

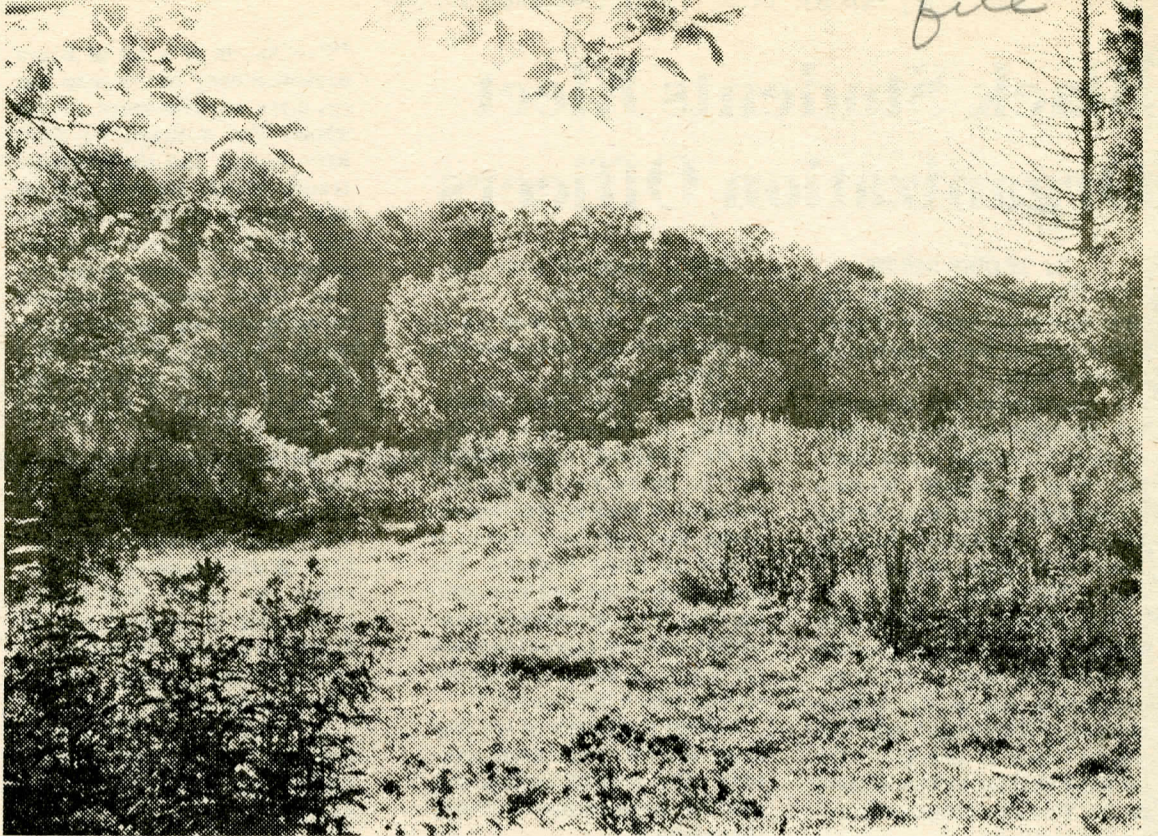
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Although the 252-acre Middle River property (and its \$1,100,000 price tag) was approved last Thursday by the state Bonding Commission as the site for our second campus, according to Mr. Arnold Hansen, Wesconn's Director of Planning and Development, at least one year of preliminary work will have to be done before the first buildings go up.

The future growth of the student body will have to be calculated so that problems resulting from traffic flow, parking, and sewage disposal, etc., can be taken into consideration when the final plans for the new campus are made. Space Utilization Analysis of New York and California is already conducting a survey to determine space needs for Wesconn's varied requirements.

As soon as this study is completed, a master planning firm, which is selected by the state Public Works Department, will incorporate the findings of the New York firm with the information gathered in a feasibility study of the site which has already been done by Genovese Associates. Final plans for the layout of our "Country Campus" will then be formulated.

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Parking Situation Acute Car Pool Suggested

Wesconn's Security Force, acutely aware of the campus parking crisis, issued an appeal today to commuters and faculty asking them to form car pools whenever possible. "Although this might cause some inconvenience for the individuals involved, it is the only logical way to alleviate the parking problem at this time," said Mr. Nardi.

Several other proposals were suggested and rejected for one reason or another. A few of them were:

1. Open up the area around White Hall for student parking.

"We would be very happy to let students park around White Hall," the security officer answered, "but we cannot allow them to do so because that building has not been turned over to the college yet and the surrounding land is still owned

by the contractor. Under the terms of his contract, he has use of all this land."

Mr. Nardi went on to explain that the contractor did grant the college permission to use the area along the fence for faculty parking because of the sizable amount of space they lost behind Higgins Hall. However, he does need the space behind White Hall for his own people and for an unloading zone when he receives truckloads of material.

2. Let us park on the Library lawn.

"Before we could allow anyone to park on the library lawn, it would have to be paved, and a project of this magnitude must be approved in Hartford and put out for bid. It is unlikely that we would get immediate action, and if the project were approved, it would not make room for any more than

25 cars," our security officer replied.

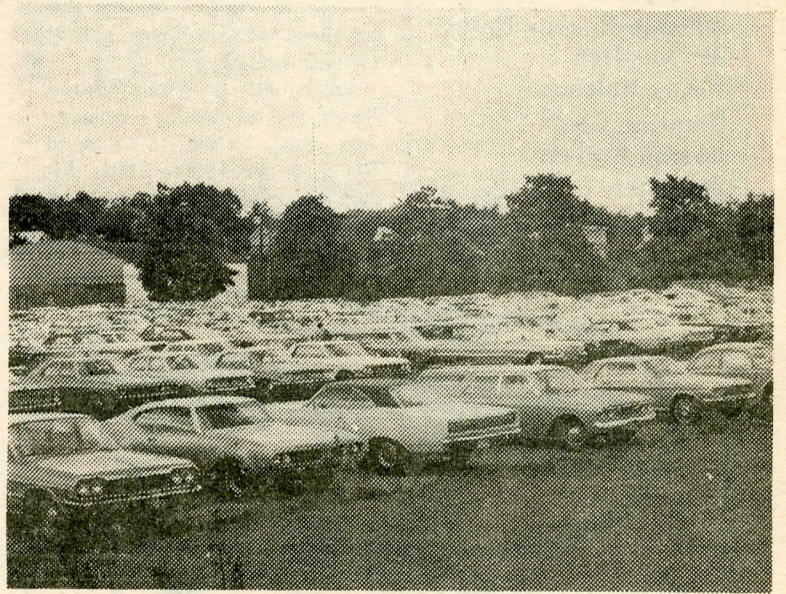
3. Allow students to use the parking lot across White Street.

Mr. Nardi answered that this lot was already in use. "Many faculty members have parking places in this particular lot and about 20 spaces must be reserved at all times for visitors to the college and guests of the administration."

4. Tear down the houses the college owns on Eighth Avenue and use that area for a parking lot.

This proposal was rejected because the college would have to evict the people who are living in these houses before it could have them torn down. This is a 6-month process at the very least. Again, the college would run into the same problem that we encountered with the library lawn proposal. The state would have to approve the demolition and the work would have to be put out for public bid. Therefore, a parking lot on 8th Avenue is not to be counted on in the near future.

5. Park on the city streets. "Lack of adequate parking facilities on campus has forced many students to leave their



PIC of parking lot

cars on the surrounding city streets," Mr. Nardi admitted. "This is not too bright an idea," he observed. He went on to explain that local merchants are concerned about lack of customers' parking spaces and area home owners are unable to find parking places in front of their own homes. Usually the city ordinance which calls for a maximum of 2-hours parking on city streets is not too strictly enforced unless it is being abused as it's being abused here.

"This is why so many unhappy students find tickets hung on their cars," Mr. Nardi con-

tinued; "this is the reason we feel that car pools are so necessary.

He also reminded all drivers to cooperate in keeping the crosswalks clear so that our handicapped students can cross the street without unnecessary difficulty.

The department also announced that it will not require bumper stickers for entry into the parking lots until October 1. After that time, the campus parking lots will be closed to any car which does not bear a sticker. This announcement applies to students and faculty.

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Black Students Elect Organization Officers

by TEDDIE SMITH

On February 27, 1969, the first meeting of the Afro-American Organization was held in the Conatus Room.

A constitution was drawn up, and the following officers were elected: President, Linda Martin; Vice President, Michael Richardson; Secretary, Joanne Pankey; Treasurer, Patricia Johnson; Sergeant of Arms, Robert Williams.

This school year, the Black organization has every intention of becoming very active in the community and on the college campus. There wasn't any "Oh! You're going to join too." We all knew that each Black student on the Wesconn campus was expected to attend.

Meetings are held twice a month in the Conatus Room. A tentative calendar reveals that already the organization is getting together. There will be:

1. Black conferences.
2. Dances
3. High School Day-recruiting

Black students from the Connecticut area.

4. Tutoring Black students at Breakthrough Harambee on a Volunteer basis.

The aim of the Black Organization at Wesconn, as stated by its President, Linda Martin, is "To strive for better communication among ourselves as a group and gain recognition at school as Black students. The goal of the organization in dealing with the community is to establish a better rapport between the Black students at Wesconn and the Black community."

I spoke with a few of the students and got many varied opinions. The overall opinion was that the organization is "very necessary."

Sandy McGarrah says, "It's the only thing which we can associate with without feeling funny and looking funny."

"It's needed," stated Chris Parks. Chris also felt that there should be more male leadership within the organization.

"I've known of a lot of Black organizations, and a man can get more and give more. On the whole, I'm militant. We don't have enough and the administration should see to it that we have enough for the kind of action which should prevail on this campus from a Black organization. Black students should not be recruited just for their academic qualities, but for what they can do for the school, for instance sports. I would like to help the school."

Our well-known Jackie Davis states: "We're going to get Wesconn together this year. The Black students aren't members of other organizations because we don't feel a part. Everything is oriented for the European society. Take, for example, the campus dances. Where is the soul?"

It looks as if Wesconn is going to see a great deal of change in many areas from everyone.

B.O.G. News

Social Activities in Planning Stage

By MARCIA L. FORSELL

The Board of Governors held its first meeting of the new semester on Tuesday, Sept. 16. The meeting was called to order with Faculty Advisors Dr. Isham and Mr. Leopold attending, as well as eight Board Members and Mr. Alexander, Director. The Board would like to announce that five members have volunteered to be chairmen of various BOG committees. They are: sophomore Jan Kirsten, Cultural Committee; senior Amy DeLucia, House Committee; Darlene Oncea, Research and Evaluation Committee; and Kathy Walsh (a new member of the Board and a junior at Western) for the Recreation Committee. This last appointment should create a new image for the game room!!! Pamela Hooper volunteered to act as liaison between the BOG and the SGA again for this, her senior year.

Mr. Alexander, capable and never-run-downable Director of the Student Union, announced that the popular film, "Planet of the Apes", has been secured for Wesconn viewing on Oct. 3.

will return about 11:30 p.m. Tickets, at the student discount rate, will cost \$2 each. Anyone interested (even if they don't have a car) should contact Pamela Kirk, Box 1044, Phone: 354-0379.

Events to take place in the future include: more great movies ("My Little Chickadee", starring W.C. Fields), film lectures (Ray Green discussing Russia vs. China), dances (one for Halloween on Oct. 31), and coffee houses, both professional and non. Fontilla, of the "Coffee Cream and Sugar" will be the first attraction of the Iron Door Coffeehouse in mid-October.

Mr. Leopold brought up the interesting suggestion of having the BOG sponsor cultural trips to such places as the Cloisters on the Hudson. This suggestion will be under the consideration of the BOG Social Committee, so if any person has a special interest in such a project, please contact us in the Directors office of the Union.

For the new freshmen, we wish to announce again that the color television is free for anyone's use during the day and evening in Conference Room A of the Student Union (second floor).

Another facility which the frosh might not be aware of (and some upperclassmen too, I guess) is that Wesconn has a beautiful new set of stereo equipment free for the student's use at any time. Anyone may use this equipment after attending one of the many training sessions to be set up in the near future. The Stereo or Listening Room is directly across from the Director's Office on the second floor of Memorial Hall. Ric Nugent and Charles Veilleux will conduct these short training sessions.

The BOG would like to announce that there are places on the Board for one more sophomore and two freshmen. Applications are waiting (in the Director's Office) for any interested student who would like to represent his class on the BOG. The first BOG meeting closed with the announcement that the Board will meet every other Tuesday evening at 7:30 p.m.

Antigone vs State

At Central State

The Treteau de Paris, an acting group, will be at Welte Hall, Central Connecticut State College on Wednesday, Oct 15, at 8 p.m. to present "Antigone" of Jean Anouilh, in French.

Rave notices have appeared in the Philadelphia Enquirer: "Antigone in French Surmounts Barrier, Enthralls Audience;" in the Sydney Morning Herald, Australia: "If, like me, you have only schoolboy French still go -- if you love the theatre -- for the finest of companies, playing in another language, is a poor substitute for a French company speaking its own language."

A reading of Anouilh's "Antigone" in English or French will also help before entering the audience. Nor will it be amiss to review the story of Antigone in a good encyclopedia or mythology as well as reading the ancient play.

General admission is \$2.50 while student admission is \$1.50. See Dr. Uhl or Mr. Dobsevege to reserve tickets.

New Latin Course Added

The Foreign Languages Department announces that Wesconn is now offering a Latin course for beginners or those who have forgotten the little bit of Latin they learned in high school. The purpose of this course is to introduce the stu-

dent to Latin literature while he or she is learning the language.

Three points are stressed in the course: one, translation from Latin to English; two, translation from English to Latin; and three, the oral or direct method of teaching by answering questions in Latin. After the fifth week of class, nearly all reading selections will be taken from original Latin works. These cover a wide range of authors and include poetry as well as prose.

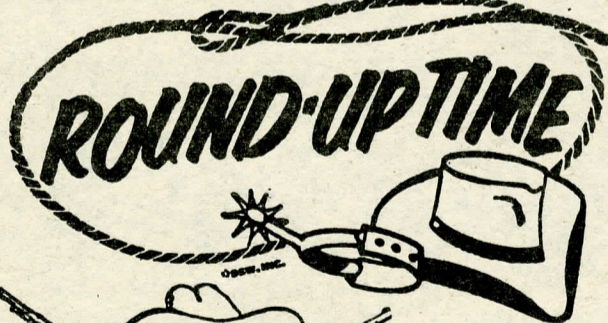
The Foreign Language Department would like to have its majors and minors study Latin, and certainly this language is of use to English majors and all those with a "mica salis" in their veins.

Latin 001 is being offered this term on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 2 p.m. in Room 8, Berkshire Hall. All are welcome. The teacher is Mr. Alvin P. Dobsevege.

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The groups will be leaving from the student parking lot at approximately 7:30 p.m. and

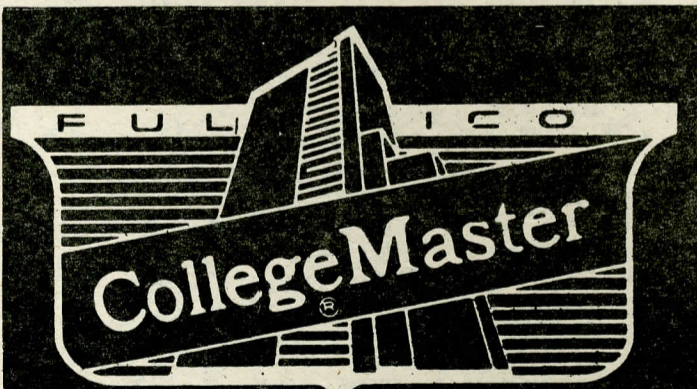
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From the Desk - - -

Getting Together

You've all read about the Woodstock Music and Arts Festival where over 400,000 people united to turn a would-be disaster into a massive success. You've also heard the Youngblood's plea for discarding egoism in favor of mutuality in their single, "Get Together."

These are only two examples of a growing movement among today's youth to bring about togetherness--self becomes secondary.

Since a majority of you at Wescon are non-campus residents, we feel that this plea is especially relevant. Spending time with your fellow students helps to ease the "burden of the books." Making campus life more enjoyable for all requires participation by all in campus activities and discussions.

It demands togetherness.

Vietnam Moratorium

On October 15, students and faculty are urged to put aside their "everyday work," leave their classrooms, and engage in the more important task of explaining to their fellow Americans the utter absurdity of the Vietnam War.

The Moratorium Committee, based in Washington, D.C., is staffed with veterans of the Kennedy and McCarthy campaigns who feel that the doorbell ringing technique, bolstered by organized efforts of businessmen, clergymen, and labor, will be extremely effective.

"Ending the war in Vietnam is the most important task facing the American nation."

This is the opening statement of a student call for the Vietnam moratorium which was signed by nearly 500 college student body presidents and campus newspaper editors.

We support the call and the campaign. We urge the students and faculty of Western Connecticut State College to organize their co-workers and neighbors to work actively against the war.



**READERS' COLUMN
Footloose?**

To the Editor:

A recent edict from the hierarchy of this institution has advised that not wearing shoes may be hazardous to one's health.

To the true nature child this may come as a traumatic shock which may have serious repercussions in his later academic career. This edict, trivial as it may seem to the majority of students, just may be the proverbial straw which breaks the camel's proverbial.

The repressive nature of the edict is self evident. It is no more than another arbitrary manifestation of power issued by those who have always worn shoes in order to force conformity upon those who do not.

How can free thinkers exer-

cise their mental abilities without free feet? This is not to insinuate that covering their feet may cover their thinking apparatus but there does seem to be some sort of close relationship between the thinking center and that part of the anatomy which smells.

With all due respects
Buster Brown

(Ed. Note: Buster we suggest you climb back into your shoe with Tige.)

A Letter of Thanks

Letter to the Editor:

I extend my thanks to all the 70 students and many faculty members who served as leaders during Orientation Week. Nine hundred new students met with these leaders. I think their accomplishments rank high, and I know there is much appreciation felt by these new students as they now are making their way in the many and varied campus programs.

The work accomplished during Orientation Week is an excellent example of the benefits possible when concerned people direct their energies to an important task. It was my privilege to be associated with this splendid effort.

Harold R. Burke
Dean of Students Affairs

New Lounge

To the Editor:

No longer need Wesconn weekends be dull. A spacious lounge has come into being in the basement of White Hall. With a few added accessories, it could be a real asset to our school. A juke box and several pairs of swinging feet are all that are needed to create a lively scene,

Sincerely yours,
Georgia Asmar.

(Ed. Note: Good Idea! We suggest you talk to Mr. Hansen, our director of planning and development.)

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Tino Exhibit is Arresting

Reviewed by Fred Ball
Written by Judy Ball

If you have not taken time to stop by the student lounge to view the exhibit by Kristine and Guido Tino, you are depriving yourself of an interesting and enjoyable experience. Mrs. Tino, whose works have been shown in Litchfield, Danbury, Boston, Middletown, and Torrington, is exhibiting at Wesconn for the second time. Mr. Tino, who is relatively new to the art field, but not to Wesconn (he is night manager of the Student Union), won awards for his photography this summer at the Winchester Grange Fair. His works have also been accepted for the New Haven Festival of Arts.

This particular exhibit is marked by a strong impression of individuality - the result of a unique combination of bright color, and varied media, and form. There are three basic

motifs present in these works exhibited: animals, "Landscapes," and calligraphy.

Animals are depicted impressionistically with great range of material and color. There is, especially in this motif, a "fantastic" use of color. This is exemplified by the horse which is on the left wall as one enters the room. (There are no titles or numbers present by which to identify the works.) The back portion of the horse, from his chest to his tail is black, while the remainder of the horse is a blaze of brilliant color. A white background completes this work, which is the best in the show.

The various landscapes, seascapes, and other scenic works also display a striking use of color. On the whole, however, these pieces are more conventional and are of lesser interest than the other two motifs.

This reviewer was especially

impressed with the use of calligraphy as a compositional art form, and considers this motif the best in the show. Calligraphy is the art of lettering, and as such, is often ignored as an art form. Viewers are apt to be more concerned with the meaning of the letters rather than with the visual appreciation of the work. In these works, however, the lettering is used successfully, creating a balance, and tone which are conducive to appreciating the work as a whole. You should not miss seeing these pieces.

Also included in the show is a pleasing handicraft exhibit consisting of small articles of pottery and wood constructs. Most works exhibited are for sale and information concerning their purchase can be obtained by contacting Guido Tino in the Director's Office of the Student Union.

Just A Minute

By JACK BOYCE

Parts of a column recently published by John Chamberlain in the Boston Herald Traveler are worth your notice, I think. Commenting on student protest movements and the role of the government in education, Mr. Chamberlain noted. . . "In Soviet Russia, where education is wholly a state function, they are apparently having even worse troubles than the Western nations in getting value for whatever goes into the educational budget.

"... translations from Soviet periodicals bear on the Communist troubles with undergraduates who consider that books are to be avoided.

"What Price a Diploma?" asks V. Tomilov, an instructor at the Tselinograd Agricultural Institute, in a typically despairing article in the Young Communist. The Russian student. . . costs the government 990 rubles a year which pays for free tuition, the free use of libraries, reduced transportation rates, and a guarantee of a job in the student's chosen field when he finishes his schooling.

"In spite of this help, however, the number of students who fail increases annually. Worse. . . the students who manage to remain in the secondary schools have been making a cult of the 'passing grade'. Mediocrity is the goal, and Soviet educators are complaining about it all over the country.

"There is no financial nor career-oriented reason for the Russian student to get more than the minimum passing marks, for those who graduate with a rating of excellent receive no preferential treatment when they are assigned to jobs. The delinquent student, however, can count on something that amounts to a preferential reward for just skimming through. . . many Soviet articles bear titles such as 'Is the Concept of an Average Student Valid?'

"In a socialist country, where everybody lives on public funds, IT CAN BE DEATH TO USE THE FINANCIAL WHIP ON PEOPLE. Nevertheless, Dr. Tomilov. . . wants (to) make students 'financially responsible for the quality of their work and for the discipline of the academic process.'

"... in a poll of 800 students, only three percent claimed they exerted themselves to the utmost, and 47 per cent admitted to putting forth no great effort."

"From the U.S. standpoint, in a world in which countries are engaged in a Darwinian struggle to survive, it is comforting to know that the Soviets seem to have all the troubles we have.

"J. Edgar Hoover is worried about the growth of crime in America, but a Russian, Panas V. Fedenko, writes that despite 'socialist construction' lawlessness is increasing in the Soviet Union 'at an alarming rate.' Evidently, it is no more enviable to be a 'pig' (i.e., a cop) or a professor under Communism than it is under capitalism. It may be even more disillusioning, for the socialists have been promising us Utopia."

Those who claim the United States and Soviet Russia are moving closer together may be righter than we think. And for those looking for an answer for the student unrest in this country: according to the above students don't perform well in a socialist society. Could there be a clue there?

Wurdz & Muzik

If you are a typical college student, and we assume you are, you have precious little time to spend on outside reading. But we are aware that periods occur when you could take your entire stock of college reading matter and gleefully burn it. Such periods of mental overtaxation often lead to a sense of frustration and bitterness towards teachers who assign heavy studyloads.

So what do you do about it? Well. . . you go to the movies (assuming you can afford it and can get transportation); or you shop in downtown Danbury (which is an experience in itself); or you go to somebody's party and get smashed (which has yet to solve a problem); or you smoke pot (which creates the problems you are drinking to forget).

Don't these alternatives sound exciting? Aren't they just too damn thrilling? If you don't agree, read on. For all the hippies, socialites, and other serious students out there - stop right here! Read no further.

Now that we are free of the excess baggage, let us continue. . . there are several first-rate bookstores in town (which just about gives away our thoughts in the matter) readily accessible to you. And these various bookstores carry inexpensive paperbacks in all fields. Our solution (do we have to spell it out for ya?) is to read more - but make that reading of an altogether different nature.

If you're tired of all the sociology, psychology, scientology, and philosophy - read mysteries, westerns, gothics, or science fiction. A little escapism from academic pressures never hurt anybody. And what a burden it removes from the collegiate shoulders!

This is the only apologia we make for this continuous column. If you're the type that

can sit alone in a room and stare at four blank walls, fine! The study of blank walls has been sorely neglected in the past. For the rest of you. . .

Edwin O'Connor's first novel, THE ORACLE, was not a great work. Nor was it an enduring masterpiece, for it dealt with the out-dated subjects of radio and radio personalities. But it remains a finely-drawn, satirical probe into the lives of several colorful people. This is what makes reading THE ORACLE a memorable experience.

Of O'Connor's later novels, THE LAST HURRAH, I WAS DANCING, and EDGE OF SADNESS, at least one inspired a cinematic version. And there is no reason why THE ORACLE, should not likewise have precipitated a film. But it didn't, though Lord-knows-why. THE ORACLE has all the ingredients of a box-office smash.

Christopher Usher is the leading character: a radio commentator and hypocritical bastard. His shaky control over five million radio listeners seems to prove (to him, at least) that a former sportswriter and all-round "little man" can wield awesome powers.

There are other assorted characters, all revolving around the dear Mr. Usher. Included are: Meredith, ever-faithful wife; Lura, sometimes faithful mistress; Bernie Udolpho, senile radio sponsor; General Blackburn, hawk extraordinaire, Adam Flair and Chris' father-in-law, two voices of sanity in a sea of bedlam. Believe us, the list goes on.

Usher's tenuous relationship with wife and friends comes to a splintering impasse at the turning point in the book, when the question arises: will Mr. Udolpho renew Chris' contract and give him an uncalled for raise? For once in his life, the boastful Usher is not sure of himself -- and neither are his friends. For the final solution, you'll have to dig into the book yourself. . .

Read it. At the very least, THE ORACLE represents 208 pages of momentary escapism from the rather dull realities of everyday life. At its best, THE ORACLE is an updated American version of Camus' THE FALL.

C.V.

Where to look for the book: Wesconn or Danbury Public Library; or Scotty's, Book Ends, Book & Stamp (as a Bantam paperback, 1965).

CRINGE

By AL WALTERS

Our sympathy to those dumb drivers who haven't yet realized that this year's parking stickers go on the right side of their cars which (the Office of Student Affairs informs us) is the passenger's side as you look from the inside outside. Dummies! With instructions that clear, you still blundered. Aren't you all ashamed?

Speaking of putting things in their proper places, is it true that the Student Union's TV has been moved into Conference Room A so that Father Morgan can watch the sermonette?

Strange things are happening in that union. SGA President Karen Burns was a little (?) upset because some stupid idiot (who probably didn't know any better) walked into the SGA Room, grabbed some copies of the new "Smoke Signals", and passed them out before Miss Burns gave her OK.

What this little episode really proves is that there are too many keys to the SGA Room floating around. (What are you going to do about that, Mr. Nardi?)

While we're on the subject of security, have ya'll noticed that this campus is crawling with blue (or should we say grey) uniforms? It's getting so a kid can't even park illegally anymore.

Speaking of parking, the ed just told me to go park myself elsewhere. Guess I'll wander over next door and see what Bob Wilson of WSCT isn't doing.

Interlinguals

To Meet Tonight

By JUNE HEID

The first meeting of the Interlingual Society, Wesconn's foreign language club, will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 23, at 7:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Lounge of the Student Union.

Mr. Dever, of Wesconn's Foreign Languages Department, is one of the scheduled speakers, who will discuss their personal experiences in various European countries. Slides will be shown and refreshments will be served. So, come and see what's new around the world!

'Welcome' Freshmen

By GWEN SOLMER

Dr. Ruth A. Haas, President of Western Connecticut State College greeted the incoming class of 1973 with a speech which one could not consider a truly warm welcome. The speech, intended to establish a rapport with the new class, failed to do so. "You are engaged in a serious business", Dr. Haas told the Freshmen, then she proceeded to tell the assembly that extreme styles of dress, sloppiness, a "slouchy" attitude, use of narcotics and other forms of behavior which they may have engaged in at their former schools would not be condoned or tolerated by the administration of Western Connecticut State College. This is offensive to the High Schools from which these students are coming, and would not be pleasing to the teachers and administrators of those schools who are proud that their students have selected Wesconn to continue their education. There is no place in a welcome for warnings and threats.

The address had as its purpose the prevention of disruption, discord, and disorder which does not, and never has appeared imminent among the majority of Wesconn students. Legal infractions and extremes of dress and behavior involve

a scarcely visible minority of students. The warning and threats of swift punishment insulted every serious minded person present. When problems exist, they exist on an individual basis and should be treated as such.

Dr. Haas, in a bulletin mailed to all students, had stressed the availability of counseling, of ready administrative ears, and of avenues of communications open to students. Faculty advisors, a student government and understanding college deans have always been available to students with valid complaints or desires for assistance. Why is there suddenly a great emphasis on establishing a "peaceful coexistence" between the administration and students when one already exists? The majority of Wesconn students are not radicals and would sincerely resent and protest any attempt at the disruption of classes or campus life. Why fan the flames before the match is lit or before the match is produced? If complaints may be heard and considered, there is no need for disruption. Dr. Haas concluded with the discouraging remark, "I would like to feel I could hand a diploma to every one of you", with the implication that a number would not be able to complete a successful four years. Are these students ad-

mitted with the intent of assistance and encouragement?

Dr. F. Burton Cook followed with a speech in which he made a few valid and important points, any of which, used positively rather than in the negative manner employed, would have made an informative as well as thought-provoking address.

Dr. Cook touched upon the individual differences of professors, the choice of a major and career, the importance of evaluative testing and the aims of a college education. Again, as in Dr. Haas' address, Dr. Cook made no one statement which could be quoted as an expression of policy or conviction. The speech left us with a bitter taste that the administration frequently considers its students as immature and irresponsible rather than an asset, and that a maturity can be attained only through strict adherence to college-approved standards. This is simply not true.

To this point we have done what most critics and many educators do. We have criticized but not told what might have been done in its place. In short, we feel that stating the issues in positive rather than negative terms would have done much to make the speeches achieve the rapport between the administration and the students which this writer feels is necessary and desired by both groups.



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S.G.A. News

Elections Oct. 3rd

By RICHARD ERICKSON

It was recently announced by the Student Government Association that an election will be held Oct. 3 to fill positions which are now vacant. The positions open are for seven freshmen senators and two alternates, four sophomore senators and two alternates, one junior alternate, and the post of assistant treasurer. Also, because David Jewett had to resign for personal reasons, the Vice Presidential post will be up for election. Petitions can be found in the Director's Office. They must be turned in by 6 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 24 to either Art Sarnecky or the Union Office. The elections are scheduled all day Friday, Oct. 3, outside the bookstore.

The Food Committee of the

SGA has been divided into two sub-committees. The Commuter Sub-committee concerns itself with the snack bar and the candy and food machines. The other sub-committee is concerned solely with the cafeteria's Food Plan. Mary Lou Williams is the Commuter Committee Chairman and also overall chairman. No Food Plan Chairman has been appointed.

The budget announcements for the campus clubs will be made by the end of the week. Announcements were not available before this time because budgeting was done on the basis of a student ratio and the exact number of students was not known.

The Who's Who Committee is at work under the direction of Sharon Krenitsky, who also happens to be Political Rules Chairman for the SGA.

This year, the student handbook, "Smoke Signals", was printed up for the entire student body. The booklets will be distributed as soon as the mailing lists are complete.

By GWEN SOLMER

Entering freshmen were treated during Orientation Week to a tour of the new Ruth A. Haas Library as part of the week's activities. Each of the 25 groups met individually in the lobby, then visited the lower level to view the periodical section and lastly toured the second floor study areas.

As the students entered the library lobby on the first floor, a librarian acting as a tour guide pointed out the student lounge where students may meet friends or relax. No smoking is allowed in this lounge although students may smoke in a lounge on the second floor. In the first floor lounge hangs a portrait of Dr. Ruth A. Haas, college President, which was donated as a gift by the Class of 1968. Also in this area is a gray copying machine which students may use to copy materials which are not to be removed from the building.

At the rear of the lobby is the library card catalog. Freshmen were informed that the library presently houses 100,000 books, arranged by two systems of classification. The books found on the mezzanine are catalogued by the Dewey Decimal System while volumes on the second floor are arranged by the Library of Congress system.

The mezzanine holds most of the books in the library. Catalogue numbers on the mezzanine shelves are visible to anyone standing in the library lobby. Record albums and play-back equipment can be found at the rear of the mezzanine. Foreign language books are also located in this area.

Books in circulation are to be withdrawn for four weeks. Books may not be renewed after this period, and a five cents-a-day late fee is charged for overdue books.

On the first floor at the rear of the lobby is the vertical file.

Here, new materials not yet printed in book form are available for general use. When such information appears in a volume, it is removed from the vertical file. In this same area are very old materials. Also, there are cabinets of pictures which are of use to Nature of Man and art students.

At the front of the library one finds the area where books are charged out. Here also is the reserved book section where books placed on reserve by course instructors may be obtained.

The Freshmen then visited the lower level of the library which houses the periodical department. There they learned that current issues of magazines are found on the display shelves which are arranged alphabetically. Recent back issues may be obtained easily by lifting up the shelf to reveal a storage compartment. Older issues are stacked alphabetically on shelves around the floor. On a work table in the center of the room is the magazine file which contains a list of all the magazines to which the library subscribes.

Also on the lower level are the cabinets which house the collection of microfilm tapes. Issues of the New York Times are available on tape back to the first printing in 1851. Also available are tapes of the Danbury News Times, the Hartford Courant, and many but not all of the issues of the London Times. "Readers" for the microfilm tapes are located in a separate room on the lower level. Also on that floor are the Reader's Guide indexes, college catalogs, and pamphlets printed by the United States Printing Office in Washington, D.C. Congressional records and state papers are also found here. The tour guide emphasized that none of these materials may leave the library building.

For the last part of their tour, the Freshmen visited the second floor study area which contains individual study carrels and work tables. Located on this floor is a lounge where students may meet informally to smoke and converse. The lounge is located next to the typing room. Several typewriters are presently available here for student use and extra tables are furnished for students bringing their own

portable machines. Lavatories are also located on this floor.

Books on the second floor are arranged by the Library of Congress catalog system. Here are found juvenile books, both fiction and non-fiction. There is a music room for listening to tapes and records with head sets, with accommodations for 32 people. Twelve different programs may be played simultaneously. There are also two small rooms where no head sets are needed.

The third floor houses the Curriculum Center. This is presently in use on a limited schedule only. Student teachers and students in the education programs may attend sessions here with their professors. This section is presently open only in the mornings. If students need materials from this section, they are urged to see Dr. Toporowski or other faculty members of the education department.

Mr. Blaisdell, the Head Librarian, informed us that in the future, Wesconn students may utilize a closed circuit television facility, not yet completed at the present time. Video tapes, audio tapes, motion picture tapes and television programs broadcast on commercial stations will eventually be available for viewing or listening in select study carrels located on each floor, equipped with television and head sets.

Doris Rourke of the staff is presently a reference librarian. She is available for help in locating specific books or information. In the future there will be a reference desk in the lower level for assistance with the periodicals, their indexes, federal documents and similar materials.

Miss Inez Hess, Head of Circulation, and members of her staff can answer questions concerning the borrowing of books, the payment of fines for overdue books, and the use of reserved books. Miss Carol Brook is also a circulation librarian while Mrs. Rosabelle Warner is available during the evenings for those who need such information.

Mr. Blaisdell and his staff are pleased with the new library and extend their welcome to all students. Anyone having any questions concerning obtaining books or library policies is urged to consult one of the staff members.

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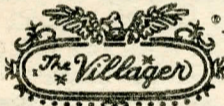
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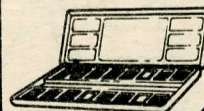
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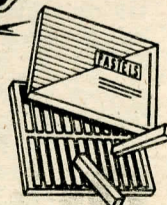
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WAA News

September Events Announced

By Marcia Forsell
The September Activities for the Women's Athletic Association are briefly as follows: Cheerleading, Soccer, Tennis, Field Hockey, Hiking, Golf, Swimming, and planning for October activities. Anyone interested in any of these activities should contact any teacher in the PE department, and he will promptly be directed to the proper person.

Secondly I would like to introduce the officers of the WAA for this year. They are as follows: Bernice Jackowski, President; Pat O'Neill, Vice-President; Sandy Higgins, Secretary; and Joan Crosley, Treasurer. Michelle Pepin is the Publicity Secretary for this year, and Betty Bouclier is head of the Points and Awards System. All these girls have been very active in past WAA activities, and the year promises to be a full and exciting one under their direction.

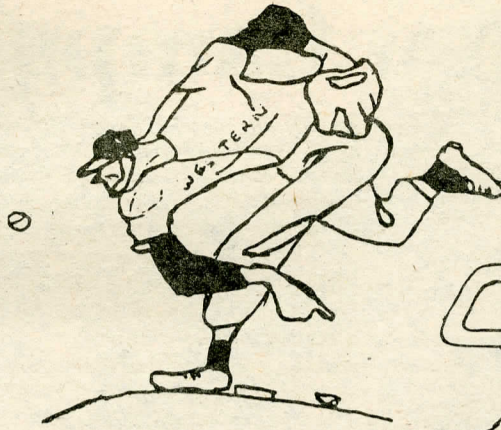
Cheerleading Sports Head Joan Crosley would like any girls who are interested in this program to watch for signs regarding it. Practices and try-outs will begin soon.

Bernice Jackowski has already begun plans for the Annual Fall WAA Overnight to be held in early October. Keep this in mind, for the Weekends are experiences never to be missed or forgotten. The food is great, the atmosphere is relaxing (although there have been nights when we froze to death),

and any girl is invited to partake. She will be glad she did. If you would like to help Bernice, contact her through Miss Howells of the PE department.

New - teacher-to-Wesconn, Miss Hoferek, announces that intramural soccer teams should start forming soon, before it gets to dark to play. We play after dinner, and any group of girls may get together to form a team. Give team names to Miss Hoferek or any PE teacher.

Miss Bascom is tickled pink to announce that twenty-five eager young girls have come out for the Intercollegiate Field Hockey Team. Practices are whenever you can make them, but preferably between the hours of 4 to 6 any day Monday through Friday. This will be the last mention of the Intercollegiate Sport under WAA news in this column. This reporter has been informed that the WAA and the Varsity for women have now become separate, so I will have to start another column for the Echo. (How many columns will that make now, Karen?). Our first Intercollegiate game will be held on October 13th at Southern Conn. State College. Girls watch the bulletin boards outside of the Men's Locker Room (not the men, please) for notices about such great activities as Dance, Archery, Golf, Swimming, Horsebackriding, and tennis. We have them all, and all are welcome to them.



SPORTS

SPORTS EDITORS: JERRY DiPIETRO - MARCIA FORSELL

March Shines in Potato Classic



Matie March - boots both for tournament win.

MARCH SHINES IN POTATO CLASSIC

by Jerry Di Pietro

After scoring a second-half goal to tie the game, Matt March booted a score with two minutes left in the overtime period to give Wesconn a 2-1 victory over Ricker College and a split in the "Potato Classic" held last weekend in Houlton, Maine.

The Indians lost their first game of the tourney to Kent State College the day before 4-3, and Kent went on to defeat Husson College 3-2 and win the tourney.

In the first game of the tournament against Kent, the Indians had gained a 3-1 lead. All three goals (two in the first half and one in the third period) were scored by Matt March. However, the Indians could not hold onto their lead, and Kent, with only a few minutes left in the contest, managed to tie the contest at 3-3 and send it into ov-

ertime. The first five-minute overtime remained scoreless, but with three minutes gone into the second overtime, Kent managed to score a goal to clinch the victory.

Strong performances were turned in by goalie Barry Bishop, freshman Mike Osborne, sophomore Bill Gross and senior Tom Crucitti, the latter having an assist.

In the consolation game, Ricker drew first blood as they scored a first-half goal to take a 1-0 lead. However, Matt March came off the bench in the second half to knot the contest and set the stage for his overtime heroics.

Coach Ted Hines, trying to find the right combination for the coming season, used eleven men in both contests, and all of the Wesconn booters performed well in the tourney.

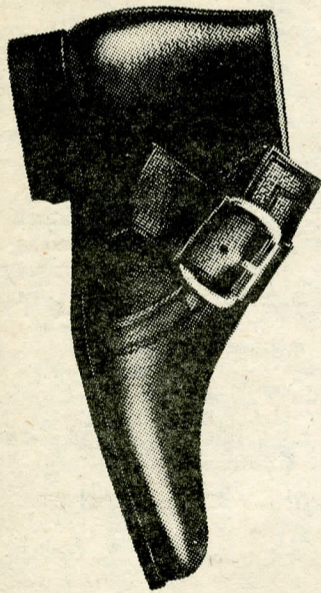
After two away contests against Rhode Island College and Central Connecticut, the Indians will open their home season next Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 p.m. against Marist College. It is hoped that a large crowd will turn out to cheer the Indians on. The schedule for the coming season:

(All Times P.M.)

Sat. Sept. 20 1:00	Rhode Island
Tue Sept. 23 3:30	Central Conn
Tue Sept. 30 3:30	*Marist
Fri. Oct. 3 4:00	*Bard
Mon Oct. 6 4:00	*Berkshire
Fri Oct 10 4:00	West Point J.V.
Tue Oct. 14 3:30	*Sacred Heart
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Tue Oct. 21 3:00	Western New England
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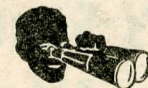
By JERRY PIETRO

Rumor has it that the Wesconn football players, 50 strong, are doing well with their spring conditioning program, although the usual aches and pains have been encountered. From talking to a few of the players, the spirit is high. Let's hope that Wesconn can field a varsity football team in 1969. . . The first scrimmage will be played in October, and next week's Echo sports page will have a special on the prospects and the activities of the conditioning program. . . Ron Guertner, a freshman from Danbury, has joined the Echo sports staff and has been pressed into immediate service. His experience will be a great asset to the depleted sports staff of the Echo. Anyone interested in joining the Echo sports staff is asked to contact Jerry Di Pietro, either at

the bookstore or in the Echo office. This also includes female sports writers, and if any of you Wesconn coeds are interested, you may contact Jerry or Marcia Forsell at the Echo office. . . Well, another intramural athlete will bite the dust! Dave Jewett, who played intramural football and junior varsity basketball last year, will be married this Saturday to Miss Sharon Gaynor at the Newtown Congregational Church. Good luck, Dave. . . If any of the Wesconn sports fans have any comments or letters to the Wesconn sports programs or the sports staff, they may be submitted to the Echo office. All legitimate letters will be published. . . A lot of bickering is heard concerning the 50 cents an hour fee imposed on the pool tables in the game room. However, no one has taken a step in the right direction. One answer might be the SGA. . . More anon.

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Plans for New Campus Discussed

As soon as we learned that the "Country Campus" had been approved by the state Bonding Commission, we called Mr. Hansen, our Director of Planning and Development, to ask exactly how far plans for the new campus have gone.

He replied that we have Space Utilization and Analysis, a subsidiary of Dillingham & Hawaii, working on a preliminary study of traffic patterns, sewage disposal, geology of the site, etc.

The traffic problems are many and varied. The firm will have to compute the growth rate of the college and determine how many of its students will commute. Travel time from the old to the new campus must also be computed.

"Once the traffic flow is determined, our first step will be to cut a road into the new campus. Then we will try to connect directly with Interstate 84 or at least hook into Route 6," he explained.

Location of the nearest reservoir must be taken into consideration to determine whether there will be sufficient pressure to supply buildings of any given height.

Information gathered on the geology of the site will be integrated with the material accumulated in the traffic, water, and sewage studies to determine which departments will be housed on the new campus.

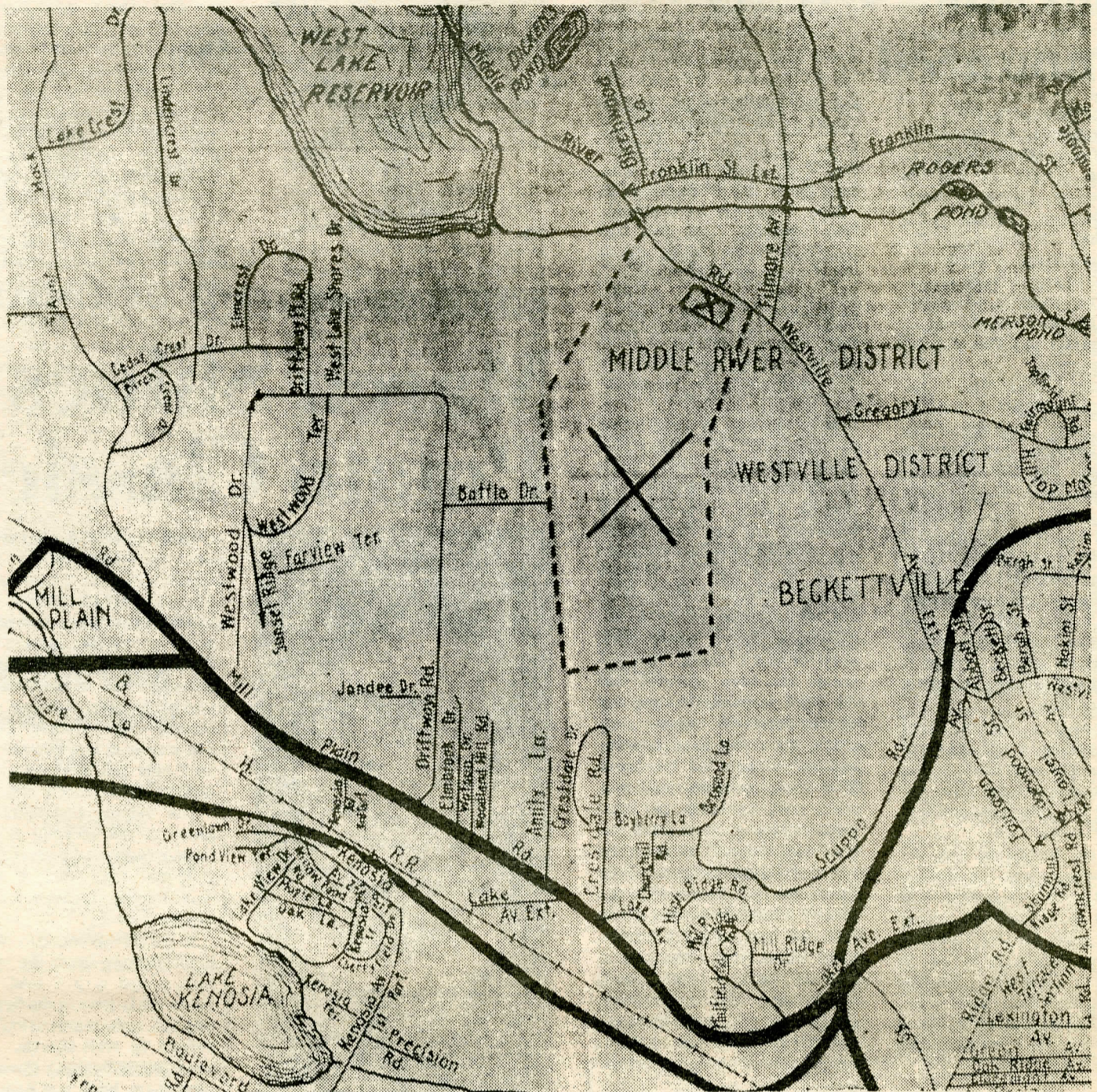
Next, we asked the Director of Planning Development if the students have had a say in the planning of the "Country Campus."

Mr. Hansen replied that he had done better by approaching the students for their ideas in an "indirect" manner. "We use your newspaper," he said, "as indicator of student opinion. One editorial or one letter to the editor does not mean too much, but over the years, they do form a pattern. This pattern is important and will be taken into consideration when final plans for the new campus are made."

Mr. Hansen suggested that the individual departments ask for ideas from their majors.

Our brief conversation ended on a philosophical note. The question we asked was, "Is the administration glad that the college remained in Danbury?"

Mr. Hansen replied that it was more correct to say that the administration is glad that Danbury wanted the college to remain here. "Academic growth requires the good will of those people who provide the matrix and climate in which this growth is to take place. We are glad that we have good



Is There a New Building on Campus?

BY: RONN BILL

Is there a new building on Campus? Good question! White Hall stands on White Street outwardly appearing as it has for the last 20 years. But what about its inward appearance? I mean that it might as well be a new building as far as the inside goes. Do you remember how hard it was to find your classes when you were a freshmen? Well it's just as hard for a senior to find his classes in White Hall. When you are looking for a

will in Danbury. When one who speaks of freedom abuses that freedom and loses the good will of the people around him, then he loses the free atmosphere which is so essential to develop his free ideas."

room in a building you aren't really familiar with, what do you do? Naturally you take the first room that you see and find out the room number of this one and go either up or down the hall according to the numerical location of your class. Don't try that in White Hall. The numbers in that building are arranged in such disorder that a kindergarten student could have done better.

Another interesting fact about White Hall could have been seen by anyone who was in the building during orientation week. This little overlooked fact was that the Rest Rooms were not labeled Men or Women - - Is this a new form of WCSC sex education?

White Hall has another little goodie especially for freshmen and the few upperclassmen who are taking Nature of Man I. It seems that some of these classes' recitations have been assigned to a room in that building called UUJ. Now just what UUJ is, is beyond me, but what is even further beyond me is where is this UUJ. I have yet to see anyone who could find it.

Another of the many new features of White Hall are the elevators. Everyone sighed with relief when they heard, last year, that there were going to be elevators so that they wouldn't have to climb all those flights of stairs. I have one word of advice concerning these elevators. Don't use them when you're in a hurry; a baby could

crawl up those stairs faster than you would make it in the elevator.

All I can say about our new White Hall in conclusion is,

give it a couple of months and it will be just another one of our ordinarily confusing class buildings, with its elevators, UUJ, Rest Rooms, and all.

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