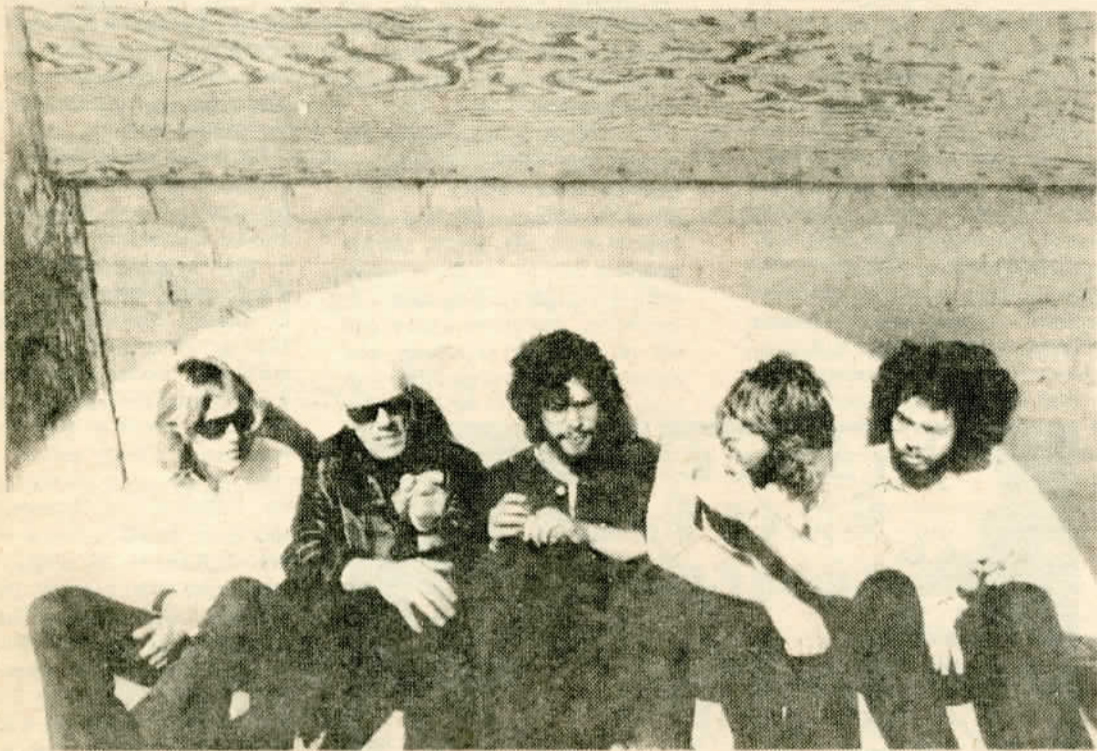


Winter Weekend to Feature Spirit, Grassroots and Elves



Spirit

By ROSEMARY DORRICO
The Winter Weekend Committee 1970 is planning one of the best Winter Weekends Wesconn has ever seen. A great deal of effort and thought has gone into the planning of these events and we're counting on the student body to support them.

The theme of the weekend is "Shape of Things to Come." We're going to show you that all weekends do not have to be the same -- it's time for a change -- dig it!

Thursday, Feb. 19, 1970
Concert - \$3.75 with WSCS ID
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SPiRiT, THE GRASSROOTS AND THE ELVES

Friday, Feb. 20, 1970
7 p.m. - Pep Rally
8 p.m. - Varsity Basketball game.

Saturday, Feb. 21, 1970
1 p.m. - Ice Skating
8 p.m. - Dance

Sunday, Feb. 22, 1970
1 p.m. - Snow Sculptures
8:30 p.m. - Coffee House

Our main concentration is the concert. Tickets will be on sale for a LIMITED TIME ONLY. They will be sold at other colleges and there will be a limited amount of tickets available. If ticket sales are not moving here, we'll take them to other colleges -- but they will be sold here first.

Two weeks before tickets go on sale, there will be a raffle held in the downstairs lobby of the Union. The raffle will be for two free tickets to the concert (worth \$7.50). Chances will be 15¢ each, and 2 for 25¢. Enter now! There are a limited number of raffle tickets, so buy yours now.

Attention, record hunters! Keep your eyes and ears opened for clues, appearing in the Echo, and announced over WSCT, as to the whereabouts of albums made by "Spirit" and "The Grassroots" which will be hidden in various places around campus.

There will be a poster above the ticket table divided into four sections, each with a graph for each class. The class with the highest percentage (as opposed to number) of ticket sales will have the concert dedicated to them at the night of the concert.

Continuous coverage of the now sounds of the groups will be heard over WSCT - so turn on, groove in and listen. Also, current records by all three groups will be on the juke box in the Snack Bar.

At the last event the Outstanding Couple of Winter Weekend will be awarded a free dinner for two at a nearby restaurant. Couples will be judged on appearance, attendance at events, spirit and attitude. This, we hope, will become an annual event and the couple to win this year will be the first to carry out this tradition.

Now, for a little about the

groups:
"SPiRiT" is composed of five young musicians; Ed (Cass) Cassidy (drums); Mark Andes (bass and vocals); John Locke (piano); Randy California (lead guitar and vocals); and Jay Ferguson (lead singer). The group writes all of its own material, and each member of the group had extensive professional experience before joining "SPiRiT".

Formed on the West Coast in 1967, "SPiRiT" not only interprets, in Cass's words, "the music of yesterday, today and tomorrow," but creates a sound which is uniquely its own; a blend of jazz, country and rock elements. Guitarist Randy California calls "SPiRiT's" music "a reflection of emotion...our form of communication and love with the universe."

"SPiRiT" came on the scene with an Ode album simply titled "SPiRiT," and the reviews were fantastic. They are continuing to make musical choices as evidenced by their recently released second Ode LP, "The Family That Plays Together," which is rapidly moving up the national best-seller charts.

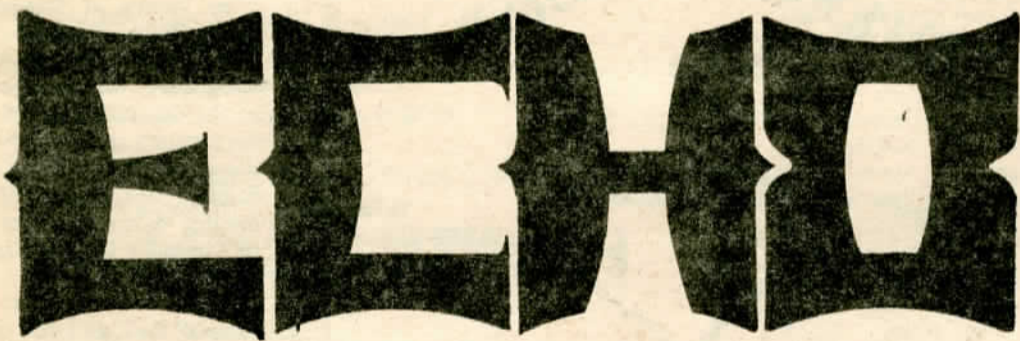
"Music is so personal, you can interpret it in any way," Mark said when asked if direction was forthcoming from rock music. "You can take any piece of music and bend it any way you wish." Listening to their albums is a rewarding experience that becomes more pleasing with each listening.

"THE GRASSROOTS" are composed of four young musicians: Creed Bratton (lead guitar); Warren Entner (rhythm guitar and organ); Rick Coonce (drums and percussion); and Rob Grill (bass). They have numerous albums out, the best of which is their greatest hits album, entitled, "Golden Grass." Some songs from the album are "Midnight Confessions," "Let's Live For Today," "Things I Should Have Said," and "Where Were You When I Needed You." Their sound does not need to be described -- they're a great group.

"THE ELVES" have been together for two years. They consist of two guitars, one bass, one drummer and one pianist, with two of the guitarists doubling on trumpet. They have toured this country as well as Sweden. The group consists of David Feinstein (lead and rhythm guitar); Ron Dio (lead singer and bass); Gary Driscoll (drummer); Mickey Lee Soule (pianist); and Doug Thaler (lead and rhythm guitar). They have just released a single, "Walking In Different Circles."

Well, kids, that's about it for the groups, so spread the word around, and make sure to buy your tickets early. Help make this Winter Weekend the best ever!

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Holiday Concert to Christen Ives Hall

The Music Department of Wesconn will present their Holiday Concert on Dec. 4, 1969 at 8:15 p.m. in the Charles E. Ives Concert Hall. This will be the first public concert to be presented in the recently completed auditorium in White Hall. This auditorium was built specifically to meet the needs of musical programs, and will greatly enhance all future musical productions presented in the college.

This musical concert will have four participating groups: chorus, orchestra, madrigal singers, and brass ensemble. The Program will include "Gloria" by Vivaldi which will be sung by the chorus and ac-

companied by the chamber orchestra, with Marceau C. Myers, as the conductor.

Lenore Mooney is the music director for the chorus.

Soloists for the "Gloria" are Cynthia Fowler, soprano, Katherine Grana, contralto, and Patricia Johnson, also a contralto.

Other chorus numbers will be student-directed songs. "Behold That Star" is a Christmas spiritual to be conducted by Mary Ayer. The brass ensemble and chorus will combine for two numbers: "Fanfare and Chorus" conducted by Jonathan Smith and "Gloria in Excelsis" with Fred Rossonando as student conductor.

The brass ensemble, conducted by Howard C. Williams, will make their contribution to

the holiday concert by playing "Symphony from the Fairy Queen" by Henry Purcell and "Christmas: The Joy and Spirit".

The fourth group participating in the concert are the madrigal singers. This group, directed by Lenore Mooney, is the newest of the music department's ensembles, and was created especially to meet the needs of the increasing number of voice majors at the college. The songs the madrigal singers will perform are "The Virgin Unspotted," "O Magnum Mysterium," and "As I Rode Out This Enders Night".

This concert is free of charge and is open to both college students and the public.

New IRF Advisor Finds Us Friendly

By KERRY McKEEVER
International Relations Forum has a new advisor, and Wesconn has a new teacher, and an extremely talented one, at that. Mr. George Linabury has had an interesting and intriguing life. Mr. Linabury attended the

school of foreign service at Georgetown University, from which he graduated in 1952 with a B.S. in Foreign Service. During his years in college, he spent three summer semesters at the National University of Mexico, Mexico City University, and the University of Paris.

After graduating, he enlisted in the Navy, which subsequently accepted him into Officer Candidate School in Newport, R.I. He was commissioned as an ensign, and served for two years on a radar picket destroyer. During his last year of service, he served as a staff member of the Naval War College -- Dept. of Law.

In 1956, taking advantage of the G.I. Bill, he attended Columbia University graduate school,

mastering in Middle East studies. For one and one-half years, he was employed by a pharmaceutical company in the international division. He ultimately received a job in the Middle East, working for the Trans-Arab Pipe Line Company. (TAP line). TAP line is, in effect, a transportation company for oil from the oil fields east of Arabia and across north Arab territory of Jordan and Syria. This line terminated at the Lebanese port of Sidon, where tankers pick up the oil, to be shipped to Western Europe. Linabury was the government relations representative. This means that on a daily basis he contacted local government officials, townspeople, Beduins and members of the royal family when they were in the area for the pur-

pose of seeking solutions to company problems. He also represented the company in the Shari-Ah courts, Muslim religious courts. He retained this position for seven years. He traveled extensively in the Middle East, and in 1966 returned to the United States. He was readmitted into Columbia graduate school, and has now completed the requirements for the PhD in Middle East History, with the exception of his dissertation, which he is now in the process of completing.

Mr. Linabury expressed his opinion that WESCONN is an expanding school with a very impressive future. He was also impressed by the school and its program and by its use of modern facilities, available for teachers. But above and beyond all of this, Mr. Linabury was amazed at the friendliness of both the students and faculty.

Hines Featured by English Society

By RICHARD ERICKSON

The recipient of two Ingram Merrill Foundation Grants for writing and Chicago's William Rainey Harper Fellowship gave a lecture here last Nov. 23. Mr. Daryl Hine, the well known poetry editor, was sponsored by the English Society.

He was born in British Columbia, Canada, in 1936 and studied Classics and Philosophy at McGill University in Montreal. In 1958 he was awarded a Canada Council (Rockefeller) Award for poetry, and went abroad; in 1959 he received a Canada Council Grant. Living principally in France until 1962, he returned to New York where he worked as a free lance poetry editor. In 1963, he resumed his studies at the University of Chicago, getting first an M.A. then a Ph. D in Comparative Literature. The subject of his doctoral thesis was the Latin poetry of George Buchanan, the sixteenth century Scottish humanist. He joined the faculty of the University of Chicago in 1967 where he teaches writing and comparative literature.

Daryl Hine began publishing his poetry at the age of fifteen, and since then has published in the leading periodicals of Canada and the United States. His work has also been anthologized in both countries. He has published four collections of his poetry with the fifth to appear from Atheneum later this year. He has also published a novel "The Prince of Darkness and Co.". He has had several plays, including a verse translation of Euripides' "Alceste" produced on the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation and also in England. His latest play "The Death of Seneca" was given a dramatic reading during the University of Chicago's Liberal Arts Conference.

Hine's first book, "Five Poems" was published in 1954. He later wrote "The Carnal and the Crane" in 1957; "The Devils Picture Book" in 1960, and "The Wooden Horse" in 1965.

Conatus to Come Dec. 2nd

By RICHARD ERICKSON

Conatus, Wesconn's literary and art organization, has announced the publication of the fall issue of the Conatus Magazine for Dec. 2. However, this year will also see a new feature for students on campus. This is a publication called the Conatus Portfolio which will feature artwork by Wesconn students. Both the fall issue of Conatus and the Conatus Portfolio will be available at a table which will be set up outside the Bookstore on Dec. 2, 3, and 4.

Also, the Conatus organization will co-sponsor along with the English Society an event to take place on Dec. 2 at 7:30 p.m. in the Faculty Dining Room. At this time there will be poetry readings, musical performances, dramatic presentations and a short film.

Both Conatus and The English Society have announced that all are welcome to attend.

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Panel Discusses 'New Left'

By DORIS LUNDBERG

A scholarly discussion on "Marxism and the New Left" was sponsored by the Wesconn History Society as part of its series of panel discussions being offered this year.

Although the panel consisted of four members, they all held an essentially positive viewpoint on both Marxism and the New Left. However, the explanations of some of the more theoretical considerations of both Marxism

and the New Left were valuable as were the ensuing questions which gave the panelists a chance to depart from their prepared statements.

David Byrnes, speaking on "Who Is The New Left?", distinguished it from the Old Left by citing the difference in its ideas. The latter group included the Progressive Labor party. Today, the Old Left is not taken seriously by the 1 to 2 per cent of students who make up such organizations as SDS,

SNNS, SSOC, and CORE. Of all these groups that Byrnes talked about the Rights Movement was the most interesting, since it was under the leadership of Stokely Carmichael that the theory of direct confrontation was developed.

Andrew Kahn stated that the New Left does not fit into the political spectrum but into the social spectrum. In dealing with his topic of "The New Left as a New Religious Reformation" he said that all institutions, even learning itself, is suspected of being corrupt. The alienation and estrangement of youth from the environment is what has prompted this fight for peace with justice. Professions are viewed as conspiracies to make money, co-opted by the repressive system.

Kahn summarized his position into four points: 1. A lack of faith in science since rationality is discredited; 2. Humans are becoming useless in a leisure oriented society; 3. Institutions are affecting the biological core of mankind; and 4. The environment is corrupted.

Alita Rossi spoke on "The New Left Rejects American Liberalism". She stated that Liberalism recognizes rationality as part of the nature of man and believes that man lives in a perfectly comprehensible world. Rossi said the Pluralist Model on which it is assumed that the United States operates consists of self-interest groups. She concluded by saying that the New Left criticizes this pluralistic model and seeks to change it.

Arthur Levy's speech on "The New Left Rejects Imperialism in Aspects of World Affairs" was brief. He said that Capitalism heightens the tendency toward war and that there is a disparity between rhetoric and performance in capitalist societies. He also pointed out that foreign policy tends to conserve the "status quo" and that imperialistic policy can be traced to internal and external policy. Levy concluded his remarks by saying that Marx points to a human - Christian doctrine; American performance is anti-human and anti-Christian.

Following the panelists presentation there was a question and answer period. It was evident that the evening was quite successful. The approach by all panelists was scholarly; the statements were well prepared. Much was learned about the history of the New Left, the Old Left, and their differences and similarities.

Sophs Elect Sing Director

The sophomore class held a meeting on November 12 in Higgins 114 to elect a Sing Director for Spring Weekend. The class nominated two people: Nancy Demko and Don Arsenault. Put to a vote, Don Arsenault was elected Sing Director of the sophomore class.

The sophomore class is also going to continue to have a concession stand at all the home basketball games. They urge all who came out to support the football team to now support the basketball team.

The last thing that was discussed was the organization of a Budget Committee, under the chairmanship of treasurer Dave Nummerger.

Faculty Byline

By DR. HAROLD BURKE
Dean, Student Affairs

During recent visits to several college and university campuses located in the New England-New York State area, I was much impressed by feelings of excitement among students and faculty flowing from their concern for community betterment and desire to be part of the action in creating important social changes. I know from personal experience, both as student and faculty member, that nothing is more frustrating than being unable to give expression to feelings of concern for improving living conditions, health and welfare, recreation, poverty, and political involvement.

Our college sends many students into schools where they do have first-hand experience with people and their needs, and this is to be supported as sound. The same principle can apply to all students, regardless of intended majors. Ways can be found to expose students to the real here-and-now problems of community living. Theory input is necessary, but so is first-hand contact.

The community is as integral a part of the student's experience as the classroom. The community is a ready and real laboratory where students do get into useful action, where students can learn how to deal with people who are involved directly with problems of city, inner city and neighborhood living, where students can learn the necessary skills for responsible community participation and leadership.

In my travels I examined a variety of programs which are

designed to broaden and develop skills and social perspectives: special study programs in cities where social needs are great and where manpower is short, volunteer efforts by students and faculty, and study abroad. Much of this is geared to college and university teaching and evaluation systems. It is part of the educational design.

It seems to me that a student who graduates from a college or university in this time of great social needs, of rapid transportation, of immediate communication, and does so graduates without coming into confrontation with the realities of social needs patterns, has missed one of the great opportunities for learning. The forms of participation may vary greatly -- from befriending a needy child to doing CEW work. My point is that we all have social rent to pay, and these years in college should be the time for accountability and for learning, first-hand, how to get on with it in ways which do bring constructive and effective changes that people need, want, will accept, and can deal with comfortably and effectively.



**Who? What?
Where? When?**
--- Read This
Publication ---
Every Week.

Ode to the Senior Class Party

'Twas three weeks before Christmas
And all through Wesconn
Not a senior was stirring
They'd all up and gone.

The seniors were gathered
With President Bill and the bunch
And settled in Stepney
For a good winter lunch.

Suddenly the bar was open
And the band started a tune
In hopes that Saint Nicholas
Would arrive very soon.

Ma O'Neill in her kerchief
And Fred in his cap
Had just settled down
For a round at the tap.

They'd just finished chugging
And started to dance
While Drago and Yacovacci
Drank themselves into a trance.

Dans, Chellel, O'Neill and the Fahys
Were enjoying a good buffet
While W. Fred, Amy, Dottie, and Dave
Were floating along on the crest of a wave.

When all of a sudden
Whose body appeared
But jolly old Santa
With long hair and a beard.

A round jelly pot
And two eyes like a cherry
Made this strange fellow
Laugh and be merry.

The seniors united
And were having such fun
That before they all knew it
The clock had reached one.

So why not join in
And make this all real
It takes an active class
With excitement and zeal.

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Is the name of the place
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From the desk . . .

For the past several months, the SGA Academic Committee under Charlotte Lane has been working diligently at developing a suitable evaluation form for use by the students of Western Connecticut.

The forms will be a means by which students can evaluate their instructors, their texts, the content of their courses and their individual attitudes toward each of their courses.

After reviewing and evaluating several forms that were used at various schools, the committee has decided to use one which was developed and used at Hofstra University.

These forms are scheduled to be handed out to all Wesconn students in early February. They will be processed by IBM and the results will be published as soon as possible.

Ideally, this published evaluation of courses and instructors would benefit students who are allowed to choose course sections and instructors, but the committee feels that the forms will be a boon to the students here.

For the first time, we will have a

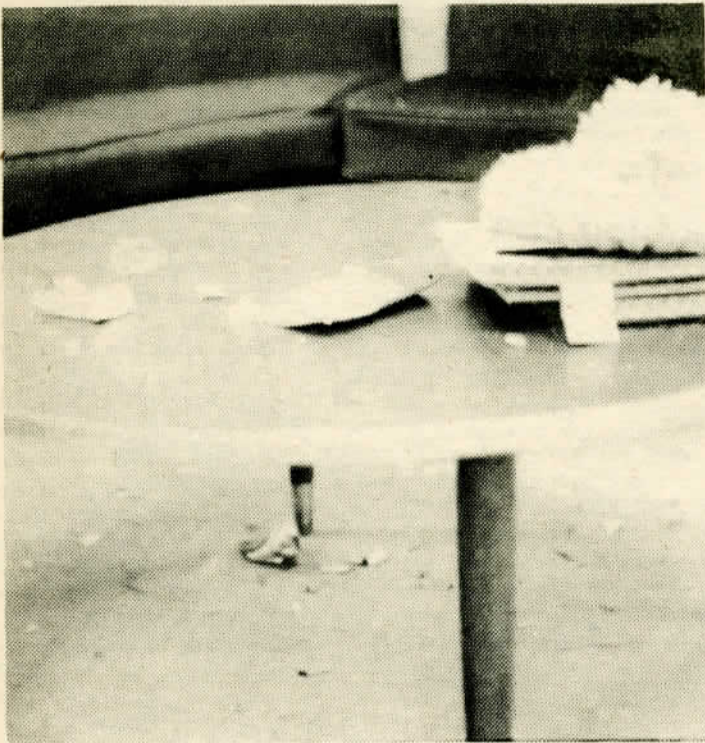
valid source of information on courses we are considering BEFORE WE PRE-REGISTER FOR THEM! We will have an idea of what to expect from the instructors and we will have a reliable estimate of the time requirements and difficulty of the courses we are considering.

Professors will have a uniform, standard source of student opinion which can be used to improve the weaknesses in their courses.

The administration can use the student opinion expressed in the evaluation to aid in determining what areas of the curriculum need strengthening.

There is no question that these evaluation forms will be a great help to the student body. How much weight they will carry with the administration and the faculty depends on how seriously they are treated by the students themselves.

This is one giant step toward more student power on our campus. For this reason, we urge you to fill these evaluation sheets out honestly and intelligently when they are distributed in February.



B.O.G. Scores Success

Iron Door Opens to Blues; Acid Rock

by KATHY FLEURY

On the night of Monday, November 17th, the faculty dining room again (without the aid of a phone booth) made its dynamic change to the Iron Door Coffee House. A change has also taken place in the coffee house itself, it must be added: we did not hear the accustomed outpouring of folk and folk-rock, but experienced the sensation of pure blues and the sensuality of live acid-rock.

Gail Mazzacane and Ann Gam-madelo sang such songs as "Baby Blue" (a Dylan piece) and Summertime. Their duet "Blackbird" (Lennon-McCartney) was accompanied by Alphonse Renado whose 12-string guitar arrangement was rivaling--if not surpassing--the quality of the guitar in the Beatles recording. During this number, members of the audience offered up imitations of varied of our little feathered friends, proving once again that there are some Wesconn students who are definitely for the birds.

Also adding their talent to this group were Gene Torangeau on drums, Rick Kinsey on guitar, and Alphonse on piano and bass. Along with Gail's naturally powerful voice, they jammed in their last and best number, "Ball and Chain."

Rick Nugent on bass, Rick Kinsey on lead, and Meven Javillonner on drums formed an ear, nose, throat and soul-splitting threesome. Their acid was pure, unadulterated acid. As the lead caressed the strings of his freaked-out multi-colored guitar, the vibrations amplified to deafening, creeping across the flesh and eating away into the walls of the stomach until there was no way to remain objective as to whether the music was "good" or "bad" musically--but, it can be assured you, it was excellent. The drummer lashed out at his drums as a madman, making the entire ef-

fect to shock, awe, and impress.

Phonse closed with a piano medley of his own compositions and those of composers which had been previously recorded, such as "You Made Me So Very Happy." The outstanding factor of Phonse's performance, was as is always true of Phonse, his sincerity.

In closing special tribute should be paid to Mr. Eric Mononi, who single-handedly (!!!) managed to set-up of last week's coffee house. All in all, the results were more than anyone had come near to expect, and should that evening be a basis for future expectations, these expectations will be extremely hard to match.

From Our Readers . . .

Discrimination Practiced Here

To the Editor:

Tuition for out of state students of Western Conn. State College will rise from \$400 a year to \$700 starting in September. Although the students presently attending this college have not been notified of this change, brochures being sent out to prospective students have included this new information.

When asked last week if this "rumor" was true, the Business Office denied this fact. Their purpose is doing so is not known. Nevertheless it is the fault of the school in either hiding the truth from the students or in their negligence to inform the Business Office.

The question that arises now is the most important one of all. Had the students been informed of this change of tuition

early enough they might have had the time to arrange a transfer to a more highly rated college. With tuition at \$750 and with the SGA fee, lab fees, and the cost of books, one might benefit from attending a college in his own state.

Two years ago the tuition fee for out of state students was merely \$100. It suddenly changed to \$400 the following year. Now it will go even higher. It is still not too late to try to change this situation. Perhaps through speaking to the proper persons we might be able to either eliminate this sudden rise or at least reduce it.

V. Barrett
F. Tanzosch

(Editor's Note: We received an unsigned notification of this tuition increase on Wednesday afternoon. The notice was typed on letterhead stationery, but it was unsigned.)

"Woosh" it Weren't Here

What kind of dumb witted engineer created the latest nightmare which invaded the campus last Friday? I really believe he had to be out of his mind.

Not knowing what "it" was that I was perceiving, I asked several fellow students, I was reassured when I learned that I was not the only one who could not understand it. Some kind soul informed me that it was an "air barrier," designed to keep the hot air in and the cold air out. Other people had other things to say which, believe me, could never ever be printed. I was informed that cities like New York and Las Vegas use this type of "thing" in place of regular doors.

Well even as I write this, I still fail to see much value in "it." To me "it" is something that was put there to blow off all the contaminating germs that we, the students, might carry into this "sanitary and spotless" building. (BRAVE NEW WORLD ANYONE?). Maybe the idea is sound in theory but in reality it is absurd, at least the way it is now.

Someone (God bless you who-

ever you are!) expressed a humorous answer when he tacked up a sign reading "Niagara Falls, Marriage Ceremonies conducted in the Information Booth every Monday Wednesday, and Friday at 3:30 p.m. Low Down Payment. Pay the rest of your life!" Well, I guess if it isn't a pile driver, pay-loader, cement mixer or jack-hammer, it is going to be an "air barrier." From what I can see it will be with us now and forever.

Richard Erickson.

To "Air" is Human

Editor, THE ECHO:

Having just been baptized by WESCONN's version of the column of smoke by day and pillar of flame by night, may I offer two suggestions for increasing the challenge to those attempting to breach the Student Union's toupee-defying Wall of Air (not to be confused with ordinary classroom hot air):

1. Install the device underneath a grating in the floor. Then, what with maxi-coats and mini-skirts,-----
2. During extremely cold weather, replace the air with a proper mixture of oxygen and butane, and bring you own marshmallows.

E. "Windy" Rosenberg.

Volume Needs Balance

To the editors:

Everyone loves music, but when it is constantly blasting in your ears while you are trying to eat your lunch or supper I'm not able to get any satisfaction from listening or eating, only a case of indigestion and ringing ears.

I think it is a great idea having a campus radio station, but it seems that the announcers or engineers have not yet mastered the equipment and that they just get carried away. Whatever the case, it would be nice to talk to your friend and have him hear you the first time.

Jeanne Ingersoll

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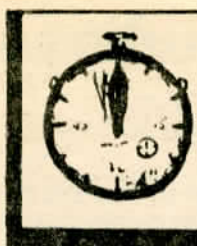
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" A NEW ERA "



Just a Minute... of Jack Boyce

By Jack Boyce

I can tell you my impression of what Americanism means to the Youth of today. It means a tarnished picture of "capitalist" greed epitomized in the view of the "wage slave" working 12 hours a day and 7 days a week while the "robber baron" lavishly squanders the gains of the industrial machine which is built on the backs of the workers. It means, too, tarnished heroes who created a government geared toward their own pecuniary interests and hid their greed under a pseudo-benevolence for the people at large. It means nearly 200 years of betrayal by hypocrisy.

Perhaps that is not what Americanism means to all of today's Youth, but it has always impressed me just how many of them do in one respect or another reflect this viewpoint rooted in ignorance and nurtured by fear.

Examine for a moment our history. As colonial possessions our legal and social traditions were largely rooted in the already liberal criteria of England. The catalyst of frontier life drastically divorced from the mother land served to lend momentum to the dawning realization of the sanctity and political sovereignty of the individual. Concurrently our Christian tradition molded into the American personality a psychology of compassion. We came to realize the need to clearly define and guarantee the rights of the individual and we came to realize that the only legitimate function of government was to protect those rights. It is true that these concepts of rights were founded largely in the significance of property and that the men who prepared our constitutional document were largely men of property, but the men who voted in unwavering majorities to accept that document saw in it opportunity for them also and because they had faith in themselves, they asked nothing more than opportunity.

Although at the closing of the 18th century we were a largely agrarian economy, industrialization has already seeded itself. Half a century later, a booming population, westward movement, and a great war created demands which sped industrialization at a pace which left the rest of the world in awe.

Enter the Capitalist: slave-master or savior? Men soon toiled in steel mills built by Andrew Carnegie where they worked 12 hours a day and seven days a week. Was this an industrial kind of slavery devised to feed the insatiable greed of one man? Or was it to satisfy the technical requirement that the steel mills be operated 24 hours a day for months on end? Why not three eight hour shifts? Simply because men had always worked the land from sun-up to sunset and now it was possible for other men to work from sunset to sun-up. The important thing was that it was no longer necessary for them to scratch a living from the land, a living which could be wrested from them by drought, flood, vermin, or insects. If life

was hard, it had always been hard, but now it was a little less uncertain.

Nearly all men prospered in this new environment, and with them the nation prospered and grew. If it was not Utopia, it was the next best thing available and by the millions, the men of other lands flocked to the "land of opportunity." And they, too, prospered beyond anything possible in the lands they left.

Men grew, the nation grew . . . and BUSINESS grew. It was inevitable for the nation. It was the business of living each day a little better than the day before. This was success in life and not to do better was to fail eventually. Nature abhors a vacuum and to slow the momentum of progress was to create a vacuum. In a land where "opportunity" was the Golden Fleece, one man's inability became another man's future. Cruel? Perhaps, but men prospered more than they perished. And the alternative was the despotism of making the needs of one man the goal to another.

If this is not the view of Americanism today, it is because men without faith in themselves were allowed to replace the visions of Horatio Alger with the venom of an Alger Hiss. We faltered, and faltering, we lost faith. We lost faith in the system, but first we lost faith in ourselves. We learned without understanding and we came to believe that men were something less than MAN. Perhaps we lived too well too soon, and remembering the past, became fearful of losing what we had found. And the fearful among us found our fear and made it something in which they could hide their own. Because they were afraid to compete, they taught us that competition was evil. Because they were afraid of success, they taught that to succeed was a sin. Because they had no faith in themselves they taught us that faith was folly. Because they were sheep in spirit, they taught us that we must all be shepherds.

But just as one could hardly undiscover the Western Hemisphere or the moon, it was impossible to destroy the ideals of Americanism rooted in the individual. So we came to today's bifurcated ideology which memorializes the individual and sanctifies the group. The inherent conflict in this today roams our streets and outrages our campuses.

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Viewpoint

March 'Tremendous Success'

by Art Crane

The recent march on Washington has born the brunt of much criticism from the administration and supporters of the present policies concerning Vietnam. It has been called everything from a peaceful and legal manner of dissent to an attempt to violently overthrow the government. I can't speak for the million people that were at the Washington protest (there were at least a million, even though the government estimate was two hundred fifty thousand) but I can give you my reasons for going as well as my general impressions of the people that I met and saw at the protest.

To begin with, I went to Washington because I was, and still remain thoroughly disgusted with the role the U.S. Government has taken in Vietnam. We have illegally had troops in South Vietnam for approximately fifteen years and have accomplished nothing. We now have over half a million men in a country approximately the size of New England, or to put it in a more personal perspective, there is now approximately one American soldier for every 30 South Vietnamese. Despite this, the government the U.S. is supposedly supporting in South Vietnam, in the judgment of our own state department, is unstable and would be overthrown if we withdraw our military-support. Yet we are expected to believe that this same government is the government favored by the majority of the people of South Vietnam. Realizing this to be

somewhat absurd, I thought it was time for the U.S. to quit playing games and get its big nose out of other countries' affairs. I therefore, went to Washington to show my support for immediate withdrawal of all U.S. troops in Vietnam.

Contrary to what some people would have you believe, the march on Washington was not composed mainly of hippies, revolutionaries, and communist agitators. In fact if I could judge from those that went down on the three Peace Fellowship buses, I would say that most (approximately 60%) of those that went to Washington were students sent with the blessings of, and representing their own as well as their parents views, the other 40% was composed of entire families, youngsters and all.

Those on the bus I rode expressed no desire for violence nor did anyone advocate the violent overthrow of the govern-

ment although a few were very bitter toward the U.S. government because of the policies it has followed for the past few years and the general political direction it seems headed in. In Washington everything and everybody seemed organized and friendly. Food was shared and although the weather was cold, everyone seemed warm. Although I knew there were some very limited violence, I neither heard nor saw any significant amount of it. (The only obvious signs of violence were army choppers and these huge machine guns mounted on the capital steps, as well as a small number of leftist radicals having their usual tantrums). All in all I would say the march was a tremendous success and I can only hope that it will effect national policy as it rightly should. However, if it doesn't I can only reiterate the question I saw on so many buttons and stickers in Washington, "HOW MANY MORE TIMES."



Having decided to write a few lines about nothing in particular, we thought we might talk about the meritorious value of reading both volumes of Goethe's FAUST. Actually, what we're going to talk about is the "invention" of the oilwell, but we always feel that a catchy

intellectual phrase attracts interest.

The credit for the discovery of the first oilwell goes to one Edwin L. Drake of Titusville, Pennsylvania. In 1859, while digging for ground roots and other exotic delicacies, Mr. Drake was spurted in the face by a black, slimy substance. "Black water! What a find!" exclaimed our naive hero, and he began to dig furiously. Fortunately, a prominent cactus millionaire from Texas happened to be passing by and informed Ed just what it was he had discovered.

"Well, vot's de difference?" cooed Mr. Drake, who proceeded to become very rich and very famous for his discovery of the "black water." With the income from his first sales, Drake bought out an old bottling plant, appropriately re-naming it "Dr. Rhubarb's House of Miracles." The crafty pioneer bottled and sold his discovery at one dollar the pint, claiming it to be "... the elixir to beat all elixirs - good for warts, chicken pox, rheumatism, arthritis, childbed fever, Okapi jungle rot, and the common cold . . ." Since the "elixir" was in reality crude petroleum, the only benefit anybody derived from drinking the stuff was a clean, healthy stomach - no one could keep it down.

Recently, the Soviet paper Bakinsky Raboch claimed that newly discovered "archive documents irrefutable prove" that the first oilwell was discovered in Russia, in 1847. The discoverer was one F.A. Semyonov, who happened to be digging for ground roots at the time. If this story is true, and Semyonov did discover oil twelve years earlier than the American, Drake, then Russia has accomplished an-

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JESS
THINKIN'

by

CARL JESSEN



In February of 1944 a twin-engine bomber lost one of its engines and plummeted to earth near Lake Charles, Louisiana, carrying my best friend to his death.

He was an Eagle Scout who taught Sunday School at a Lake Charles church. He was also a pacifist who has struggled with his conscience and having made his decision, he volunteered for extra training flights to get overseas more quickly and help end the war as soon as possible. It was on one such flight that he plunged to his death.

I received the news from my shocked and dismayed mother when I arrived home from a training cruise. At 18 I became conscious, for the first time, of the horrible effects of war as written on the faces of the parents of my good friend. I knew the feeling of senseless rage and hate, the urge to kill -- to avenge death with death. I received his last letter the

next day and it was like getting hit in the gut, but his words of cheer and hope helped to dispel the hurt and brought back a sense of reality.

Each year on Armistice Day -- now Veteran's Day -- I honor the memory of this friend, and other friends and buddies who later died. At times, when possible, I have taken part with organized groups, as most Americans have, to honor all dead. But not this year.

This year something indecent happened. This year the (memory) of my friend was defiled. This year Veteran's Day was used as an attempt to stifle dissent. This year falling into line became more important than fallen heroes. This year remonstrance became more important than remembrance. This year name-calling became more important than name remembering. This year turning on lights became more important than turning on lucidity.

This year I grieved alone for a friend and for my country.

Point of Information

By JEANNE DEVIN
EXEMPTIONS FROM FINALS--
COMMENTS REQUESTED

It is time to direct our attention to problems immediately facing this campus. As in many colleges, the most frequent complaints seem to involve academic policies. One reform proposal, though not original, may be worth considering.

Any student with a B plus average in a certain course may be exempt from the final exam in that course. With this reform will come some very positive advantages.

1. A student carrying five courses--some of which he finds extremely difficult--is exempt for his less difficult finals. He can now spend more time on the courses that need his greatest attention. This increases his chances for higher grades in these courses, which would mean a higher average for that semester.

2. A good student wants to participate in some major extra-curricular activity, but feels that this activity will take too much needed time from his exam studies. If he earns exemptions from any of his finals, he may be more willing to participate in such activities without fear of jeopardizing his grades.

The exemption question will hopefully be discussed at the December 15 SGA meeting. If you have any comments on this subject, please submit them to Box 222 no later than Thursday, Dec. 11, so that I may have ample time to prepare a report for the Senate's consideration. I WILL RESPECT ALL OPINIONS CON. Since you will be affected, will respect all opinions, pro and con.

Since you will be affected by the outcome of this issue, the Senate cannot act wisely without your opinions. So please, don't remain silent. Help us to work for you.

Third Discussion To Deal With Education System

The third in a series of panel discussions under the general heading Operation Soul Search will be held on December 10, 8 p.m. in White Hall Room 122. The subject of the debate will be: "Is Our Educational System Obsolete?" The purpose of the discussion will be to bring into the open, to expose to scrutiny, criticism and defense the problems in our whole educational system which seem so vital to us.

Volunteers Needed For Community Research

All those interested in a community research project in the City of Danbury are asked to meet with Mike Clark, area director, in the snackbar on Dec. 3. Some problems to be explored are youth rebellion, housing, family life, the court system, government and politics, and the welfare system.

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Nagy Elightens History Society

By KERRY McKEEVER
Ferenc Nagy is well remembered in his career in Hungary. He started out as a publicist and political columnist to several major dailies and periodicals from 1924 to 1930. He was one of the founders of the Independent Smallholders Party and National Secretary in 1930, President in 1945, and a member of Hungarian Parliament in 1939. He was founder of the Hungarian Peasants Assn. and President in 1941.

Nagy was a prisoner of the Gestapo for one year in 1944, and when released in 1945 became the Minister of Reconstruction. After being President of the Hungarian National Assembly in 1945 he became Prime Minister of Hungary from 1946 to 1947.

Mr. Nagy's party was basically agrarian, and was the main opposition to the Communist Party. When the Hungarian elections were finally held, the Communists received 17%, and Nagy's agrarian supported party received 57%. The rest of the votes went to the smaller parties. Thus, the amount of non-Communist votes were 83%.

However, the elections in Budapest created problems. Since Nagy was now prime minister, and a member of the agrarian party, he was naturally opposed to the Communists. The head of the Allied Control Commission backed the Communists. This commission was under the three great powers, but all of the eastern European countries were under the jurisdiction of a Soviet general. This general did not back the rule of the majority, but ordered that the coalition government must remain. From this, the Soviet learned the folly of free election, and started to take the government over by force.

While the turmoil of elections were taking place, the people started to reconstruct their countries with unparalleled speed. They felt that the country was at last theirs. The land was given to 640,000 peasants, and they went out and started to work the land. By 1947, the land was cultivated.

The Communists had now

started the ball rolling. They proceeded in the most effective phase of their plan; the conspiracy trials. The pattern of these went as such: first, a few men would be arrested for conspiracy. By means of interrogation and torture, confessions would be extricated from the men condemning 100 others. From then on, it was like a snowball rolling downhill. Prime Minister Nagy saw all of his party members thrown in jail. He was told that if he intervened, the charges would be changed to spying, which would enable the Soviets to try them in the Soviet Union. Nagy, acting on advice from physicians and advisors, decided to take a much needed vacation in Switzerland. While he was gone, the Communists staged a coup d'etat, and took over the government. Nagy was forced to resign, being told that if he did not, his four year old son would be kept in the Communist controlled country. Thus, Hungary was the last country to fall, and the Iron Curtain closed over east central Europe.

Mr. Nagy went on to say that the writers were, perhaps, the salvation for their country. Although they have been persecuted and silenced, they continually rise again to protest. Through their common efforts, Czechoslovakia was lead to its reform movement. The people did not demand dissolution of the pact with the Soviet Union; they only felt that they would be able to shape their own Communism in respect to their culture and history. However, this was not what the Soviet Union feared; they feared that their own intellectuals would reciprocate; a domino effect would then occur, and all of the countries would demand liberation. But, hope cannot be oppressed. Mr. Nagy, ended his lecture by saying that it is only a matter of time before the totalitarian government with the heartfelt statement, "they will be free again." After a discussion period, refreshments were served in the faculty dining room. Personally, the writer thinks that it was correct in saying that one day, all peoples will be free.

Teacher Preparation Discussed at Monthly Meeting

By RON SQUIRES

Wesconn's teacher preparation program was the main topic of discussion when nearly fifty Student Education Association members gathered in the Faculty Dining Room Thursday evening. The meeting began with a word of thanks from the President, Miss Sandra Justin, to all of those who worked on the Fall Weekend Float Committee and also to those who made the First Annual Distinguished Educators Tea such a great success.

Maureen Plover then made the first of a list of important announcements. She explained a tutoring program that will be started next semester in which all students are welcomed to

participate. The club is also sending a card and plant to Mrs. Dolores Toporowski, wife of the late Dr. Theodore Toporowski, who was a former SEAC advisor, who is now ill. Miss Justin also announced that any student interested in being a student guide should contact Mrs. Ferguson in the Admissions Office.

After the short business meeting the club split into the small groups which discussed the present teacher preparation program at Wesconn. The discussion was the beginning of a study being conducted by the state executive board, in which they hope to find ways of improving teacher preparation programs in Connecticut State Colleges.

Organization News

Aquinas

By Nancy Belliveau

Plans for a sleigh ride this winter and a mixer with Sacred Heart and Fairfield Universities were discussed by the Aquinas Club at a Mass-Dinner-Meeting. The meeting was held at the home of Mr. Thomas Doyle, faculty advisor.

Anyone interested in having a student Mass on Sundays at 10 or 11 a.m. at St. Peter's Church is asked to sign up on the sheet in the mailroom. Transportation from the campus will be provided.

On Tuesday, November 25, a Thanksgiving Mass will be held at the home of one of the club members. (Mass is no longer allowed on campus.) Those interested in attending this Mass are asked to meet at 4 p.m. in the old SGA room. All are welcomed.

There has been a definite lack of interest in the Aquinas Club this semester, and a great deal of "cutting-it-down," especially by people who don't fully understand the purpose of this club. Students and faculty alike are urged to come to our meetings and discover just what this club does and why. Anyone is welcome at all of our activities regardless of faith. So before you start "cutting" the Aquinas Club come and see what it's all about -- and remember, you apathetic people, a club cannot function without members!

BOG

BY MARCIA L. FORSELL

WILD WEED TO PLAY AT BOG DANCE DEC. 7

The Wild Weed, a popular rock group known to the Waterbury, Hartford area, will play at the Board of Governors Dance to be held on Sunday, December 7 in the cafeteria from 7:30 to 11:00. This dance is to be held in conjunction (and excellent cooperation) with the Sophomore Class. Also scheduled for the weekend are a coffeehouse (at least one) and a roller skating party (possibly). This dance will be free of charge and all are invited. Refreshments will be served.

ANOTHER PROFESSIONAL COFFEEHOUSE COMES TO WESCONN DEC. 11, 12 and 13.

If anyone has seen a rather attractive picture of a very attractive blonde being posted around the union, they should be aware of the fact that this young lady will be the star of the Professional Coffeehouse for December 11, 12, and 13. Her name is Cheryl, and at this printing, this is all I know about her. (I can not find her folder in the files). Details in next issue, so read the next issue.

CISL

A bill which favored conjugal visits to male prisoners was defeated Sunday, November 9, when the Connecticut Intercollegiate Student Legislature (CISL) was host for a state meeting at which over 19 Connecticut colleges were represented.

This meeting was held to discuss the convention scheduled to take place in March and to submit preliminary bill topics to be discussed at that time. Wesconn will be sponsoring two bills. One will be a "Resolution: Reconstruction of State Lines," and the other will be on "Castration of Male Sex Offenders."

The next monthly meeting is scheduled to be held at Hartford College on Sunday, December 7.

IRF

by KERRY McKEEVER

Maren Lewis, a former IRF member who went to the National Model United Nations last year, gave a short informative talk on the Republic of Sudan at the club's bimonthly meeting held on Tuesday, November 11.

Miss Lewis explained that the government of Sudan is now in the form of a Republic, but was formerly under joint sovereignty of Great Britain and Egypt and was known as Anglo-Egyptian Sudan. Sudan is the home of the Mahdi, who defeated and put to death Britain's General George "Chinese" Gordon in 1885, and who were in turn defeated by a primitive expedition under General Hebert Kitchener. Sudan became independent in 1956. Independence brought a bitter civil conflict, now 13 years old, between the 10 million Arabs of the north and the 4 million Blacks of the south, who have been fighting for autonomy.

In the area of politics, Miss Lewis explained that basically there were four parties: The Umma, the Democratic Unionist Party, Sudan African National Union, Southern Front, and also an extremely small Communist Party. At this time, the government of Sudan has broken diplomatic relations with the United States, because of their position in the Middle East affair. However, that does not prevent them from taking our money.

Sudan is, on the whole, a very poor country. Predominant geographical features are high temperatures, extreme dryness in the north and humid, tropical conditions in the south. Rainfall is a dominating factor in the country's economy. The principal products are cotton, gum arabic, peanuts, and oil. The country is very poor in minerals. There is some iron, but no coal, and the minerals have little, if any, economic value.

After Miss Lewis had completed her speech, discussion was opened to the club members. The reason the International Relations Forum is so interested in the Sudan is that it may be

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Organization News

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the country they represent in the National Model United Nations this year

OCGA

by MARCIA L. FORSELL

The Off Campus Girls Association meeting of November 18 was attended by about 15 members. Plans for future events were discussed. Among these are a ski trip, Christmas caroling, and a drive for canned goods for needy families in Danbury. The Off Campus Girls ask that all donations of canned goods, especially meats, fruits and soups, be placed in the donation box in the mail room. The drive will continue from now until Christmas. If anyone knows of a needy family we could help, please contact President Donna De Felippo via her mail box.

It was announced that over 600 cards were collected in one week for the Christmas card for Vietnam drive sponsored by the OCGA. The cards were mailed to Villanova University Operation Mail Call, where they were sent to Fort Dix. The OCGA wishes to thank all those who generously gave their thoughts, cards and monetary donations for this cause.

The club then went on to discuss some activities which the girls themselves could benefit from. These include a theater party to Stratford of New York, a movie, a beautician demonstration, and more mixers. It was announced that the West Point Mixer was, on the whole, a great success, and the girls are looking forward to another one very soon. The OCGA wishes to thank Mr. and Mrs. Frederick O'Neill for their chaperoning of the West Point Mixer. The bus to the mixer was completely filled, and many girls had to be turned away. We have finally found an area that interests many girls. (Surprise!)

The Off Campus Girls Association announces that its next meeting, to be held on Tuesday, December 2, will take place at the "Villa" in New York. Cars will be leaving from in front of the Union at 6 p.m., if you need a ride. The OCGA treasury will subsidize the dinners of all those members who have paid their dues to date. All girls, Off Campus members or not, are invited to join us at this dinner meeting. Eat whatever you like because you are paying for your own dinner!

New Clubs

The Wesconn Hysterical Society is sponsoring a speech on our Government in 1984. Vladimir Ivanovich Dandruff will speak to a capacity crowd on just how he intends to campaign for People Catcher during that long awaited year.

In a recent interview, Vladimir said, "At the rate which this country is going to the dogs, I have reconsidered my position and joined the party which will reign supreme sooner than you think."

Vladimir, who graduated from the Sunny Dale Puppy Farm three years ahead of the Red Baron's foil, is currently president of the All American Kibble and Flea Collar Company Inc.

The president of the WSCS chapter of S.W.I.N.E. (Students Wildly Indignant about Nearly Everything) has announced that the rally planned to have been held in front of Old Main in 1966 has been cancelled. "The reason for this bold move," Mr. President said, "was because the executive committee has information that the local constabulary has infiltrated our membership and is preparing a coup." Disgusted, he added that "We are SWINE not Pigs. And the sooner people learn that, the better."

The Wesconn Meleagris Gallopavo Society is staging a vigil this evening outside Higgins Biology Lab in respect for all the Meleagris Gallopavo who gave their lives this past week-end during the annual carnage dedicated to the friendship that the White Man shared with the Red Man over three hundred years ago.

Psychology

The Psychology Club of Western Connecticut presented Mr. Shields of Rippowam High School in Stamford at the regular meeting on Monday, November 10. Mr. Shields teaches a course in Family Living at the high school, and he discussed the course, the history of its organization, and some of the situations and problems that it involved. The course, one of the few of its kind, is taught as a full-length, full-time course that offers full credit to a student taking it.

As Mr. Shields outlined the course, a large part of it is concerned with the individual's personality and does not, as many people seem to think when they hear about a "sex education" course, spend a large amount of time on the biological and interpersonal-sexual aspects of family living. Mr. Shields expressed it this way: "Sex is not something you have; it is something you are." Therefore, in the seminar-type classes, students begin with a study of the self and the personality. Emotions, basic needs and drives, and mental mechanism such as projection and rationalization are then discussed. The students examine alcohol and drugs and the place that they have in the individual's attempts to deal with himself, as well as the effects that they have.

It is only after this extensive study of personality that the reproductive biology of the male and female are presented, and then the course begins to consider interpersonal relationships. This is the section of the course that deals with boy-girl relationships, courtship and engagement, marriage, and family living. The behaviors, moralities, responsibilities, and problems are examined in each area of discussion.

After the description of the course, Mr. Shields then showed two filmstrips that are used in the course to start the students

Some Holiday

By BOB PASTOR

The freshman class band battle ran progressively past some not-so-progressive people. The show began with antics and nostalgic music from the 38 Osborn Street Rhythm and Booze Band. After an original selection, the group introduced Larry "Elvis" Langelo who crooned a few of the master's tunes including "Return to Sender" which was met by sighs of "Oh, Elvis."

Following the Booze Band were Anne Gambardella and Gail Mazzacane, two very talented folk singers. Their first number, "It's All Over now, Baby Blue," was done with unique style and grace. Anne then did

a solo performance of "Suzanne" and Gail came back, on her own, to do "Anger in the Land." Their music, in its entirety, was beautiful, but, the most pleasing part was their strength in voice, a quality both share.

The last group in the competition was MAJ, (jam spelled backwards). Their repertoire was just that. After playing a few of Led Zeppelin numbers, Phonse Ranaudo's MAJ came through with "I Want You," a new Beatle song. This seemed to be the only number that the audience appreciated. Their jam was imbued with talent on lead guitar as well as the explosive drumming of Gene Tourangeau. Walls and floor pulsating as

though alive couldn't be appreciated by the snoring or departed masses. Of the 250 spectators who attended, scarcely 100 remained for the finish. Apparently Acid rock and the mind-expanding experience are not part of Wesconn's passive interest.

As anticipated, Gail and Anne emerged as victors and were awarded the one hundred dollar prize by Alice "Nancy Naive" Insinger. Their talent was exceptional and their polished performance proved to be the deciding factor.

The judges were Dr. Weirauch, Mr. Young and Mr. Green who were assigned the difficult task of evaluating the best in competition where no two entries fell within the same classification. This is a prospect even experts rarely relish.

thinking and to stimulate discussion. A brief question-and-answer period followed, and it appeared that many in the audience had been stimulated by the program.

At the business portion of the meeting, President Emily Mangiapane informed members that the sensitivity training weekend has been cancelled for this semester because of lack of expressed interest. It is being tentatively scheduled in March, if enough people will attend.

The November 24 meeting is going to be primarily a planning and organizing meeting. Affiliation with Psi Chi, the national honor society in psychology, will be begun. The faculty-student social has been re-scheduled for December 3, and planning for this will also take place on the 24th.

Science

by ART CROUCH

Using figures from Greek mythology, Mr. Fred Bragdon, an Earth Science Professor at Wesconn, pointed out different constellations of the Zodiac at a planetarium show sponsored by the Science Club on November 19. Mr. Bragdon also showed several slides associated with the moon project to the audience which consisted of interested Wesconn students and members of the Woodbury High School Astronomy Club. Following the Planetarium show, refreshments were served, after which the Science Club held their regular meeting.

At this meeting plans for a guest speaker were discussed. On December 2, the club will sponsor a speaker in the field of Paleontology. The probable topic will be "The Naked Ape."

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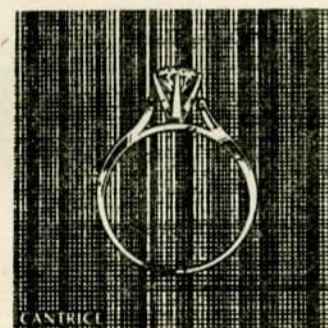
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Billiards Champ BOG Success

By Marcia L. Forssell

Joe Balsis, the "Iron Man of Billiards" wasn't born in a pool room, but he sure looked like he was when he was at Wesconn last week. Balsis, who has gained international fame as a billiards champion, played his first game in his father's pool room at the age of four. When he was at Wesconn's game room for two shows, playing to a packed audience, it was clear that he had played a great deal since age four.

Balsis, whose most recent victory was the US Open Championship in Las Vegas in 1968, met and defeated the nation's best since his return to professional competition in 1964. In that year, he finished fourth in all-star field at the Billiard Room Proprietors Association event in New York City.

He returned to win that event in 1965 along with the World's Championship and the National Invitational Classic televised by the ABC network. He has won many other titles and has toured such places as Japan.

Mr. Balsis, who really made the game look easy, has a 302 authentic run, which took him 1 hour and 45 minutes. When this reporter watched him at Wesconn, he ran a high of 58. Mr. Balsis' program included a game with Mr. Bob Venziano in the



evening show, and Mr. Jim La France in the afternoon show. Both are Wesconn students. Joe also gave some hints on how to improve one's game. He concluded his program with a few trick shots, including the one which he does on a TV commercial.

Mr. Balsis was more than willing to answer questions after the evening show and many

stayed to speak with him. The Board of Governors wishes to thank all of those on the Recreation Committee, and all those who helped out with the Balsis show, with a special thanks to Recreation Chairman Miss Kathy Walsh, a Wesconn Junior.

For those who missed this most entertaining event, Mr. Balsis will make a return visit to Wesconn next October.

by Jerry Di Pietro
The Western Connecticut State College varsity basketball team will face Berkshire College in the Indian's season opener tonight at 8:00 p.m. in the Wesconn gym.

Berkshire compiled a 10-14 record last season, and reportedly have lost many of their veterans, thus making this season a rebuilding year for the Knights. Wesconn, although winning their last two games last year, compiled a dismal 4-14 record, but with 6 men back this season, including John Barnes, the top rebounder of last year's squad, the Indians are hoping to improve on that record this season.

Wesconn topped Berkshire 78-70 in an overtime thriller last season in the last game of the 1968-69 season for the Wesconn "5".

This year's basketball team includes 6 returning veterans, but the remaining members of the Wesconn varsity have plenty of experience behind them. The team appears as follows, with numbers in parenthesis:

Co-captain Dan Murphy (40), a 6' 1" junior guard from Danbury, Conn. Dan played varsity basketball for Immaculate High School for four years, and has played for Wesconn the past two seasons.

Co-captain George Slowikowski (14), 6' 0" junior guard from New Britain, Conn. A slick ball handler, George hails from New Britain High School, where he played two years of varsity basketball. He has also played for the Wesconn varsity the past two years.

John Barnes (42), a 6' 5" sophomore center from New Haven, Conn. John was the leading rebounder on last year's squad. John played for the Hillhouse High School varsity team for two years, and should be the big man this season.

Brendan Jugler (12), a 6' 1" sophomore guard from Danbury, Conn. Brendan starred for Immaculate High for four years, and played with the Wesconn varsity last season. Brendan is known for his sweet two-hand push shot.

Ray Musalo (20), a 6' 4" senior forward from Brooklyn, New York. Ray played with the Brooklyn Academy varsity

team for two years, and attended Franklin-Pierce before transferring to Wesconn last year. Ray played the second half of the season and turned many fine defensive performances. He was a key defensive standout in our victory over Berkshire last season.

Barry Bishop (44), a 6' 4" senior from Bristol, Conn. A forward, Barry hails from Bristol Eastern High, where he played three years of varsity basketball. He also played a year with the Eastern Connecticut varsity before transferring to Wesconn last year. He did not play with the Wesconn "5" last year, but his height should be a real asset to this year's squad. Barry was a goalie for the Wesconn soccer team this past season.

Kevin O'Sullivan (10), a 6' 2" sophomore forward from Mahopac, New York. Kevin played for Mahopac High School for three years, and was on the Wesconn varsity roster last season. Kevin is known to basketball fans for sinking two crucial foul shots last year against Berkshire to send the game into overtime.

Jim Slattery (24), a 6' 1" sophomore guard from Rocky Hill, Conn. A transfer student, Jim played varsity ball for Rocky Hill High School for three years.

Wille "Hank" Warner (30), a 6' 1" freshman forward from New Haven, Conn. The most promising of the newcomers, Hank played with Wilbur Cross High, one of the Connecticut high school powers, for three years.

Jeff Olson (22), a 6' 2" junior forward from Canton Center, Conn. Also a newcomer, Jeff played for Canton High School for two years, and also played for Northwestern Community College before transferring to Wesconn.

Joe Zlatyk (34), a 6' 2" freshman forward from Whippany Park, New Jersey. Joe hails from Whippany Park High School, where he played for the varsity two years.

Greg Zack (32), a 6' 2" freshman forward from New Milford, Conn. Greg played for the New Milford High School varsity the past two seasons.

These are the twelve men you will see in action this season for the Wesconn Indians. Let's go out tonight and support our team as they win their first game of the current season.

the team visited Miss Bascom who has been sick, and presented her with an appreciation gift.

The members of the Hockey Team wish to extend their thanks to both Miss Albrecht and Miss Bascom for making this an unforgettable season.

Field Hockey Ends Season

By Nancy Belliveau

On Saturday, November 8 the Women's InterCollegiate Field Hockey Team ended their season by traveling to New York where they played against Albany State University and New Paltz College. Albany won over Wesconn with a final score of 4 - 0. In the second and last game of the season Wesconn's Eileen Maloney slid down the swampy field to score a goal

for Wesconn. New Paltz won the game with a final score of 2 - 1.

On Thursday, November 13 a Field Hockey party was held at the home of Miss Albrecht, the coach. The girls cooked a delicious spaghetti dinner and after dinner presented Miss Albrecht with a gift in appreciation of all she has done for the team.

A few representatives from

its initial season.

Without this type of loyal support from you - the people at the school - and the dedication, desire, and determination of the football team, the season may have been a dismal failure.

Once again, a big thank-you to everyone on campus for the great support and co-operation during the past football season.

Best wishes and continued success,

Sincerely,
Jim Krayske, Coach
Wesconn Football Team

November 1, 1969

Mr. Jerry Di Pietro
Sports Editor - "ECHO"
Wesconn State College
Danbury, Connecticut 06810

Dear Mr. Di Pietro,

I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks to the entire student body, the different clubs and organizations, the faculty, the maintenance department, and especially the sophomore class for the splendid support you gave the football team in

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Dip's Wits

by Jerry Di Pietro
 Hi fans! . . . The Bloodmobile which was held two weeks ago on the Wesconn campus netted 70 pints for the Red Cross, five below the goal set for the drive. The event was not as much of a success as it has been in previous years, but the Varsity Club, sponsors of the event, were appreciative to those who did turn out to donate their blood. . . . A very good drive was undertaken the past two weeks by some male students here at Wesconn. James G. Flynn, a varsity football player on the 1964-65 Danbury High School teams, was killed in action in Vietnam last May 30th. Teammates of Flynn on the DHS football team have decided to set up a memorial fund for him. As a start, the men had a raffle, with two box seats to a New York Giants game as a prize. The proceeds from the raffle went towards a scholarship award to be initiated this year. The award will be presented annually to the best senior athlete at Danbury High School in his name. The winner of the raffle was picked at halftime of the Danbury High School Thanksgiving Day game. This reporter thought that this was a very fine gesture. . . . This reporter was cleaning out the apartment last week and came across a brand new package containing a "nite panty" which was secured in the panty raid staged earlier this year. Not knowing what to do with this precious item (having a waist size of 36-38) it was deposited into a Goodwill Donation Box. What a sweet sports editor! . . . Mike Burns, captain of the Wesconn golf team, is presently in the process of securing funds for the golf team's southern trip - to South Norwalk! . . . Permission has been granted to have a band or any musical instrument at the home basketball games this season. Anyone interested in getting together with a small group or who is available to play is asked to contact Skip Mac Donald (Box 571) or any member of the Sophomore Spirit Committee. It looks like it will be a wild season. . . . It has been heard that 15 brand new junior varsity uniforms were purchased this year, but they will not be put into use. The PE department (or should I say certain members of the department) have decided that junior varsity basketball is not feasible this year, even though the boys had a coach for the team who is not a student here at Wesconn, and arranged practice times that would not conflict with the varsity schedule. I don't know what is funnier - this - or the cheerleaders not being able to cheer for the football games because they had to cheer for the girl's field hockey team. . . . Matt March, the center-forward on the soccer team, is in the top twenty nationally in the NAIA conference for goals scored in a season. Matt had a total of 20 goals this season, plus five more in the "Potato Classic" held in Maine. His exact standing na-

tionally will be confirmed when word is received from the NAIA in Kansas City. . . . The spirit is high on the basketball team as they prepare for the December 2nd opener against Berkshire. If spirit won ball games, this team would go undefeated. . . . Reading the Central Connecticut State College student newspaper, I came across the soccer article which their sports editor wrote, and he said that we beat their soccer team 3-1, how they would love to play us again, how they should have killed us, and how they lost games on mental errors. Well, this reporter wrote him a nice little letter back to answer the article, and one point made was that maybe they should have beaten us, but they didn't! By the way, we did not beat them 3-1, we tied them 0-0. That shows the efficiency of the Central sports staff. . . . This reporter gave a tour to three Hillhouse High football players last week. They told me that their coach had recommended Coach Krayeske and told them to come up here. Pretty good recruiting, I say! . . . More anon!

MAA News

Intramurals, Etc....

by Greg Abbott
 In order to bring you a broader view of the athletes and their supporters on this campus, this column will be reactivated. We shall attempt to bring you all the news fit to print; i.e., all talk outside of the locker rooms. As a start, this week's and next week's column will include interviews with the intramural basketball teams.

INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL:

Team rosters are now filled for the upcoming Intramural Basketball season, tentatively set to begin this week.

Rosters and schedules are now available and posted on the bulletin board outside the coaches' office. The league is tentatively set to operate on Monday and Thursday evenings with ten teams. The limit of players to a team is ten, with varsity team members ineligible.

The league will be operated from the beginning of December to the beginning of March, and this will include a post-season playoff along with the regular season play. The top two teams in the league will play a 2-out-of-3 series for the championship.

Speaking on intramurals, the team to beat this year appears to be the almost invincible Rondells, led by Bill Gill, Greg Abbott, Jeff Lownds, and other star performers. Combining strong rebounding and sure-handed, dead-eyed guards, this team has been tearing them up during the exhibition season - Mr. Sheldon's advanced(?) basketball class!

This reporter has been led

Booter's Complete Winning Season

by Jerry Di Pietro

For the second consecutive year, the Western Connecticut State College soccer team has finished with a winning record. This year, the Wesconn booters compiled a 6-3-2 record for the season, plus a split in a pre-season tournament held in Maine.

Before the regular season started, the Indianbooters competed in the "Potato Classic" which was staged in Houlton, Maine. In the first contest, the Indians took on Kent State College. The Indians took a 3-1 lead going into the fourth quarter on three goals by center-forward Matt March, but could not hold off the offensive punch of the Kent State team, eventually suffering a 4-3 defeat in double overtime. In the consolation contest, Wesconn, with March scoring two goals, topped Ricker College 2-1 in overtime to gain a split in the tournament. Kent State, by the way, went on to win the tournament.

In the first regular season game, Wesconn travelled to Rhode Island to face Rhode Island College. Matt March scored two goals and center-halfback Tom Crucitti added a score, but the Indian booters suffered a 4-3 loss to the Anchoermen.

We next faced Central Connecticut State College, and in one of the hardest fought contests of the year, the Indians

and the Blue Devils played through six periods, including two overtimes, before settling for a 0-0 deadlock. Goalie Barry Bishop had close to 50 saves in this contest, which was one of our better defensive performances of the year.

Still seeking our first regular season victory, Wesconn faced Marist College at home, and emerged with a 2-0 victory, with Matt March and left-halfback Wayne Brabandt each scoring a goal to pace the win.

Wesconn's next opponent was Bard College, and with half-back Mike Osborne netting a second-period score, the Indians made it stand in clinching a 1-0 shutout.

With three consecutive shutouts in our "feathers," Berkshire College travelled to the Wesconn campus to take on the Indians, and their trip proved fruitless as Wesconn exploded for 15 goals, the season high, in blanking the visitors 15-0. Two school records fell in the contest as Matt March scored eight goals to break the individual scoring mark for a single contest. Mike Osborne had five goals and left-wing Maurilio Gregori had two goals to pace the Indian offensive attack. The contest was also the Indian's fourth consecutive shutout.

Wesconn next travelled to West Point to face the Cadet's "B" team. The Indian consecutive shutout streak was broken at four games, but with two goals by Matt March and a goal each by Mike Osborne, Maurilio Gregori and right-wing Fernando Silva, the Indians defeated the Cadets by a 5-1 margin. The game, which was termed as our best effort of the season, marked the first time ever that the Cadets were defeated by a Wesconn team.

With this big victory under our "feathers," Wesconn took on Sacred Heart University in a home contest. It was a sloppily played contest by both teams, and the Indians were fortunate in deadlocking SHU 4-4. Matt March had two goals, and Maurilio Gregori and Tom Crucitti had a goal apiece in the contest, our second deadlock

of the season.

The Indians next travelled to Bronx, New York to take on the New York Maritime Academy. The Wesconn offense could not penetrate the Privateer defense, and the hosts blanked the Indians 2-0.

Wesconn again travelled to New York, this time to face Nyack College. With Matt March scoring two goals and Fernando Silva and Mike Osborne netting a score apiece, Wesconn got back on its winning tracks with a 4-2 victory.

Hoping to finish strong for a possible berth in the regional NAIA tournament, the Indians travelled to Springfield, Massachusetts to face Western New England College, and emerged with a 4-1 victory on two goals apiece by Matt March and Maurilio Gregori.

After a scrimmage with the Yale junior varsity squad, Kings College invaded the Wesconn campus to face the Indians in the final game of the season for Wesconn. The Indians were determined to win this final contest, but the team could not pull their efforts together, eventually suffering a 5-1 defeat at the hands of the opposition to finish with a 6-3-2 record for the season.

Co-captain Matt March finished the season with 20 goals, placing him among the top twenty nationally for scoring honors in the NAIA conference. In other season scoring statistics, Mike Osborne had eight goals, Maurilio Gregori, a first-year performer for the Indians, finished with six goals, co-captain Tom Crucitti and Fernando Silva netted two goals apiece, and Wayne Brabandt had a single tally for the season.

Wesconn scored 39 goals for the season for an average of 3.5 goals a game, while holding the opposition to 19 goals for a 1.7 goal a game average.

Other strong season performances were turned in by left-inside Terry Benninson, left-fullback Bob Hawkins, and first year starters Bill Gross and Mike Baran, as well as goalie Barry Bishop.

to understand that they are applying for a Danbury franchise in the NBA, and have high hopes of challenging the Knicks for top honors.

FOUL-SHOOTING CONTEST:

In the foul-shooting contest held last week, Jeff Olson captured the event by converting 45 out of 50 shots, edging out George Slowikowski, who sank 44 out of 50.

Each contestant shot 25 foul shots, and the top qualifiers advanced to the finals of the competition by shooting 50 foul shots, with Olson emerging as the winner. Olson and Slowikowski will be awarded trophies at the annual spring Sports Banquet.

There is only one hopeless task and that task is to endeavor to fathom the secrets of the universe before one has discovered oneself and understood oneself.

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Belated Praise for Wesconn Football

contributed by Don Taylor and edited by Ron Guertler

The football squad of Wesconn ended the 1969 season with a 2-2-1 record, yet to face the greatest challenge of its short history. The question of whether or not football will become a varsity sport rests in administrative hands and will not be known until early 1970. To those who played on the team, the question seems a foolish one. In eight short weeks, the Indians conquered not only teams of much greater depth and experience, but every obstacle that came between them and their goal of playing football. Any player will admit that there were times when it would have been easier to quit, easier to let someone else bring football to Wesconn. Now it is up to those who cast the votes not to quit on forty players, two managers, four coaches and an entire school.

Football at Wesconn would still be heresay had it not been for the self-sacrifice and devotion of head coach Jim Krayeske and his three assistants. It is impossible to measure

what they have done to aid in bringing football to this campus. If, in future years, football becomes a reality at Wesconn, these men deserve our greatest appreciation. They contributed 150 per cent and required only 110 per cent in return.

To those who played on the squad, it was an autumn of hard work, pain, tears, laughter, the joyful thrill of triumph and an anguish and agony of defeat. The personal pride and satisfaction of players and coaches needs only one more victory to be complete.

We made them know who WESCONN is - so show us that what we did was worth it!

Curriculum Revised and Revitalized

Our usually unreliable sources have just sent the following report via the hot-line telephone booth in Old Main: OLD MAIN - Although the doors were closed at secret meeting on the third floor of Old Main, a sympathetic ex-library worker led this reporter through a secret passage right under the floor where once stood shelves of reference books. The meeting was already in progress, but a sufficient amount was heard to report a preview of what courses are being offered to the students next semester.

The curriculum planners considered a few more required courses for male students currently holding a draft classi-

fication of 2-S. "I think it necessary that we expose those who will be entering the military service upon leaving college with certain knowledge which will be helpful to them in adjusting to their new way of life. Therefore, I propose that all world areas encompassed within the Non-Western Civilization courses be eliminated in preference to requiring Viet Nam for all students."

This proposal was debated and referred to a committee.

Another proposal suggested that Mickey Mouse gym courses should be dissolved and replaced with forced marches, fox hole digging and brass polishing.

This proposal was debated and referred to a committee.

One Political Science Professor suggested an addition

to the curriculum which would include no reading, no papers and no class participation. "If we want to keep our great silent majority great," he said, "we've got to teach them to persevere the greatest of adversities in absolute silence." The prof also noted that most of his students considered his course one of the greatest of adversities. Furthermore," he stated "we want our students to know what real adversity is, and I aim to show them. I suggest that this course be required."

By this time, the weighty discussion sagged the floor several inches more and as this reporter retreated through the confines of the secret passage in dire fear of his life, he heard words indicative that the final proposal, after being debated, was referred to a committee.

Ski Club Plans Weekend Trip

by Jerry Di Pietro

The Ski Club of Western Connecticut State College is planning a weekend ski trip to be held on December 12, 13 and 14 at Manchester, Vermont.

Skiing will be available at the Stranton, Bromcey and Magic Mountain slopes in Manchester, and reservations for 40 will be made at either the Axe Lodge, Sutton's Guest

House, or the By The Way Motel. All students are invited, and more reservations can be made if enough interest is shown.

The approximate cost of the event will be \$30.00. This includes tows, transportation and the \$8.00 lodging fee, which will cover Friday and Saturday nights.

Drivers are also needed for the trip, Gasoline money for the trip will be reimbursed by the Ski Club for those who are interested in driving.

Anyone seeking information on the trip, interested in driving, or would like to sign up for the weekend is asked to contact Dick Kinsky (Box 917) or Sue Barish (Box 69). Money for the trip will have to be in immediately.

A future meeting of the Ski Club will be held for those attending the weekend, and the time and place of the meeting will be posted and announced.

Also, the raffle conducted by the Ski Club last week was won by Ray Snyder.

Intercollegiate News

BY MARCIA L. FORSSELL
INTERCOLLEGIATE
BADMINTON

is not necessarily necessary.
INTERCOLLEGIATE
BASKETBALL

All Women interested in playing Intercollegiate Badminton should attend the first practice which should have been yesterday, if this paper comes out on Dec. 2 as scheduled. See Miss Howells to find out what you should do if you want to play and missed the Dec. first meeting. Six matches have been lined up for this year's season, and the competition looks challenging. If you are interested, Miss Howells will give you a list of practice dates. Skill

female hit the birdie and run to the other side of the court and try to return her serve, I became perplexed. I made myself a promise to change the position of the Male Athletic Program from the low member on the totem pole in the school's extracurricular activities.

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I called an emergency meeting of the Football Club of Western Connecticut State College. At this particular time I was the only member of the club but if our Intermural Female Badminton Champion could practice by herself, I could hold my meeting. Things rapidly progressed and soon we were about sixty in number. We went through various administrative gymnastics, however, after being accepted by the student government, we were not recognized by the administration. Certain people suggested a school team. The next Spring semester there was

a practice and this Fall we played four games.

I doubt if a Pop Warner Football Team would practice under the conditions that the team faced but our team did. The team members would go to Roger's Park to practice but after the city moved up its recreational program, the team took up residence at Lee Endler Field. We had our first field house - a deserted factory. It was so deserted even the birds' nests left. However, on the practice field there was discontent. Some of the taller players resented the shorter players taking unfair advantage of the high grass by hiding in it; therefore, the short players had the element of surprise. After a short stay at the Hat Bowl, the team moved to Abbott Tech.

One may ask, "Why didn't the football team use the football field?" The reason is simple: the Soccer Team was using the football field at Osborne Street. "Why?" The Girls' Field Hockey Team was using the soccer field. (At one time things like this would bother me.) However, the Football Team had a home at Abbott Tech, between class buildings. This wasn't bad if more than three classes didn't clap erasers at the same time.

Well, it was all worth it. The football games attracted more students than any other school athletic contest (excluding of course the Girls' Intermural Badminton Championship and numerous Field Hockey Matches). Who knows, people may even stay at the college during weekends and perhaps even identify with Western.

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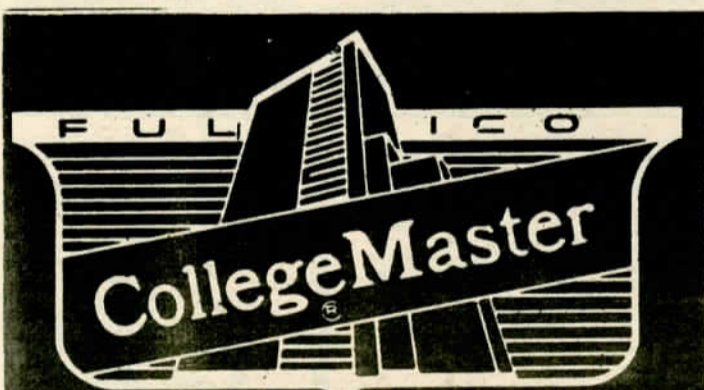
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Indian Drums

BY JOE GIAQUINTO

Two years ago this writer was annoyed because our baseball team wasn't allowed to use the gym. It seemed a girls' Intermural Badminton team was having a workout. Since one girl was present at the time, I became irritated. (At this particular time I couldn't understand why a girl's Intermural Badminton team was more important than a Varsity Baseball Team). As I watched this



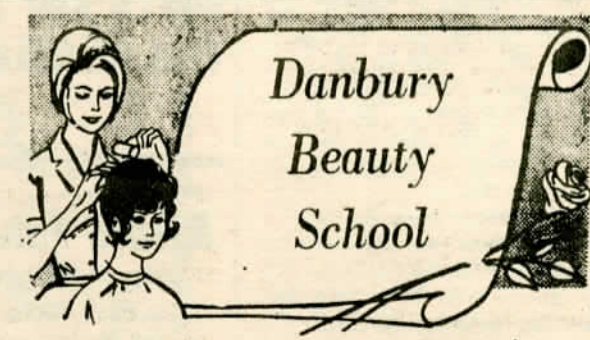
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From the Readers

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Anti-Stick

To the Editor:

Well now that we all know that peace is the goal of so many of our super conscientious students perhaps we can get back to the mundane task of schooling. But before we can settle the issue of peace at Wesconn, for at least another month that is, we must first eliminate the remnants of the last crusade, namely the abundance of stickers plastered all over the school proclaiming Nov. 14-15 to be the most peaceful days of the month, especially in Washington and San Francisco.

Peace is certainly an honorable goal but is it justification to deface the buildings of this college? Look around you and see how many of those stickers are hanging on everything -- even the doors of the Johns! Nothing is sacred! My point is that the stickers must be removed (they should never have been pasted on the walls in the first place) and that since the Committee to End the War is so quick to take credit for all the glorious actions of the peace demonstrators here at Wesconn it should also take credit (glorious or otherwise) for the mutilation of the people's college walls!

Therefore, I for one propose that the CEW man the razor blades and remove all of those stickers, unless of course they're waiting for those troops who they're bringing home from Vietnam to do the job for them!

Charles Raymond
(Ed. Note: Charlie: According to a reliable source CEW did not paste up the strike stickers to which you refer. We do agree, however, that those who put them up should be responsible for their removal.)

From a Pleased Reader

Dear Echo Staff:

If you will accept compliments from strangers living in foreign parts, I would like to tell you how much I have been enjoying reading the news and views from the Wesconn campus as presented in your lively publication. Last year I had often thought that possibly the root cause of so much of the deadness at Danbury was the lack of an interesting and literate newspaper to bind students together.

Although perhaps some aspects of the year may seem discouraging to you, I hope that you will accept the views of an outsider who says that things never looked better or more interesting, at least based on the evidence of this semester's Echo. Sure, there are only a dozen or so people turning out the paper, but that's usually so on any campus -- at least on the ones where I was a student. Sure, there are people shouting about the quality of this semester's paper; but the very fact that the Echo now has a readership alive and aware enough to shout, shows that this year's paper is an unprecedented success. Also, the large number of letters to the editor gives evidence of this.

When I was an editor of the paper in college, I held the record, I think, for making both students and administrators mad at me. We published twice a week and twice a week, sure as anything, I was summoned to appear before the Dean of Men. For a whole semester I got very little sleep and alienated many of my friends with my persistent requests for articles and news stories, but it was worth it. I hope that all of you find this semester to be the same.

From the viewpoint of an outsider, at least you're looking pretty good there, Echo! For the first time in three years, I'm actually reading the Echo with enjoyment.

Sincerely yours,
DOUGLAS REDEFER

(Editor's note: Last year, Mr. Redefer was a member of the English Department at Wesconn. Presently, he is living in Massachusetts and working on a novel and a collection of short stories.)

On the Fence

To the Editor:

It has been brought to my attention that certain residents in a local dorm consider the fence near the new library as an "eye sore."

Considering that several residents of the dorm may also fit the same category, it would be imprudent to fight fire with fire so I shall terminate that attack for one worth more weight.

That old "eye sore," that structure which hinders the advance of progress, is a venerable old land mark! There is little good reason for its destruction.

For one, it serves as a snow fence of sorts and prevents a certain amount snow from drifting, perhaps from drifting across the doorway of Fairfield Hall.

Furthermore, certain people around these parts may consider the structure as a work of art, constructed in by gone days to last ad infinitum. Structures of this kind are rarely built any more and the more we tear down, the more we advance the theory of planned destruction. That is a theory which is currently found in almost every industry today with the automobile industry making the most flagrant use of it.

One could make many more arguments for saving the fence but undoubtedly they would fall on blind eyes. Therefore, let it suffice to recall the words of St. Thomas Aquinas, who said that "beauty is in the eye of the beholder." So, you dorm beauties, please consider putting your own house in order before infringing upon the beauty of others.

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other big "first."

This makes their 97th consecutive "first." Surely you remember such grand epics as:
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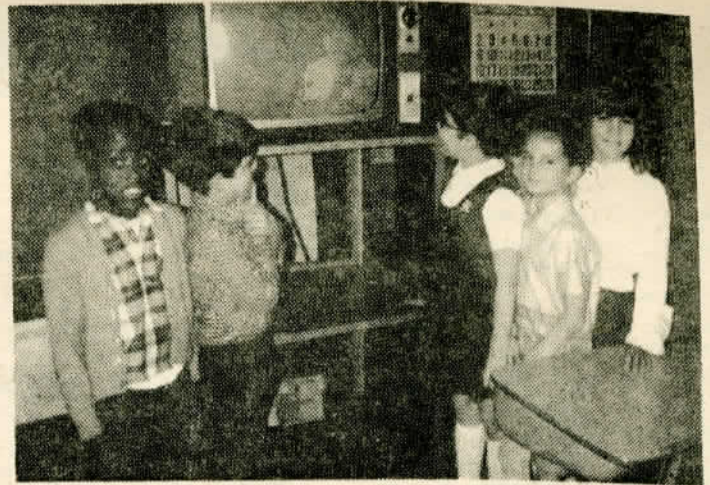
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Senior Tapes Classwork

Fourth grade students at Locust Avenue School celebrated Education Week last Wednesday by inviting parents to a video taped playback of recent student performances.

Mrs. Mabel Crozier, fourth grade teacher, and Antonia D. Aquanni, of Brewster, N.Y., senior elementary student at Western Connecticut State College, as part of fall student teaching programs at Locust Avenue School, arranged with the college television department to tape classroom techniques involving student teaching.

The television facilities of the college were made available under the supervision of George J. Theisen, director of audio-visual instruction and TV center, assisted by his associates Walter Lilly, assistant professor; David Allan, instructor; and Stanley Rome, assistant professor, who taped the students in the process of learning about the lives of explorers.



Left to right: Thomas Precia, David Pierce, Maria Manzano, Linda Ritchie, Angelica Mosco, fourth grade students at Locust Avenue School are shown observing a previously taped classroom session.

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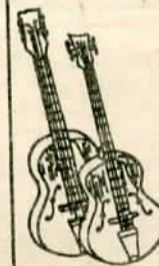
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by pamela kirk

"What do you want me to do -- throw myself in the garbage disposal and grind myself to death?"

Oscar Madison isn't worried about life. He isn't worried either about his alimony payments, which are four weeks overdue. Or his refrigerator that broke down two weeks ago. Or the dirty clothes, empty beer cans, and cigar butts covering the floors of his eight-room apartment. Oscar Madison isn't worried about much.

Except maybe his Friday night card games with the guys: "Will you please hold the cards up. I can't see where I marked them."

Or maybe what he serves for supper:

"What do you want, green sandwiches or brown sandwiches?"

"What's the green?"

"Either very old bread or very new cheese."

At any rate, what Oscar Madison does and the way he lives is ODD.

He makes up one-half of Neil Simon's THE ODD COUPLE, which must be one of the funniest plays I've ever seen.

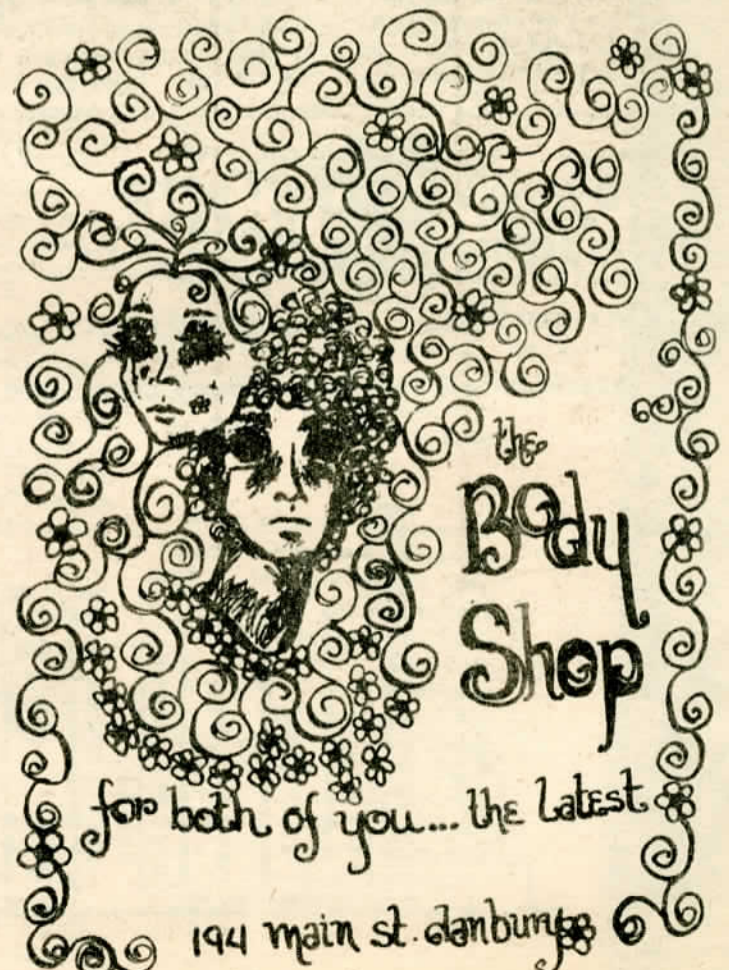
THE ODD COUPLE is being presented by The Redding Players at Bonner Playhouse in Redding, Connecticut at 8:30 p.m. for the next three weekends. Directing is Mr. W. Thomas Littleton, who ran last summer's Southbury Playhouse.

Tickets are cheap. For further information, directions, etc., see me, pamela kirk, box 1044.

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... the invention of the airplane by the Wrightanov Brothers.

... the invention of LSD by Doctory Timothy Learikovskl.
... the invention of everything else, by Vladimir Ilyich Lenin.

Smart people, those Russians. And devilishly inventive too. Now even Drake's oilwell has defected over to their side.



'Jimmy Shine' Glows

By Pamela Kirk

The Wesconn Dramatons opened their 1969-70 season with Murray Schisgal's "Jimmy Shine," proving once more that there is great talent among their members. Mr. Richard Reimold, in his third major directorial undertaking on this campus, again displayed his talent for creating a professional production.

The play itself was a difficult one, both for the actors and the audience, for it was comprised of many flashback scenes, performed in rapid succession. Thus it sometimes became unclear as to what was happening.

This problem was largely overcome, however, by the use of multilevel staging and changes in lighting. Although the transitions between scenes could have been more sharply defined, this is as much the fault of the playwright as anyone else.

What was more important than this point, though, was the fact that the actors accomplished a transition in their own characters. Not only the four major characters but the chorus members had to change ages and/or personality several times within the play. Each change was convincing, and every chorus member held their characterization throughout the scene, adding to the polish of the performance without detracting noticeably from the major action.

Filling the demanding title role, Cornelius Ivers created a thoroughly convincing Jimmy Shine -- a pathetic, appealing, sensitive failure. The greatest element of Mr. Ivers' performance was his ability to establish an atmosphere of extreme loneliness within the context of a play filled with vaudeville-type music and superficial humor. This underlying loneliness and desperation could have been lost had the part been performed differently, but due to Mr. Ivers' sensitive portrayal and underplaying of many lines, this central theme was

maintained

Mr. Ivers' sensitive performance was marred only by the fact that he sometimes failed to hold for laughs so that his lines were lost amidst the laughter.

The most professional performance was that of Marilyn Richards, playing the part of Elizabeth, Jimmy's childhood sweetheart. Of all the cast she most convincingly changed her age from grammar school age to late twenties. Excellent in all scenes, Miss Richards was most outstanding in her last scene, in which she showed the conflicting elements of Elizabeth's personality by making her hard and at the same time revealing her weaknesses and desperation.

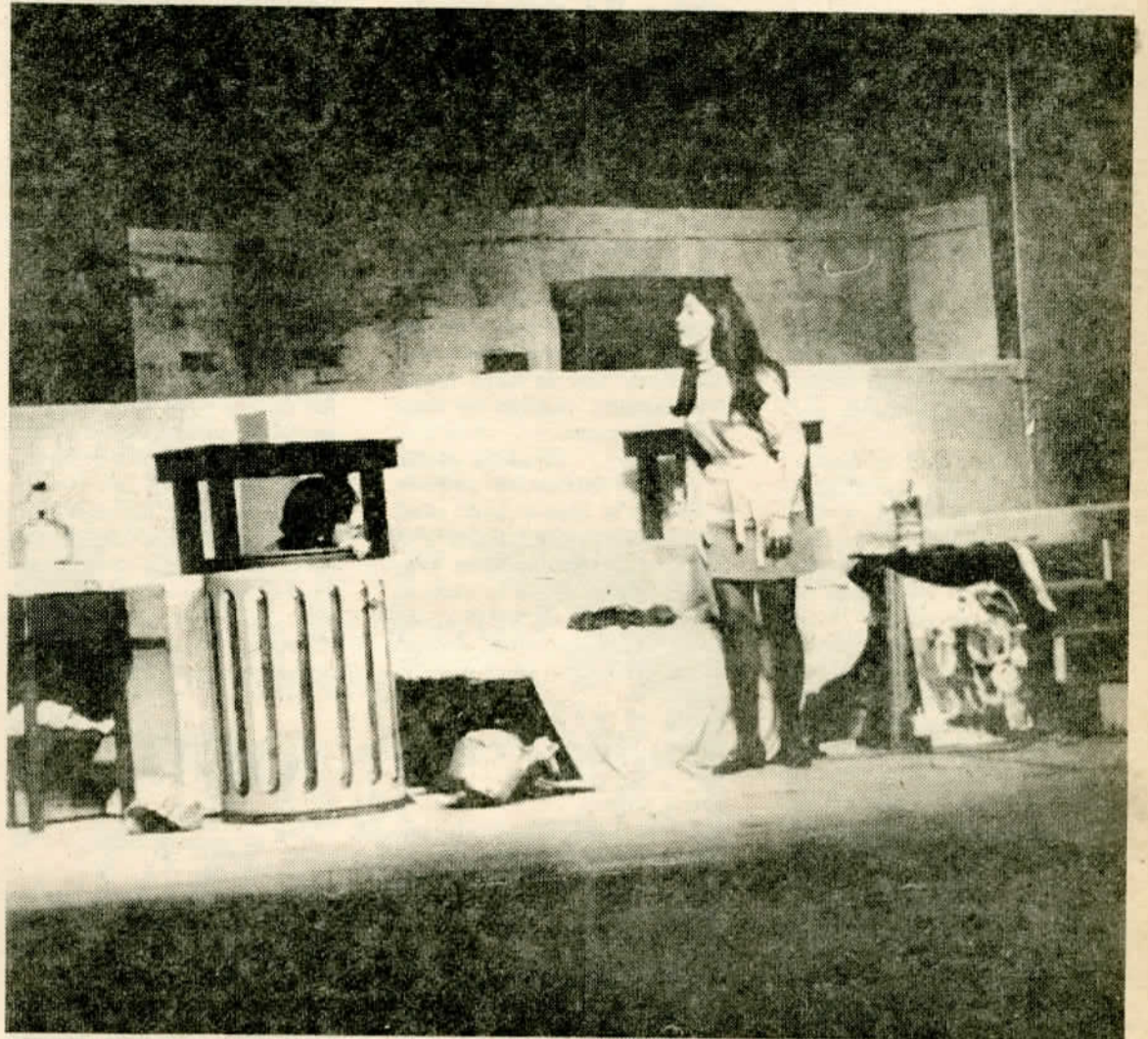
Rob Williams, as Jimmy's friend, Mike, also convincing in his role, added much to it with his movements and expressions which were often enough to draw laughter from the audience by itself.

Lulu Anderson was pretty right for the role of sweet, naive Connie. Although she didn't change her age quite as sharply as did Miss Richards, she was none-the-less very pleasing to watch.

Three of the minor characters -- Pat Zimmerman as Sally Weber, Bob Markham as Mr. Lepke, and Stan Zablocki as Lee Haines -- were excellent in their roles. Each brought a special quality to his own role which brought great applause for the small part he played.

Perhaps the most outstanding single feature of this play was the set, designed by Mr. Merle Lentz and built primarily by Mr. Lentz and Dave Johnson, stage manager of "Jimmy Shine." The set was beautifully designed and perfectly suited for a play with as many scenes as "Jimmy Shine."

The music scattered throughout the play was not only appropriate but also aided often in the transition of scenes. The original songs, composed by Dr. Robert Weirauch, were



Jimmy (played by Neil Ivers) and his girlfriend Elizabeth Evans (played by Marilyn Richards). (Photo by R. F. Weirauch)

bright and funny and were the best of the music in the play.

Honorable mention should also go to the lighting, which met very well the demands of the multilevel staging. The carnival scene was especially well

done.

As a total effect the play, despite what anyone thought of the script, had a great impact on those watching. Playing to a near-full auditorium all three

nights, the cast succeeded in drawing continuous laughter from the audience. If audience reaction determines theatrical success, then "Jimmy Shine" was a smash.

Bazaar to Benefit Scholarship Fund

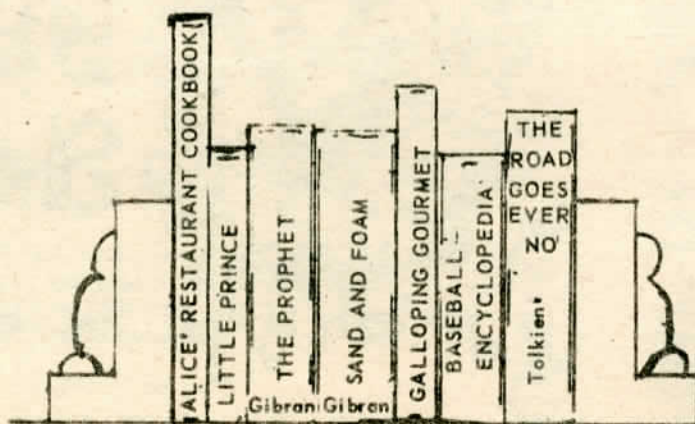
Handcraft and products from around the world will be sold at the Third Annual International Bazaar which is sponsored by the Faculty Wives Association. It is scheduled to be

held in the Fine Arts Lounge of the College Union this Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., December 3 and 4. Jewelry, metalwork, handweaving, sculpture, pottery and

leatherwork will be featured. Unicef games, calendars, and greeting cards will also be sold. Profits from the bazaar will benefit the Faculty Wives Association Scholarship Fund.

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