## Last laugh

Wimpy's support at the polls sends a message

was doubtless their first taste of Penn State apart juniors, the conversation from football, i.e. one-quar- probably went: ter of the student body (that Mother (reading the pais, those who voted) voted for per): Take a look, Charlie. a gerbil to administer activ- Harriet wants to go to Penn resent it before University doubts about the place. Mayand government officials.

sneered and chortled. In Harrisburg, legislators Father (stirring the macamust have said, "Those beer-roni): Aw, she'll have tons of swilling, pot-smoking, fun- fun at the football games.

Via The Associated Press hear from them are com- law school, and student govnational wire. Penn State's plaints about rising tuition ernment experience is iminimitable gerbil made the and requests to lower the portant. humor pages of newspapers drinking age and make illeseriously they take their poli-

In homes of high school

ities and services and to rep- State, but I've got some be we should think about And lots of people probably shelling out the money for a

more serious school.

In the Washington, offices all over the country this galdrugs legal. So this is how, of big-wig education officials, grumblings were probably heard:

> "Here we are in a tug-ofwar trying to save the student loan programs from the axe, and there those students go again. Hell, this is just the excuse the White House needs to make some real

Who says students don't

The Daily Collegian's editorial opinion is determined by its Board of loving students! All we ever But she does want to go to holding final responsibility.

## Sparking USG

Students must watch to see that promises are carried out

The new Undergraduate Student Government team of Bill Cluck and Ken Reeves, elected last week by a pathetic showing of 22 percent of the student body, now must offer the a flame of action and accomplishment.

Leadership, direction and a commitment to accomplish goals were the overriding themes of the Cluck/Reeves platform in the USG presidential race. And if the team can solve some of the more pressing problems such as tuition increases and lack of interest in student government, they are the leaders students have been waiting for.

USG has a tough year ahead, no matter how Cluck and Reeves approach it. Curing student apathy is not easy, nor is battling the legislature to stop another tuition increase — one of Cluck and Reeves's main proposals.

But apathy and tuition increases go hand in hand. An effective student lobby against tuition must be supported by an energetic student population, and that is what the

University now lacks. During the campaign, Cluck said countless students had asked him how to get involved in student government. He said he would give those countless numbers something to do. We must see if USG will improve simply because

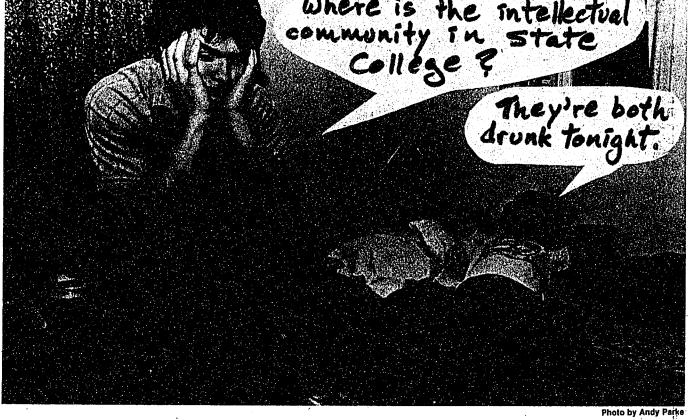
Cluck will try to get more people involved. Other campus issues on the Cluck/Reeves platform are improving academic advising, publicizing available study space and investiinitial spark to ignite student government into gating available athletic facilities. These issues must be faced immediately — not pushed

> Strengthening the USG Senate and Executive Council are two of the most challenging issues Cluck and Reeves face. Coming into office with a realistic view of problems should aid them immensely, and but they should also be willing to work carefully to establish direction — otherwise members will become discouraged by the rapid change.

Cluck said his first priority is to make appointments. Department heads must be willing to communicate and trust each other. Cluck said, and they must work together to make 203 HUB a place where students can get

The Cluck/Reeves platform is to be stapled up in the USG office and is going to be worked on, Cluck said, adding that only when all the proposals are accomplished will USG move ahead.

Welcome, Bill Cluck and Ken Reeves, Spark your proposals and create a fire in USG. We'll be watching.



## A student for mayor? Why not?

What's he trying to prove?'

"His name's Tom Ortenberg." "Never heard of him."

"He's with the Consumer Party." "Commoner's people, right?"

"But who cares about the State College mayor? I mean. come on. I'm only gonna be here for four years. It's a nice all." enough place to party, but I can't bother with two-bit stuff." "It's not two-bit. State College has a hell of an impact on your life while you're here. An active mayor might be able to you know '12th-resume building,' or anything like that, but he's get some stuff done around here."

"Oh yeah? An active mayor? What's wrong with the guy we have now? What's his name? "Arnold Addison. He's a real nice guy, hasn't ripped

much as he could have." "How's Ortenberg gonna be different?" the mayor can influence things three ways. He or she can how,' or something like that. He's learned that lesson a long propose legislation, focus public awareness, and veto legis- time ago."



"Big deal. So he's active. What's he gonna be active about?" "You know the Consumer Party — they're into stuff like decentralization, energy awareness, alternate transportation."

'realistic' to have College Avenue so clogged with noise and mobile culture going down the tubes." cars and fumes and trucks that sitting on the Wall is gettting to be about as much fun as walking on the Schuylkill or through a newspaper column sometimes." the Liberty Tubes?'

"Come on, now. I'm serious. How 'realistic' is College John Protevi is a 14th-term philosophy major and a columnist

yourself up to your butt in Middle Eastern sand, not to mention radioactive rubble, spend a few hours breathing College Avenue air and then tell me how 'realistic' it is to continue with

State College's current transportation system." "Hey, settle down, man. I hope Ortenberg's not as hot-"You're right. Sorry. You know, he's not very hot-headed at

"No. I mean he's not some slick student-pol-on-the-way-up,

very pleasant personally. He's smart enough to know you don't

get anywhere beating people over the head. "Something you oughta learn, man." "Yeah, but it's so much fun to get all fired up about politics. anybody off or anything, but it's just that he hasn't done as Anyhow, I'm not running, it's Ortenberg. He doesn't want to come in and tell everybody they're wrong and he's right. What's that Beatles lyric? 'If you're gonna go talking about "I just talked to him yesterday on Old Main lawn. He thinks Chairman Mao, you're not gonna make it with anyone, any-

> "Yeah. He ran the whole Centre County campaign for Commoner and Doug Mason and all last November, and then had that big hassle with the ballot status. You'd think that would make him bitter if anything would, but he's cool. Very mature and together.

"Well, what's he gonna do specifically for State College?" "He told me he'd give very high priority to CATA. He'd encourage bike lanes. And he'd try to make it more pleasant to # walk downtown — wider sidewalks, maybe banning traffic from Calder Way, except for deliveries the Allen Street pedestrian mall. Everything possible to cut down on automobile

"Really down on cars, huh?" "Yeah. Cars are dead, man. How much oil is left? Twenty. "Man, don't gimme that idealistic shit. Realism is where 30 years? Cars are dead, unless we switch to alcohol, and you of this country is at. The people who voted for President Reagan know how much Exxon would dig that. Ortenberg won't let us get sucked into throwing money away on crap like the bypass or "Hev. don't get me started on 'realism,' man. You think it's more parking. Those things are the death throes of an auto-

"There you go again making speeches. I swear you talk like "Yeah, well you know how it is."

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are not unique. This "get-down-and-boogie-footstompin' " attitude really gets to met. Do you want to know why? Because I wear red checked and clap my hands in time while watching the Beverly Hillbillies reruns. (I think Elly Mae is cuter than Dolly Parton.) An attitude true to the

Wrong. The two bands that played the double header bluegrass concert the other night are not typical of this kind of hokum. They are unique and hard-working people.

The life of a bluegrass musician is very hard. One achieves fame through developing the respect and admiration of a solid core of devoted fans. They pay high gas prices and plan days or months in advance for the chance to hear their

#### Grad grumbles

They've got hollow, purple eyes. Their hair s gray by age 25. They're always in motion, always rushing from class to office to class. Who are they? The University's graduate teaching assistants. Doubtless most T.A.s survive better than that description — but the fact remains that T.A.s are very busy folk. Are these invaluable people overworked and underpaid?

Other issues surface when the topic of T.A.s s brought up, including language barriers between students and foreign T.A.s, the ad vantages and disadvantages of being taught by a T.A. instead of a professor and the importance of teaching fellowships to the

graduate school. On Tuesday, April 14, The Daily Collegian's Op-ed page will take a look at the problems and prospects of te .ching assistants. If you have something to contribute, please bring it to the editorial editor, 126 Carnegie, by 4 p.m on Saturday, April 11. Letters (one page double-spaced) and forums (2-3 pages) ar

Tad Marks, State College resident

Right to privacy On March 27, Snyder House held a party in room 710 Snyder Hall which was busted by the coordinator on duty who failed to knock before

> The coordinator said he found an invitation in his mailbox, which was not addressed to him personally. Invitations, printed on computer cards were given to residents of several female dorm floors by two house residents. However, these two residents did not place an invitatin in the coordinator's mailbox.

Obviously, someone else put an invitation in his mailbox. The coordinator had to have realized that the invitation found was not placed in his mailbox by a Snyder House resident with authority to invite guests to the party. Therefore, he knew he was uninvited to room 710 Snyder

someone walking down the hallway with a mug of beer under his sweatshirt before 10 p.m., he felt the party was "out of control" according to university policy. After opening the door, he said more than once that he had the right to enter and search a room without knocking.

The coordinator had this right even though he admitted the music was at an acceptable volume, the guests were well behaved, not rowdy, and house residents were both in the room and sitting outside the door monitoring the party in order to assure it remained peaceful. Yet the coordinator entered and searched the room

Jonathon Prather, 3rd-science

#### LCB hassles

Well, looks as if the so-called moral majority has struck again. This time in the name of the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board. It seems that they don't want Mr. C's All-Male Revue to

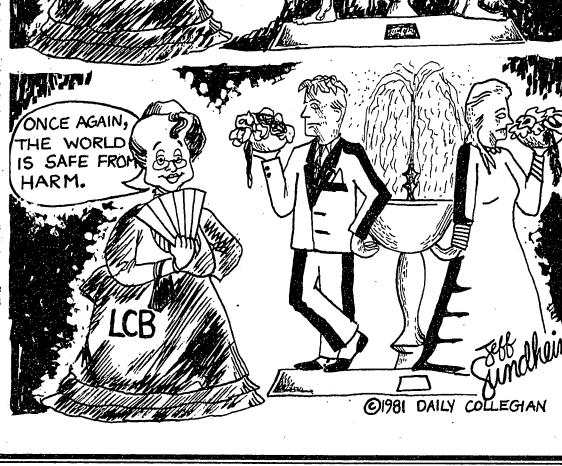
The reason (or rather, lack thereof), supposedly, for their decision is that they consider it "too lewd" and there exists too much physical contact

male or female dancers), but I did see their first revue, mostly out of curiosity, and found it to be evue, mostly out of curiosity, and found it to be better than I had expected and in good taste. But then, I guess my definition of good taste differs from those gubernatorial-appointed "moralists" (gods?) who sit around in the state's capitol (and sewhere, unfortunately) and make self-righteous laws based on their own narrow-minded

value sustems and "reasoning" for owners. mployees and patrons of bars to abide by. I feel that if you don't like what goes on in places like Mr. C's on Wednesday nights (this includes the members of the LCB), then stay the hell out and mind your own busness!

I'm sick and tired of you people and others like you trying to tell me and anyone else what is

Let those that enjoy such events enjoy them without hassles. "Live and let live." No one is



## =reader opinion/nuclear power=

#### Right context

In response to the latest outcry over nuclear power centering on TMI, I would like to pose a question to those people who would doom the world if given the chance. But first let's put ourselves in the right context.

It's about 500 years from now, there hasn't been a nuclear war, everyone hasn't starved, and the world isn't overpopulated to the point at which people are falling off the south pole. So now we're in the year 2481, the last ton of coal has been mined, the last barrel of oil has been pumped, and our skies are so polluted from the burning of these fossil fuels that there isn't much plant life left to beautify our lawns and

gardens much less use as fuel to heat our homes. And now I pose this question to everyone. What source of energy are we going to use as a replacement for those which are now depleted? Solar, hydroelectric and nuclear power combined would provide the answer. That is, if there were any nuclear power. Remember, this is the year 2481 and there is no nuclear power. You see, back in the 1980s, under tremendous pressure from the public, our government outlawed research and the building of any such nuclear power

So here it is people, let's put a limit on our existence, let's let the short-sighted, narrow-minded anti-nuclear faction force their opinions on us and our government. On second thought, let's not!

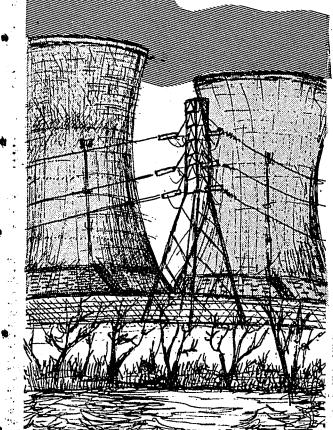
Brian Hampton (12th-biology)

#### \* Nuclear criteria

Several letters recently have suggested that nuclear power is the scourage of mankind, and anyone who would support it is inhumane and tainted. By what criteria shall we evaluate such charges?

Is it by the fact that, worldwide, we have over 500 reactor years of commercial nuclear power experience without anyone injured or killed from a radiation-related accident? Is it from the fact that the cost of nuclear-generated electricity is 40 percent less than that of oil-generated electricity? (In New England over half the electricity comes from oil, most of the remainder from nuclear.)

Is it from the fact that over a dozen independent studies carried out in five different countries that all concluded that,



even including the consequences of accidents, nuclear energy is less hazardous in terms of injuries or deaths than either coal or oil-generated electricty? Or perhaps it's the radiation we get from nuclear power, which is less than 1/20th what a person would annually get by moving from a wood frame house to a brick house? Or is it the "insolvable" radioactive waste problem, whose technical solution has

already been demonstrated in this country and abroad? And if the criterion for condemnation of nuclear power is not any of these, then what? Surely it must be that the accident at TMI demonstrated that nuclear power is too unsafe to use? This catastrophic accident, in which no one has been injured or killed, occurred shortly before 242 people were killed in an airline accident. Have we shut down the airline industry? No! We made safety improvements and

continued to operate. Since that terrible accident two years ago, 100,000 peeople have died on the highways, and thousands have been injured and killed in bicycle accidents. Why not shut down the auto industry and the bicycle industry? The reason is, quite simply, that there are risks and hazards in everything we do. and we must balance the benefits against the risks. And we must work to keep the risks as small as possible. When viewed in this light, I believe nuclear power represents a great benefit to mankind, and this is why I support it, not

because my job depends on it, which is untrue in any event. Edward H. Klevans, associate dean for research and professor of nuclear engineering

#### With reservations

On the second anniversary of the Three Mile Island accident. the pro-nuke, no-nuke controversy has once again been revived. Both sides have valid points, but they depend only on these points to support or damn nuclear power. The entire picture of the nuclear industry must be surveyed before a person can decide if he wishes to support or damn

Nuclear power is probably the most potentially dangerous way of making electrical power. Many of the pro-nukes compare the nuclear industry to other power industries by their safety records. The nuclear industry safety records are impressive, but what if the worst possible accident did occur? There would be much more harm done to people than if the worst possible coal or oil accident occured. Also, the damage would remain for thousands of years. The nuclear industry will always have that potential danger associated with it, even though it has an excellent record

Anti-nukes claim that nuclear power is too dangerous to allow it to be continued, but they do not propose a viable alternative. Sure, they will immediately respond with solar and a lot of money, but these things cannot be achieved Shutting down the nuclear power plants tomorrow will do

nothing but leave a lot of people in the dark. Another area of concern of the anti-nukes (and pro-nukes) is the nuclear waste hazard. The wastes are harmful and long-lived. So far, not many effective plans have been utilized, but if the nuclear plants were stopped tomorrow, the waste problem would not just suddenly go away or become any easier to solve. The problem is here now, and it needs to be solved now. The amount of wastes accumulated already, mostly from government rests of more then twenty years ago, will exceed the amount of waste to be generated by nuclear plants over the

Nuclear power, like almost everything else, is a choice to be made based on the risks and benefits. The benefit of nuclear power is cheap energy that is available now. If you question the fact that it is cheap energy, then why are the customers of Met Ed paying bills that are more than 40 percent higher than what they should pay because some "idiot" will not restart TMI Unit 1. Met Ed is buying its power off the national grid at an inflated cost. The waste problem is here now, and the benefits of the energy outwighs the problems of additional wastes.

Presently, I am pro-nuke with reservations. I am pronuke for economic reasons; I believe that the benefits outweigh the risks. The reservations involve my concern for "human health and survival" and the possiblity of Murphy's law catching up with the nuclear industry.

I hope the nuclear safety record will stay as clean as it is now. I still look to the future when solar power can ease our need for nuclear power. Unfortunate as it may seem, we need nuclear power, and it is going to be with us for a long time.

Walter MacRae, (12th-environmental engineering)

Concerning Rochelle Fracke's letter to the editor in the March 30 issue of The Daily Collegian, I find it absurd that she would insinuate that Robert McGrath and Edward Klevans would push nuclear power just so they will have

The facts are that they have enough knowledge and experience to get other suitable jobs if necessary. They are involved with nuclear power because they know it is now the most efficient and environmentally sound means of producing electricity. In other words, they are trying to make life better for us, not worse.

If Eco-Action members are so paranoid about nuclear radiation, why don't they speak out against other sources of radiation, such as coal-fired plants, the granite in Grand Central Station, and x-rays? All of these produce more harmful radiation than nuclear power plants. It is interesting in this light that the United Mine Workers picketed Three Mile Island last Saturday. Why doesn't Rochelle accuse them of having a vested interest in their jobs?

Rochelle's criticism of nuclear power and of McGrath is totally unfounded. I can only assume that she is either ignorant of the facts or that she is crazy about mine cave-ins. oil slicks and OPEC. It is a shame that a vocal but ignorant group such as Eco-Action can deceive so many people.

Dan Perkins, (9th-nuclear engineering) Joe Casciari, (9th-chemical engineering)

#### Why not tax waste?

librium may last a generation or more. The lives of many are spent in determined efforts to evoke minute changes in ways of thinking and acting. Others resist or ignore occurences. Those who dedicate their lives to a cause become familiar with its most arcane details. They adamantly espouse positions on issues without either moderation or restraint. At

the same time, a lack of understanding of the broader context that defines their issue may become apparent. Nuclear power is a case in point. Inordinate fear of the dangers associated with nuclear power often stems from an association of nuclear energy with nuclear weaponry. Oppopower and conservation, which will work with a little time nents of nuclear power often view with enmity and repugnance the utilities who invest huge sums in constructing nuclear-fueled power stations.

Outrage and protest often occur at nuclear power plant sites. Populist support is voiced for jobs programs and wage increases, while profits and wealth are taboo. Large corportations appear in their ruthless quests for profit to stomp through peoples's lives the way a cow, walks through an

Less attention is given to the reason for plant construction. Nuclear-fueled steam generators have been constructed as a low per-unit cost means to meet expected future demand for electrical power. While debate centers on capital costs and environmental risks, the real issue is the demand itself The demand is a function of consumer preference. People tend to prefer fast, mobile, interdependent exis-

tences not subject to disruption. Consequenty, consumers rent or purchase dishwashers, clothes dryers, microwave ovens, video recorders and small, light-weight cars. (What happens to the demand for electricity and nuclear power, when electic car use becomes widespread?) Demand for nuclear power can only be reduced by reducing the demand for electicity, and through substitution of other energy sources for uranium and plutonium. Other

sources can only be used if the costs for use are paid. Solar energy, for example, will not be widely used until consumers are willing to pay higher capital costs for homes. How can the demand for electricity be reduced? Should pickets block entrances to aluminum smelters and dishwasher manufacturers? Should supporters of solar heating protest



high interest rates in an effort to lower home building costs to a point at which people can afford to invest in energy-

How about a stiff tax on electicity consumption above that ing stations ever became an issue, people didn't pay "electic

#### Missed the point

In response to Jeff Nagorny's letter — which appeared in the March 27 issue of The Daily Collegian — concerning Dr. McGrath's and Dr. Klevan's forum.

power plant to that of shaving and bicycle riding, I hope to clear up what was really said. The forum article's point was to let the public know that Eco-Action's Nuclear Awareness Week would not be an unbiased presentation of this issue, as John Protevi indicated. As for the comparison, McGrath and Klenvans were only extending Protevi's basic Murphyism premise to all possible aspects, similar to the way Diane Salvatore did in her articule concerning the ramifications of the passage of

About Nagorny's general assumption — "If you are pronuke, then you are obviously willing to ignore human health and survival" — I think you stopped a little too soon, since when someone chooses a particular job, he or she accepts the associated risks which each type of job may have. Construction workers will accept the associated risks that they may get hurt on the job for the amount of pay they will receive. We are well aware about the implications which could result from the failure to do our jobs correctly. But, this is just as

true in your major, Nagorny To shut down Unit 1 at TMI because Unit 2 had a mishap makes as much sense as changing all four tires on your car if you have a flat in one, or if you have two cars, decide to walk when one breaks down because the second might fail (although the second is in working condition). I would like to remind you that Unit 1 had one of the BEST operating safety records of all power plants. It is also a totally separate entity from Unit 2 and designed by a different company.

than a technological problem. Since I live close to a "hot spot." I understand the concerns the public faces. That is why I chose this major, so I may be able to contribute to a It is time we get away from the name-calling and

character references. By saying we are only supporting the industry for a job is totally absurd. Get the facts straight and stop clouding the issue. Then and only then can we get together to discuss this issue responsibly. Jay R. Lesko, (9th-nuclear engineering)

### Avenue? If you can't get off on the fact that emphasizing non- for the Daily Collegian. TMI rally: fads, abstractions, aneed for wisdom

Harrisburg to cover the anti-nuclear demonstra- over whether to buy "The Militant" or not. tion. The rally was organized to commemorate A number of freaky people were there, too. A and said that even though she is pregnant she does the infamous accident at the Three Mile Island man wearing a black vest, pants and hat passed not worry about the low level radiation that may

that my day had not been a total waste — I had out one of the most unearthly screams I've ever met some of the citizens who had faced the TMI heard — sort of like the yell a lion would let out if accident, and their day-to-day struggle is far he were being castrated with a buzz saw. Somemore honorable than those who battle the abstrac- one walking past who also heard him remarked, said. "They should shut the thing down. If it That morning was flawless. The sky was

plant's shut down.

dressed for the event. Blue jeans with sweaters, red and blue bandanas and T-shirts that read,""I survived TMI. I think," set the mood.

I had not expected things to go as smoothly as dents will get involved with leftist causes because avoid nosy reporters. they did. The five buses loaded down with student of Reagan's election to the presidency. activists left Penn State almost on time. We arrived in Harrisburg around noon. We were expelled onto a busy main street, told to fend

for ourselves and return by 5:30. greeted by a man who was "Selling the best related -human needs should come first not said. Socialist newspaper money can buy!" After the whether it makes a buck for Standard Oil." socialist. I got a free iodine pill made from kelp, Valerie finished her rhetoric and invited me to but I refused to eat it because I do not feel it is my a meeting of the Socialist Workers Party. I lied she said. The city does not have an evacuation right to upset my iodine balance.

hard not to notice the statements jiggling on their couple in their 20s, were the first people I spoke Unfortunately, some of the protesters had About the day of the accident, Richard said, brought children. They were running wild on the "Well, I was scared in a way, yes, and in a way no. here with my family and die.

ing, I told myself not to go on this ridiculous trip to the edge while their airhead parents were mulling no place to go and I was working with the state."

nuclear plant in Middletown and call for the me on the bridge looking like he had just snorted still be emanating from TMI. rubber cement. About half way across the bridge, However, on the bus ride home, I concluded he stopped, went to the edge of the bridge and let time to worry. I take it as it goes." "Just someone freaked out on radiation."

An old man wearing black ear plugs and unburdened with clouds save for a few vapor standing on orange, plastic roller skates greeted have this in front of me," Muriel said, pointing to trails that looked like snake skins taped across the me as I left the bridge. He was selling something. her seventh- or eighth-month pregnancy. sky. Members from Eco-Action were arriving to It seemed everyone was selling something. This board the yellow school buses and most were rally was more like an open market for the left was following a V-8 juice-red car carrying Harriswing than a statement on mankind's survival. Some of the more imaginative protesters cen-

> seemingly experienced marchers walking along- who lives in an apartment overlooking TMI. side me commented on the cutout carriers saying, "Is this the life of the march?" Libby, a socialist in her late 30s who was selling shut down completely "The Militant." She had been involved with the big marches of the 1960s — civil rights, Vietnam think they're doing things now —trying to clean and women's rights. A graduate of psycho-linguis- up on the sly — and it should be stopped," he said. tics from Berkeley, she now works for a United

"Students are just as concerned about changing things as they were in the '60s,' she said. Libby is involved with women's rights as well

"The women's movement and socialism are and said I might show up. Instead, I decided to get

Among other natural sights were a lot of some reactions from local citizens. women wearing the no-bra look and making it Richard and Muriel Washington, a married rather than leave to go to New York and live

Muriel had a similar reaction to the accident

Both said they would have participated in the "I think they doing a good thing." Richard happened once, it could happen again." "Yeah, I would have demonstrated if I didn't

By this time, the parade had passed me and I burg's fire and police chiefs." Leaning on a parking meter and listening to a tered themselves in the middle of the street and nun spreading the word on the dangers of nuclear

carried a mushroom cloud cutout. A pair of energy was Chester Swaggart, a man in his 60s, "I think it should be shut down," he said. "They (Metropolitan Edison) have no feeling for I met another experienced marcher, Valerie safety, and it's not operated properly. It should be

"I think a whole lot more about it now and I then spoke with a young mother who had States Steel plant in Minneapolis. She said stu-

"I was very scared, petrified" when TMI happened, she said. "I was physically ill and I'm not trying to be funny. I had to leave Harrisburg and go to Baltimore 'I found out later that I should have gone north

because the wind was blowing southward." she

Harrisburg politicians and the managers at TMI have not learned enough from the accident, policy, and TMI has kept its same incompetent engineers, she said. But she would not leave if TMI had another accident. "I would just as soon as live with my family

(where her uncle resides). I would rather stay

a afraid of living here,"she said. to head back to the rally in the parking lot of the problem. Capitol building.

like coleslaw. Some were high on no-nuke on how to fund the \$1 billion debt. TMI stood speeches, some high on the perfect weather and silent. The as-yet-unseen reactor core lies besome were just high. For many, this rally was a neath thousands of gallons of radioactive water good reason to get wasted whether or not they and it will be at least five years before the clean supported (or comprehended) what someone was up will reach its last stages. a tambourine and velled for money at such a not live in high rises and cannot afford to move or stifling rate that she sounded like a recording of hop to the next rally?

Caldicott, an Austrailian expert on the effects of and they are left to sort it out for themselves. I nuclear radiation, spoke to reporters in an area trust in their wisdom and I am hoping they know one reporter called "the trenches." Caldicott, who works at the Children's Hospital Medical Center in Boston, said the citizens of survive. Harrisburg, Middletown and the surrounding

areas should leave immediately. When I later asked her how responsible that stand is, she history major and a staff writer for The Daily attacked me "People with children should leave immediately," she said. "I'm a physician, not a politician. Not one child should die because of the reactor. It's very medically responsible. I don't ever compromise on the health of my patients. I'd rother he doed myself then wetch e skild die of rather be dead myself than watch a child die of

Caldicott left in a snazzy, rented Cadillac limo, and I moved on to what had been rumored as a play about Karen Silkwood. A group called "Streettalk" performed the stupid and heartless travesty that attempted to martyrize Silkwood's tragic story Children and protesters with the mentality of a crushed ant enjoyed it, while most left confused. A reporter from another paper who had covered other rallies

said, "You have to learn to expect things like this

music groups (who spend their lives singing about

the joys of working in coal mines and steel mills),

my colleagues and I had to head back to the buses.

particularly demagogic song whose main line is.

Before we left, though, we sang along with a

"They're long overdue for a kick in the rear/S-

After listening to more speakers and folk

kicking Met Ed and GPU officials in the rear does I left the woman in the playground and decided not seem the answer to this increasingly complex

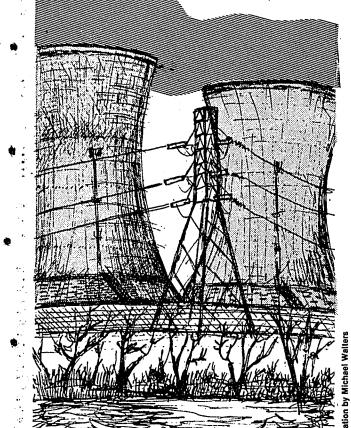
As the liberals screamed their abstractions. People were scattered around the parking lot and corporate executives of Met Ed made plans elling into the mike. Abzug, for example, banged But what about the people around TMI who do

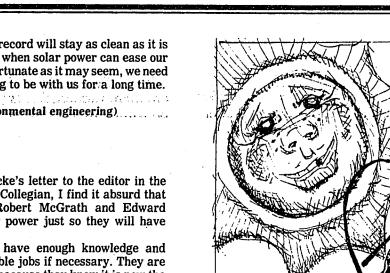
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efficient housing? amount necessary to run a refrigerator, a washer and a few lights? After all, before nuclear-powered electrical generatbills." They paid the "light bill."

Richard Ward, graduate-mineral economics

I think Nagorny missed the point. If all you got out of the forum article was the comparison of the safety of a nuclear

the Human Life Amendment

As for the wastes, they are more of a political problem

where is the intellectual community in state Not just hokum It seems to us that the coordinator's PSU right We'd like to think, as citizens of the United (some in existence for several years) are being States, that our constitutional rights are not dissolved because the "get-down-and-boogie- repealed during the time we agree to live in the foot-stompin" rowdies have taken over, and the fans are no longer able to hear. shirts and blue designer jeans, drink Dr. Pepper I wonder if Wendy Miller has heard of Wendy Bill Klein, 12th-quantitative business analysis *PERVERSION* Miller? A fine bluegrass singer and musician. Each time I drink a Dr. Pepper, I think I'll