

Editorial Opinion

Campus Crime Wave

Just as the crime rate in big cities of this nation has been going steadily uphill, so has the crime rate at this University. In fact, one might even call it a crime wave.

Every night the University libraries account for fewer and fewer books. Theft is the cause of this situation.

With the limited funds available for maintaining the already understocked libraries, not one person at this University can or should tolerate such thievery.

We are indeed fortunate at this University that we have freedom to come and go in our libraries. We do not have to undergo a humiliating and time-consuming search of our belongings when leaving the library. We, as students, must see that check-out points never need to be set up in our libraries.

However, if the rate of book stealing remains at its present level or increases, we see no other alternative.

It has taken many years of effort to secure additional funds for increased facilities and books. Neither the University nor the students can afford to have this effort go for naught.

Use 'Series' Tickets

Tonight the University Artists Series will present its first program of the fall term—John Browning, pianist.

This year, under the direction of Mrs. Raymond Brown, the Series will bring performers to this University in many interest areas.

Much to our regret, this well-organized and extremely beneficial program is being taken too lightly by some of the student body. This is evidenced by the number of tickets which students pick up at the Hetzel Union desk and never use.

Due to the limited seating available in Schwab, we urge students to use the tickets which they have secured and if it is impossible for them to attend the program, that they give their ticket to another student who will attend.

Student neglect on this matter causes shameful waste of valuable seating area and is an unfounded insult to the commendable efforts of the Artists Series committee and director.

What This University Needs

by saralee orton

After one's been around Penn State long enough to have gained the distinction of being an exalted, experienced and apathetic senior, one naturally has picked up a few ideas about how to run the University. Or at least, how to run it to one's own satisfaction.

As a first step, it's essential to eliminate some petty annoyances. Penn State being a big University naturally provides more opportunity than most for a student to become pettily annoyed.

Not that this isn't a lovely place in many respects, and we probably wouldn't transfer even if we could find someplace to take us, but there are still certain deficiencies in the system.

As I'm a senior now, I feel called upon to make a few suggestions for the good of the University family (as a whole).

What this University needs is:

- A good 5-cent cup of coffee.
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- An "in" with Governor Lawrence so it will get its full appropriation for 1963.
- A cure for the common cold.
- More wealthy alumni who will contribute books to Pattee Library.
- More wealthy alumni who will contribute anything.
- Price ceilings for downtown merchants.
- A nicer exterior for Beaver Stadium so it doesn't look like a wounded aircraft carrier.
- A new use for Wagner Building.
- A good public relations program so that when students say they attend Penn State, people won't ask them how they like Philadelphia.
- A copy of Robert's Rules of Order to be distributed to every organization on campus.
- A censor for Froth.
- More rubber stamps saying "This piece of mail was delayed because the address did not include room number and building"



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so the post office can explain its slow mail service.

• Bus service from Pollock to the new education building.

• More meetings like the IFC-Panhel joint meeting Thursday so that organizations can meet and hash out their combined problems before each individually makes itself look foolish.

• Free bluebooks (it always seems like adding insult to injury to expect students to pay for the privilege of taking examinations.)

• A date for each and every coed each and every weekend.

• Bigger hats so student leaders can be more easily recognized (for those student leaders who want

to be more easily recognized.)

• Frosh who like customs.

• An intellectual atmosphere, and all possible encouragement for organizations like AWS who with their "Lord of the Flies" orientation program tried to create just that.

• Fewer pop quizzes in 8 o'clock Saturday classes.

• More students willing to speak or write about what they believe, even when it's not a popular viewpoint.

• Some original yells at football games. I'm tired of "Short Yell-Beer."

• A clever way to end this column.

World at a Glance

Boos, Gunshot Shatter Quiet At 'Ole Miss'

Veteran Indicted On Spy Charge

OXFORD, Miss. (AP)—A booing crowd of students and a report of gunshots scattered the mood of easing tensions on the University of Mississippi campus yesterday.

Still, there were signs that federal officials, holding a tight grip on the situation, feel the crackling sense of danger is letting up.

Nicholas Katzenbach, deputy U.S. attorney general, said he thought "we've gone a long way toward relieving tensions" here and getting back to normal.

The developments came near the end of Negro James H. Meredith's first week as a student at previously all-white Ole Miss.

The 29-year-old Meredith planned to leave the campus for the weekend — destination unannounced, but believed to be a meeting with his wife and perhaps their 2-year-old son.

The report of the shots fired at an Army vehicle carrying three or four soldiers came in just as the school day was nearing its end.

Nobody was hurt. FBI agents began an investigation.

First reports from soldiers said five shots were fired. But a later report said only one shot was heard.

The report of gunfire was the first since the rioting on the campus Sunday night and in the town square Monday.

NEW YORK (AP) — Cornelius Drummond, a veteran of 16 years in the U.S. Navy, was indicted by a federal grand jury yesterday on a charge of selling national defense secrets to the Soviet Union. He was arrested Sept. 28.

The FBI claimed that Drummond, as a clerical worker for the Navy in this country and abroad, had access to classified information, and that he sold it to the Russians over a five-year period.

If convicted under the indictment he could receive the death sentence.

Named as co-conspirators in the indictment were four secretaries of the Soviet mission to the United Nations, including two who were taken into custody with Drummond at a diner in Larchmont, N.Y.

The pair whom the FBI found in Drummond's company left the United States early this week, after the State Department ordered their recall.

French Assembly Defeats Premier In Censure Move

PARIS (AP)—With lofty disdain, President Charles de Gaulle took no official notice yesterday of France's political crisis.

The National Assembly defeated Premier Georges Pompidou on a motion of censure in the early morning hours. After consultations with Pompidou and the presidents of the National Assembly and Senate, De Gaulle is expected to dissolve the assembly and call for a national election.

In the pre-De Gaulle era, presidents roused themselves from bed to accept the resignations of defeated premiers. But De Gaulle did not in this case.

He left word that he did not want to be disturbed by the outcome of the assembly's nocturnal deliberations. He got the news after he got up for breakfast.

Radio 'Chitchat' Distracts Astronaut

ABOARD USS KEARSAGE IN PACIFIC (AP) — Too much chitchat on the worldwide radio network distracted astronaut Walter M. Schirra Jr. during his six-orbit space flight Wednesday, a space agency official said yesterday.

This distraction once caused him inadvertently to use fuel from two sources, the spokesman reported.

The radio gabfest did not prevent a sensationally successful mission. But, on future space trips, "We will make a definite effort to reduce the amount of talk on the astronaut frequency," said Lt. Col. John H. Powers of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

The problem of too many people on the air waves was brought out during Schirra's discussions with his fellow astronauts and engineers.

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Letters

Postal Bill Evaluated

TO THE EDITOR: The postal rate bill which is edging its way through Congress and is expected to be enacted before the legislature adjourns goes far in abrogating the freedom of Americans.

Miss Orton in her *qui sait?* column of Sept. 28 pointed out its major drawbacks.

Amendments to the bill which is over a year old have toned it down considerably, but lack of faith in the judgment of the American people is written into every line of the portion directing the Post Office to detain any Communist propaganda in the mails.

The fact that postal rates are being raised again is bad enough, but seemingly necessary to enable the Post Office to operate in the black. When Congress expresses a need for a bill to prevent Americans from receiving Soviet propaganda in the mail, it is saying democracy (or freedom) is not working. It is saying that Americans must be protected from falling prey to the Communists because they have so much more to offer than a democracy.

This portion of the bill is very probably unconstitutional and is certainly un-American.

Whether or not Communism is "evil" is a moot question here. The question is how will we differ from the Communists when we begin placing more and more restrictions on our freedoms?

British poet and essayist Milton summed up the essence of the question in *Areopagitica*, an essay criticizing censorship: "He that can apprehend and consider vice with all her seeming pleasures and yet abstain, and yet distinguish, and yet prefer that which is truly better, he is the true warfaring Christian."

—Kent Zimmerman

