

Speaking Out on Apathy

A goodly portion of the following article is opinion. Opinion is something that many of you are probably not familiar with; other than hearing your father say it was something your grandfather had. It is often connected with another obscure process called thinking, and has been linked with the strengthening of one's stomach muscles.

The other portion of this article is fact. A fact is something that many years ago led people to form opinions which led to decisions. This today is a dying art. American people have found it much easier to let a few do the thinking and doing for all.

In this time of lax stomachs and high hearts, Americans are allowing themselves to be herded like cattle. Governments don't just do things for people; they must be pressured into action by the people. If people in a democracy don't do the pressuring, the democracy becomes stagnant and dies. Speaking of death, the fight for pollution is going better than the fight against it. Why? The corporations and money groups are doing the pressuring, and not the people. They spend more on advertising against pollution than they do for stopping it. Scientists now believe that at the present rate, within 50 years we will have destroyed all usable life forms in our oceans with pollution.

So people, if you think the government, state or nation, is going to bail you out of this one, you're wrong.

Like it or not, this one is up to you. If we don't put stops on pollution, it will eventually kill us; if we don't put stops on government, it will eventually strangle us. Try something different today: Go out on a limb, form an opinion. The middle of the road is no place for cars, much less people.

—Jack Easley

Favoritism Toward Long Hair and Rock Music

Young people who favor long hair and rock music have a staunch defender in a person many of them may regard as a super-square.

He's evangelist Billy Graham. "I think it's ridiculous for parents to engage in bitter battles with their children over the haircut issue." Graham told UPI in an interview.

"Long hair or short hair is a matter of personal taste, not a basic moral question. We shouldn't judge a person by how he chooses to wear his hair.

"My grandfather had a beard down to his chest and a moustache and very long hair. His whole face looked hairy. But he was one of the most wonderful Christian men I ever knew. Hairiness was the style 75 years ago—and we're obviously back to that style now."

Graham wears his own graying hair fairly long—down to the collar, if he's had a recent haircut, over the collar if he's been too busy to get to the barber.

The Baptist evangelist, who has five children of his own, also suggested that parents listen to the lyrics of rock songs before entering a blanket condemnation contemporary youth's music.

"My wife and I bought a bunch of rock records and sat down to listen to them. We had to listen quite a long time before our ears got attuned to them so we could understand the lyrics.

"I was frankly surprised to find that a lot of rock music is deeply religious. Not neces-

sarily religious in the sense of referring explicitly to God or Christ. But they're asking in these songs, 'What is the purpose of my life?', 'Where did I come from?', 'Where am I going?' And those are religious questions."

Graham said it is a serious judgment on church, home and adult society in general that so many young people have despaired of finding answers to their deepest questions about life and death.

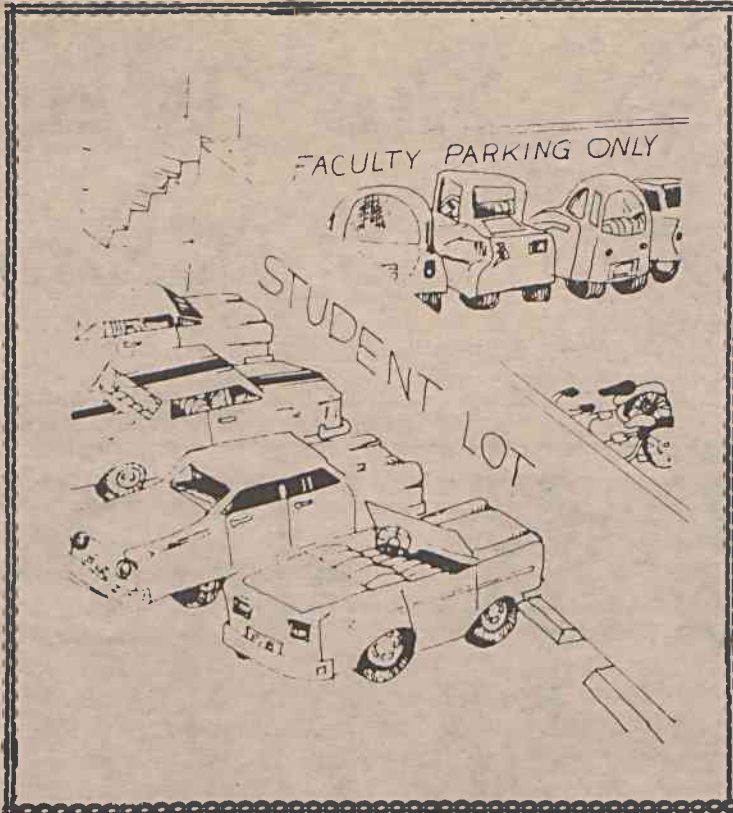
"We are educating their minds but letting their spirits starve," he said. "We have failed to give them a faith, a creed, a philosophy that will enable them to endure the vicissitudes of life."

He said that in his recent crusades he has found young people especially responsive to Christian teaching about the Holy Spirit as the living presence of God within the human heart.

"The average young person doesn't know there's a supernatural power that can dwell this is a cardinal teaching of Christianity, he is intensely interested.

"In my judgement," Graham said, "this is the greatest need and opportunity confronting the church today: to acquaint people, and especially seeking young people, with the reality and power of the Holy Spirit."

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Business Students Assist in Filing Tax

The Advanced Accounting Class of Wayne Community College under the direction of Mr. Glenn Smith held a free tax service for students during the week of February 8-12 in the Student Union. The response of the students was of such extent that the original three days was extended to 5 days. There has been approximately 50 students who have taken advantage of this free service. This year's tax service was considerably better than last year's since helpers came to the people needing help.

Dental Health Team

Dental Health Team participated in a fight against dental decay. The Dental Department at Wayne Community College joined in the project and aided the Dental Health Team with the National Children's Dental Health Week. The girls of the Dental Department made posters, bulletin boards, and visual aids to help educate Wayne County children about good dental health.

St. Mary's School, Wayne County Day School, Faith Christian Academy, Meadow Lane, and Seven Springs School were among the schools which were visited by the girls. Lectures were given about the importance of good dental health. Dental care school kits which include a tooth-brush and a tube of toothpaste were distributed to each child who in turn was shown proper tooth brushing techniques. By these various activities, the Dental Department hopes to educate the children of Wayne County and cut down on the incidence of dental decay.

Sigma Tau Sigma

Sigma Tau Sigma inducted six new brothers February 1, 1971. These are Gerry Dozier, Jimmy Whitehurst, Eddie Lane, Bobby Friede, J. E. Walters, and Gene Harrelson.

Homecoming festivities were successful with 18 alumni attending. Miss Linda Stamey represented Sigma Tau Sigma at the homecoming game.

The Fraternity was also host to returning alumni. The brothers were in charge of welcoming the alumni and

A Poery: The White Rug

Hi, I'm a white rug—
Not the only one of my kind—
But just the same—a white rug—
I once lived in a very fine store—
The owner took real good care of me—
But I wasn't content.

One day I had a chance to be moved
to a brand-new house—My new home—
I took it or they took me—

Upon arriving—I noticed that I was to
be placed on a beautiful red floor—
A proud floor—
A mahogany floor—
A floor not just painted red but with original color—
The first floor of this new house.

I thought—as I was spread over this
red floor—if I had any right to cover the original element of this house—
My shaggy white mind was puzzled—
I did not cover the entire red floor—
I left just a little in the corner—
Wow— if this floor only knew how
"I" felt—
I can't talk to it because of its resentment toward us white rugs—

If you came to see me—
You could still see the small portion
of the not-so-proud red floor in the corner—
Maybe someday—Someone or something will
rip me and my kind off—
I hardly think so—
We are nailed pretty tight—
But a strong hammer. . . .?

Well—now you know how I got here
and what I did—
But I have another problem—
Someone or something kept bringing in a
black substance—
I would have thought that this

showing them the additions to the college.

Sigma Tau Sigma plans to go to various high schools in this area and speak to 15-17 year olds on the advantages that Wayne Community College has to offer.

..LET'S ALL GO OUT AND BUY AT Edwards Young Mens Shop. We'll both be glad you did. Go there today!

The Parking Lot Poem

Listen all ye students to a tale of fact
Beside K Building and also in back.
It's none the less than the story about
Our bumpy, dirty parking lot
which must go out.

A change of seasons brings many a thing
From hot to cold, from drought to rain,
So in abiding by nature's laws,
Our parking lot reveals its flaws.

When it rains, a thousand lakes appear
And those who can't swim walk with fear,
And when it freezes, the lakes do too,
And if you walk on them, you may fall through.

When the rains cease and the cold does end,
A desert of dust and dunes descend.
No need to wash your cars, I say,
For they will be dirty again that day.

Dreams of pavement fill our minds,
Replacing the nightmares of parking fines.
The question is asked, "But what can I do?"
The answer following is from me to you.

Ask your S. G. A. representatives in whatever curriculum you're in,
To find out what will be done and also when.
Without your opinion publicly expressed,
We may have to stay in this present mess.
David Bryant Adams

black substance would have wanted to stay
in its original environment—
Someone or something thought otherwise—
Well—once it was here I didn't mind
because of my belief in one creator.
(Note I get to read a little because the bookshelf drops a few books on me.)
Well—anyway—someone or something
kept sweeping this black substance
around and kept treating it like dirt—
I couldn't say anything because of
that same ole resentment for white rugs—
Someone or something was trying to keep me pure—
I know not why but. . . .?

Finally a windstorm hit—
Blowing some of me loose—
Revealing the red floor and spreading
that black substance all over—
Wow—things were a mess!

Things are better today—
The someone or something has moved away—
My texture isn't pure anymore—
The three of us—
Me (—the white rug—)
The red floor—
The black substance—
All live in Peace
as one from the same.
The only time we worry is when the
house begins to shake—
Or the sky begins to fall!
"A Brother of the Fraternity of Rugs—
Floor & Substances"
Jeffrey S. Crawford

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