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a nothing report

At first glance, the "Suggested Policies, Rules and Regulations on Parking and Traffic on the university campus as received by the Board of Governors and tabled by it without review or discussion" looks like an impressive document.

But, upon reading it, we cannot help but feel it is a nothing report.

Listed as suggested policies are:

1. Parking facilities shall be provided insofar as possible and shall be assigned on a priority basis;
2. There shall be no free parking during the hours in which parking permits and parking meters are enforced, and
3. Parking fees shall be levied at a rate such that parking facilities may become self-sustaining.

This, we think, merely puts into writing the situation campus parking is in. It says what we all know: there is not enough parking space, and there is no change in sight.

The priority system, as outlined in

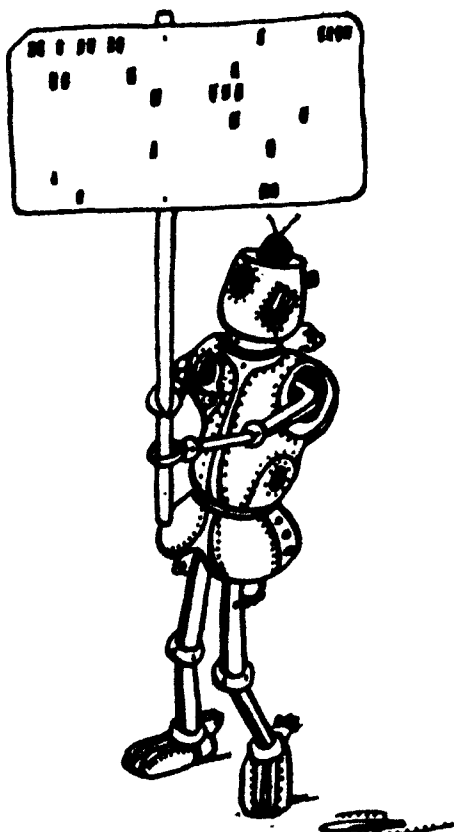
the report, is pretty well the same system which is currently being used and which has been used for years:

"(a) Physically handicapped staff members and students; (b) deans, directors, and executive and senior administrative officers; (c) academic staff, excluding part-time instructors and lecturers; (e) students (classified as to distance from campus).

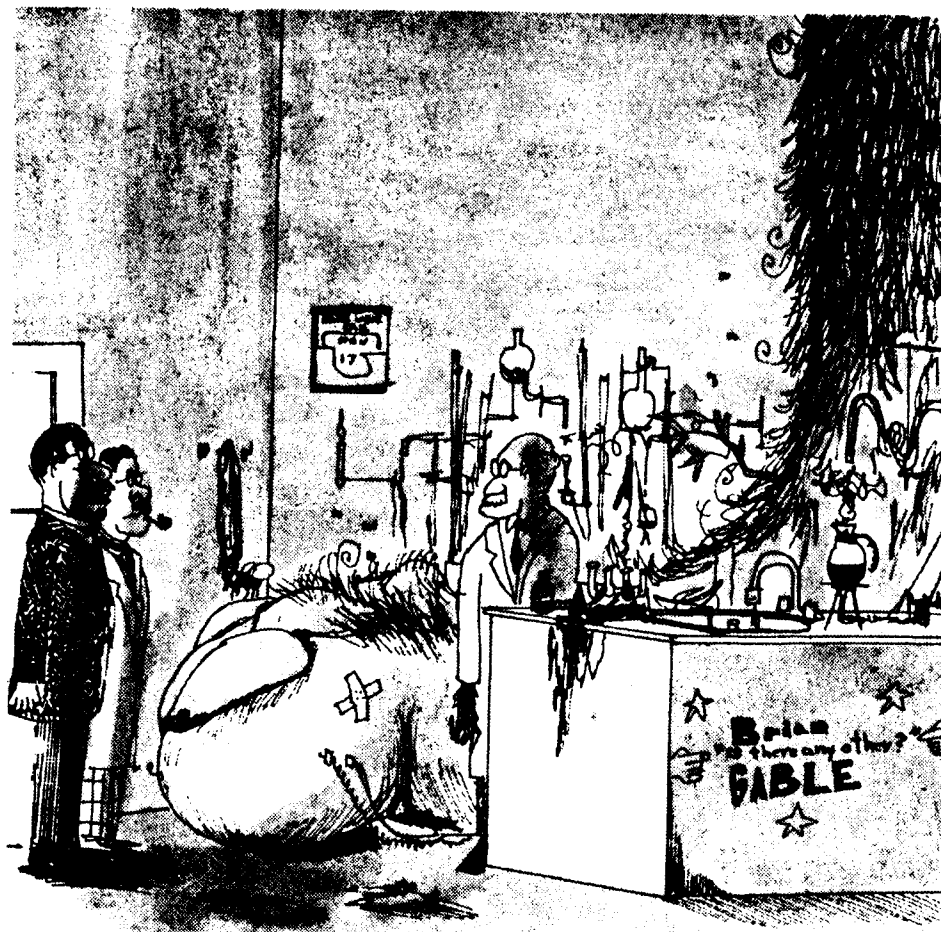
We have no specific quarrel with the priority system; neither do we dispute some of the definitions included in the report, such as "A motor vehicle means every vehicle propelled by any power, other than muscular power."

We fail to understand the purpose of the report. Rather than being a suggested solution as its name implies, it is a long overdue summary of the status quo.

What we want to know is: where are we going to park our cars five years from now, next year, or even tomorrow?



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"I'm afraid, Boris, your project has gotten completely out of hand!"

vietnam; the excuse

By MARGARET BONET
Reprinted from Failt-Ye Times

Peace marchers and protestors against Vietnam are antinationalistic. Roger McGough has a poem, Taken from *Poets 10* entitled "Why Patriots Are a Bit Nuts in the Head".

Patriots are a bit nuts in the head
because they wear
red, white, and blue-
tinted spectacles
(red for blood
white for glory
and blue . . .
for a boy)
and are in effervescent danger
of losing their lives
lives are good for you
when you are alive
you can eat and drink a lot and
go out with girls (sometimes if you
are lucky you can even go to bed
with them)
but you can't do this if you have
your belly shot away and your seeds
spread over some corner of a for-
eign field
to facilitate
in later years
the growing of oats by some pea-
sant yobbo
when you are posthumous it is
cold and dark and that is why
patriots are a bit nuts in the head.

Across the U.S. and Canada, Viet-
nam has become the major center of
campus dissent and contention. Patriot-
ism never was very enthusiastically
endorsed by the ones called upon to
go. That's why the draft became a
necessary evil.

The students use it as a salve for
their conscience. To show they aren't
apathetic they take a stand about the
major moral issue of the day. They

take a stand against; a stand that re-
quires no accompanying action, no
loss of comfort or selfishness. Their
moral conscience is appeased, and
carrying signs is a small price to pay.

Students have used it in demon-
strations and student newspapers blow
up headlines across their issues about Viet
Nam. They have accomplished little.
One voice of dissent among so many,
and they don't have an answer. Dis-
sent in itself means nothing. To de-
molish a building without form and
hindsight is to leave only rubble in
the wake.

The student, as a student, has an
ability to express condemnation or
ratification on any point. People ac-
cept student opinion as a legitimate
part of society for political ideas, back-
grounds and learnings are first ac-
quired at the university level. It was
through colleges and universities that
Communism got a foot in the Western
world.

Students readily pontificate. Side-
line observers, they see much of the
game, but without involvement, prob-
lems never seem pressing enough to
demand answers. By using Viet Nam
as an excuse for involvement with
their protest policy, they never need
get off the fence. They have their
feet entwined in the third rung and
they only take it out to put it in
their mouths.

Viet Nam has become the much
banded ball in the arena of uni-
versity press and demonstrations.

Nonconformity means dissent and
Viet Nam is the headline issue. It
combines student involvement and
non-involvement. But Viet Nam is un-
believably ugly and real for the Viet-
namese, and placards and headlines
aren't remedies.