

Indifference

INDIFFERENCE — is it simply an accepted part of human nature, or is it almost a religion or philosophy with some people? To many people, an apathetic attitude results from tension, fatigue, boredom or from a variety of other sources. With some people, it becomes habit — an assumed attitude that separates them from the masses. This attitude, in the broadest sense, can be considered a religion. Only in the latter case does indifference produce harmful effects.

Success, whether in school, in work or in anything, depends on attentiveness and interest. Our relations with those around us cannot be conducted in a haphazard manner either, for most persons are not interested in having parttime friends.

Indifference and failure, interest and success — which will it be? Now is the time for evaluation and decision. Tomorrow depends on today's decision.

Melvin Dimbles Proves Cheaters Always Win

MELVIN DIMBLES sat slurping his breakfast cereal without a thought, numbing to himself the secret oath of the Snafoo Club, the local chapter of the Sacred Order of Umbrella Handles and Garden Hoses.

"Snaffun, baffum BAM!" Melvin burst out unconsciously. "Aw, quiet down!" bellowed his far-from-understanding father.

Group Seizes Pitiful Fellow, Imprisons Him

MAYNARD CRUCKLED to himself as he shuffled off down the noiseless halls, pleased with his day's accomplishments.

Stopping to enjoy some of the art work along the dusty hall, he was suddenly confronted by several grotesque forms moving at a very high rate of speed. As the strange forms stood past him he realized that they were several freshmen being chased by a mean, dastardly faculty member and several mean towel boys.

Becoming rather annoyed at these creatures, Maynard joined in the chase. After racing through the halls countless numbers of times, Maynard finally caught up with the group. It was Colonel Bearvally and friends in pursuit of a runaway laundry boy. Maynard jumped madly into the midst of them screaming. The astonished members of the chase immediately ceased their running and stood speechless staring at the intruding imbecile. What right had a common slot to interfere with justice, they wondered? Taking this opportunity for escape, the laundry boy darted for the window at the east end of the hall and dived through to his death.

"POOR SOUL," sobbed Maynard. "Poor, poor, POOR thing!" "You," shouted the Colonel, "you have destroyed ever'thin'." The desperate faculty members and three towel boys grabbed Maynard and flung him to the floor.

"Now we will have to get an older laundry boy to do our menial slaving," cried one of the dirty boys. "Let's string the crum up!" SEVERAL BARRAGES of chairs went into the air with the intention of this idea. As they carried our poor friend off, some quick thinking fellow jumped in front of the group and needed them off.

"Why shouldn't we use this idiot, instead of looking for a new laundry boy?" Besides, he growled, "the torture would be far more fun."

"It certainly would," the group decided, and they carried off Maynard.

The laundry room was dark and dreary and the rank air made Maynard cough. Why was fate so cruel to him he wondered? Just at that moment a light shown in his eyes. "You will stay here for twelve semesters and slave unmercifully for the cause of clean towels," one of his tormentors shouted at the top of his lungs. "If you are ever caught loafing we will carry out our assassination plans. Understand!"

"Yes, assn," Maynard feebly replied. The group left as suddenly as they had appeared and left Maynard alone with his gloom.

Was it his destiny to slave here forever? Would he ever be free? At that moment he noticed a door left carelessly open by some incompetent tormentor. Shooting out the door and up the steps Maynard made his way to freedom.

Returning home he found himself confronted with the stern faces of his parents. The only thing they were interested in was his reason for returning so late from school. They informed him that he would not be allowed to go to the annual Nutsacker Nut Cracking Contest. Maynard began to cry. He could not win. He would learn that fate would always be cruel to such as he.

"But dear paternal parent," Melvin pleaded, "I must become a SNAFOO. I just gotta. I can't without learning the oath, and that takes lots of practice."

"You don't need any practice, you're already SNAFU," barked his father.

"NOW, NOW," interrupted Mrs. Dimbles — sweet thing that she was — at that point. "We'll have none of that. Now eat your eggs and run along to school."

Melvin peeled the egg from his face and belted his food so that he could leave the house before his father could finish eating. "Be good, son," called his mother. "Yeah, and don't forget to take the way to school that has all the heavy traffic," reminded his father.

MELVIN STOPPED at the door. "Aw gee, dad," he pleaded. "How come I always gotta go that way, huh?"

"You should have more interest in your son, dear," scolded Mrs. Dimbles. "Oh, but I have, dear," replied Mr. Dimbles. "I played a game with him only last night, didn't I son?"

"Yeah, maw, that he did. It was a game called HOLD YOUR BREATH FOR TEN MINUTES AND DON'T BREATHE NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS. But I cheated and . . ."

"Shut up, stupid brat, or I'll . . ." But it was too late, Mrs. Dimbles had cut him off with a fatal blow. Poor Mr. Dimble. But she had warned him. This should prove to all simple clods that the only way to win games is to cheat.

Famous Humanitarian To Lead Sin Crusade

WILLY "SUGAR HONEY" GRAHAM, famed southern humanitarian, travel writer and plumber will arrive in Evansville tomorrow for a three-day crusade to stamp out smoking, swearing, obscene literature, greed, thievery and murder, as well as various forms of sin.

Mr. Graham, who has a long background in sin, hopes to make "an example to the masses" that if a wide-open, dirty river town like Evansville can be saved, then there's hope for everybody. When asked which of his many crusades he considered his biggest success, Mr. Graham chose his Terre Haute crusade of three years back, adding, "I expect Evansville to respond 'alms' as well."

MR. GRAHAM picked up his famous fire-and-brimstone rhetoric from his father, who was a sharecropper on a Georgia plantation. As a boy "Sugar Honey" used to listen to his father encouraging his mules in rather spirited phrases to plow more swiftly.

An advocate of old-fashioned word-of-mouth discipline, Mr. Graham can tell many a story about "how Pa" used to beat me senseless. But, even as a boy, "Sugar Honey" realized that the whippings were for his own good and he loved his father for them. Unfortunately, when "Sugar" was only 16 years old, his father was killed in a burning accident while the shotgun "Sugar" was carrying accidentally went off, decapitating the elder Graham.

"I WAS JUS' heartbroken," recalls Mr. Graham. "But I realized that life mus' go on and I jus' had to do ma' best without Daddy. It wasn't long, however, 'befo' I realized that ruinin' cotton jus' was not to me. So, I started travellin'; I bin a travellin' evrn' since."

Mr. Graham made nation-wide news last year when he served a thirty-day sentence in a Kansas City jail for vagrancy and disorderly conduct. Says Mr. Graham, "Everybody makes mistakes and I don't hold it again 'em." After the Evansville crusade Mr. Graham plans to return to Kansas City and lead a crusade there. In fact he has written a song for the occasion entitled "Stomp'n on Sinners in K.C., Mo."

Good luck, Mr. Graham!

Mortuary Assistant Dallies, Misses Bus

WHY, WHY, ON THIS DAY, of all days, must Wilfred's bus be late? The first day of his career as an undertaker's assistant and he was going to be late! Wilfred twisted the sack in his hands impatiently, casting glances down the deserted pavement which lay to his right and left. He tried to think of an excuse he could give when his boss, Mr. Fraddle, confronted him with the fact that he was horribly late on his first day on the job. But alas! His mind went completely blank when he thought of his miserable fate.

Bright red drops of fluid trickled down Wilfred's wrists and splashed on the sidewalk at his feet. The sack which he had been nervously squeezing contained his lunch and he had practically liberated all the lettuce from his peanut-butter and chicken-fat sandwich. Wilfred didn't even notice the trails of red, however, because in the distance a bright orange bus could be seen laboriously making its way toward the corner on which he stood. Wilfred, overcome with joy, clapped his hands gaily and turned excitedly across the avenue until his jubilation was abruptly put to an end by an open manhole.

Wilfred picked himself up and brushed his clothes off just in time to hear the orange bus rumble over the round patch of daylight overhead. How could he be so stupid! Now he had lost all hope of ever reaching work in time.

WILFRED P. GRUNDLE trotted slowly toward purpose along the dirty visible maze of converging tunnels under the city, not caring whether he ever saw daylight again. Mournfully he sat down on a large piece of tile pipe and mechanically unwrapped his mangled lunch sack, pausing to wipe back a small trickle of tears which dripped to the cobblestones below. Only the monotonous splash of water and an occasional rumbling from above disturbed the gloom, muggy silence, and small anonymous objects scurried to their secret cracks and crevices, (pausing only in search of his corned-beef and spaghetti sandwich and threw the crust to them, then proceeded on his endless trek to nowhere).

MORALE: Keep the lid on the sewer, Granny, or Pappy may share his supper with spiders.

Chuckle

A MAN entered a restaurant and ordered a bowl of lettuce. When the waitress brought it, he immediately began stuffing it in his ear. After stuffing all of it in his ear, he ordered another bowl and did the same thing. This went on for about 30 minutes, until the waitress reported that they were out of lettuce and would cabbage do. The man said "yes" and soon buried himself by stuffing cabbage in his ears. An astounded bystander finally ventured over to the man's table and said, "Sir, I don't mean to be nosy, but why are you stuffing all that cabbage in your ear?"

"Because they are out of lettuce," replied the man.

Hamilton Wins Spelldown



Principal David Dudley congratulates Mary Hamilton on becoming the 1961 Spelldown champion on Monday, March 13. Mr. Dudley presented Mary as the second and third place winners, Jim Marver and Jim Foreman, with gold, silver and bronze medals, respectively.

MARY HAMILTON, senior advisee of Miss Mary Anna Rose, captured the gold medal award for first place in the 1961 SCHOOL SPIRIT Spelling Bee in the auditorium Monday, March 13.

Taking over the runner-up position in the bee was Jim Marver, senior advisee of Arvil Kilpatrick. Jim received a silver-plated medal. Jim Foreman, a member of Mrs. Theresa Durre's senior homeroom accepted a bronze medal for placing third. The winner's homeroom received a case of cokes. Sandy Barnett, senior, was chairman of the contest. Mrs. Lillian Thompson and Edmund Sullivan, both English teachers, served as contest judges. Miss Rose, a member of the business department, and Walden Crabtree, English and Latin teacher, were timekeeper and pronouncer, respectively.

EBULLIENCE was the winning word of the spelldown. Mary and Jim battled back and forth in the final phase of the contest, spelling such words as phrasical, schizaphrenia, onomatopoeia and recom-

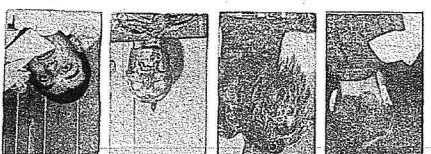
Forty-five homerooms sent contestants to the annual bee. Contestants were Greg Anderson, Julie Bickling, Carol Bloy, Betsy Bradley, Jerry Brown, Darby Dees, Sandy DeToro, Carolyn Epley, Chester Fenwick, Jim Foreman, Bonnie Graham, Dorothy Goffman and Jo Ann Hachenberger. Others were Mary Hamilton, Paul Heller, Warren Henry, Sidney Kushner, Rex Legler, Ed Lieberman, Karen Lipold, Peggy Litty, Jim Marver, Jack Mayfield, Susan Meyers, Russ Morrison, Pete Morrison, Lee Ormeyer and Betsy Owen. Completing the list of contestants were Bob Royster, Jo Carroll Sanderson, Judy Kay Smith, John Stevens, Eric Sullivan, Charlene Tolbert, Lovell Utsey, Carol Vaughn, Jerry Vaughn and John Wilson.

Krazy Comments

TUBS: Did you hear about the new Metrecol shampoo?
BLIMP: Nope.
TUBS: It's for fatheads.

A TOP CAR company has come up with a fantastic new compact car by crossing a Valiant and a Comet. It is called a Vomit and comes in seven peunky colors.

The Prose 'Pros'



IN ORDER to carry on a great tradition established just last week, the "new" Second Page decided to invert (turn upside down) this week's picture of the Prose "Pros." This new custom of inverting pictures has absolutely no significance and, when you come right down to it, is a pretty stupid thing to do — it was last week too.

Be that as it may, we had a winning entry to our Prose "Pros" contest. Unfortunately (for him), our lone entrant did not sign his name. But he did enclose with his poem a note requesting that any prize money should go to THE SCHOOL SPIRIT. Honest. Cross our hearts. That's what he said. Anyway, we think that is a wonderful idea and we shall honor his request and see that THE SCHOOL SPIRIT pays itself 75 cents.

Here is somebody's winning poem.

There was a young lady in blue,
She slipped on a weed,
Who leaned over to tie her shoe.
Which was a dastardly deed,
They put her back together with glue.

New Epic-Like Serial Revives Old English Tale

"TWE-E-E-E-E-T, THWACK!" A whistling arrow buried its tip deep in the large oak tree near where Reuben Wood, the famous outlaw of Surewood Forest, stood talking to his second-in-command, Will Varlet.

"Tiel 'Tis a message from Little John," growled Reuben. "The Sheriff of Nottingham and his men ride at this moment into

the forest. Summon the Happy Guys." The Happy Guys, an epithet applied to Reuben's men because of their love of spirits and song (the women at this time were not very attractive), were all wearing the distinctive Lincoln Green, a greenish-colored fungus native to Surewood Forest which attached itself to anyone who stayed there very long. As his men gathered about him, Reuben gave them their instructions. They all trotted off in the direction from whence the whistling arrow had come.

PRESENTLY the Happy Guys arrived at a road, where they met Little John. Consulting themselves among the bushes at the side of the road, the Happy Guys awaited the Sheriff. Before long he and his men rode up and the Guys sprang from the bushes. After raising the Sheriff's men, Reuben and the Guys blindfolded the Sheriff, tied him backwards on his horse and sent him back to Nottingham. Reuben did this every week or so, and the townspeople appreciated it, for it gave them a chance to throw rotten vegetables at the Sheriff. (This was before governments had undertaken to provide regular garbage collection, and individuals had to dispose of their garbage as best they could.)

Arriving back in camp, Reuben and the Guys found Friar Duck, a chubby little clergyman in his early forties, who was somewhat of a lush, puzzling their mind. With the Friar was Maid Marian — Reuben's girl — who was fair-complexioned, black-haired and ugly as sin. But all the good-looking chicks were in Nottingham and Reuben was in no position to be choosy.

"Greetings, Guys!" called the jolly Friar. "Get this one, foul Friar!" exclaimed Will Varlet, snatching the mug from Duck.

"Hold, Varlet! You'll not be so quick with me or I'll not tell you of the happenings of late."

(To find out the happenings of late read "The Strikes Back" in next week's SPIRIT.)

Nature Lover Writes Poem About Nature

NATURE, Oh, goodly trees of grassy green,
And shades of amber blue,
Hello, Mr. Sun.

And violets of chartrous hue,
You are my friends without a doubt.
I know you all from inside out,
And love to skip and skip-hop
Through dew-wet grass and treesy tops.
I love to smell the flowers green,
They're the prettiest I've ever seen.
And space clouds scattered in skies so blue,
I haven't seen very much of you.
Yes, I love all nature, that is true,
'Cept for onions 'cause they smell real bad.

Weekly Speaking

by Steve Tipton

WELL, IT HAPPENED. Some day I will learn not to be contagious. You just can't back authority these days. Maybe if I'm a good boy and don't write any more jokes they will have mercy on me and give me back my column. I mean, really now, what's a columnist without a column? All I can say is that rebellion against tyranny is like grapes in a barrel, the more you stomp them the more wine they make. That's what I'm going to be like. The more those dastardly second page editors try to suppress me, the more I will pour forth my rich, fluent talents. Then some day my great abilities will be recognized and from my superior position I will scoff at them! Nayhh! Ha! I'll show them, boy! Like I said before, REVENGE IS SWEET!



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- Hit Or Miss -

by Steve Trotter

ONLY FOUR TEAMS are left to battle over the State title tomorrow. Personally, I feel that Menard's Van Arcade twins will be too much for Tell City's Marksmen. Logansport will be no pushover for Kokomo's powerful Wildcats and should not be underestimated. As seen from previous week's play, upsets have become more common.

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EVANSVILLE's Purple Aces came out of the Regional play one up and one down. They lost the first game to Lincoln of Jefferson City, Missouri, 30-47 but came back in the consolation game to defeat MacArthur of Illinois 98-97 in a double overtime. Big Dale Wise and Paul Wiley clinched the game for the Aces hitting for one apiece with only seconds remaining. In the NCAA College Division national finals to be played at the stadium Thursday through Friday will be the following teams: Austin Peay vs. Mt. St. Marys, Williams vs. Wittenburg, Chicago vs. Southern Missouri, and South Dakota State vs. Long Beach or Santa Barbara.

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FLOYD PATTERSON became the only fighter in boxing history to ever regain and keep his title, but at a close call, as he set down Ikegami Yohansson after only two minutes, forty-five seconds of the sixth round. Patterson's left-right combination knocked Ikegami down and he was not able to get up by the ten count. There was some question in the first round as Floyd went down twice and Ikegami hit the mat once. Floyd became the twenty-first world heavyweight champion as he made an amazing comeback to keep his crown. Floyd was dramatically close to losing the fight for he had a closed left eye and a cut on his right eye.

Congratulations to Eddie Coleman, recipient of the Kiwanis Basketball Award.

Smith Announces Details Of Hoosier Relays

HOOSIER RELAYS will begin at noon next Saturday in the Indiana University field house at Bloomington, according to Max Smith, track coach.


Over 1000 cindermen will compete in forty different relay races, which are open to prep schools from all over the state. The relays are invitational, and comprise the largest indoor meet in the world. The meet is scheduled to begin at noon on Saturday and to continue until 10 p.m. Five groups of relays will include the two mile relay, the one mile relay, the eight mile relay, the distance medley, the distance medley and the shuttle hurdle relay. These groups are divided into eight different sections. Other

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Estates Defeat 'Darlings'



BALANCED SCORING prevailed as Elliot Sabol's Castles defeated Dudley's Darlings, 18-15, in the annual Faculty game last Monday in the auditorium.

Bill Dixon, serving as master of ceremonies, introduced the faculty squad, Don "Pretty Boy" Harris, Jack "Flash" Benja-Boy, "Doc" Long, Weldon "Requiem" Crabtree and Joe "Big Boy" Urfield comprised one unit. The other unit was Don "Hank" Lewis, Williams, Jack "Shoggy" Owens, "Jules" Ketcher and "A.J." Korman. "Flash" Benja-Boy and "Requiem" Crabtree were named MVP's. The game was a close one, with the Castles leading 10-5 at the end of the first quarter. The Darlings' defense was superb, but the Castles' offense was too strong. The game ended with a final score of 18-15 in favor of the Castles.

Power hit the first two on a long, un, Mr. Beck quickly followed with a double for the teachers. Mr. Harris, who served as umpire, and Mr. Benja-Boy, who served as catcher, were the only scorers until Mr. Crabtree hit a home run. The game ended with a final score of 18-15 in favor of the Castles.

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Returning Lettermen Back Varsity Thinlies

FAST-MOVING Building cindermen will set a hard pace to win this season, according to Max Smith, track coach. Senior Larry Seisley, one of the returning lettermen, is rated as one of Southern Indiana's best half-milers. This past season he placed third in state competition and along with Mary Peterson, another returning letterman, run in the cross-country meets.

Mishaps Mark Semi-Finals Around State
"UPSETS" was the word of the week last Saturday as a rash of mishaps struck the semi-final rounds. The game ended with a final score of 18-15 in favor of the Castles.

In Indianapolis, Menard, led by the fabulous Van Arcade twins, defeated the Castles 18-15. The game was a close one, with the Castles leading 10-5 at the end of the first quarter. The game ended with a final score of 18-15 in favor of the Castles.

Of all the entries received, Bloomfield was picked over Tell City in the first game and was also picked in the final game. The majority chose Jasper over Corydon. No one picked the Marksmen to take the semi-state crown, after having captured the regional title for the past three years.

In the first afternoon game, Tell City overcame Bloomfield 62-55 in the second game. That evening Tell City upset Jasper 64-60 to cap the semi-state title.

'The Pros'
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JIM MEER AND JOHN ARNOLD, two amazing sophomores, jumped in at 15 of Tell City's last 20 points Saturday night at the Stadium to lead the Marksmen to a 64-60 victory over Jasper for the Evansville semi-state championship.

While 10,000 fans watched, the Marksmen attacked the first half in the first quarter, leading 15-0 at halftime in coach Gunner "Warrior" Carter.

MEN'S SPARED
THE MARKSMEN with three straight wins, led the game in the first quarter, leading 15-0 at halftime in coach Gunner "Warrior" Carter.

CALLING HIS BROTHER time out, Gunner sent his club in a delayed weaving pattern designated to pick off the Wildcats defense with a screen. The strategy worked.

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