

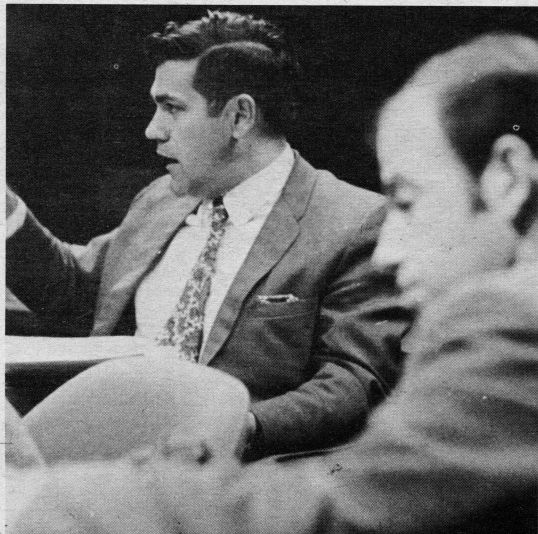
COMMONWEALTH TIMES

VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY

Vol. 1 No. 19

Friday, October 31, 1969

Tel. 358-7061, Ext. 304



Staff Photo by Larry Haake
Charles M. Renneisen Makes a Point in Ad Hoc Meeting
The Ad Hoc Committee is Formed to Study the Clubs on Campus

Atmosphere at Swift Creek play is rated better than current show

A play at Swift Creek Mill has to be reviewed on two levels. First, one must take into account the dinner and atmosphere. The playhouse is located in the original building of "Mr. Randolph's Mill." Inside, after slight renovation to accommodate two dining areas and an auditorium, much of the colonial atmosphere remains in whitewashed stone walls, low-beamed ceilings, and slate floors. The mood is enhanced by candlelight and red-coated waiters.

The food is far above average for usual dinner-theater fare. On opening night for "Don't Drink the Water," chicken breasts, roast pork, and lobster au gratin were served. The playhouse is also licensed to serve mixed beverages.

By curtain time the audience is in a most receptive mood.

The current production, "Don't Drink the Water," stars the owner of the playhouse, Louis Rubin. He portrays Walter Hollander, a Jewish caterer from New Jersey. Hollander is the typical camera-crazy tourist visiting behind the Iron Curtain, when he is suddenly denounced as a spy by the Communist secret police. The Hollanders take

refuge in the American Embassy and the remainder of the plot, what little there is, hinges on the problem of getting them safely back to America.

The Ambassador of the Embassy is away, campaigning for votes in the States. His bumbling son, a perpetual failure, played by Edwin L. Putze, consistently foils every plan for freeing the Hollanders. Father Drobney, played by Del Driver, a Catholic priest who sought sanctuary in the Embassy six years before and is now a frustrated magician, adds to the general confusion and incompetency.

The actors all do a convincing job in their roles. One can readily believe that Putze is an idiot and that Rubin and his wife, played by Sylvia Kaplan, are the ultimate in Jewish parents.

Yet Woody Allen's story line leaves one disappointed. It is as if he had a bag full of Jewish jokes he wanted to use, so he strung them all together with the simplest plot line possible. Then he called the routine a play instead of a comedy sketch.

One play used by Allen in the construction of his play is particularly

objectionable to the semi-intelligent viewer. He utilized the chorus method to move along the action of the play. Instead of letting his audience see what is happening, he sends Father Drobney onto the apron of the stage to give us character sketches of all the players. At the end, he further insults his audience by having Drobney tell the ending-unhappily ever after.

The humor often strikes the funny bone, but it is so broadly slapstick that after a while the senses become dulled.

Drama Review

by Carol Harowitz

Classics IV will perform in concert for 'Openings'

"Openings," the first big dance week-end of the season, begins Friday, November 7 at 8:30 p.m. with The Classics IV in concert in the gym.

The Sensational Epics and the Natural Wildlife headline the gym dance Saturday night, November 8 at 8:30 p.m. Dress for both nights is coat and tie.

The Classics IV were founded three and a half years ago after the members graduated from high school in Jacksonville, Florida. The group, originally a quartet, now consists of six members: Dennis Yost, lead vocalist; Auburn Burrell, lead guitar; Dean Daughy, organ and electric piano; Kim Venable, drums; Bill Gimore, bass; and English White, sax.

The group, boasting three best selling Imperial Record albums, will feature their hits, "Spooky," "Stormy," "Traces," "Everyday With You Girl," and "Change of Heart." Vocalist Dennis Yost explained, "We like to think we've helped bring a softer, prettier mind to pop music. That's the sound most people associate with The Classics IV."

The Sensational Epics, kicking off the Saturday dance, are an off-shoot of the Swinging Medallions who rose to fame with "I've Been Hurt." Other hits were "You Warp My Mind," "Be Young, Be Foolish, and Be Happy," and their latest "All My Hard Times."

Group from Richmond

Along with the Epics are the Natural Wildlife, staffed by former members of the Escorts. Wildlife's fame originated at Richmond's Bearded Brothers Club and

form of a written statement. This statement advocated the establishment of a hearing committee to be composed of four members of the SGA House of Representatives and four members of the IFC to be chosen by the SGA president.

This committee would hear the case of anybody who felt that he had been discriminated against in pledging practices. According to Dr. Renneisen's statement, an appeal of the decision of this hearing committee could be sent to the Vice President of Student Affairs within 30 days. A final decision would be made on this appeal by the vice president.

Randy Eley, SGA president, added an amendment to Dr. Renneisen's statement. This amendment said that the destination on the appeal could be rendered by another university committee if this method was decided upon at a later time.

Oliver made a motion that the Ad Hoc Committee accept Section II (concerning discrimination) of the original fraternity and sorority document, and that the committee accept his statement with Dr. Renneisen's and Eley's amendments.

Jim Forkin, Student Court chairman, disagreed with the intent of Dr. Renneisen's statement.

Forkin described discrimination as "an ugly experience" and said he did not feel that students would be willing to be "dragged through two months of this experience." Two months was the approximate maximum time that Dr. Renneisen had given for the Vice President of Student Affairs to make a final decision concerning alleged discriminatory practices.

Some committee members said the motion and amendments should be studied for a week, but a vote was taken and the motion passed.

they soon became favorites at three Virginia colleges, Washington and Lee, Hampton University, and Randolph-Macon.

Tickets for the concert are \$2.50 per person in advance and \$3.00 at the door. The dance is \$2.00 per person advance and \$2.50 at the door. Both will be sold in the Rotunda from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday through Friday November 4 through 7 and 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. in Johnson and Rhoads Hall.

Poetry Forum lists schedule for fall programs

The Poetry Forum has announced its tentative schedule for the fall semester of the 1969-70 school year.

John M. McCaffrey, an instructor in the English Department, will read the selections from his poetry on Sunday, November 9, in room 405 of the Hibbs Building. Some VCU students will also read selections from their own work. The program starts at 6 p.m.

Submissions are now being accepted for the poetry workshop and contest which the Poetry Forum will hold in the Spring. Entries are limited to two poems per person, one traditional and one experimental. Cash prizes will be awarded.

Entries should be sent to Anne Jordan, 107 North Morris st.



Photo Courtesy of Management Three, LTD.

The Well Known Recording Group, The Classics IV, to Preform for Openings
The Classics IV Will be the Major Attraction of the Openings Festivities November 7 and 8.

Signs of the Times

The merry-go-round

With a new Administration has come another "masterplan" for the VCU campus which was announced this week by Dr. Brandt. This plan, about which naturally no details can be released, is "expected to take several years to complete." What ever happened to the three or four previous master plans which were released with great ceremony in past years? We suppose the plans change as the college acquires new property, but it now seems that this merry-go-round is only going to continue. Why not wait until the university is finished to devise a master plan? Then the plan could devise itself.

'Human damage'

Two VCU students and an instructor recently visited flood-torn areas in Mississippi to survey the "human damage" done by nature. What they found was, instead, damage inflicted by humans in the wake of the natural disaster. Federal funds designated to the destitute there are being blocked by a racially biased committee. Despite this injustice, the group concluded, the disaster has brought "poor whites and poor blacks" into a closer, communal spirit. Perhaps this will allow both groups to work together in the future to combat those who would stifle the underprivileged.

A communications hang-up, part 1

Some students are still talking about Tuesday's convocation in which Robert Welch, founder of the right-wing John Birch Society, attempted to explain his society to VCU students and its purpose to thwart Communism. It was interesting to note some of the comments of a heckler who was sitting in front of us in the balcony:

WELCH: "The Negro race is being used by the Communists."

HECKLER: "Bullshhhhhhhhh!"

WELCH: "I, ah, I ah, seem to have lost my place."

HECKLER: "Get together, man. Go on you *\$%&@!"

Soon the heckler tossed his program into the air and stomped out, sneering and gesturing. The entire convocation symbolized to us a communications hang-up.

A communications hang-up, part 2

Somebody was making a comment in a class this week about the number of incomprehensible foreign instructors at VCU. Indeed, we do have instructors from such places as India, Russia, China and Germany. Reference was made especially to a history instructor who spends a great portion of class time using body English to communicate. One disgruntled student said he resented the fact that the instructor didn't even follow the text, thereby making the course a total lack of communication. The student can be glad of one thing, however. Thank heavens the text wasn't written in Yugoslavian!

Senior notice

The last chance for seniors to sign up for candid photographs for the 1970 Cobblestone will be next week. Appointments may be made from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m., November 3-7, in the Quadrangle of the Hibbs Building.



**THE
UNIQUE
MEN'S BOUTIQUE**

110 N. BELVIDERE ST.



The Observer

Violence from the 'Hill'

By Wayne Eaton

Who were those people from Oregon Hill? They said that they were landowners, but they didn't own the land they lived on. They said they had to move out of their houses, but they didn't own the houses they lived in. They called the students at VCU "dope addicts," "pot smokers," "acid heads," and "the rich kids on the other side of the tracks," yet there have been only a few drug arrests of students at VCU, and the majority of students at VCU work to support themselves in the surrounding community.

They said that VCU wasn't meeting the needs of the community yet 12,500 students are somehow accommodated at the university so that the educational level of these 12,500 students will rise in the "urban community campus-oriented society" surrounding the VCU campus.

On October 24, Dr. Brandt, president of VCU, was handed a petition by a person from Oregon Hill containing the names of "home owners from Oregon Hill," asking that VCU give back the area donated to the school by the city. The area in question is the lot off of Cherry street, which is temporarily being used as a VCU parking area.

The "committee" that converged on VCU, in front of the Hibbs Building facing Shafer street, consisted of approximately five people from Oregon Hill. They said that they had just come from the confrontation with Dr. Brandt with their petition. Their comments were to the effect:

A. "We want the area given back to us for a park so our kids can play there."

B. "There are about 1,000 people mad enough to become violent in Oregon Hill."

C. "Just park your 1970 Camaro there at night and see what happens."

Rules given for Catalyst

The Catalyst is a column in which any student may express his views on any issue. Since its initiation in late September to replace the conventional Letters to the Editors column, Catalyst has appeared in almost every issue. Times editors welcome submissions from readers and will print all received as often as space permits.

Rules governing Catalyst state that The Times may reject letters without signatures, edit grammatical errors and print only one letter from an individual within a 30-day period.

Submissions should be typewritten, triple-spaced on one side of the paper and mailed to Catalyst, The Commonwealth Times, third floor, Administration Building.

Commonwealth Times

901 West Franklin st.; Richmond, Va.

Christine Cooke and Jean Talley: Co-Editors
Greg Kelley: Business Manager

FRIDAY STAFF:

Bruce Meador: Managing Editor

Wayne Eaton, Susan Gilbert: Assistant Managing Editors

Michael Boykin, Barbara Gibson: Assignment Editors

Ellen Hawthorne: Features Editor

Bill Eby: Sports Editor

Tim Warren: Assistant Sports Editor

Bill Gorry: Picture Editor

Editorial Assistant: David Kirby

Represented for National Advertising By
National Educational Advertising Services
A Division Of
Readers Digest Sales & Services, Inc.
860 Lexington Ave., New York, N.Y. 10017

Member Virginia Intercollegiate Press
Published triweekly during school year
except holidays and examination periods



The University Lecture / Concert Committee

PRESENTS

New
Films
for the
New
Audience
From
**NEW LINE
CINEMA**



Program 1
An outstanding new feature film plus prize-winning shorts from professionals of the film generation... Entertaining, provoking concepts and techniques that focus on the world of today—and tomorrow.
THE END OF AUGUST AT THE HOTEL OZONE (Czech)
Plus: **SUMMER WAR (Denmark)** and **DODGE CITY (U.S.A.)**



Program 2
An outstanding new feature film plus prize-winning shorts from professionals of the film generation... Entertaining, provoking concepts and techniques that focus on the world of today—and tomorrow.
THE VIRGIN PRESIDENT (U.S.A.)
Plus: **SHADOW OF AN APPLE (France)** and **ACTION SPEAKS LOUDER THAN PLATFORMS (U.S.A.)**

Sunday Nov. 2 Monday Nov. 3
Sunday Nov. 9 and Monday Nov. 10

V C U Gym 8:00 P.M.
Single Admission: \$1.00
Series Admission: \$3.00

For further information Phone: Ext. 438

RICHMOND MOTORSPORTS

7109 JEFFERSON DAVIS HIGHWAY
P. O. BOX 3485 RICHMOND, VA. 23234



"AMERICAN EAGLE"

Overhead Cam 750



mini-bikes to 750 cc

350 cc American Eagle
42 H.P. 110 M.P.H.
\$795

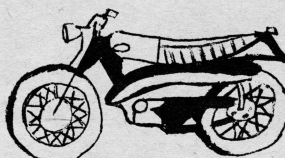
"350 CHEETA" Street Scrambler

"150 RENEGADE" Trail/Scrambler

American Eagle

Zundapp

Servicing Triumph



MOTORCYCLES / SNOWMOBILES

See Jim Olinger for Sales and Service
Phone: 275-5304

DUNE BUGGIES / MINI-BIKES

Student uses other names in professional radio work

An innocent-looking sophomore advertising major here actually has several aliases.

He is known alternately as Bob Lewis and Norman Lewis, but his real name is Norman Freedlander.

Freedlander works part time as a disc jockey at radio station WGOE. He uses the other names on the air since his own last name is difficult for listeners to understand.

The 19-year-old transfer student from Ferrum Junior College has worked at stations WTVR, WLEE and WEET, since he became interested in broadcasting at the age of 11.

"When I was 11 years old, I went in and asked to answer the telephone at WEET," Freedlander said. He has been working in any capacity he could in radio ever since.

"Radio is very interesting to me," Freedlander said. "You meet a lot of interesting people and a lot of weirdos."

"With four years of college in a field that would do me good in radio plus all this experience, I would feel that I had a detailed background to go into broadcasting."

Besides his radio work, Freedlander works part time with sound and lighting at the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts.

ART MARKET
1241 W BROAD

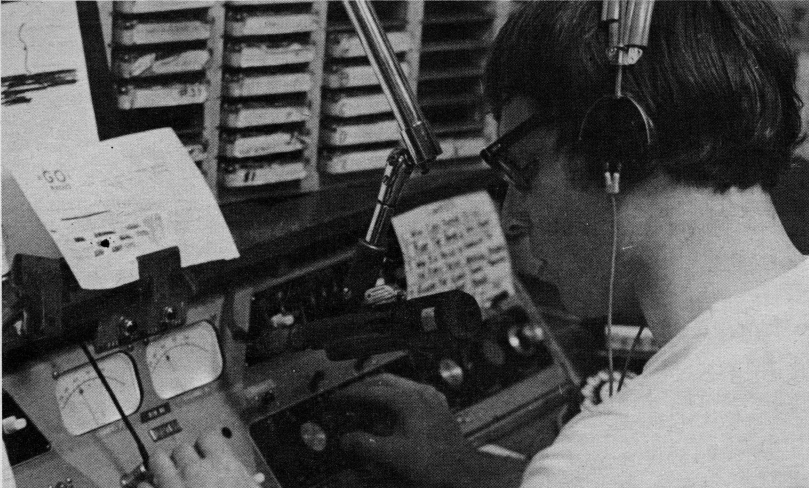
MASTER DRAWINGS
\$1.25ea.

PRINT SALE &
MEXICAN FRAME

SALE.....

MONDAY NOV. 3rd

YOUR ART MEDIA
SHOPPING CENTER



Staff Photo by Larry Haake

Norman Freedlander, an Advertising Major, Works Part Time as Disc Jockey at Local Radio Station He Began His Professional Career by Answering the Telephone at the Age of 11

CLASSIFIED ADS

ADS MAY BE PLACED
Monday thru Friday
11 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Room 32
Administration Building

RATES

Students: \$0.75 for first 15 words; \$0.05 each additional word.
Non-students: \$1.00 for first 15 words; \$0.10 each additional word.
PAYABLE IN ADVANCE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ASSEMBLY of God C.A.'s interested in forming Chi Alpha, contact Dale Baird at 411 W. Franklin st., apt. 5.

EMPLOYMENT

PART-TIME salesman—men's clothing. Good pay for sharp young man who can sell. S & K Merchandise, Call Mr. Rose, 355-0382. After 6:30 p.m. call 270-3719.

TRANSPORTATION

WANTED: Ride to Va. Tech or vicinity, Friday, Nov. 7. Can leave anytime after 10 a.m. Contact Janet Groves, ext. 276.

RIDE needed to Blacksburg for Nov. 14. Call 355-0403 after 5.

NEEDED: Ride to and from Philadelphia week end of Oct. 31. Contact Linda Podolski, 1318 Rhoads, exts. 558, 559 and/or Cathie Thomas, 1518 Rhoads, exts. 555, 554.

RIDE needed to Roanoke area almost every week end. Will help pay gas. Call Bill, 353-7350.

SERVICES

PORTRAITS in color, black and white; standard or creative; lighting and poses. Very low prices. Call 353-2373.

MEANINGFUL Christmas gift—Oil portrait. Low prices. Hurry! Blanton Seward, 2318 Park Ave., 353-6961.

MERCHANDISE

BOOKS—Sociology, psychology, recreation, misc.; hand vacuum, clock, radio crystal. Excellent condition. Call 359-2366.

PERSONALS

ONLY supernormality beats superweapons. PROhumanism of mushroom clouds? Write PROhuman, 16 N. Harvie st. Perfect.

DON'T forget you owe me one.

HAPPY Halloween, Cecil. From the Norwegian lady.

CLASSIFIED ADS
APPEAR
EVERY FRIDAY

Cobblestone
Sandwich
Shoppe

featuring HOME MADE foods
in the
STUDENT CENTER
Everything Cooked to Order
A Wait Worthwhile

ATTENTION: SENIORS AND GRADUATE STUDENTS

What Can Life Insurance Do for You
And Why Do You Need It?

What Type Of Insurance And How
Much Should You Buy?

When Should You Buy Life Insurance And
How Can You Pay For It?



Bob Hunter



Lee Wyatt

For the answers to these and any other questions concerning life insurance, contact Lee Wyatt or Bob Hunter, your PACE representatives at V.C.U. We will be happy to sit down with you to help you plan your estate through life insurance. We have a free gift for you for giving us the opportunity to talk with you and we require absolutely no obligation on your part.

TO: These are your PACE Representatives
Pan American Life Insurance Company
P.O. Box 8318
Richmond, Virginia 23226
Phone: 353-1271

My Phone Number is _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Date of Birth _____

Marital Status: married _____ single _____



Fidelity Union Life Insurance Co.

College Master

Guaranteed by a top company.

No war clause.

Exclusive benefits at special rates.

Premium deposits deferred until you are out of school.

CALL

Terry Vaughan or
Dan Angell

358-4158

Fidelity Union
Life Insurance Co.

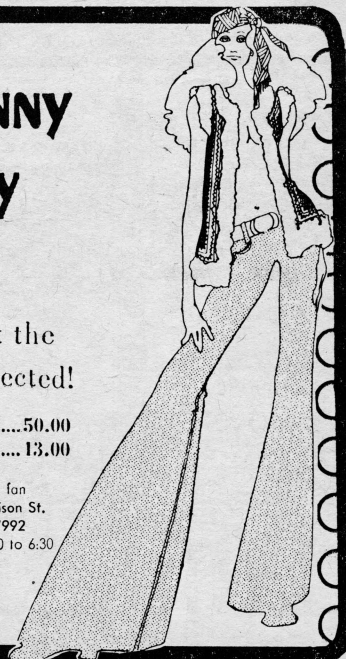
A
SUNNY
day



expect the
unexpected!

vest.....50.00
pants.....13.00

... in the fan
410 N. Harrison St.
Tel. 353-7992
Open Daily 10 to 6:30



Wilkins, Lawson announced as new basketball captains

By Fred Jeter
Times Sports Writer

Returning standouts Charlie (Jabo) Wilkins and Keith Lawson have been named the Virginia Commonwealth University basketball co-captains for the 1969-70 year. The selection was made by Head Coach Benny Dees and his assistant, Vann Brackin.

Lawson is a 6' 2" native of Garrett, Kentucky, and the team's only senior. He is majoring in Physical Education. Keith was a regular last season and ranked second on the team in scoring with a 14 point average. He stated, "We

have a great bunch of guys this year, both as players and individuals and we ought to have a great season."

Wilkins is a 6' 3" junior from Richmond, majoring in Recreation. Jabo, as he is called, led the Rams in both scoring and rebounding last season with 24 points and 12 grabs per contest. He is an extraordinary all-around performer and should be the backbone of the running Rams this year. In speaking of the rugged upcoming schedule, Jabo stated, "I think we will knock off four or five of the major colleges we play this year, and the rest ought to be a cinch."

Coach Dees said this about his choice, "They're two of the regulars returning from last year. They both displayed good leadership as players and that was one of the main factors in their selection. We expect the same this year and we have been getting exactly that."

Girls' basketball practice slated to begin Monday

The 1969-70 girls' basketball team will begin official formation at 3 p.m., Monday, November 3, with a meeting in room C in the Franklin Street Gymnasium.

Mrs. Charlotte Birendelli, female cage coach, expressed optimism in the turnout of prospective hopefuls due to the adoption of the new girls' basketball game, which is in the experimental stage at VCU.

Anyone interested in participating on the team is urged to attend this meeting.

Hockey team to play Westhampton tomorrow

With a 1-4-1 record for the season, the VCU girl's hockey team will play Westhampton tomorrow at 10:30 a.m. Leading the team in scoring is Debbie

Egan, Ped4, Richmond, who has scored five points during the year. Gwen Walton, Ped2, Richmond; Gloria Crittenden, Ped4, Warrenton; Linda Sheppe, Ped4, Richmond; Shirley Hall, Ped1, Richmond; and Nancy Dyke, Ped4, Richmond, have also scored points.

The one win for VCU was against Christopher Newport, 6-0. VCU managed to tie Bridgewater 1-1 in the first encounter, but lost the second 0-3. Other games VCU has played were against Mary Washington 1-5, 0-3; Longwood 0-3, 0-3; William and Mary 0-5; and Old Dominion 1-4, 1-2.

Spirit seemed to revive in the Old Dominion encounter. After losing the first game, the team was sparked by a Nancy Dyke goal in the second half, and managed to hold their opponents scoreless in the second half.

VCU will play four more games and participate in the Westhampton tournament in November to complete this season.

Football results

With this issue, The Times is beginning a new policy for flag football. The games will be covered on a weekly basis and results will be compiled Thursday through Wednesday; league standings to be given as of Wednesday.

In this week's games (not including last Thursday or yesterday) there were two forfeits among the six games scheduled. The Commonwealth Barge Club and the Scherer Saints, both of the American Flag League, won by forfeit from the Rebels.

The scores for this week's contests were: Boozers 18, MOF's 6; Fruit of the Loom 6, Leather Balls 0; Alpha Chi Delta 24, Scherer Saints 14; and again Alpha Chi Delta were winners 20-12, Meredith NAD's the victims.

In a game Tuesday the Fruit of the Loom scored six points in the first half and held on to win 6-0 over the Leather Balls, thus remaining undefeated. On Wednesday, Alpha Chi Delta took a tough 20-12 win from a stubborn Meredith team. Although outnumbered 9-6, Meredith battled back from a 14-0 deficit to score and later came back from 20-6 to score again before time ran out on them.

BILL'S BARBERSHOP

ON FRANKLIN & BELVIDERE
SHERATON MOTOR INN
...RAZOR CUTTING & STYLING (special price on styling for students)
SPECIALIZING IN: PARISIAN BARBERING
call for appointment: 643-2831



BRAND NAME CLOTHING AT DISCOUNT PRICES



ALPACA SWEATERS

ALPACA BLENDS

VALUES TO \$39.95

ALL COLORS

1/2 PRICE

BY FAMOUS MAKERS!

4 WIDE TIES

FASHION COLOR SHIRTS

UP TO 1/2 PRICE

S & K Merchandise, Inc.

WALKING DISTANCE FROM SCHOOL
17 WEST MAIN ST 10 am— 5pm

3015 WEST CARY ST. 9am— 6pm

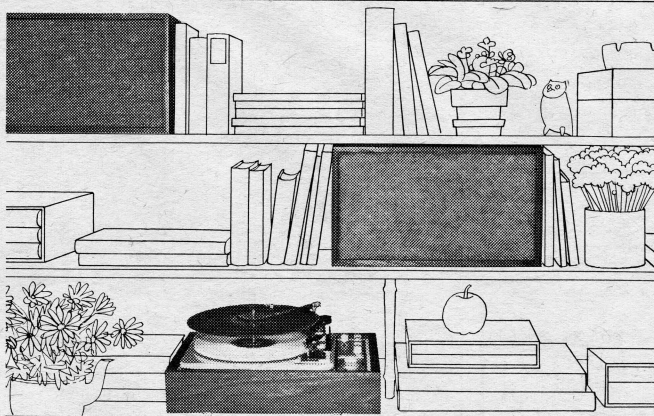


The Better Mousetrap

If you want something more than just a stereo console, and something less than a houseful of electronic equipment, see the KLH* Model Twenty-Four.

The Model Twenty-Four is a complete stereo music system that plays records, FM broadcasts, AM too if you wish, plus anything (such as a tape recorder) you care to plug into it. Instead of looking like a Victorian hope chest or an electrician's nightmare, it comes in three compact and unobtrusive walnut cabinets that slip gracefully into a living room. It won't take up much of your valuable living space, and it doesn't take a pilot's license to operate.

But what sets it even further apart from other stereo equipment is the level of performance it delivers. It sounds—believe us—like twice the price. That's why it's the best-selling, most-talked-about stereo system on the market.



Ask anyone who owns KLH stereo equipment about its performance and value. Then seek out the Model Twenty-Four and judge it critically for yourself.

You won't have trouble finding one in a store. Just follow that well-beaten path.



Audio COMPONENTS LTD

4811 FOREST HILL AVENUE
PHONE: 232-5515
OPEN MONDAY THRU FRIDAY
1 P.M. TO 9 P.M.
SATURDAY 9 A.M. TO 9 P.M.

AND

946 W. GRACE ST.
PHONE: 358-9179
OPEN MONDAY THRU SATURDAY
10 A.M. TO 7 P.M.

UNITED
SURPLUS
STORES

THE YELLOW FRONT STORE

BETWEEN 2nd & 3rd ON BROAD

LEE-LEVI

DUNGAREES
LARGEST SELECTION
OF BELL BOTTOMS

13 BUTTON WOOL

Bell Bottoms

MAXI-GREAT COATS

VISIT OUR NEW
"MOOD SHOP"

Bush Hats

SPANISH HATS
CHIEF INDIAN HATS
FRENCH BUSH HATS

C.P.O. Shirts

ALSO
CHAMBRAY NAVY SHIRTS

AUTHENTIC
WORLD WAR I

Tunic Jackets

AUTHENTIC PATCHES

AUTHENTIC NAVY
KNIT SWEATERS
CREW NECK

Bush Jackets

LONG SLEEVE

Navy P Coats

UNITED
SURPLUS
STORES

208 E. BROAD STREET