

Dining hall waste problem is up to students to curb

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By MARK SCHULTZ
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It is up to students to control the problems of food waste in the dining halls, William N. Curley, director of University food services, said.

"The biggest amount of food waste in the dining halls occurs when students take more than they will eat and end up throwing food away," Curley said.

Attention was brought to the topic when students working at a conference at the Pollock dining halls saw salads and desserts thrown away after a meal.

However, the situation is different with a conference than with full-time students, Curley said, because some conferences have better attendance than others.

"The supervisor on duty has to anticipate what the lines will be," based on figures from a previous year or from information provided by the group, he said.

With students, however, supervisors have the advantage of using records which have been kept over a period of years. These records keep track of attendance as well as which food is most popular, he said.

The records reveal that more roast beef will be eaten when served with french fries than with wax beans, Curley said.

Curley said he feels that every

possible measure to save and re-serve food is being taken.

Foods served with cream sauces, such as chicken or macaroni, can only be re-served once, Curley said.

"There is little or no waste on meat products in our system," he said, explaining that excess hamburger can be served in meat pies and turnovers. Roasts are wrapped and refrigerated after a meal, frozen milk is used for cocoa, and baked fish is often served with lettuce as a salad.

"Your mother has more sticking to her pans at home than we waste," he said.

Eileen Willy (4th-agriculture), who is working her first term in Findlay dining hall, agrees.

"I see kids throwing away main dishes and salads half-eaten," she said.

"They take about twice as much as they need. I've done this myself, but this is the first time I've looked at it from a garbage line's point of view."

With almost 5.5 million meals being consumed on campus each year, Assistant Director of Food Services Eris Sanders said the assumption that each student will miss one third of his meals over the course of a year becomes vital.

"If every student ate every meal, the cost of the meal ticket would be . . . over \$5 (each day)," she said.

Each student currently pays \$3.69 each day for food, Curley said. "Where else can you go for so little?" he said.

University's financial status shaky

Entering the 1977-78 fiscal year still awaiting approval of its state appropriation has serious "financial implications" for the University, University President John W. Oswald said.

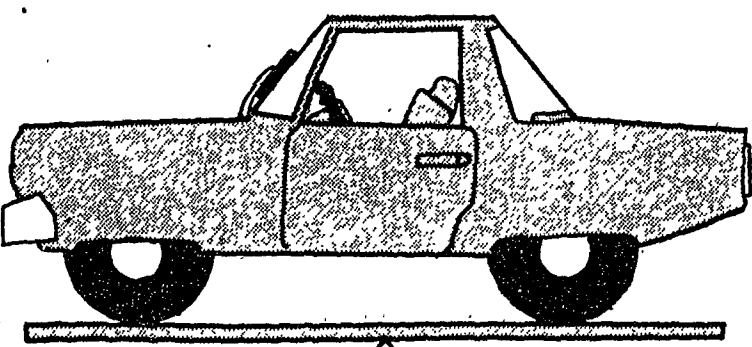
"The University will have to turn to borrowed money for normal operations," Oswald said Friday. "Depending on the length of the delay in passage of an appropriation, interest costs on the borrowed money will mount and add to the present fragile financial system for the next fiscal year."

Oswald said borrowing will be undertaken as the funds are required. He

explained that the final payment on the 1976-77 appropriation, received on June 16, will allow the University to end the 1976-77 fiscal year paying amounts already due and obligated, including the June payroll.

The University's financial circumstances at present are as uncertain as in May, when the Board of Trustees approved the 1977-78 University budget, Oswald said.

"Trustee action was based on the assumption of an increase of at least \$3 million in the state appropriation for Penn State," Oswald said.



used car sales

By DENISE RYAN
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State College consumers are more willing to buy new cars these days, according to local dealers, reflecting a nationwide trend in increased automobile sales.

"People are more optimistic now," said Tom N. McVeigh of Miller-McVeigh Ford, Inc. "The market has picked up in the last three months."

Most local car dealers noted an upswing in June auto sales, and, despite a projected 6 per cent price hike, predicted equally high sales for the fall.

McVeigh said buyers have changed their attitude since President Carter's may speech. "Carter's

speech confused and baffled people. Many people thought there would be rebates on smaller cars, which wasn't true," he said.

Carl E. McCartney of Joel Confer AMC said 66 new Toyotas were sold in the first two months of business. Previously, Toyota sales averaged only 19 cars per month.

Mierly Volkswagen-Audi is sold out of everything — even Audis — said one sales representative.

Most dealers agreed that the time was ripe for new car sales, not used models.

Stocker Chevrolet reports the Monza, Nova, and Monte Carlo were going well and the Chevrolet sub-

compacts seemed to leave the lots the fastest.

"A lot of people would like the bigger car," said Charles Miceli of Dix Cadillac-Pontiac Co. "The only reason they choose small cars is because of the fuel situation." He said "business fluctuates, and was very good until Carter made his speech."

McVeigh said an industrialized town such as Altoona had a more predictable market than State College.

Despite the rigors of the energy crisis, people are not rushing to buy small cars. Most State College dealers are saying the same thing: The intermediate-sized car is now in vogue.

'New auto' sales are on the upswing locally, nationwide

Panamanian held in slaying of bus hostages

NEW YORK (AP) — A 26-year-old U.S. Navy seaman was held without bail for mental tests yesterday in the slaying of two hostages aboard an inter-state bus that was hijacked from the Bronx to Kennedy Airport with 25 passengers aboard.

Police said the victims, passenger Nettie Blassberg and bus driver Norman

Bozick, were fatally shot as the hijacker reacted violently to another woman passenger's attempt to subdue him with a karate chop. Ernesto Robinson, a black Panamanian native in this country as a resident alien for 14 years, appeared in state Supreme Court in Queens, charged with murder, kidnaping and possession of the .45 caliber death

weapon and a four-inch knife.

Life imprisonment would be the maximum penalty.

Queens Dist. Atty. John Santucci said a grand jury also will be asked to indict Robinson in the attempted murder of two other bus passengers wounded during Monday's nine-hour drama that

sarled Independence Day travel plans for an estimated 15,000 people.

John McGavern, 50, a librarian at the University of Hartford, Conn., was in fair condition in Jamaica Hospital with a bullet wound in the neck. Jimmy Lo, 36, of Hong Kong, was in critical condition at Queens General Hospital with a chest wound.

Repair crews to fix leaks in Alaska pipeline

FAIRBANKS, Alaska (UPI) — Repair crews yesterday rushed to a pumping station halfway up the Alyeska oil pipeline to fix a nitrogen leak which caused a shutdown of oil flow on Monday.

Alyeska officials said no oil has leaked and there was no danger of an oil spill. They said they expected oil to resume its initial journey down the 799-mile pipeline today.

The nitrogen leak was discovered at an underground pumping station southeast of Fairbanks, and a repair crew was rushed to the scene to fix the leak at Pump Station No. 8, beyond the halfway mark of the 799-mile line.

Nitrogen was forced into the pipeline to purge the line of air and oxygen and eliminate any fire danger before oil from

Prudhoe Bay began its long journey to Valdez.

When the leak, believed to be a 1/2 inch hydrostatic head plug, was detected, the oil flow was stopped about 15 miles to the north by shutting down Pump Station No. 1.

Repair work involved digging out the underground section including Pump Station No. 8. A large backhoe was moved to the location to aid in the digging, reported to be through gravel packed as hard as concrete.

The shutdown was the first since the

pipeline's earthquake monitoring system automatically stopped the pumping for a half-hour when a seismic shock was detected.

The first North Slope oil is expected to be flowing into huge storage tanks at Valdez about July 20.

Monoxide sickens celebrants in Philly

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — The happy July 4th celebrants started their cars together, and the deadly carbon monoxide fumes wafted undetected through the underground garage, packed to its 680-car capacity beneath Independence Mall.

Topside, the street-level exits were blocked by more motorists, inching home from the same fireworks display they had shared with the motorists below.

Suddenly the stifling hot air underneath the earth turned blue. A child

screamed, and went limp. The poisonous gas had been discovered.

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