

# Those Most Popular

An inconspicuous item in a major city newspaper points out that Dwight D. Eisenhower has topped the list of men that Americans admire most. The former president has pushed Lyndon Johnson out of the first place position he has held for the past four years.

Following LBJ are evangelist Billy Graham, Sen. Robert F. Kennedy and Pope Paul VI. The article doesn't list the remaining five on the top 10 totem pole, but these first five comprise quite a list in their own.

It's interesting to note that President Johnson has dropped to the No. 2 place to be replaced by former President Eisenhower. Both men share approximately the same views on the war in Vietnam—that it should be continued. Eisenhower says he cannot support any GOP candidate for the Republican Presidential nomination who advocates a dove policy on the war. Johnson, of course, is steadfastly hanging on to his committed course of action in Vietnam, maintaining that an "honorable settlement" is his goal.

The latest word from Hanoi that peace talks "will" be held if the bombing of North Vietnam is stopped is looked upon with suspicion in Washington headquarters. North Vietnam can't be trusted, says Secretary of State Dean Rusk (whom, incidentally, the top 10 list makes no mention of). The Vietcong violated the cease-fire truce over New Year's and that proves they're out to get us, he claims.

Those who don't want to take Hanoi for its word this time are forgetting that we are in a war, not a game. The questions of whether things are "fair" does not apply. The U.S. forces will not be defeated if North Vietnam does use the time during a bombing halt to wage some kind of war effort. On the other hand, Washington would have taken Hanoi at its word to negotiate if it did stop the bombing to hold talks. And possibly President Johnson's rating might go up with the apparent large numbers of people who placed him No. 1 during the last four years. It would show how sincere he is in his often-repeated pledge to hold peace talks with Hanoi

whenever Hanoi is ready and cooperative.

Meanwhile, as the war goes on and on and on, the nation is putting those men who seem most interested in ending it into the most admired list. Sen. Robert F. Kennedy, who ranks No. 4 on the list, has said he favors a change in policy. Although he has not committed himself to Eugene McCarthy in his bid for the Democratic presidential nomination, Kennedy is a thorn in President Johnson's side. The Kennedy name, when it can't be linked with Johnson's and when it rests under a dove banner, is certainly no help in a Johnson popularity contest.

Pope Paul VI has no bearing in American politics, but he does favor an end to the war. Recently he criticized the U.S. for various strategies in Vietnam and has said he would not like to see the war extended to Cambodia even with U.S. forces in pursuit of fleeing Vietcong.

According to the top 10 list, two hawks are still the most popular. But their antagonists are creeping closer. And, the No. 2 man on the list should be concerned with November 10 months away.

## Smart Move

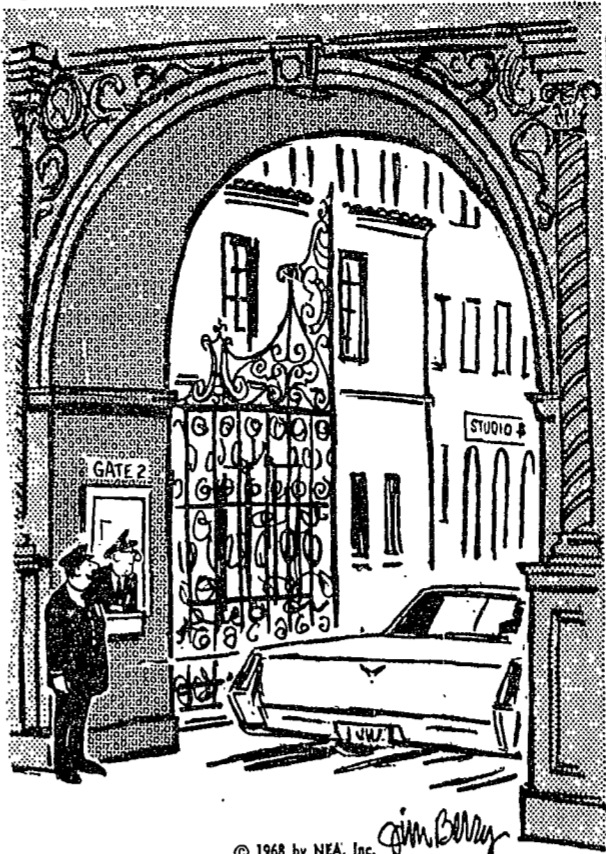
Daniel Clements, USG Supreme Court justice, confirmed last night that USG does not plan any type of investigation of Froth.

Although USG President Jeff Long, who first mentioned the possibility of an investigation of the humor magazine on a WMAJ broadcast has not yet made an announcement to the contrary over the same airwaves, we feel that this reconsideration was an appropriate move.

As an earlier Collegian editorial stated, a USG-led investigation into the merits of Froth's humor would have put the organization into a dangerous position—that of attempting, no matter how slight, some kind of control over a campus publication. An investigation may not have shouted censor, but it could have paved the way for future blue-pencil action.

We're relieved to hear that USG, which has a victory to celebrate with its push to have a pass-fail grading system now an academic policy, has no plans to take a backwards step along with the many it has taken in the right direction.

## BERRY'S WORLD



"I'm glad to see John Wayne getting into this Vietnam thing—he's never lost a war!"

J. Robert Shore

## Nine More

Is it safe yet? Has everyone finally finished uttering and sputtering their 10 best lists? Russel Baker, satirist for the New York Times, probably thought he had the last say when he listed the 10 grossest excesses this week.

But I've been waiting also to release nine items—just to be different. In the name of responsible journalism, may I present nine news stories which although they didn't shake the world, did show that rapes and fires and killings are not the only things that make up a newspaper. So with all due respect to Walter Cronkite and Chet and David (in case I've stolen any of their closing snippets), let the presses roll!

For our Ripley's Believe it or Not department two wire services vie for top honors:

NASHVILLE (AP) — They even took the kitchen sink from a house owned by Hazel Harris. Mrs. Harris said she rented the home to two men and, in checking it when they moved out discovered a television set, cedar chest, dishes — and the kitchen sink — missing.

From a UPI dispatch: Lorin J. Laughlin, 71 years old, who has been wearing dentures for 30 years, sprouted a new tooth recently. Unfortunately, because of the false teeth he had to have his new tooth removed.

For our you're-sure-there's-no-other-reason department, we read from a UPI correspondent in Lincoln City, Ore. that Sheriff Everett Hockema of Lincoln County grows marijuana plants in his office so his deputies will know what they look like.

For our it-pays-to-be-sterile department, Reuters reports from New Delhi that the Indian government, which dropped plans to introduce compulsory sterilization for men with three or more children, is working on a plan to increase the pay of government employees who are sterilized.

Perhaps a Mr. Turner from Australia read the O. Henry tale of the vagrant who tried to have the police give him a winter home. In any event, Reuter's writes: When John William Turner left jail without money, friends or job, he pleaded to be returned. The police refused to arrest him as a vagrant, so he stole a watch, turned up at a police station and admitted the theft.

UPI takes the supernatural department with two eerie tales. From Paris, police held a 67-year-old retired engineer accused of slashing Rubens' painting of "The Virgin of the Angels" in the Louvre Museum. He told museum guards the painting gave him "the evil eye."

And from Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia: It was supernatural, the Straits Time quoted a geochemist as saying. First stones fell on the roof. Then stones fell inside the house. Articles in the house caught fire. The geochemist, S. Seeveratnam, sought Chinese temple mediums to see what was wrong with his house. They blamed evil spirits.

U Thant leads everyone in the guess-what (who?) department. London (UPI) — Only 58 per cent of 2,000 Britons polled in a recent survey knew who U Thant was. The United Nations Secretary General was variously described as starting the war in Israel, leader of the Chinese Communist Red Guard movement, a pop singer, and actor in horror movies, a dressmaker and . . . a submarine.

UPI, which has consistently strived to make the bad news sound not so bad, captures this final category with the following report: Phillip Rosewarne and his family are sound sleepers. When the automobile of Earl N. Casler Jr. careened across a lawn, smashed through the Rosewarne garage, struck the Rosewarne car and drove it through the wall into the Rosewarne recreation room, the family slumbered on. But when Mr. Casler knocked on the door, the family awakened.

## Letter to the Editor

### A Challenge

TO THE EDITOR: Several of the terms and statements included by Professor Pollard in his Senate attack upon disruptive student demonstrators and, apparently, faculty members sympathetic to these students, are by no means clearly understood in the same way by all readers and listeners.

Therefore, I am writing to propose that the issues raised by Professor Pollard be the subject of an immediate debate, formally staged, during which Professor Pollard and those who agree with his opinions could be challenged by (and could challenge, in turn) those of us who differ sharply from his position.

The need for a fully-informed university community has, it seems to me, never been more clearly demonstrated. Now is the time to join the issue, in public, before audiences which can freely join the discussion.

It is my hope that The Daily Collegian can initiate the procedures needed to create the forum for such a debate.

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Assistant Professor, Labor Studies

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## TODAY ON CAMPUS

Agriculture Faculty Meeting, 4 p.m., Hertz Union Building	Jawbone Coffee Hoise, Sherry Erhard (soul and blues), 8 p.m., 415 E. Foster
Assembly Hall	Philosophy Dept. Coll. 4 p.m., 214, 215, 216 HUB
Chinese Club, 7:30 p.m., 215 HUB	Sky Diving Club, 7:30 p.m., 214 HUB
Classic Dept. Lecture, 8 p.m., HUB Assembly Hall	TIM Concert Jammy, 9 p.m., HUB Ballroom
IFC, 1:30 p.m., 218 HUB	UBA, 8 a.m., HUB Cardroom
Interlandia Folkdancers, 7:30 p.m., 267 Recreation Hall	

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