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Theft of Treasures at the Museum

The great crystal sphere that has been the centerpiece of the University Museum's Chinese Rotunda since 1927 was stolen early Friday morning along with a 20-inch bronze of Osiris from the adjacent Upper Egyptian Gallery.

At presstime, the Museum was preparing to announce a \$10,000 reward, with precise wording to come, for information. The F.B.I. as well as Philadelphia Police are investigating the thefts. The 55-lb. crystal, second largest in the world, is insured for \$100,000 and the Osiris for \$15,000—but both are valued at twice or three times those figures, Museum Director Robert H. Dyson, Jr., said.

Thieves succeeded despite a sophisticated new alarm system to break into the Museum and gain entry to the Rotunda, where they smashed in the side of the crystal's plexiglass case and dismantled the statuette's case in the next-door gallery. The crystal's silver base was found late in the day Friday at Hollenback Center, where it was recognized by a student who had once sketched it. It had reportedly lain unrecognized on the sidewalk outside Hollenback most of the day, and had been taken inside by someone unknown.

By no means the oldest, but to many the most hauntingly beautiful object in the University Museum, the 55-lb. crystal ball is of flawless rock crystal cut in a perfect sphere. Seeming to float on its base of swirling waves of silver, it stood alone near eye level precisely in the center of the cool Rotunda where its 10" circumference somehow dominated a room 90 feet in circumference under a dome 90 feet high with a single spotlight shining down. Crafted in China in the 19th Century from Burmese crystal, and mounted by a Japanese sculptor around the turn of the Century, the crystal was believed to have belonged to the Dowager Empress of China who fled during the Boxer Rebellion. Penn received it in 1927

\$10,000 Reward

With exact wording of the offer to be announced, the University Museum is putting up \$10,000 to aid in recovery of the crystal ball from the Chinese Rotunda, no longer on its silver base (left), and the bronze of Osiris (below) which represents the ruler of the dead as a mummy.



In Brief

Racism before Council: The University Council will hold a special meeting Wednesday, November 16, to resume discussion of a motion tabled at the November 9 meeting: the Undergraduate Assembly's motion to require a course in racial awareness for all incoming freshmen. The motion, and a rally organized by a coalition of minority student groups the next day, came in response to the discovery of anti-Black graffiti at Hill House and a slur against Asians in a computer at Steinberg-Dietrich. See pages 4-5.

Toward a Conduct Committee: SEC has announced the Nominating Committee's selections for the Committee on Conduct which will complete Penn's structure for dealing with racial and sexual harassment—with a November 29 deadline for proposing alternate candidates. See box, page 2.

Science/Engineering Facility: Two prominent trustees who head major science-oriented U.S. corporations have agreed to start raising funds for a multi-million-dollar complex serving both SAS and SEAS. See page 3.

from a donor, E.R. Johnson, who had purchased it from the Wanamaker collection. It became the focal point of the relatively new Rotunda, which had opened in 1916 to display a collection of Chinese animal and human figures from the Second through the Tenth Centuries A.D. Ringed with the Han figures and centered on the shining crystal, the Rotunda became Penn's showplace for memorable receptions whether for student groups celebrating Spring in black tie, or the nation's Presidents meeting the faculty before Commencement.

Such a gathering took place Thursday evening, when the Medical School unveiled portraits of two prominent former chairmen. The crystal was last seen about 8:15 p.m. Around 8 the next morning—with the Museum closed for Veterans Day—a guard on rounds found the case broken and crystal gone. Investigation by the Philadelphia Police found that the night guard, who is not a suspect, saw a disturbance to the area on his monitor between 2 a.m. and 5 a.m., but believed it to be workmen doing renovations. But no workmen were scheduled that evening, Dr. Dyson said.

"I feel like a sacrificial victim in Mexico after the priest took his obsidian knife and cut out my heart and threw it down the steps," he told the Philadelphia Inquirer.

SENATE

From the Chair

The Role of the Faculty in Academic Planning

The recent creation by the Provost of a number of working groups to develop ideas and concepts for a 5-year plan has raised several important questions about how the faculty can most effectively exercise its statutory influence over matters of educational policy. Some of these relate to the planning exercise which is currently underway, but the more important ones speak to the general question of how a diverse and heterogeneous body like the faculty can best influence decisions which will directly affect its ability to teach and conduct research. Some may consider it unwise to discuss these questions of principle while the planning exercise which raised them is under way. However, I believe the issues are sufficiently important that widespread discussion is essential. I want to emphasize, however, that none of the concerns regarding process which are explained below should be regarded as directed in any way against any of the members of the working groups, many of whom are already doing excellent work.

The present planning exercise is being conducted under the aegis of the Academic Planning and Budget Committee, chaired by the Provost, which is the principal body charged with making recommendations concerning planning on a university-wide scale. Last May, the Provost, in consultation with the Council of Deans, developed a series of draft charges to ten working groups which would be asked to spend this year (1988-89) formulating ideas which would then be considered by the Academic Planning and Budget Committee next year. These draft charges were shared with me and my colleagues in the Faculty Senate leadership (Chair-elect and Past Chair). Over the summer the Provost put together the membership of these groups, which consists of faculty members, administrators and on some committees, students. Each working group also contains at least one member of the Academic Planning and Budget Committee. The leadership of the Faculty Senate received a tentative list of the membership of these groups in mid-August. While the administration has been receptive to advice on specific points, they have for the most part taken the position that the faculty members who serve on the working groups should be appointed by the administration; that is in fact what has occurred. The formal involvement of the Faculty Senate has not been sought, although it should be noted that the Past Chair of the Senate is chairing one of the working groups, and the Chair-elect is a member of another.

When this process was discussed within the Senate Executive Committee, two principal concerns were raised. One was the importance of making the widest possible faculty input available to the working groups at an early stage, before the main results have set in concrete; the other concerned the more fundamental question of how faculty members who participate in such a planning exercise should be chosen. The first issue was discussed with the President and the Provost at two meetings with the leadership of the Senate this fall. At these meetings the administration emphasized its commitment to an open planning process. It was agreed that the interim reports of the working groups, expected to be available early next year, would be reviewed by the Senate Executive Committee. SEC may also invite the chairs of some of the working groups to discuss the interim reports. These are extremely positive steps which will, in my view, help ensure that the final set of ideas generated by the working groups have the broadest possible base of support within the faculty at large.

The more general question of what principles should govern the selection of faculty members who serve on advisory or planning bodies with important potential influence over matters of educational policy is a little harder. I see two basic points here. One is the sensible interest of the administration in making certain that whatever policies are arrived at will have legitimacy with those charged with putting them into effect, namely the deans and other administrators. This desire may even extend to preferring faculty members who are disposed to ideas that deans will want to implement. I should emphasize that these concerns are entirely understandable, and represent in most cases the genuine belief on the part of the administration that this kind of planning structure is most likely to produce results beneficial to the institution as a whole. However, there is another basic idea which in my view must be accorded at least equal weight, and that is that faculty members chosen by the

faculty itself must play an important role in any decision-making process which affects academic or educational policy. Areas such as undergraduate education, graduate and professional education, and research lie at the very center of the faculty's concerns; I would hope that the administration would recognize that enlisting the broadest possible faculty support at an early stage is an essential ingredient of a successful 5-year plan. The key idea here is partnership. The administration may well be right in its assessment that even a plan full of excellent ideas will fail if key administrators are not brought on board at an early stage. On the other hand, any plan which does not enjoy the solid intellectual support of the faculty is also unlikely to succeed, no matter how felicitous to prospects for its administrative implementation.

The role of the Faculty Senate in these matters can be illuminated by reference both to history and current practice. In 1970 the Task Force on University Governance was established with the express approval of the trustees. All of the faculty members who served on the task force were nominated by the Senate Advisory Committee, the parent of the present Senate Executive Committee. As a second example, the Faculty Handbook spells out quite clearly the consultative role of the Faculty Senate in helping to constitute search committees to fill important University-wide administrative positions, such as the President and the Provost. From my perspective there is not much difference between choosing a provost and in setting the intellectual groundwork for critical resource-allocation decisions. Both clearly have a vital impact on the faculty's ability to teach and do research.

Because the question of how the faculty members involved in the planning process should be chosen is so important, the Senate Executive Committee has asked the Senate Committee on Administration to consider all of the questions raised above and report its recommendations back to SEC this Spring. In the meantime, I hope all faculty members will give these matters their most thoughtful consideration. I would be most interested in receiving advice from any of my colleagues who have views on this important subject.

—David P. Balamuth, Faculty Senate Chair

Nominees for Senate Committee on Conduct

1. In accordance with the requirements of Sec. 11(b)(i) of the Senate Rules, official notice is hereby given of the Senate Nominating Committee's slate of nominees for the Senate Committee on Conduct. The nominees, all of whom have indicated their willingness to serve, are:

(to serve a 2-year term until May, 1990):

Helen C. Davies (professor microbiology/medicine)

Jerry C. Johnson (associate professor medicine)

Robert F. Lucid (professor English)

(to serve a 1-year term until May, 1989):

Kenneth D. George (professor education)

Ann E. Mayer (associate professor legal studies)

Sohrab Rabii (professor electrical engineering)

2. Again pursuant to the Senate Rules Sec. 11(b)(i) you are invited to submit "additional nominations, which shall be accomplished via petitions containing at least twenty-five valid names and the signed approval of the candidate. All such petitions must be received no later than fourteen days subsequent to the circulation of the nominees of the Nominating Committee. Nominations will automatically be closed fourteen days after circulation of the slate of the Nominating Committee." Pursuant to this provision, petitions must be received at the Faculty Senate Office, 15 College Hall/6303, by 5 p.m., Tuesday, November 29, 1988.

3. Under the same provision of the Senate Rules, if no additional nominations are received, the slate nominated by the Nominating Committee will be declared elected. Should additional nominations be received, an election will thereafter be held by mail ballot.

Gearing Up for Science/Engineering Facility

Two Penn trustees have agreed to head up fund-raising for a new science and engineering complex as proposed in a report released to the University community in May (*Almanac* May 24). Dr. P. Roy Vagelos, chairman and chief executive officer of Merck & Co., Inc., and John P. Mulroney, president and chief operating officer of Rohm and Haas—both alumni of Penn—will focus initially on raising a large nucleus fund from individual contributors in preparation for a broader effort when a formal capital campaign begins in 1989.

They have named as initial members of a leadership group for the campaign Reginald Jones, the alumnus and emeritus trustee who is the retired chairman and CEO of the General Electric Company; Deans Joseph Bordogna of SEAS and Hugo Sonnenschein of SAS; and Vice Provost for Research Barry Cooperman.

Dr. Cooperman co-chaired with Deputy Provost Richard Clelland the ad hoc committee that estimated a need for 100,000 to 120,000 square feet, at one of six potential sites, to be used primarily by the departments of chemistry, computer and information science, electrical engineering, chemical engineering and bioengineering.

No cost estimate has been given for the new facility. But in the report they published in May, based on data gathered in 1986, the ad hoc committee listed estimates of new facilities now being constructed at peer institutions, ranging upward from the \$23 million Yale is spending on computer science alone.

Princeton was reportedly spending \$20 million on computer science and had just completed a \$40-\$45 million molecular biology lab. Stanford had committed over \$50 million for facilities in chemical engineering, chemistry and biology, and Johns Hopkins somewhere between \$20 million and \$40 million for chemistry, in addition to a 220,000 square-foot physics building already under construction. Cornell was reportedly spending \$41 million on a computer science and biotechnology building; Brown \$70 million for information technology; and Columbia \$95 million for chemistry, computer science, micro-electronics and telecommunications.

Two Scenarios

In the report, Penn's ad hoc committee presented two options.

What they labeled Scenario One would provide one 7- or 8-story building on a "footprint" of 25,000 square feet, potentially at sites marked 1, 2, or 4 on the map below; site 3 was seen as too small for the projected need. They expressed a preference for site 1 or site 2, for convenience to present facilities.

Scenario Two would result in two four-story buildings, either at sites 1+2 or at 1+3. Advantages of a two-building plan, they said, could include preservation of scale at the east end of the campus, and the potential to plan one high-utility laboratory building plus a less

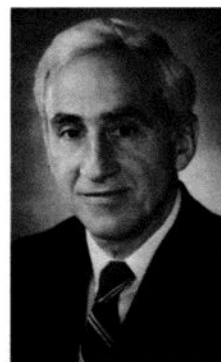
expensive administrative building. Using sites 1 and 3 would be in line with a plan already drawn up for SEAS by Davis and Brody, in which the Morgan and Music buildings are preserved.

Also covered in the report are plans to handle some science and engineering space needs through renovations, and the proposal to create in Hayden Hall a fully unified Library for Physical Science and Engineering.

The committee's bottom line:

"A major investment in science and engineering at Penn is required over the next decade...."

"This Committee has shown the wisdom of Schools planning together. We believe a more broadly based but similar constituted committee, drawn from all the Penn natural sciences and engineering and having the active cooperation of the respective Deans, would be a very positive force in helping Penn develop its longer range space and facilities plans in the



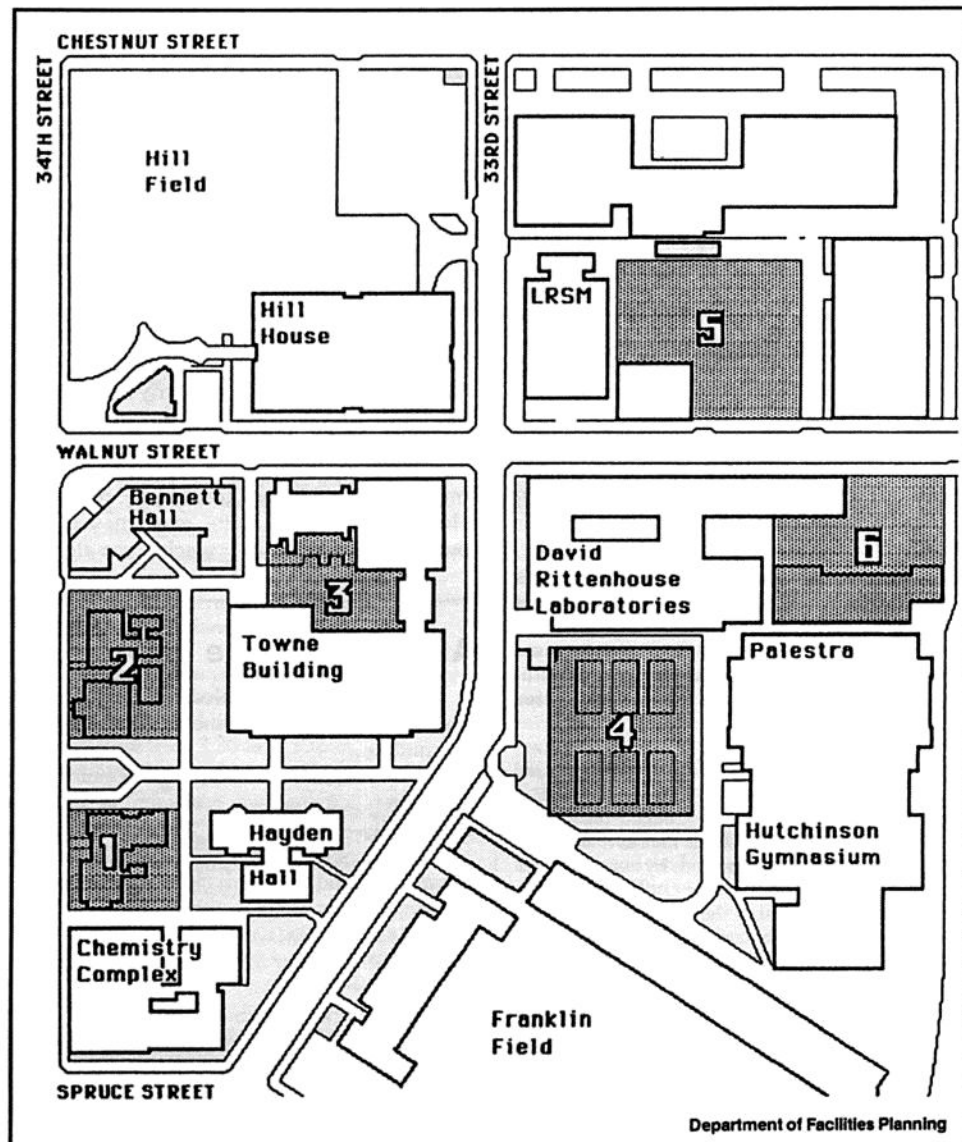
Dr. Vagelos



Mr. Mulroney

context of emerging intellectual opportunities and initiatives."

Serving on the ad hoc planning committee with Drs. Clelland and Cooperman were Dr. Ralph Amado of physics, Dr. Ruzena Bajcsy of Computer and Information Science, Dr. Gregory Farrington of LRSM, Dr. Donald Fitts of Chemistry; Dr. Kenneth Laker of Electrical Engineering, Dr. Douglas Lauffenburger of Chemical Engineering, Dr. Robert Rescorla of Psychology, and Dr. Frank Warner of Mathematics.



Department of Facilities Planning



Rally on Racism

Thursday some 350 Black students dressed in black marched soundlessly from DuBois House to merge with students of many races who marched in equal silence from Hill House. Melissa Moody, at the podium, gave a requiem for Penn's announced goals of diversity, tolerance, awareness, sensitivity, integrity, truth and justice. As Council prepared to meet in special session on issues arising from racial slurs, the two statements below and one on page 5 (past insert) were issued.

Issues in Racism

Solemnity marked a series of events last week at Penn as students and others protested racism in a silent march of mourning for lost values; held a vigil and wore yellow stars to mark the 50th year since Kristallnacht; and attended a memorial service for Cyril Leung.

Debating a Required Course

At the regular meeting of the University Council, observers protesting racial slurs equalled the voting membership in numbers. Wednesday's session opened with a debate on the presence of television cameras, as Professor Olier Williams asked the President to rule on the breach of a by-law which reserves attendance for members of the University. Professor Larry Gross's motion to maintain the by-law was followed by a substitute from GAPSA Chair Vincent Phaahla to permit television coverage. The substitute failed on a roll-call vote, 23-19, and Professor Gross's motion carried on a hand count. Dr. Hackney ruled cameras out but allowed reporters to remain.

Although Council's two-hour meeting was extended by half an hour, debate was not completed on the sole action item of the day, a motion by Undergraduate Assembly Chair Keith Wasserstrom,

Whereas the University Council recognizes the atmosphere of racial tension present on the University of Pennsylvania campus, and

Whereas the University Council recognizes the need to proactively work to improve our situation rather than reactively respond to negative incidents, and

Whereas the University Council recognizes the fact that the Undergraduate Assembly voted in support of this class by a 22-to-1 vote, and

Whereas the University Council recognizes campus-wide support for this idea as manifested by statements and declarations by numerous student organizations,

Be it resolved that the University Council stands in support of a required course for all incoming freshmen designed to increase racial awareness at the University of Pennsylvania.

Immediately after the meeting, members of the Steering Committee met and agreed to hold a special meeting on November 16. Also unfinished is discussion of the charge to the University Life committee (*Almanac* November 8), which had been the scheduled item for November 9.

An Open Letter to the Hill House Community

November 7, 1988

Some time in the early morning hours of Sunday, October 6, probably between 2:15 and 3:00 a.m., someone went into the stairwell in the southeast corner of the House and wrote, among other things, a swastika on the wall of one of our second floor suites. We are most anxious to find out who did it, and I am asking here for any information anyone in the House might have that could lead us to identify the person responsible.

To the best of our knowledge, there is no specific House episode or situation or particular conflict that serves as a context for this occurrence. We cannot even be certain, at this moment, that the person who did it is a House resident. But in a larger sense, there clearly is a racist context implied by the appearance of this graffiti, and this fact hits hard, both in the House and out of it. The minority members of the House and of other campus communities are of course the hardest hit, and most urgently deserve every evidence of support. But the impact is felt with great force by the rest of the House community as well—many messages of outrage and protest have reached me already,

and they come from every quarter. I want to meet and communicate with as many people as possible, and to do everything I can to work against the spirit that the graffiti reveals, but I want to start with this personal letter to each Hill resident and call for a demonstration—through suite resolutions, open letters, and other testimonies of personal concern—that there is no room for the expression of racist sentiment in Hill House, just as there should be no room for it in the University of Pennsylvania as a whole.

Joanne and I feel a special sadness about this, because we are the oldest residents in the House in more ways than one. We arrived in the summer of 1979 and are therefore in our 10th year of residence, and this is the first time in all those years that we have seen racist graffiti on the walls of Hill House. I suppose we had begun to believe that it couldn't happen here. But now that it has, we hope that each of you will join us in taking the opportunity to say, loud and clear, that we reject and despise it, and will not tolerate its appearance.

—Robert F. Lucid, Faculty Master

A Message to the University Community

We were deeply troubled by the appearance this past weekend of graffiti at Hill House and a computer message in Steinberg-Dietrich Hall directed against minority and other groups in our community.

As we said in a statement last February and on other occasions, these expressions demonstrate an intolerance that we condemn in the strongest terms. They have no place in the Penn community—a community whose members care about each other and respect each other.

We are confident that the expressions of this past weekend represent a hatred harbored by only a few badly and sadly misguided persons. We are taking every action that is practical to identify the perpetrators of these expressions.

In the meantime, we will continue with the University's action agenda aimed at building respect for each other in our diverse community and at creating an environment that is supportive for all. This agenda includes a recruiting effort for the highest caliber minority students and faculty; the freshman workshops instituted this fall; the establishment of the Black Resource Center; the Minority Policy; and the work of the recently announced President's Committee on University Life.

—Sheldon Hackney, President

—Michael Aiken, Provost

—Kim Morrison, Vice Provost for University Life

From College Hall: A Fact Sheet Issued to Local and Campus Press

The University of Pennsylvania is deeply committed to an action agenda aimed at building a community in which students, faculty and staff respect and support each other. One facet of that agenda is an investment in the recruiting of Black and other minority students and faculty, and the creation of an environment that is supportive of them.

The proposal made at yesterday's meeting of University Council to establish a mandatory one-credit course in racism will be discussed at a special meeting of University Council next Wednesday. Between now and then, discussions are taking place between the Administration and students who made the proposal.

Beyond recruiting, the University's ongoing efforts include:

- Workshops for first year students instituted this fall covering such issues as tolerance and racism. A majority of first year students attended these small group sessions;

- The establishment of a Black Resource Center to promote an environment at Penn that enhances opportunity for members of the Black Community;

- Continued fundraising for the Minority Presence Fund, which already has provided more than \$7 million in support of minority faculty recruitment and development, graduate and professional student support, undergraduate support and academic programs and other programs;

- The creation and enforcement of a Racial Harassment Policy;

- The upcoming work of the recently announced President's Committee on University Life, a committee of students, faculty, staff and alumni whose charge is to make recommendations on steps to improve the ways in which individuals and groups on campus relate to each other;

- An affirmative action program;

- A range of fellowships and grants for minority students;

- The W.E.B. DuBois College House, a residential center for students interested in black culture, art and scholarship;

- The University's Tutoring Center, which offers individual and group tutoring and crisis counseling;

- The Office of Student Life's Minority Undergraduate Mentoring Program;

- Lead sponsorship of the Pennsylvania Legislature's Conference on Graduate and Professional Opportunities for Black and Hispanic Students and the Black Conference on Higher Education leadership activities;

- The Albert M. Greenfield Intercultural Center, which serves to increase the University community's appreciation of Minority contributions to American society and is home to numerous minority student organizations; and,

- A entire range of minority community-based programs during the summer and academic year, including the LEAD program at the Wharton School, the American Foundation for Negro Affairs Access to Medical Careers

Program, the Philadelphia Regional Introduction for Minorities in Engineering Program (PRIME), the Upward Bound and Veterans Upward Bound Programs, along with a range of programs to increase access to post-secondary programs for minority youth, including the West Philadelphia Improvement Corps (WEPIC), Say Yes to Education, the Collaborative for West Philadelphia Public Schools,

membership in the Committee to Support Philadelphia Public Schools, and the Wharton West Philadelphia Project.

The University's current freshman class includes 187 black students and 85 Hispanic students, the highest ever, and 272 Asians and Asian-Americans. This represents 8.2 percent, 3.7 percent and 12 percent, respectively.

—Office of the President

Speaking Out

East Campus Safety

The Committee on Safety and Security is greatly concerned about the lack of security in and around the Walnut Street bridge. Since the bridge was closed for repairs, the bridge walkway lights have not been lit and the area is in almost total darkness, posing a danger to the people who use this walkway. The safety of those walking to University parking lots is also imperiled. Additional lighting of the entire area, with increased patrols by public safety of parking lots #1 and #26, should be instituted as soon as possible.

Another concern is parking lot #29, located under the South Street bridge. This lot is in an isolated section of the campus and with the advent of winter darkness the entire area around Hollenback Center and the lot is dark and potentially dangerous. A booth for a security guard was installed late 1987 or early 1988, but no guards have been assigned.

We are very concerned about the above safety issues and expect that attention will be paid to these problems.

—For the Committee, by Helen C. Davies,
Professor of Microbiology

Response to Professor Davies

Thanks for your committee's concern.

Last month the University asked for the contractor working on the Walnut Street Bridge for the State of Pennsylvania to uphold his agreement to keep the area lighted during construction. He has complied. However, due to construction, the bridge will be closed to pedestrians starting November 14, through July.

We appreciate your concern about parking in lot #29, a permit lot under the South Street Bridge, and have plans to station a guard there from 3:30 to 7:30 p.m. from November 25 through to April. Only a few cars remain after 7 p.m. and those drivers are urged to use Escort Service at 8-RIDE or 8-WALK for assistance in getting to the lot.

Following a three-year program to improve lighting and safety on campus, we are proud of lighting and Public Safety's patrol coverage of the lots. Nevertheless, we look forward to discussing your concerns directly when Public Safety, Physical Plant and Transportation and Parking take their annual walking tour of the campus, this month with the Safety and Security Committee.

—Robert Furniss, Director,
Transportation and Parking

Ed. Note: The annual Safety Walk took place after the foregoing exchange was received. See page 6 for a summary of its findings, and other safety information.

Commercializing Penn?

The faculty has recently received a solicitation from American Express to become card holders under the guise of a Penn "corporate card program." Except for the waiver of the modest card holder fee, there is nothing in the solicitation material to indicate that this is anything but an attempt to market a commercial product with the cooperation of the University. I would suggest that the solicitation could be misleading, and in any event is not the sort of thing in which a University should be involved.

Will we next receive "official" Penn discount coupons at McDonald's?

—C.L. Witzleben,
Professor of Pathology/Med

Response to Dr. Witzleben

The Penn/American Corporate Card Program is being offered to University faculty and administrative staff as a convenient way for them to pay for University business travel and related expenses without requiring the use of either their personal funds or credit. This corporate card is being made available at no cost to the University or its staff and does offer other benefits to the University traveler in terms of travel accident/baggage insurance, personal check cashing, and emergency assistance.

This program will also provide a benefit to the University by providing summary usage information which is needed in order to negotiate better agreements with hotels, car rental companies, etc. In addition, it provides the University with some cash float benefits.

This arrangement with American Express has been executed solely for the benefits that it can provide the University and its travelers. It is an effort to further the University travel program begun two years ago with the introduction of the Diners Club Card. In general, this program enhancement is being well received by the University community with over 1000 applications processed to date. Dr. Witzleben's perception of the program is indeed unfortunate and incorrect.

—Kenneth Campbell,
Associate Comptroller

Holiday Safety for Offices, Labs, and Workaholics

As the four-day Thanksgiving break approaches—and on its heels the longer year-end break—Security Support's Ruth Wells urges greater-than-ever precautions for University offices and laboratories.

And she points to a strong link between the theft of goods and the potential for injury to people who may stand between the goods and the thief.

"Just as the dorms have developed tighter routines for holidays, other University buildings need to be aware that their premises may be targeted for break-ins during times when experienced thieves know there will be fewer people around.

"For the people who do come in to work in offices and laboratories, or to study in the libraries, this can mean an increased risk to personal safety. If thieves want what is in your building, in your pockets, in your purse, you are in the way—and you can get hurt," she said.

Many analysts believe the prevalence of crack is escalating not only "money crimes," but the degree of personal violence associated with them, as addicts take what would once have seemed unthinkable risks to get away with cash and valuables.

Workplace Precautions: Wise office managers let the petty cash drop to a minimum as holidays approach. But cash is not the only target. Computers are a major one; and calculators, cameras, tape machines and laboratory equipment; pictures, art objects and even built-in lighting fixtures that are taken for granted by their owners can be taken for profit by dedicated thieves. Criminals do "case the joint," Ms. Wells said; visiting buildings on pretexts to identify salable equipment and plan how to get it in the downtime. "Long week-ends are ideal from the point of view of someone who wants to get stolen goods sold even before you know they're gone," she pointed out.

Every office should have a safety review as the holiday approaches, she advises—a review that is mental as well as physical.

Supervisors of offices or research units should know in advance if anyone is planning to come in to work over the break, and anyone planning to come in should be given specific advice on precautions for that site. Among the instructions for those at any site should be:

- If you are coming work in a building that is closed or depopulated, call Campus Police when you arrive, and again when you leave (Ext. 8-7297, the non-emergency number).

- Learn in advance where to find the "blue-light phone" nearest your building. These phones connect directly to Campus Police, without any need for dialing. If you see signs your building door has been tampered with, don't go in but call in. Also report anyone who seems to be hanging around, or who accosts you or others—giving explicit descriptions.

- Memorize the *emergency* number, 511.

- Keep your own office or lab locked while you work:

- Call for Escort (Ext. 8-7433, or "8-RIDE") to go from building to parking lot, especially if your lot is in an isolated place or if you will be going to your car at dawn, dusk or dark.

- Ideally, coordinate with other offices and labs in your building. Know who else is going to be legitimately on the premises. When you come in, make human contact and watch out for each other: tell someone if you are going to another part of the building and when you will be back; let neighboring workers know when you leave for good.

- If you see a door propped open in your building, or anything suspicious, go immediately to the nearest safe room and call 511. Lock yourself in until the building has been searched by Campus Police.

"I could tell a longer story about playing it safe if you're taking a happy week end off," said Ms. Wells, who annually does publish such lists for holiday shoppers, travelers and partygoers. "But the main message is, *be alert*, even before you go out the door. Think about how you're going to dress—high heels and restrictive clothing can slow you down—about what purse to choose, how to carry it; where to keep your wallet. Plan your shopping or travel so you don't get too tired to think straight or too burdened down to hang onto your purse, your luggage or the gifts you just bought.

"And please," she finished, "Don't fall for any of the cons that still catch the unwary. Bait-and-switch and pigeon drop work on people's desire to get something for nothing.

"If something is too good to be true, it usually isn't."

Safety Walk: Scrutinizing the East Campus

Following Thursday's memorial service for graduate student Cyril Leung, members of the Council Committee on Safety and Security, the Campus Police, Physical Plant and University Parking Office took what has become an annual walk to look at lighting and other outdoor physical conditions that might affect the safety of students, faculty and staff at night.

The rainy walk focused on the eastern end of campus where there is a low night-time population but where jeopardy has been reported for Hill House students and for members of the University leaving parking lots at the end of winter workdays. According to Dr. Helen Davies of microbiology/med, who chairs the Council Committee, the walkers identified poor lighting near Hollenback Center but learned it is the city's responsibility. They were shown the location in Lot #29 (under the South Street Bridge) where a booth is to be placed and will be staffed from 3:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. starting November 25.

During the tour, she said, members of the Committee expressed concern that the proposed entrance to Student Health, once it moves to the Penn Tower Hotel, will be in an isolated location. The Committee will recommend that planners seek a safer, more accessible entry.

Thanksgiving Dorm Safety

With the Thanksgiving holiday comes a time of low occupancy on campus and a need for more stringent security procedures in our residences. Be alert, cautious, and cooperative. Your security awareness and common sense are imperative. With so few people on campus the potential for crime is greater.

Public Safety officers are in full force during this time and additional officers will be on the beat in the evening and early morning hours.

During the break period, McGinn Security Service will be providing 24-hour coverage beginning Wednesday, November 28, at 8 a.m., at the access points in every residence hall.

North Campus

Kings Court/English House and Hill House entrance doors will be locked at 5 p.m. Wednesday, November 23, and reopen on Monday, November 28, at 8 a.m. Graduate Tower, Mayer and Law entrances will remain locked at all times as usual.

South Campus

37th Street doors will remain open 24 hours a day. 36th Street doors will close at 12 midnight on Wednesday, November 23, and reopen Sunday, November 27, for regular hours.

Stouffer cores will be changed by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, November 23, and remain changed until Monday, November 28, at 8 a.m. "D" section will be the only entrance to Stouffer where resident keys will work.

West Campus

All buildings will be locked at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, November 23, through 7 a.m. on Monday, November 28.

Access Procedures

Beginning Wednesday, November 23, at 5 p.m., access will be restricted to building residents only, and their guests. Anyone who is not an occupant of the residence s/he is trying to enter will be considered a guest. Guests must have a valid form of I.D. and be accompanied by a building residents host to gain access. When buildings are locked, residents with keys are the only people who can enter directly; therefore, residents should make prior arrangements to meet their visitors at the front door.

Everyone must (1) present a Penn card at the I.D. checkpoint for verification of status as a *building occupant or guest* and (2) sign in. In buildings with card readers (the High Rises and the Quadrangle), the data base will be changed to permit access to building occupants only, these residents will not have to sign in.

—Department of Residential Living



Givers as Winners

Dear Fellow Pennsylvanian,

We are now well into our University-wide United Way campaign and already have achieved over 50% of our \$268,000 goal.

Your commitment in past years has provided numerous agencies in the Delaware Valley and beyond with thousands of dollars in support. This year our campaign will be even more exciting, offering you focused choices for designating your gift.

In addition to a "Community Care" choice there will be an opportunity to designate six "Targeted Care" choices including:

The Hungry and Homeless
Health/Rehabilitation Services
Elderly
Children and Youth at Risk
Families and Women
Self-Help

As always the "Specific Care/Donor Option" choice will allow you the greatest of flexibility in directing your gift.

I and the leadership of the University have already committed ourselves and pledged to this campaign. I urge you to consider the wonderful opportunity of focusing your gift and the convenience of payroll deduction.

If you have never participated before, I ask that you join me and your colleagues in providing a gift this year. If you are already a contributor, I ask that you consider increasing your gift at this time.

The slogan for our campaign this year truly speaks to the community we represent at Penn.

United in Purpose—United in Pride
The University of Pennsylvania is
The United Way

—Dean Edwin J. Andrews, Chairman,
1989 United Way Campaign

This year in a series of Monday drawings, the United Way Committee gives tangible rewards to givers—donated prizes that will culminate in a grand prize of free parking for a year in the new garage at 34th and Chestnut. Each Monday the names of those whose pledges were recorded by the Friday before are put into the hat for prizes.

The winners from the first drawing, held Monday, October 31, were:

Michael Levine, School of Arts and Sciences: two tickets to the Eagles/Phoenix game November 27; and *Larry Connell*, Athletics, two tickets to the Annenberg Center Theatre Series production of his choice.

From the November 7 drawing:

Susan Colletuori, Department of Medicine, and *Donald Fitzgerald*, University Museum: five tickets (each) to watch the '76ers from the Owner's Box; and *Diana Davis*, Van Pelt Library: four tickets for meals provided by the Dining Service.

November 14 prizes will include Faculty Club meals and Penn basketball tickets.

GREAT AMERICAN SMOKEOUT

For those joining the Great American Smokeout on Thursday, November 17, the American Cancer Society has "quit tips":

Hide all ashtrays, matches, etc.
Lay in a supply of sugarless gum, carrot sticks, etc.
Drink lots of liquids, but pass up coffee and alcohol.
Tell everyone you're quitting for the day.
When the urge to smoke hits, take a deep breath, hold it for 10 seconds, and release it slowly.

Exercise to relieve the tension.
Try the "buddy system," and ask a friend to quit too.

OF RECORD

Final Report of the Consultative Committee in the Search for a Vice Provost for University Life

The Consultative Committee in the Search for a Vice Provost for University Life was convened on November 20, 1987 by President Sheldon Hackney and Provost Michael Aiken. The Committee members were: Dr. Jacob M. Abel, professor of mechanical engineering and chairman of the committee; Dr. Michelle M. Fine, associate professor of education; Dr. Stephen Gale, associate professor of regional science; Dr. Robert F. Lucid, professor of English; Dr. Mary Naylor, associate dean of undergraduate nursing; Dr. Marion L. Oliver, vice dean and director of Wharton undergraduate division; and Dr. Herman Segal, professor of oral medicine. Student representatives included Wayne Glasker, Michael Gold, Randall L. Sell, and Robert Tinter.

The committee solicited nominations from faculty members and universities, student groups, and friends of the University. Candidates were sought directly through advertisements in the *Almanac*, *Black Issues in Higher Education*, *The Chronicle of Higher Education*, *The Daily Pennsylvanian*, and *The New York Times*.

During the 1987-88 academic year, the committee held some 22 meetings. Informational interviews were held with leaders of student organizations, faculty who were involved with aspects of the University Life division, senior personnel from the division, and others. The committee submitted to the president and the provost the names of five people considered qualified candidates for the position and this list was discussed with the president and provost at a meeting shortly after it was submitted. Dr. Kim Morrisson's name was among them, and she was subsequently named vice provost.

—Jacob M. Abel, Chairman

Update

NOVEMBER AT PENN

CONFERENCES

17 *Whose Agenda? The County as an Arena for Planning*; Arthur Loeben and Robert Scolpino, respective directors of the Montgomery and Gloucester County Planning Commissions, will address issues facing suburban planning issues in the Delaware Valley; 4 p.m., Benjamin Franklin Room, Houston Hall. Admission: free. Registration: Ext. 8-6492 (Department of City and Regional Planning).

18 *Symposium on Contemporary Visual and Performing Arts*; featuring lectures, panel discussions, promotional and short films. Admission: \$20; \$10 single day; ICA members, faculty, staff and students half price. For the full schedule contact Melissa Feldman, Ext. 8-7108. *Through November 19* (Institute of Contemporary Art).

EXHIBITS

18 *Zdzislaw Lindner*; a solo exhibition of large-scale surrealist paintings by the Polish-born artist; opening reception, 4-6 p.m.; gallery hours 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Friday, University City Science Center. *Through December 30*.

FILMS

International House

Films sponsored by the Neighborhood Film/Video Project. Tickets: \$5 adults, \$4 students, members, and senior citizens. Information: 895-6542.

17 *New Directions in Video by Women*; Minneapolis-based artist Helen DeMichiel will present her own and another video; 7 p.m.

19 *Anita, Dances of Vice*; Philadelphia premiere of West German Rosa Von Praunheim's film based on the life and death of Anita Berber, the first and most notorious of the nude dancers of Weimar Germany's cabarets; 7 and 9 p.m. *Through November 20*.

FITNESS/LEARNING

17 *MEDLINE training sessions*; 10:30 a.m.-noon, Biomedical Library. Registration: Ext. 8-5817. *Also November 22, 3:30-5 p.m.*

Annual Computer Graphics Video Show; 6:30-9 p.m., Alumni Hall, Towne Building (Computer Graphics Research Lab, Department of Computer and Information Science).

Faculty/Staff Assistance Program

18 *Caregivers Have Feelings, Too!*; workshop by Lori Shmukeler, Lutheran In-Home Services; noon-1 p.m., Benjamin Franklin Room, Houston Hall. Registration: Ext. 8-7910 (F/SAP).

22 *Caring for Them; Caring for You: A Resource Reception*; a refreshment reception for University employees who care for or anticipate caring for a relative; noon-2 p.m., Bodek Lounge, Houston Hall. Registration: Ext. 8-7910 (F/SAP).

MUSIC

20 *Skyline with The Three Fellas*; contemporary bluegrass with Danny Weiss, Barry Mitterhoff and Larry Cohen; 8 p.m., St. Mary's Parish Hall (Cherry Tree Music Co-op).

22 *Susan Armstrong Organ Recital*; featuring works and transcriptions by Verdi, Tchaikovsky, Grieg, Titcomb and Sowerby; noon-12:30 p.m., Irvine Auditorium (Curtis Organ Restoration Society). (continued next page)

Low-Cost Rabies Vaccinations

Penn is collaborating with the Philadelphia Department of Public Health, private veterinarians, area humane societies, and the Pennsylvania SPCA in launching a low-cost rabies vaccination program for dogs and cats. Rabies, which is transmitted by infected animal bites, is a viral disease affecting the nervous system and it is almost always fatal to humans and animals. In 1987 there were 300 cases of rabies in Pennsylvania; this year the number of reported cases has already exceeded 400.



Recent studies have shown a dramatic rise in rabies cases in Philadelphia suburbs, and a growing trend towards the city. Puppies and kittens should be vaccinated at three to four months of age, again at one year, and then require regular booster shots either annually or every three years, depending on the type of vaccine used.

Vaccinations will be available for no more than \$5 at designated veterinary offices on November 19 from 1-4 p.m., and at other sites throughout the city on December 3. For information on participating veterinarians, call 686-3000. For other questions about the vaccination program, call the Office of Health Promotion/Disease Prevention, Department of Public Health, at 875-5640.

Department of Public Safety

This report contains tallies of Part I crimes, a listing of Part I crimes against persons, and summaries of Part I crime in the five busiest sectors on campus where two or more incidents were reported between November 7 and November 13, 1988.

Total Crime: Crimes Against Persons—0, Burglaries—2, Thefts—21, Thefts of Auto—1, Attempted Thefts of Auto—0

Date	Time Reported	Location	Incident
34th St. to 36th St., Walnut St. to Market St.			
11-07-88	9:30 AM	133 S. 36th St.	Stereo equipment taken from room.
11-07-88	11:53 AM	Law School	Picture taken from wall.
11-07-88	3:20 PM	Law School	Money taken from unsecured desk.
11-09-88	9:40 AM	133 S. 36th St.	Items taken from secured room.
34th St. to 36th St., Spruce St. to Locust St.			
11-08-88	9:38 PM	Williams Hall	Secured bike taken from rack.
11-12-88	2:06 AM	Houston Hall	Secured bike taken from rack.
11-12-88	1:49 PM	Houston Hall	Coat taken while attending party.
32nd St. to 33rd St., South St. to Walnut St.			
11-08-88	7:13 PM	Weightman Hall	Secured bike taken from rack.
11-10-88	12:53 PM	Weightman Hall	Personal items taken from unsecured room.
11-11-88	4:08 PM	Weightman Hall	Cash taken from unsecured locker.
36th St. to 37th St., Spruce St. to Locust St.			
11-09-88	12:52 PM	Steinberg/Dietrich	Male attempted to take telephone.
11-11-88	3:47 PM	200 Block 37th St.	Items taken from vehicle.
11-09-88	7:01 PM	Lot #45	Auto taken from lot.
11-13-88	4:45 PM	Ice Rink	Bags taken from vehicle.

Safety Tip: If you see a suspicious person in the quarters or lounges, or someone knocks on your door soliciting, call the front desk or the University police. You need not confront a stranger, but don't ignore him/her either.

18th Police District

Schuylkill River to 49th St., Market St. to Schuylkill/Woodland Ave.
Reported crimes against persons from 12:01 a.m. 10-31-88 to 11:59 p.m. 11-06-88.

Total: Crimes Against Persons—13, Aggravated Assault/knife—1, Aggravated Assault/hands—1, Purse Snatch—3, Robbery/razor—1, Robbery/strongarm—3, Robbery/knife—2, Robbery/unknown—1, Attempted theft—1

Date	Location/Time Reported	Offense/weapon	Arrest
10-31-88	1311 S. 47th St., 11:55 PM	Robbery/unknown	No
10-31-88	4000 Chancellor St., 12:20 PM	Robbery/strongarm	Yes
10-31-88	46th and Walnut Sts., 2:15 PM	Aggravated assault/knife	No
11-01-88	4212 Chestnut St., 3:38 PM	Robbery/knife	No
11-02-88	4525 Walnut St., 12:23 AM	Robbery/knife	Yes
11-03-88	40th and Market Sts., 1:10 PM	Robbery/strongarm	No
11-03-88	4314 Locust St., 3:45 PM	Robbery/razor	Yes
11-03-88	220 S. 34th St., 4:00 PM	Attempted theft	Yes
11-03-88	42nd and Locust Sts., 7:09 PM	Robbery/strongarm	No
11-04-88	30th and Market Sts., 9:18 AM	Aggravated assault/hands	No
11-06-88	4400 Walnut St., 9:00 PM	Purse Snatch	No
11-06-88	42nd and Locust Sts., 10:23 PM	Purse Snatch	No
11-06-88	100 S. 47th St., 10:05 PM	Purse Snatch	No

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TALKS

16 Correlation Equations of Heat and Mass Transfer in Condensation of Binary-Vapor Mixtures; T. Fujii, Institute for Advanced Material Study, Kyushu University; 1:30 p.m., Room 305, Towne Building. Reception in the Faculty Lounge at 1 p.m. (Department of Mechanical Engineering and Applied Mechanics and Department of Chemical Engineering).

Evaluation of the Hidden Costs of Pharmaceuticals; John M. Eisenberg and Henry M. Glick, School of Medicine; 4:30-6 p.m., Auditorium, Colonial Penn Center (The Leonard Davis Institute of Health Economics).

18 Unity and Separation of the Low Countries, Past and Present; Paul Soetaert, professor of early modern history, University of Leuven, Belgium; 8 p.m., Room 351, Steinberg-Dietrich Hall (Office of International Programs).

Microbial Stress Responses to Pressure and Anesthetic Gases; Robert Marquis, University of Rochester Medical Center; 12:15 p.m., Room 1, John Morgan Building (Institute for Environmental Medicine).

Italian Foreign Policy: Edsel or Ozymoron?; Elizabeth Moore; 4 p.m., Anspach Lounge, Stiteler Hall. Reception and informal discussion will follow (Political Science Department Colloquium Series).

21 Lecture on Everett Titcomb; organist Susan Armstrong will speak on Titcomb, the primary character responsible for the end of the Victorian Age in church music; 7 p.m., Irvine Auditorium (Curtis Organ Restoration Society).

Women, Property and Power in West African Cities; Sandra Barnes, department of anthropology; noon, Room B-6, Meyerson Hall (Graduate Group in City and Regional Planning).

22 31-P NMR Spectra of Isolated Perfused Rat Lung; Yoshihiro Hayashi, department of physiology; 12:30 p.m., Physiology library, Richards Building (Respiratory Physiology Group and Department of Anesthesiology).

Non-Equilibrium Interfacial Kinetics During Rapid Solidification; 3:30 p.m., Auditorium, LRSM (Department of Materials Science and Engineering and LRSM).

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Correction: Last week's front-page box announcing the November 16 memorial service for the Law School Admissions Officer Geraldine Higgs had her name mistyped as "Biggs" in the body of the story; her daughter Niari's name was mistyped as well. We regret the errors.—K.C.G.

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