often we complain when the food does not please us, but say nothing when we enjoy it. Thanks again!

—Fourth Floor McKee  
—Julie Wilfert

Gazette

- TODAY
Art History Lecture, 8 p.m., HUB assembly room
Bridge Club, 7 p.m., HUB cardroom
Continuing Education Directors, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., 212 HUB
HRB Employment Program, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., 217 HUB
Interlandia Folk Dance, 7:30 p.m., 100 Weaver
IV Christian Fellowship, 12:45 p.m., 218 HUB
IV Christian Fellowship, 7:30 p.m., 111 Boucke
ODK, 12:15 p.m., HUB dining room

WDFM Schedule

- FRIDAY
8:30 Stock Market Report
8:50 News and Weather
4:00 Critic's Choice
5:00 Three at Five
6:00 Studio X
6:55 Weathercope
7:00 Album Review
7:30 Portrait of a City
7:55 News Roundup
8:00 Starlight Review
9:00 Light Classical Jukebox
9:45 News, Sports, Weather
10:00 Ballet Theatre
12:00 Midnight Mood
1:00 Sign Off

World at a Glance
Orleans Asks Army Officers No Integration Quit in Laos

NEW ORLEANS, La. (AP) — Shaken by disorders that swept through this tense city, the New Orleans School Board yesterday sought federal court permission for a recess to integration of public schools.

U.S. Dist. Judge J. Skelly Wright—the jurist who ordered the integration—said he would hear arguments on the motion today.

One-third of the white public school pupils in New Orleans played truant yesterday, 12,666 of a total white enrollment of 36,725.

A growing boycott of the two elementary schools integrated last Monday just about reached 100 per cent yesterday.

The board's move to return to segregated schools until differences between city and state can be ironed out came on a motion filed by Samuel Rosenberg, the board's attorney.

The motion did not ask that the integration order be vacated. It asked time to ease tempers, to work out a solution to the bitter dispute between segregationists and the court order.

VIENTIANE, Laos (AP) — Reports that the Laotian army chief, other army officers, police and some national assemblymen were deserting his teetering regime failed to shake neutralist Premier Souvanna Phouma yesterday.

Told that Gen. Ouane Rathikone, commander of the royal Laotian army, was said to have gone over to the rightist rebel regime of Gen. Phoumi Nosavan, Souvanna declared: "The government remains the government and it will do its duty."

The prestige of Ouane is so high that Western diplomats believe he can swing victory to the faction he ultimately joins.

Souvanna told reporters Ouane's trip to Savannakhet, Phoumi's base in southern Laos, apparently has been confirmed, but he did not know under what conditions he went there. Ouane has been in Luang Prabang, the royal capital 130 miles north of this administrative capital.

"I cannot say anything about it until I know those conditions," the premier said.

Western diplomats refrained from jumping to any conclusions about Ouane's trip until the highly respected general comes out with a statement.

U.N. Commission To Go to Congo

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (AP) —The U.N. Conciliation Commission for the Congo announced last night that it would begin work there a week from next Saturday.

The decision was made public despite statements of Congolese President Joseph Kasavubu that the 15-nation African-African country should not go to his country without his consent — and that he could not give his consent until he was seated in the U.N. General Assembly.

The commission said it decided at its first meeting yesterday "that it would assemble in Leopoldville on the morning of Saturday, Nov. 26." Leopoldville is the capital of the Congo, where the group will seek to make peace between rival political leaders.

Actor Clark Gable Dies of Heart Attack

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — Clark Gable, whose cracking voice, rough-hewn face and husky frame became the symbol of American manhood to the world, died late Wednesday night of heart failure at 59.

Thought to have been recovering from a heart attack, with which he was stricken ten days ago, he had eaten dinner and had been taking an evening nap. He breathed two short gasps and died without apparent pain before his wife could be summoned from across the hall at Hollywood Presbyterian Hospital.

Mrs. Gable, herself a heart patient, is five months' pregnant with the actor's first child.

Funeral services have been tentatively set for Saturday at Forest Lawn Memorial Park.

HUB Lot count for Wednesday
Hour (P.M.) | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | total
No. of Cars | 72 | 61 | 66 | 51 | 30 | 11 | 291
Mean 48
Capacity 218

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