



COLLEGE REPORT

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I find it difficult not to be amazed with self-styled experts from academic and administrative groups who offer suave estimations and judgments about students, especially when it is these academicians and administrators who students frequently and bitterly condemn for not knowing who students are.

Yet these academic and administrative experts continue to offer their judgments and do not seem to feel any pangs of inhibition or any lack of knowledge or insight into the situation. I find it exceedingly difficult not to be amazed with this.

I fail to see the reality value of many of the labels offered to categorize students. The students I have known over the years defy even the simplest kind of definition or description. Each one differs so uniquely from the others.

ONE OF them, for example, wore a big bushy beard, but he showered every day and wore shoes. Recently, he died for his country in Vietnam.

Another student considered himself a dedicated revolutionist, but he was always the voice of intelligence, caution, and reason. Consistently, he urged other alternatives besides activism and demonstrations.

One female student considered herself to be a fully emancipated woman who believed in the birth control pill. Yet she was a woman who frowned puritanically upon sexual relationships not born out of the fabric of love.

EACH ONE of these examples and countless others I could cite explodes the popular mass media myths. Each one of these students contains within him or herself the seeds of paradox and contradiction that defy generalization and easy definition and stereotyping. Each one is a unique person.

Reacting to many situations and various examples, students have become more dedicated, more internationally-minded, and more socially conscious. Not all student energy toward initiating social change is spent on campus. One out of every 10 students is active off campus in community service projects. Some students are actively involved through the Peace Corps or other state or national organizations.

"I don't want to study, study,

study, just to fill a hole in some government or industrial bureaucracy," is an opinion held by many of today's active students. Pressured to be brighter than any previous generation, they fight to feel more useful than any previous generation.

THESE students want to work out a new style of academic life, but they have yet to find the style. They are burying the rah-rah stuff, but what is going to take its place?

They protest loudly against whatever they don't like but they don't often come up with a program of reform. They're restless and an increasing number of them change colleges at least once during their undergraduate years.

Just like any of us who are caught up in the present swift transition, today's college students are often painfully confused and contradictory. A popular magazine poll last year that asked students who they admired most found that many said, "nobody."

IT'S NO longer unusual to find students on many campuses dressed in an ivy league button-down shirt with farmer's dungarees, a French beret, and a Roman beard — all at once.

They argue against large bureaucracies, but most turn to the industrial giants when they look for jobs after graduation.

They are critical of religion, but they desperately seek people, courses, and experiences that can reveal some meaning to them. Campus chapels are fairly empty these days, but the courses in religion are bulging with students.

THE MOST difficult thing for most of us, students as well, is to accept the fact that we live in a new era of rapid change, a new time when almost nothing stands for very long.

Today, there is a hundred times as much to know than there was to know 60 years ago. Within the productive lifetimes of current college students, there will be a thousand times as much to know.

We who help to guide their lives — parents and professors alike — must come to recognize this generation of students as the most challenging, creative, imaginative, sensitive, and lonely generation of students to appear in American education.

Carson Street Project Given County Approval

Contract bids for the improvement of Carson Street from the San Diego Freeway to Wilmington Avenue in the city of Carson will be opened April 1, Supervisor Burton W. Chace has announced.

The one-mile improvement was approved by the Board of Supervisors Tuesday. Work is expected to be completed by March, 1970.

The section will be reconstructed and widened to provide a fully improved, four-lane, divided highway, with curbs, gutters, and sidewalks, Supervisor Chace pointed out.

RAISED roadway medians will separate opposing traffic and will provide left-turn pockets for safer turning movements at all intersections within the limits of the Carson project.

Widening of the bridge across the Dominguez Channel to provide four traffic lanes and two sidewalks will be a feature of the highway development, Chace said.

AN EXTENSIVE catch-basin system will also be constructed to improve drainage in the area. In addition, traffic signals on Carson Street at the intersections of Wilmington Avenue and Martin Street will be interconnected to insure a smooth flow of traffic from Wilmington Avenue to the San Diego Freeway.

Tree wells will also be provided in the sidewalk areas and will be landscaped by the city of Carson, according to Mayor John Marbut.

The work is part of a project planned by the county for the improvement of a 2.1-mile segment of Carson Street from the San Diego Freeway to Santa Fe Avenue.

New School Under Way For Area

A new school is being constructed at 24815 Broad Ave., near Lomita Boulevard, which will open its doors in September to approximately 1,200 elementary students.

Dr. Jack R. McClellan, Harbor area superintendent of elementary schools, said that the new school will help relieve overcrowded conditions at Dolores Street, Catskill Avenue, Gulf Avenue, and Fries Avenue schools.

The Broad Avenue school will include 27 classrooms and a multi-purpose room, cafeteria, library, teachers' lounge, administrative office, and several portable classrooms.

Realtor Wins GRI Certificate

Dan Ingram, Realtor of Torrance, has been awarded a Realtors Institute educational certificate of graduation, it was announced by L. Milton Isbell, president of the Torrance-Lomita Board of Realtors.

The nationally recognized designation (GRI) was awarded by the Realtors Institute of the California Real Estate Association, Isbell said. Earning it requires completion of 18 units of specialized real estate educational courses offered by CREA on such subjects as real estate sales, investment, administration, appraisal, law, and management.

Local Option Measure on Topless Shows Approved Lynch Named to Manage College Park Fullerton

SACRAMENTO — The State Assembly has approved and sent to the Senate AB 61, by Assemblyman Floyd L. Wakefield (R-Los Angeles), which would permit cities and counties to pass local ordinances controlling "topless and bottomless" shows.

Despite a lengthy debate, the final vote was 50-10 to approve the measure. The bill permits the cities and counties to pass laws either permitting such topless

shows or prohibiting them. Wakefield cited the state Alcoholic Beverage Control Department, which declared that topless waitresses and shows are "contrary to public morals."

LEADING the topless opposition was Assemblyman Mike Cullen (D-Long Beach), who indicated the measure, as proposed, could make bikinis unlawful on public beaches. Assemblyman John T. Knox

(D-Richmond) charged "this is an utterly meaningless piece of legislation." He said the topless dancers are amply "covered" under the present Constitutional standards, and the proposed bill is aimed entirely against the topless professionals.

Backing the opponents was Assemblyman Alan Stieroy (D-Los Angeles), who charged the bill would be an infringement on the "personal freedom" of the public.

S. W. Lynch, former southwest division manager for Southern California Gas Co., has been named general manager of College Park Fullerton in an announcement today by William M. Harrison, president of Cypress Park Properties, Inc.

In making the announcement, Harrison said Lynch will become the operational head of the sprawling \$75 million master planned complex effective immediately.

Appointment of Lynch as general manger follows closely the recent announcement of plans by Hunt-Wesson Foods to establish headquarters in a 10-story office building on College Park property adjacent to the shopping center of the complex. Construction of the Hunt-Wesson Foods project is now under way.

College Park, started more than eight years ago as the nation's largest university-oriented

commercial residential enterprise, is approximately 30 per cent completed. Initial planning calls for total development by 1975. It includes college residence halls, apartments, office buildings, a three-level shopping center, motel and recreation areas.

Harrison said that Lynch, in his new post, will direct the on-going activities at College Park as well as coordinate the planned expansion of the total development.

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