TIS THE SEASON TO BE JOLLY

If you have been reading this column—and I hope you have; I mean I genuinely hope so; I mean it does not profit me one penny whether you read this column or not; I mean I set aside every week for the makers of Marlboro Cigarettes and my enjoyment is not affected in any way by the number of people who read or fail to read this column—an act of generosity perfectly characteristic of the makers of Marlboro, you would say if you knew them as I do! I mean here are tobacconists gracing the temples and full of honor who approach their art as sagaciously, as dawdy-eyed as the work of pioneers; I mean the purpose of the Marlboros make it is simply to put the best of all possible filters behind the best of all possible tobaccos and then go, heads high, into the market place with their wares, confident that the inborn sense of right and wrong, of good and evil, of worthy and unworthy, which is the natural instinct of every Americas, will result in a modest return to themselves for their long hours and dedicated labors—not, let us hasten to add, that money is of first importance to the makers of Marlboro; all those simple words are all plain, wholesome food, plenty of Marlboros, and the knowledge that they have scattered a bit of sunshine into the lives of smokers everywhere; if, I say, you have been reading this column, you may remember that last week we started to discuss Christmas gifts.

Do you know someone who is interested in American history? 

We agreed, of course, to give cartons of Marlboro to all our friends and also to as many total strangers as possible. Today we set aside one week to give gifts to the students of Audubon Court.

Do you know someone who is interested in American history? 

If so, he will surely appreciate a statuette of Millard Fillmore which was presented to the makers of Marlboro by the wife of the last President of the United States.

‘No visiting hours,’ says BU dean due to ‘unsatisfactory experience’

BU students find open house hours something worth fighting for—and they are losing the battle. Residents of Audubon Court (BU’s ‘Grad House’) had requested permission to give a party to those desiring to celebrate their dorms on Fridays and Saturdays 8 p.m.-1 a.m.

The request was turned down by BU’s Dean of Students, “This dental of yours requires,” the dean in a letter to the house president, “a strong substantiation by the unsatisfactory experience which other educational institutions have encountered with the implementation of a policy of female visitation such as that proposed by the graduate students of Audubon Court.”

The students’ proposal had consisted of five points:

1. Written permission to have women in each suite must be submitted to the Head Resident each Wednesday, prior to the weekend and agreed on by all members of the suite.
2. BU’s Dean of Students must not be here.
3. Women must sign in and out in a log book kept on the first floor.
4. The doors of each suite must be kept open.
5. A proctor must be on duty in each house until 1 a.m. when women visit.

According to the BU News, the dean felt that the proposal ‘would not have benefited the University’s academic, cultural, or social growth objectives.”

Editorially, BU News took exception to the dean’s decision. The University’s insistence on maintaining the attitude that resident students are to be treated as immature is appalling.

‘Couched in shadow phallics: about meaningful contributions and out-of-classroom educational objectives’ the University has now modified the graduate students of Audubon Court to date are effective, not considered responsible enough to have women visit in their rooms,” stated the editorial.

The News particularly criticized the decision of one student who said that the visitation was ‘strongly substantiated by the unsatisfactory experience (out other educational institutions) in implementing an open house policy and cited several examples that colleges ‘have successfully carried out the privileges for years.’

‘At Princeton, women are allowed to enter dorms for a total of 84 hours a week. Harvard students have their rooms for a total of 35 hours.

Women may visit Dartmouth also limited to 36 hours a week. Monday through Thursday, 11 p.m. to 7 a.m. Friday and midnight to Sunday.

MIT dorms permit women visitors to enter seven hours a week: Monday through Thursday, 11 p.m. to 7 a.m.

‘Best Harvard’

Rules are rules. And one of the rules at Harvard is that you shall not paint the Widener Library.

Now, it has been said that ignorance of the law is no excuse, but such was the reasoning of five Yale men. They were caught single-handed by one Harvard senior who noticed them slyly scrawling away. The senior reportedly said, “I am first of them started crying.”

The five, along with one other student, have been suspended from Yale and are being made to reimburse Harvard for the expense in removing the paint. Harvard’s Buildings and Grounds department has reportedly tried “all normal means” to remove the paint and met with no success.

The department even had to consult with the chemistry department for advice. Nothing else works, they say. The only solution is sand-blasting. Damage is estimated in the area of $1000.

In addition, the students have been told to return to Cambridge and apologize to Harvard dorms.

Move Magic Numbers

Keeping in step with the major national trend, magic numbers are still on the rise. Two more colleges have announced tuition schedules higher than $300 per year.

Effective next July 1, undergraduate tuition at Rensselaer will jump $250 to $400 per year, despite a gift earlier this year which raised RPI’s endowment by nearly 50 per cent.

Brown University has announced an $800 tuition for next year. Along with it was a $3 dormitory rent jump, bringing Brown’s total room and board fee to $560 per year.

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