

Taking A Look At The Streakers



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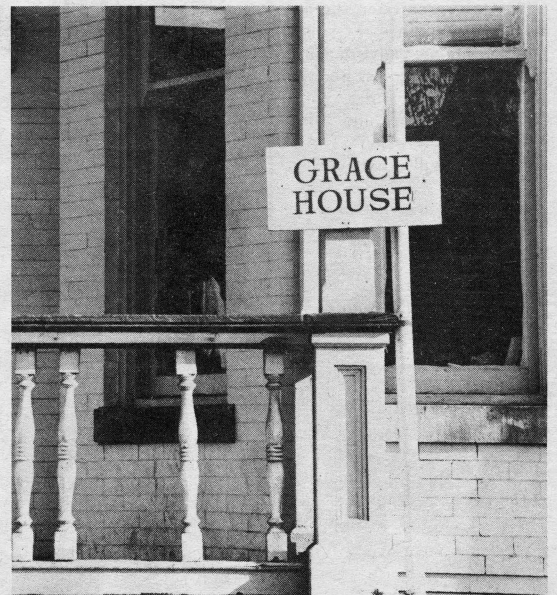
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NEWS SUMMARIES

Honors and Awards Given

The Annual Honors and Awards Convocation will be held Saturday, April 6 at 2:00 p.m. in the School of Business Auditorium.

At this time, certificates of recognition will be presented to over 200 students and student organizations who have made significant contributions or achievements in the areas of scholarship and leadership and service. School and departmental awards, the Alumni Award, athletic awards, Who's Who certificates, and other special awards will also be presented.

Students and organizations from the MCV Campus will be included in the leadership and service awards for the first time this year. Following the ceremony, refreshments will be served in the Floyd entrance lobby of the School of Business Building. All faculty members are invited to attend the convocation.

Advance Registration

Advance registration for the Academic Division Fall Semester will be held April 1-12. Students attending the 1974 spring semester should make an appointment with their academic advisor and complete the schedule planning form, the biographic form and the course scan sheet. All advisors will have this information.

The registrar's office will mail approved schedules on May 6.

Israeli Day Coming

The Jewish Student Services will sponsor an Israeli Day in Shafer Court on Thurs., March 28 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Included will be an art exhibit with crafts never before seen from Israel.

There will also be a dance troupe, food and information on educational opportunities

and employment in Israel.

The J.S.S. will also be holding its 2nd annual film festival during April. The films will be *I Love You Rosa* and *The Fixer* and will be shown in the Rhoads Hall multipurpose room. These films will be shown April 7 and 14 respectively. Tickets may be purchased at the Rhoads Hall desk for \$1.00, \$1.50 for both shows.

Nikki Giovanni to Lecture

Nikki Giovanni, a noted black poet and singer, will lecture at the Mosque on March 29 at 2 p.m. She is being sponsored by the Student Lecture Series.

Prior to Ms. Giovanni's lecture, an African dance group, Ezibu-Muntu, will perform on the stage.

Political Science Meeting

The new Department of Political Science is conducting an information meeting concerning the new major in political science here.

The meeting will be held Tuesday, April 2 at 3 p.m. in Room 207 Hibbs. All present

and prospective majors in the department are urged to attend. All other students interested in the major are also invited to attend.

Sachar Speaks in Culture Series

Dr. Howard Morley Sachar, author, commentator and professor, will be the first speaker to appear in the Judaic Culture Series here on April 2 at 8 p.m. in the School of Business auditorium.

Dr. Sachar will talk on the impact of Jews on modern culture.

He will also meet with faculty members on April 3 from 2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the faculty lounge of the Hibbs Building for an open discussion.

Dr. Sachar will meet with students earlier in the day. The first group will meet from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in the School of Business building, room 28, with Dr. Jerrold Buerer, assistant professor of sociology, as moderator; the second group will meet from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Hibbs 430 with Dr. Robert Talbert, assistant professor of history, moderator.

Dr. Sachar has taught, studied and lived in the Middle East, and in 1961. on behalf of Brandeis

Summer Sessions Material

Summer Session information is now available in the Evening College and Summer School Office at 901 W. Franklin.

There will be 800 classes offered this summer, and 150 of them are at the graduate level. The three-week pre-session from May 20-June 7 will again make it possible for a student to earn as many as 15 credits in 14 weeks of summer attendance.

Advance mail registration will be held from March 25 through May 11 and regular registration will be held June 5 from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m., and June 6 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Hibbs Cafeteria.

University, he founded the Hiatt Institute in Jerusalem.

Human Sexuality Week Coming

The Spring Awareness Series is planning its Human Sexuality Week beginning April 2 and running through April 5. The series will focus on many aspects of sexuality including programs to "answer some questions about ourselves and our relationships and to help us understand and appreciate the uniqueness of our own sexuality," according to Series literature.

The program will include discussions on such topics as abortion, contraception, pornography, communal living, and dating, to name just a few, and the meetings

are being coordinated by Phyllis Mable, Henry Rhone and Tom Pyron.

The meetings are free, and more information may be obtained by calling the Office of Student Life at 770-7111.

Spring Festival of the Arts

Students wishing to enter works in the art exhibition and auction during the Spring Festival of the Arts, April 22 through April 28, should contact the office of Murry DePillars at 770-7261 by April 1.

During the Spring Festival week, there will be musical concerts, theatre production films, open workshops, lectures, dance productions as well as student art exhibitions and auctions.

Students selling works in the exhibition or auction will receive 80 per cent of the purchase and 20 per cent will be placed in the Matthew Rudisill and Jose Puig scholarship funds. The scholarships will be awarded to a visual arts major and a performing arts major for the 1974-75 school year.

Free Films for Kids

The Program Board and the Office of Student Life are coordinating a Saturday morning film program for children of students, faculty and nearby community.

The films are free and will be shown in the School of Business Auditorium at 9:30 a.m. The film dates are March 30, April 6, April 13, April 20 and April 27.

THIS WEEK IN RICHMOND

MARCH 28 - APRIL 3

THURSDAY:	SPORTS	Richmond Robins vs. New Haven / Coliseum, 7:30 p.m.
	THEATER	"The Resistable Rise of Arturo Ui," / Stage Center, tonight, Saturday night, and Saturday night, curtain time 8:15 p.m.
FRIDAY	CONCERT	Seals & Crofts / Coliseum, 8:00 p.m.
	SPORTS	Wrestling / City Arena, 8:00 p.m.
	LECTURE	Nikki Giovanni / Mosque, 2:00 p.m.
SATURDAY:	SPORTS	Richmond Robins vs. Cincinnati / Coliseum, 7:30 p.m. (last game)
	MUSIC	Festival of Music / Mosque, 8:00 p.m.
SUNDAY:	CONCERT	Blue Oyster Cult & Aerosmith / Mosque, 8:00 p.m.
MONDAY:	REGISTER	VCU Advanced Day Registration for Fall / See Advisor
TUESDAY:	LECTURE	"New Life for Youth," / Mosque, 7:30 p.m. (Free)

Admissions Encourage Integration

JIM BAYNTON
TIMES MANAGING EDITOR

When the representatives from the Department of Health, Education and Welfare came here February 8 to see what makes desegregation "work so well at VCU," they apparently had the Admissions Office in mind.

Jerrie Johnson, director of Academic Campus admissions said the admissions policies here, especially with regards to the recruitment of minority students, have been "pretty effective." Johnson also said, "VCU has the largest number of minority students in a predominantly white institution in the state. But then, you could say, we ought to-this is an urban institution in an area that is anywhere from 40 to 60 per cent black."

SATs Discriminatory

Johnson said that formerly, black admissions into many universities had been biased because of SAT test scores. Even the test board itself admitted that the test was biased against blacks in a report made public in the spring of 1971. A Special Commission on Tests concluded that "over the years, many students, particularly Black ones, have been grossly penalized. Basically, the Commission on Tests found that the SAT, which measures fluency in English and ability to deal with mathematical and spatial concepts, to be discriminatory against certain minority groups."

"What we do is to use the scores of the SAT as a measure of the student's ability at the time it was taken. We do use some flexibility on the test scores," according to Johnson. The admissions office also asks prospective students to tell them their race on the application form "for recording purposes only."

If the office suspects that a student is deprived, for example, a black applicant from southern Virginia, "We will look into his case and see if he needs financial assistance and so forth," said Johnson. "We have a Special Services program which may

be one of the most important programs we have. It is designed for the educationally and socially deprived students who need such special assistance as tutoring and counseling."

The office does not operate under a quota system of recruitment, "But there are

At the Health Sciences Division, admissions are handled by special selection committees made up of professionals in each field. "Selection of applicants is usually considered the responsibility of the selection committees," said William Robertson, dean of

fall semester of 1973. The reports indicated that in 1972, there were a total of 64 blacks on the east campus, compared with 85 this past fall semester. In 1972, there was a total of 2009 white students on the east campus, and 2224 last semester. In 1973, 558

Spanish Americans. Freshman enrollment, as is the case with most four year institutions in the state, is dropping, and last semester, it dropped by 231 over the previous year.

The admissions policies of the university do contribute greatly to the overall effectiveness of its desegregation practices. With competition from other predominantly black institutions in the area, the admissions office has done a good job in recruiting more and more minority students. In time, admissions officers may not need to actively recruit minority students - they will come here, as HEW has hoped for years, for "whatever reason they choose."

This is the last in the series of articles dealing with the desegregation and integration policies of the university. The Commonwealth Times in its efforts to remain the advocate of the integration of the races, will do its utmost to cover all news that could conceivably have a bearing on such policies in the future.

In this year, we have the university take effective action against those who chose not to comply with the various rules and regulations that affect integration. We have also seen that experts predict that full desegregation in Richmond's housing will take approximately a quarter of a century. So, we might well ask, "Where are we, now?"

That question cannot be fully answered at this time. It will hopefully be answered in the last issue of the Commonwealth Times under the editorship of Steve Lasko. In that story, I will offer my personal conclusions about what has happened this year and where we're going.



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some limitations as to how many students we can accept in certain areas - such as the pre-professional areas," commented Johnson.

VCU "More Aggressive"

The recruitment policies in the area of minority admissions were said to be effective. In fact, said Johnson, "We're probably one of the more aggressive institutions in recruitment in the state." But, as far as retention of those students goes, "I don't know about retention. We lack good, comparative information about that. We didn't collect any race information until HEW said it was allowable to collect it for recording and information purposes only."

A special committee has been convened by the Board of Visitors to study new avenues and techniques for recruitment of minority students, according to Johnson.

admissions for that campus. Selection at MCV is not based on the quota system either, but there have been "historically few minority students here," Robertson claimed. His contention is backed up by the university race reports which compare the number of minority students on campus in the fall semester of 1972 with the number on campus in the

degrees were handed out by the Health Sciences Division to white students, one was conferred to an American Indian, 11 were offered to blacks and one was offered to an Oriental.

Last year, the Academic Division handed out a total of 1701 degrees to whites, 117 to blacks, six to American Indians, 13 to Orientals, and seven to



Grace House; 'Helping Others'

There is nothing but the lettering, "Grace House," on the front porch to distinguish the building from the other row houses along Floyd Ave.

Instead, the receptionist, a young woman in jeans, offers information or a seat on a large sofa covered in lush, blue material. The door frames and walls have been painted in bright colors, orange and blue.

The paint, scratched and peeling in places, implies either activity or neglect. Hearing excited chatter and laughter filtering from the back of the house, activity seems more likely.

The receptionist answers a call from the city welfare office. The house makes authorizations for small food purchases in emergencies. Delayed welfare checks usually make up the emergency. But now it is explained to the office that the house has already drawn too much from its funds. Hamilton Brown, director of the house, politely, but firmly, states the house's position.

Later he explains that between \$150 to \$200 has recently been spent in small grants to people because "welfare can't get their computers working right". Being a small independent concern, spot cash is easier to dig up at Grace House than the bureaus. A fact welfare has successfully exploited.

Mark, one of the full-time workers at the house, sits in



the living room and outlines the Grace House history. Founded ten years ago by a council of twelve area churches, it has moved but once to its present location.

Personnel turnover has been rapid with most of the present workers having arrived less than a year ago. Mark is bookkeeper but

admits to doing the work of several people due to a lack of money for personnel. Everyone at the house is involved in case work.

Mark, like the other workers, is in his early twenties. He describes the house as "helping people to help themselves", a banal phrase of little consequence that betrays certain institutional lines of thought.

The living room is furnished with a breezy looking white whicker chair and sofa. The cushions, protected by plastic, are hard and uncomfortable.

Brown hurries in carrying a huge bag filled with tinker toys and lincoln logs. He is small, blonde and animated, and quickly begins to discuss the important role of the house. A large nursery is operated in the morning on the upper floor of the house. The program is run by two teachers who Brown describes as "very competent and dedicated".

VCU students have a major responsibility in the large Big Brother-Big Sister program. At present about 70 students participate. The children involved are between the ages of six and twelve. Most are black, from the immediate area. The program is coordinated by a student, and Brown is quick to admit that without the volunteer work this and other operations would not be possible.

Student nurses from the medical campus are setting up a set of hygiene classes.

Brown refers to this type of volunteer work as community resources that should be made available to the community.

The recent growth of the university is affecting the surrounding area by developing such resources.

Brown's office is spartan to say the least. Sitting at a small desk that looks more like a card table, he points out the attitude of many of the people who come to Grace House for help. They have a basic opinion of themselves which does not

allow for success in any large degree. It makes for highly defensive attitudes on the staff.

Brown tells of more than one incident of gathering together a group of adults, mostly parents of children in the nursery, only to have the meeting dissolve into a shouting match.

Right now the house does little more than deal with the symptoms of poverty. But the fact that it is not a victim of welfare red tape makes it at least a more humane solution.

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RAs Exchange Floors in Rhoads

NEIL CALLAN

Two resident assistants in Rhoads Hall recently switched assignments in an effort to foster improved interaction between the floors. Mike Rosenberg and Mary Jones initiated the plan between them that found each occupying the room of the other in the times they normally would have been on their respective floors. It was decided that a male R.A. for a female floor and vice versa, would be interesting for both residents and resident assistants.

The two floors of Rhoads Hall wing, where the switch took place, are physically separate from the main building and are naturally considered as a whole. The arrangement was informal. Rosenberg and Jones had informed the director of Rhoads, Jon Schrade, of their decision, but had not been officially encouraged.

The two were pleased with the outcome and said they would be willing to change

again. Rosenberg was particularly interested in finding out "why the guys on the floor weren't socializing with the girls upstairs." He feels that some increased interaction has occurred. Jones' opinion was somewhat less optimistic.

Jon Schrade, resident life instructor for Rhoads Hall,



Mike Rosenberg and Mary Jones changed floors as experiment.

stated he was impressed by the success of the arrangement. He pointed out that one of the smaller women's dormitories has a

male R.A. so that the situation is not unique here.

Rosenberg and Jones seemed prepared to handle the differences between male and female floors. Jones, especially, pointed out that the men on Rosenberg's floor had developed some "set ways" and that she did not see her responsibilities to



Jon Schrade: "... a means of developing a true co-ed atmosphere."

in assignments. Schrade said he was glad to see more people interested and stated that "tremendous educational opportunities for R.A.'s" could result.

Student reactions to the change was mixed. Rosenberg seemed pleased by the response of many residents. Many were not aware of the details of the arrangement and were often

unsure of when the new R.A.'s were on the floor. However, actual disapproval was minimal.

Jon Schrade remarked that a residence hall should be more than just a "place to sleep...and read a few books between classes." He sees similar arrangements, perhaps on a formal level, as a means of developing a true co-ed atmosphere at Rhoads Hall.



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City and University Meet

JIM BAYNTON
TIMES MANAGING EDITOR

As was reported last week, charges of "police brutality" were being raised by many students who witnessed the arrest of many of the streakers and onlookers in the crowd on the evening of March 19. 17 people were arrested at the city police parking lot for allegedly "refusing to move" upon orders from police officers. They were there, they said, to "bail out some of their friends."

There were four arrests for "indecent exposure;" four were for "failure to move from the police parking lot;" 10 arrests were for "disorderly conduct;" two were arrested for "assault on a police officer," and two more were for "attempting to incite a riot." The last two charges were reduced to "being in a rout," which is a misdemeanor—attempting to incite a riot, according to Virginia law, is a felony.

Since Tuesday night, the campus has been buzzing about what will come of the incident - "Will the police be prosecuted?", and so forth. Addressing the first question, William J. Leidenger, Richmond's city manager,

claimed that if any complaints are filed with the city police with regards to brutality, "Those complaints will be investigated thoroughly. The police have an Internal Affairs Department that investigates all complaints against the police. That's their job, and they will do it."

The importance of the situation became evident last Friday, March 22, when Leidenger, the city's Chief of Police, Frank Duling, and the Director of Public Safety Jack Fulton requested a meeting with university officials. Most of the people involved with the incident were present at the meeting in the Business Building, along with Dr. Brandt, Dr. Wilson, vice-president of finance, Dr. Francis Brooke, university provost, Maj. Roy A. Price, chief of campus security, and several others from the administration.

Very little was accomplished at that meeting except for the fact that Leidenger said he would "be up here more often to talk to the students and the administration about problems that affect the city and the university." He added, "We don't ever want to have a confrontation with

the students. All we want is to cause them to be less frequent." But Duling contributed his thoughts by saying, "It's not the nature of police work to back down. Once you begin an arrest, you finish it."

According to the reports that Leidenger, Fulton, and Duling had, the police "came in from a complaint that said the streets were blocked," according to Leidenger. They also claimed that the police officers were "spat on" and that several officers' uniforms had been torn by the students.

One questioner asked Duling if he felt the crowd was riotous. Duling responded by saying, "It was a near riotous crowd." However, in a meeting Sunday of the people who were arrested, Dr. Wilson asserted that he felt the crowd Tuesday night had been "warm and friendly." No one could have incited a riot that night.

In the Sunday meeting, the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) indicated an interest in the "brutality cases" and claimed they would be interested in those cases when those involved were ready to "go on the offensive," but said it could

not get involved in the defense of the criminal cases. In other words, the ACLU has an interest in bringing charges against the police for their actions Tuesday night, especially if there is considerable evidence to back up the claims of "police brutality." The ACLU, however, cannot take an active interest in the defense of the cases. The ACLU can bring action only in civil cases where a "constitutional question or issue is raised," according to Art Samuels, the ACLU representative. "Each person will have to face his own charges," he said.

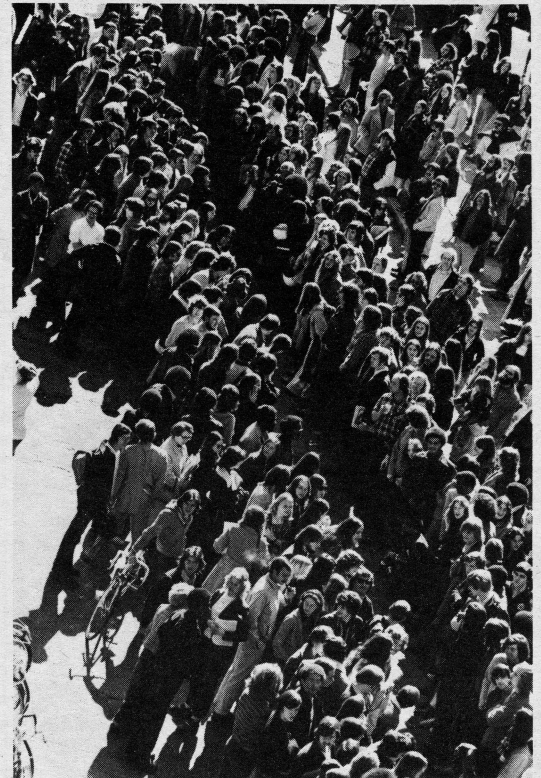
Some of those present at the meeting claimed that "It's not that we don't want to face our charges. It's that some of us aren't guilty."

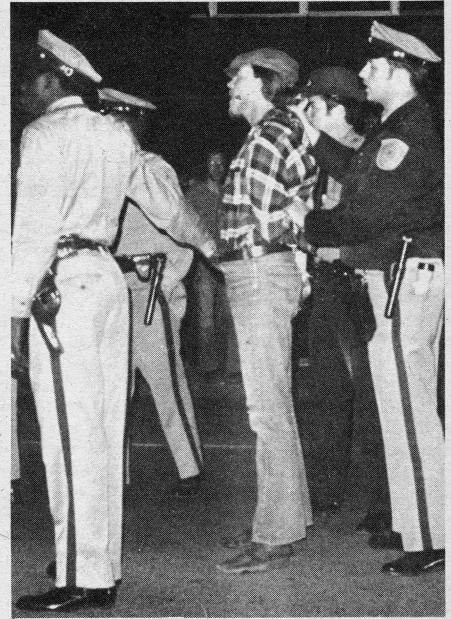
About all that was accomplished at Sunday's meeting was that an organization to coordinate information and perhaps get up a defense fund has been formed. Debbie Whitham and Terry Rea, manager of the Biograph Theater, have formed the organization and will coordinate its activities. They ask that all students

and others who may have information about the incident contact them, and that all those interested in the defense of the arrested persons donate to the defense fund. We may have some activities in Monroe Park to get up money for the fund," said Rea.

"The police came, got what they wanted, and didn't come back. They were just out to knock some heads," claimed a student at Friday's meeting. There had been rumors out that the police were regrouping several blocks away with "riot gear and dogs," according to one student. Fulton claimed that "those allegations are totally exaggerated." Duling said, "It would have been foolhardy for us to come back."

Leidenger said, "Dr. Brandt and the city can meet until Doomsday and not get anything accomplished. What we do need is for the city to sit down with the students and have an exchange - an honest exchange - of our views and see what we can do about the situation. We aren't interested in running a police state."





JIM BAYNTON / COMMENTARY

Streaking: Phenomenon With Police Trouble

Streaking, the phenomenon of racing through public areas to expose one's private parts, has finally gone full cycle. It first started when one or two individuals would "streak" (hence the term) through a public street, completely naked simply to release tension. It was, perhaps, one of those "rights of spring" which occasionally afflict universities throughout the nation. We have seen goldfish swallowing, phone booth packing, Volkswagon packing and the like, but we have also seen student riots and demonstrations run rampant through the nation later in the Sixties.

Perhaps streaking was intended to be a moderate response to the riots of the late Sixties and a more liberal adaptation of collegiate excitement. But the moderation of streaking has been seen as a danger to society, in this, one of the most conservative states in the nation. It is so much of a threat, according to Gov. Godwin, that he decreed all streakers should be "arrested on sight" for their travesty of justice.

The morality of streaking is not at issue here. The all-important problem, especially on this campus and in this city, is the incident of Tuesday night, March 19. At that time, as has been reported previously, 17 people, some students, some streakers and some onlookers from the crowd, were arrested for various charges ranging from indecent exposure to assault on a police officer and "being in a rout." The arrests may have been part and parcel to Godwin's decree that all streakers should be arrested on sight, but the alleged brutality displayed by the police that night was not.

Although streaking was seen as a "harmless activity" by City Manager William Leidenger, he said, "We have a governmental role to fulfill here. We have a duty to protect the public's safety and we have to uphold that responsibility by using police to enforce the laws."

The complaints about "police brutality" seem to be justified to a degree. The police, being represented by the Chief of City Police, Frank Duling, said that their officers "were spit on. Several uniforms were torn and some city property was damaged by students." However, most students who witnessed the incident have claimed that the police were, in fact quite cordial - one motorcycle officer rode down Franklin Street with his arm upraised in the black power symbol of the clenched fist which everyone

applauded, according to several accounts - prior to the first arrests. If the police had been so cordial, what then, it is asked by many, was the purpose for the police descending upon Franklin Street to break up the sizeable crowd? Some have said the police wanted to "bust some heads in retaliation for the Sixties. I think they thought it would be their one big chance to get Richmond in the newspapers." Whether that is the case or not, at least one person got a chance to go to the hospital for treatment of cuts on his head and throat - injuries inflicted by the police.

Other problems, such as the refusal of several officers to identify themselves, and the problem of one officer actually arresting an individual and another officer signing the arrest sheet, were the substance of several questions raised to Chief Duling. "How am I supposed to know who to register a complaint against if I can't find out a badge number? I kept trying to ask officers their names and badge numbers, but every time I looked around to get that information, I got hit over the head with a billy club," said one victim. Another raised the question, "Do we have a right to know who is arresting us, and do those officers have to identify themselves?" Leidenger said, "Undoubtedly, you do have the right to know the identification of an officer." But Duling said, "No officer is going to stop in the middle of an arrest to tell you his name and tell you why he is arresting someone. It is not the nature of police work to back down. Once you begin an arrest, you finish it."

The trials of those who were arrested March 19 will be held on April 4. The cases will be heard by Judge Maurice - admittedly, a judge who believes in the police department and in their judgment. An organization, Students and Citizens for Legal Action, has been formed on campus to meet the needs of those persons who may need witnesses for their trials. They have also contacted the ACLU about the possibility of bringing legal action against the police who supposedly used "excessive force" in bringing about arrests. Their position is that "While recognizing that it is a policeman's duty to arrest people who violate the law, we cannot tolerate a situation in which police officers, endowed with the public trust, actually terrorize students or any other members of the community."



EDITORIAL

Cops, Streakers and Brutality Charges

Having carefully reviewed the events which transpired the night of March 19 involving the streakers, the *Commonwealth Times* firmly deploras the actions of the Richmond City police in their handling of the situation. It is our opinion that had they not come on to this campus, there would not, in fact, have been a "situation" with which to contend.

The many accounts of brutality from participants has not been our sole guideline in arriving at this opinion. We readily admit that some of the reports reek of the kind of hyperbole so common in cases which involve students and police. It was in the attitude and comments we received from the police which were also instrumental in indicating to us that the city police feel some strange and undefined vendetta against students, and in particular, this university.

The City's Chief of Police, Frank Duling said, "It's not the nature of police work to back down. Once you begin an arrest, you finish it." He also referred to the crowd as "near riotous." These alternately macho and paranoiac comments seem to clearly indicate the police mentality towards any large gathering of students. We simply find no justification for this attitude.

One reliable source who is involved in police activities informed us that the police were regrouping blocks away, replete with dogs and riot gear. He set the number of police at "around 200." Information of this tupe leaves us wondering as to the true intentions of the police; to act as public servants in keeping the peace, or as uniformed "gestapo," serving undo hassles to students.

City Manager William Leidenger, has said that he would like for the city to have an honest exchange with students, "We aren't interested in running a police state," he added.

We are encouraged by Leidenger's comments, and hope that he is sincere. We suggest that if he is intent on stemming a police state ambience, that no city policeman be allowed to come on this campus area without having first been requested by the university. We also feel that firm jurisdictional guidelines should be established between the campus and city police. Finally, we would suggest that policemen who are so inclined to flex their authoritarian muscles be discounted from any duty involving the university.

With Spring and warm weather approaching, streaking can be either a harmless (albeit silly) way to have fun, or can result in the type of unfortunate situation which occurred March 19. It's up to the city police.

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WALTER KNOX / COMMENTARY

Cambodian Fiasco Remains Ignored

With no little consternation critics of President Nixon have been proven wrong, at least in degrees, in many cases. One need only reflect on the mining of Haiphong harbor some years ago when critics of the President felt he was bringing the world to another untimely confrontation between the Soviet Union and the United States. Most of the President's critics ended up eating the proverbial crow as the dreaded confrontation failed to make its face shown.

Another such incident was the Christmas bombing of North Vietnam in 1972. As now Attorney General Saxbe, then Senator, said: it seemed as if the President had taken leave of his senses. Well, it seems Mr. Saxbe had to bite his words as the bombing proved a successful gamble, in the mind of the President, aiding the return of American POWs who came home less than two months later. Of course the President didn't tackle the old problem of means and ends; was the wasting of large portions of Vietnam, the loss of millions of American dollars in the form of downed B-52s, the homeless Vietnamese, the killed American airmen and the broken homes in the States a subtle enough means to achieve the ends? Mr. Saxbe failed to think so.

Perhaps the most appropriate example of this ignominious politicking, and one which has very current relevance, was the decision by the President to militarily intervene in Cambodia. It seems the President had a goal in mind, a short "hit-and-run" campaign to smash the NLF war effort on the other side of the border in the area known as the Parrot's Beak, and kept to it, failing to realize the fears of the opposition, particularly that the Administration was starting a whole new war for the United States and expanding drastically the war in Vietnam. And, of course, because of the limited scope of the operation, the opposition was proven

wrong, again. (Of course there is the view that the President did have all that in mind but the massive outcry in the country prevented him from doing so.)

About the current relevance: it was this action which brought about the culmination of the anti-war movement. The massive outcry was indeed massive and quite frightening for most of the American public to really handle. Therefore, much otherwise shaky support was given to the President by the "silent majority" who were afraid of the "radic-libs" and the mess they seemed to be making of the nation. It was at this time that the strong nascent left in America began to be destroyed by frightened people. And it is without this left-liberal opposition that the President began to take on his more dictatorial roles finally culminating in the whole Watergate scandal. Also, the left-liberal opposition began to be demoralized by eating their own words all the time and being shown somewhat as fools.

In what may be this century's most uncelebrated example of Orwell's Newspeak, we in the United States have been led to believe Nixon's efforts in Cambodia have no taint of failure. This is in part due to the collapse of the opposition to the President; with the anti-war press defused, the decline of the left-liberal opposition in general and the critics in Congress worrying about their fate, we hear only occasionally of the war in Cambodia. This news is bare facts about the war, not news intertwined with an analysis of the causes of the war, the results of the war and the ideology of the perpetrators of the war.

What follows is something related in that direction. Prince Sihanouk was overthrown in the Spring of 1970 in what many suspect was one of the CIA's many victories by Lon Nol, a Cambodian military man. Of course saying the CIA

"overthrew" Sihanouk is false, the CIA doesn't operate that way. It "prods" and supplies, to the same result. What this, if true, says about the President's "self-determination" policy is blatant. The "new" Nixon, in other words, shed his new clothing and socked it to the left. And, if Americans didn't participate directly in the coup they certainly made no attempt to hide the fact of their favor to the new government with massive foreign aid.

What followed was a rigidly anti-communist military government which antagonized the people in Cambodia, enough of them anyway that a full fledged civil-war, waged by Cambodians, not Vietnamese, as a Congressional report made clear, was under way shortly. In the three years of the war the Cambodian insurgents have forced considerable losses on the military and the civilians of Cambodia and have control of massive areas of Cambodia even with the incredible amount of aid America sends daily, now in the form of military supplies but earlier with American bombs dropped all over the place.

In other words, Nixon's foreign policy is tainted with the scandalous (how popular a word these days!) episode of Cambodia. Unfortunately this sad episode, which is clearly the President's and no one else's fault, has been overlooked. If a scorecard were to be kept by the President's critics, his foreign policy would not be the glamour feature of the administration it is.

When the President came into office one of his primary goals was to dull the impact of the left-liberal opposition. He did this, in part as was mentioned above, by making them feel and look like fools. If the left-liberal opposition hadn't been dulled to the point of almost non-existence the Cambodian fiasco wouldn't be hidden the way it is. And maybe Watergate wouldn't have been able to occur as easily.

NEWS and OPINION

Victim Recounts Police Brutality

My Dear Fellow Americans,

I'd like to tip my bonnet to the Richmond City Police, P.A.C.E., and all the undercover agents involved in Tuesday night's arrests on a job well done. I am confident that the fine citizens and members of the Richmond City community slept at peace and at ease knowing that VCU students and other riff-raff were beaten, kicked, punched, maced, strangled, mentally and physically abused, run down by those cute little orange motorcycles our civil servants use so well, and carted off to jail in a manner typical of the Gestapo carting off Jews to the gas chamber. I hope and pray that Richmond, Virginia felt safe and sound knowing that "The Mounties got their man."

"And there they were, naked to the world, in front of, every kind of a girl. There were short ones, small ones, thin ones round ones, brown ones, black ones...pretty Momma"

The VCU community, myself, and hopefully Richmond itself will never forget that most frightening of evenings, March 19, 1974. Shades of Kent State and the Grove Ave. Republic. Also Ginsberg, will you be

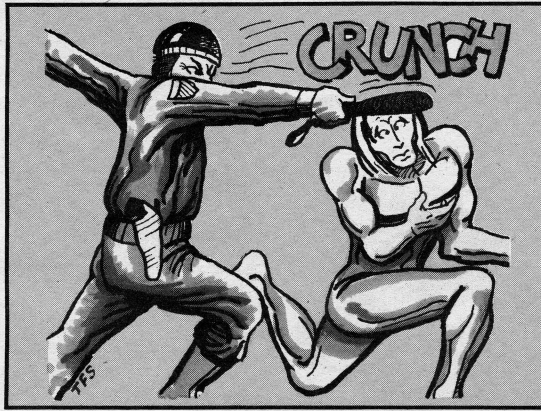
responsible for this one too?

There I was, armed to the teeth for the battle which was soon to ensue: Patched jeans, sweat shirt, and my trusty vehicle of escape, a dull scratched ten speed. Amazement overtook me as those 'criminal streakers' were taken into custody. I express my amazement to an osifer of the Law. Grab goes my throat with a strangle hold from behind. Pull, pull goes my hair. Stretch goes each of my arms in opposite directions. Fall, fall goes my bicycle into the street. Bang, band, bang, bang goes an undercover agent's flash-lite into my crotch with much force, and thankfully little accuracy. Within 30 seconds at least five cops are grabbing my body, kicking and punching me, pulling my long flowing locks, and causing me undue pain. Ring around my collar! Animals. Ruthless, uncontrolled animals. I ask them what I did to deserve this treatment. I tell them I'll offer no resistance, I say I've done nothing, and the beatings continue.

As I'm dragged across the street my eyes catch a glimpse of a good buddy of mine, I didn't think to say hello. It looked like he was pretty busy himself. He was

up against the side of an unmarked police car stretched out like he was being crucified. Cops all over him. Helpless and out-

beaten for no reason, etc., etc. Spray, spray, goes his can of mace as my hands are held outstretched my his 'men.' I'm beaten, I collapse,



on his head, shoulders, and back with a police billy club. Justice.

I was nearly helpless. My shins were cut, my face bruised, my hair pulled out by hand fulls. I knew I must take action. I make my way to the 'Fearless Leader,' I imagine he was the boss because of his fancy uniform, stretched as he was, these keen, astute eyes of mine witness an unbelievable event. He was getting beaten I begin to explain: "I've done nothing wrong. I'm being

I've lost. I'm knocked down across the hood of a police car, and beaten, beaten, beaten. The cuffs put on so tight my wrists were swollen for two days. My friend is handcuffed behind his back and maced in his face for good measure. I'm thrown into the back seat of an unmarked police car and land (guess where) head head first on my tall skinny roommate. I just can't shake that red head.

Face down on the seat, handcuffed from behind, legs bent like pretzels, eyes filled with tears and mace, and pride shattered like broken teeth, I make an effort to sit up and catch my breath. Bam! Punched in the back. Get down you S.O.B. says our friendly police officer. "But I can't breathe you S.O.B.," says I. Bam! Punched again. I finally manage to sit up and numerous words are exchanged, none of them complimentary. Knee, knee goes the constable in my ribs. Ouch, ouch goes this student. Our bodies damaged, but our spirit still much alive, big red, and this little man, begin a chorus of Stephen Wolfs' *The Monster* only to be cut short by the cops grabbing and squeezing of my jugular vein. I collapse from lack of air. I catch my breath and begin a rebuttle to our treatment and pinch goes the ole jugular.

Now this article may sound a bit vindictive. A bit one-sided. It does and it is. I am using the press as a vehicle of expression to inform the VCU public of the abuses and inhumane treatment of those arrested Tuesday night. Don't let us be forgotten. Don't let this issue die. It is up to the students to raise enough hell, and to bring charges of police brutality to the courts where they can be settled as they should. Let's hope these police crimes will never be committed again. Peace.

HOPEFULLY STILL A STUDENT
RICK SABAKA MANNOIA

Rev. Moon No Saviour

Sun Myung Moon has come and gone with most people still not knowing what his "New Hope for Christianity" is.

After Rev. Moon's lecture, I talked till 12:00 with his followers, the Unification church. They finally admitted that they "know" he is the Messiah, the third Adam (not the second returned). He is the proclaimed new hope for Christianity who is now preparing the way to set up a physical kingdom with physical salvation.

This is not Christianity. Philippians 2:9-11 states, "Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

It is not Christianity to bestow on Rev. Moon the name which is above every name, or to bow and confess that he is lord. This is not to the glory of God, but perversion of the truth.

THANK YOU,
SUSAN TRIPLETT

Streaking Deemed Sinful

I would like to take this opportunity to share with you a letter to the editor which appeared in the *Martinsville Bulletin*:

"Several years ago two young men in my community were issued warrants for indecent exposure for being without proper clothing and were brought into court. I realized these men needed help and so does anyone who disrobes in a public place.

I attended the trial of these men and they were considered warp-minded by presiding officials and were fined and given a sentence being suspended if they would seek psychiatric help. I agreed to counsel them in attending church. At the time they committed the offense, they were considered by many as homosexuals. They overcame this problem and are now considered

fine citizens.

I talked with a young respectful citizen today and he told me of a young man who disrobed and went about naked and was issued a court summons and before the time of the trial, he committed suicide. There is no end to things of this nature.

I read this week in a daily newspaper where girls were receiving obscene phone calls at colleges where "streaking" is being carried on. This will, in my opinion, lead to rape and in all probability murder if this continues.

In the Bible in the book of Luke, Chapter 8, verses 26-35 we are told of a man possessed of devils living in tombs, "and ware no clothes." After he met Jesus, and was relieved of this problem and the devils came out of him and entered into swine and the

swine jumped into a lake and drowned. The next time the people saw him, he was "Sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind."

I believe true Christianity is the only remedy for such actions."

This letter was written by Rev. Thomas W. Hardie, Minister and Pastor of Wayside Baptist Church of Martinsville, Virginia.

THE ANTI-STREAKERS OF VCU

With all due respect to Rev. Hardie and the Anti-Streakers of VCU, we 1) don't consider homosexuality to preclude good citizenship and 2) find a strained, at best, correlation between streaking and murder. - Editor.

FOLIO and ARTS

Crafts Pieces Diverse

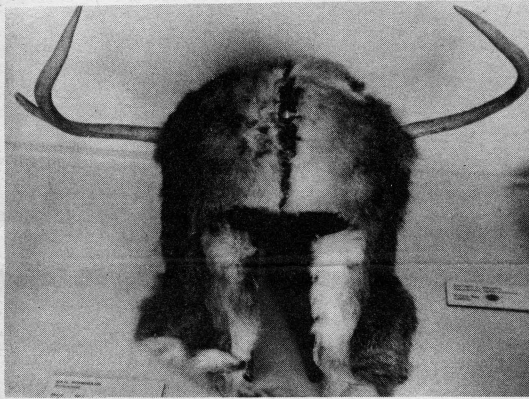
Susan Chinn

The Virginia Craftmen's exhibition for 1974 at the Virginia Museum should do away with any notions that crafts are inferior to other disciplines. In this show, one sees a lot of vitality and imagination that support the growing recognition of crafts.

One of the reasons that crafts are making such a strong showing is that the

Pop artists may have given crafts a new impetus through invoking a sense of the playful, or even the ironic, as seen in the ceramic jars of Sunny Monk, or in Bonnie Sucec's and Norma Schantz's scenes out of baker's clay.

The ecology movement, with its trend back towards folk art, may also have stimulated the revival of crafts. People are learning once again to appreciate the interaction between the



distinctions between that field and sculpture and painting are breaking down. This degree of real quality of a hand-made object.

Gallery Exhibits

From March 21 till April 19, The Anderson Gallery is featuring three separate departmental exhibitions from the School of the Arts. These are:

Annual Communication Arts and Design Student/Faculty Exhibition

Annual Art Education Student/Faculty Exhibition

Annual Interior Design Student Exhibition

Also on exhibit are three shows from out of State:

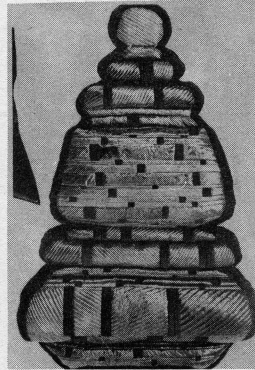
Randall Schade/Stuffed Sculpture and Lithographs, Artist in Residence for the City of Albany, N.Y.

Anthony Rice/Drawings, Assistant Professor of Art, Wesleyan College (Ga.)

Elmer Taylor/Ceramics, Assistant Professor of Art, Mercer, Mercer University (Ga.)

Student exhibition, Ms. Fridley and Ms. Moore are senior art students in VCU's Department of Sculpture.

Joanne Fridley and Frankie Moore, An Environment



artist, the piece, and either its utilitarian or its aesthetic purpose, is particularly evident in this show. The diversity in the ceramics alone demonstrates this.

Robert Doring's blue glass jar and Julia Phillips' yellow raku pots blend usefulness and pleasure in a highly sophisticated manner.

In a purely decorative and humorous manner, Sandra Pogue has created *Soft Spamoni Rainbow* and *Salted Steel Rainbow*. There is a large platter in rich earth colors by William Coombs which has pleasing lines and tranquil design; other large bowls and pots share these same characteristics.

Any of them would look at home in a living room as a decorative piece, or elsewhere serving useful functions.

In general, the ceramics seemed to be the strongest group of works in the show, demonstrating a great deal of variety in form, subject matter and color.

There were a few hangings that were exceptionally distinctive. Thomas Siefke's *Cascading Trinity* appeals to a sense of order but one is also attracted to its sense of movement, which invites the viewer to examine it as a

The Spring Street Theater at 500 Spring Street presents an evening with Israel Horowitz.

Two one-act play, "Rats" and "The Indian Wants The Bronx" will be presented on March 28, 29 and 30th. Curtain time is 8:30 p.m., and tickets will be on sale at the door.

sculptural piece.

Anne Stratton's *Trapunto Hanging* and *Trapunto Quilt* are perhaps the most arresting pieces in the show, due to their size and unusual construction of dyed cotton and plastic.

Some of the stitched cotton pieces, such as Barbara Short's *Untitled-Bowl of Fruit*, are pleasant but not as interesting visually.

The jewelry lacked a great deal of innovation, but there were some striking exceptions. Leslie Wass Federico's pendants show intimate, charming scenes of colorful interiors. These can lead the viewer to reexamine the nature and function of a piece of jewelry.

Stephen Bondi's pieces were unusually graceful due to the free flow of contours of his necklaces and pins.



Although the show seems rather uneven as far as originality and visual appeal are concerned, Virginia craftsmen are demonstrating their tremendous productivity and interest in their work.

The exhibition continues through mid-April.



Museum Presents Hit

The Virginia Museum Theatre will conclude its 1973-74 season with the presentation of the musical hit, *Man With a Load of Mischief*.

Mischief enjoyed its first New York run as a musical during the 1966-67 season, when it played for more than 240 performances. Since then, it has also been presented in the West End of London.

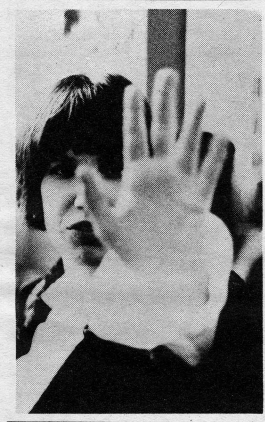
The musical is listed among the best plays of that 1966-67 season and was described as one of the year's most attractive productions. That musical presentation was based on a 1925 play by Ashley Dukes. The music was written by John Clifton with a book by Ben Tarver, both of whom also served as co-lyricists. The musical was produced by Donald Goldman, who is planning the revival as well.

The VMT production will be directed by James R. Kirkland. The musical features a cast of six, including the innkeeper and his wife, the lord and his servant, the lady, and the maid. The show will open March 29 and will play through April 20, with performances nightly except Mondays at 8:15, and matinee performances on Saturdays at 2:00. For reservations, or additional information, telephone (804) 770-6331. For information on group ticket sales, telephone 770-6333.

Help For Local Women

Sara Brown

If you're a modern woman, do you ever feel as if you are dangling frustrated and confused in wordly limbo? Surely at one point in your life you feel a need to "get it together" during those moments of anxiety, insecurity and bewilderment which plague nearly everyone. Unless you were raised in an atmosphere totally free of sexist bias and role playing you just might find the world a trifle difficult to cope with. But there are three separate active women's groups here in Richmond which can aid you in time of need.



The Richmond Women's Center, located in the YWCA, helps many women gain strength in their lives on a personal level. A consciousness-raising group comprised of women of varied backgrounds and interests meets every week to discuss problems that crop up in their lives.

"The idea is to support each other on a personal basis with our problems," says group leader Beth Marshak. "It's not a therapy group, nor is it to criticize. There is no specific purpose other than to stimulate growth."

The group may last for a year or longer depending on which direction the group happens to take. "It gets to be an emotional strain," admitted Ms. Marshak. "You get to close to some people."

The Women's Center also has a publication entitled *The Women's Pages* which covers all group activities such as fund-raising campaigns for feminist

literature and phone-lines, vignettes on noted Women personalities, workshop news and courses being offered at the YWCA. A subscription cost 2.00.

The National Organization for Women (NOW) opened a chapter here two months ago. NOW is for women and men who believe in the equality of all human beings and want to end all discrimination of sex in employment.

"We want to inspire all young people to go ahead and finish their schooling," said Zelda Nordlinger, the Assistant State Coordinator of NOW. "We want employers to stop asking only the women if they can type."

Ms. Nordlinger convened the organization about two years ago and has since devoted much of her time to the cause of changing the sexist system.

"We look at individual cases brought to us and help these people file for suit through the EEOC (Equal Employment Opportunity Commission which was set up to enforce the 1964 Civil Rights Act which prohibits discrimination on sex). We investigate these local situations and try to educate the public on the problems women face in finding jobs. We've had success so far, but really we're only beginning."

NOW in Richmond has succeeded in declassifying the help-wanted ads in the newspapers, integrating the all-male bar at Thalhimers as well as lobbying (though unsuccessfully) for the ERA in the State Senate last year.

"Now we're doing research on a 'Rape Pass Force,'" said Ms. Nordlinger, "and eventually we hope to change the police departments' attitude toward women who are victims of rape. Too often the woman is regarded as a near-criminal. We want to change the attitude of the court, the police, and the public. What we are aiming for is lowering of the stiff penalty for rape to a lesser degree of felony - that way more convictions can be gotten."

Zelda Nordlinger is also Legislative Coordinator of the 3rd District in the Virginia Women's Political Caucus which convened in 1970. All ten state districts

are represented and the Caucus functions well in the state. It also has chapters in six major cities in the state.

"The idea is to educate women into the process of politics," said Mr.

Nordlinger, "and to get women to run for various offices. We also try to get a candidate to support women's issues."

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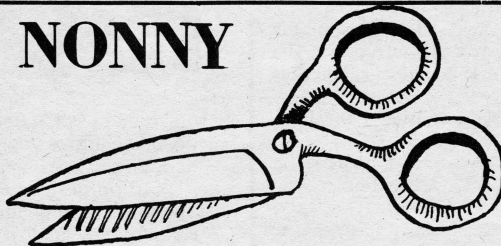
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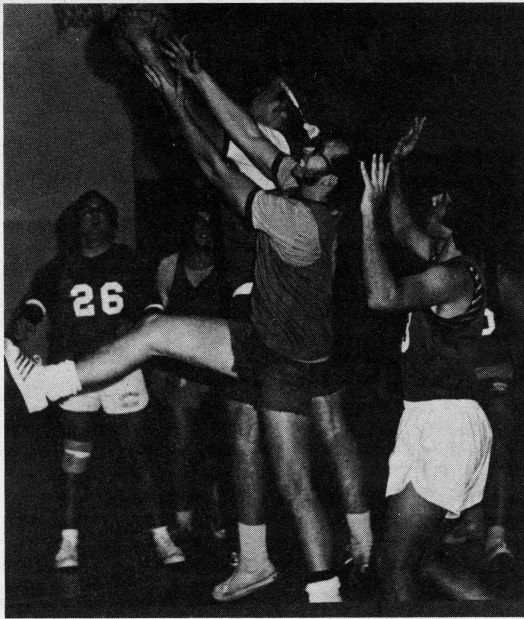
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IM's

If you take the first three letters of the alphabet, add the letter "I" twice, and think about the future, you would have a pretty good idea of what has transpired and will occur in intramurals.

In the big event of the week, but then everything is a big event in the intramural department, the academic campus took two of the three championship basketball games played with the medical campus. In the "A" league contest, the Assests, representing the academic campus, ran to a 47-39 victory over the team of M77. Mark Coates of the Assests led all scorers with 16 points, while teammate Steve Trant garnered 12. Tom Loughran led the defeated with 11.

In the "B" division, the medical campus took its only triumph of the evening. The team of House Staff overcame the men from TDC by the score of 55-36. One of TDC's leading players, Steve Cornwall was injured in the first five minutes of the



game, and could not play the remainder. Dave Court poured in 25 points for the victors, and his teammate Tashi Yamada had 12. For TDC, Rick West and Joe Barnes each had eight. Cornwall had seven in his limited action.

In the "C" league action, Rhoads III, behind the 21

point effort of Steve King, narrowly defeated the team of Hospital Administration from the medical campus, 49-43. George Russell had 14 for the victors, while Mac Banner popped in 16 in a losing cause.

The two "t's" stand for table tennis, and it goes

without saying that many pings were ponged in this competition. In men's singles, Ersin Yurtfever defeated Dennis Lee in straight games, 21-16, and 21-22. In men's doubles, the team of Yurtfever and David Yu reigned over Chad Satja and Frank Lowe, in a three game affair, 19-21, 21-16, and 21-15. Mixed doubles again had Yurtfever on a winning team, this time with Beth Johnson as they defeated Staja and Jean Crawford in a close contest, 21-19, 19-21, and 21-19. The women's singles' title was taken by O'Linda Young, as she paddled her way to victory over Donna Pugh.

Volleyball is continuing on both campuses. On the academic courts the Spikes are leading the "A" league with a 4-0 record, followed closely by the Majors with a 3-1 slate. In the "B" league, Avis Ravis is ahead of the field with a 5-0 mark, followed closely by KE with a 3-1 showing. The "C" league finds the teams of Scherer and Chalkley with undefeated outfits, sporting records of 4-0 and 2-0 respectively. The Ruffs are right on their heels with a 4-1

season. The medical campus has 32 teams competing in their double elimination tournament. There is also a losers' tournament, which will enable all the teams to play in at least three games.

In the finals of the paddleball tournament, Pat Rice will meet Steve Newman for that title on the academic campus.

There are a multitude of events coming up in the future. For example, softball gets under way next Tuesday. These games will be played at Horace Edwards Elementary School and this year, there are two, count 'em, two fields available for play. The medical campus will have teams in both slow and fast pitch softball. Play begins this Saturday in the slow pitch and this Sunday in the fast pitch league. Fast pitch has nothing to do with door to door salesmen.

Swimming will be held on April 15 at 7 p.m. in a mud puddle at the corner of Franklin and Shafer streets. Actually, they will be held in the pool in the basement of the new gym. Entries are open for team and individual competitors. No rain date had been set as of yet.

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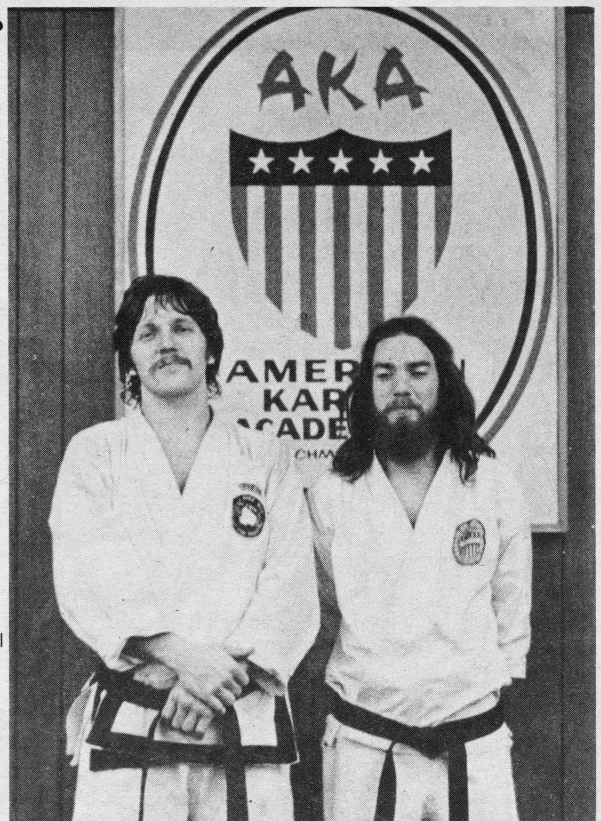
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THE WOODWORK

Suggestions to Attract Spectators

PAUL WOODY
Times Sports Editor

As crowds go, the one that gathered last Friday in Shafer Street was by no means small. Among the throng that gathered to watch male and female students skitter hither and thither clad only in their birthday suits, were other students, administrators, and the City's Commonwealth Attorney. The group was larger than any entourage that came out to see the club football team play last fall, the wrestling team this winter, and may have been larger than any crowd that will attend any baseball game this spring.

So maybe the aforementioned teams should take a lesson from the streakers and perform in the raw. Spring practice is underway at the present in club football, and they are going to put on pads this week. Well, why not let that be all they put on? It seems that people will always gather to watch people do

things in the nude, and if Friday was any indication, football practice would be jammed with spectators each night.

But the real payoff would come next season when opponents came to town. While spectators might tire of the same bodies everyday, they would be familiar with the wrinkles in the offense so to speak, they would always be anxious to view visiting teams in all their glory. The other two sports could try the same ideas. Of course in baseball, the players would need to be particularly careful of bad hops, lest they be crippled for life.

Perhaps if the cheerleaders and pom-pom girls would do their routines without the benefit of clothing one could overlook their occasional lack of team coordination, ability to keep in step with the music, and lack of variety of cheers. It has long been my feeling that their routines lacked something, maybe if they lacked appeal entirely, the other shortcomings could be, ironically, covered. But

that may be a bit too much to ask.

Be that as it may, I would like, if you will be kind enough to allow it, to return to the subject of spring football practice for a moment. It strikes me as a worthy idea to hold these drills, and at the same time a rather bizarre one.

They will undoubtedly enable the players to become more knowledgeable in the offensive patterns and defensive team plans. But as a conditioning measure, their value is dubious. No matter what is done during these weeks in the spring, it is no guarantee that the players will return in the physical condition in which they left. (This may be or may not be an asset). It will be up to the players to maintain a personal program if they wish to return in the best possible physical condition to play football. Another reason I have doubts about the value of spring drills is that a player could be injured and to the extent that he may be forced to miss the

fall season. Texas recently lost their star fullback, Roosevelt Leaks, due to a knee injury in spring practice.

Spring practice also has a vague ring of "Big Time" college football surrounding it. The football team here is on the club level, and for the enjoyment of the students. It would be difficult for me to give up my free time in the spring to don shoulder pads and run up and down a football field. We already have a basketball program which aspires to the "Big Time", and enough is enough. Nevertheless, the club footballers face many obstacles in running a successful program, such as lack of proper facilities, lack of student support, and a lack of sufficient funds. They get the job done with exuberance and love of their sport and receive nothing in return, save the feeling of knowing they have accomplished something on their own. This may be the most important thing that can be gained from competitive sports, and they

deserve credit for the job they do. Regardless, I still don't like the idea of spring practice.

While we're on the subject of football, in case you haven't noticed, here's a note which might bring dismay to the Monday Night football fans. Dandy Don Meredith has left ABC, and signed a contract with NBC. It's hard to imagine a Monday night game without Meredith to add some variety and humor to the broadcast. While Howard Cosell and Frank Gifford will doubtless forge onward, there will always be something missing. Rumor had it that Joe Namath would retire from football and replace Meredith in the broadcast booth. Now that might be interesting. Don't forget your popcorn popper, Joe.

Isn't it strange that when man strips nature to its very bones it is called progress and labeled good, but when people take their clothes off in front of other people it's called obscene and ruled illegal?

Club Tennis Team's Outlook is Bright

Things are taking shape for the club tennis team this season, and the shape of things looks encouraging. This year's team has 17 members, 10 from the medical campus and seven from the academic campus.

Among the returnees from last year's squad is Bert Abrons, the organizer and former Southern Conference champion in his undergraduate days at George Washington University. Also in his second year with the team is Bob Brewer, who played at Wake Forest; David Whitby, an intramural champion here; Al Katz, who played at Farleigh-Dickenson; and Rod Klima, a former William and Mary netter. In addition to these are Jeff Swartz and Dave Tober, outstanding high school players and undergraduates here.

But the team is also bolstered by several outstanding newcomers. A pleasant surprise is Jeff Hudgins, a Ram basketball player, who according to Abrons has a game which is of "major college caliber." Reggie Lewis, a freshman here, played on his high school team at Thomas Jefferson in Richmond, and is regarded as a future star.

The club's toughest opponent this year is expected to be the Westover Tennis Club, which opened this season with a victory over William and Mary last week. The Ram racquet men face the Bon Air Tennis Club this Saturday morning at 9 a.m. on the Bon Air Courts.



MCV Has Good Participation

Participation in intramural team sports are offered on both campuses.

Brockwell is pleased that there is over 50% participation in intramural sports on his campus. He feels that he must work through the students and sell his program to them, and thus far he has been successful.

The two campuses have been working together on the intramural program and University championships are now held, creating "friendly rivalry and bringing students closer together," according to Brockwell.

While it is generally acknowledged that any sort of organization on the academic campus is

extraordinary hard to put into effect, Brockwell was particularly alarmed at the apathy of women students on the Academic campus.

JOCKEY SHORTS

Tsuchiya Honored

Ron Tsuchiya, swimming coach and associate professor of physical education here, has been voted the most understanding state swimming coach for the 1973-1974 season. Eight swimming coaches from colleges and universities in Virginia voted on the award.

Tsuchiya, who hails from Hawaii, is in his first year here and is a graduate of Indiana University, and coached at Morris Harvey College immediately before coming to VCU.

Upcoming Contests

Athletic contests which will be taking place during the week to come are many and varied.

Baseball

Baseball gets things underway today, as they open their season in a doubleheader with Eastern Connecticut at Hotchkiss Field, beginning at 1 p.m. Tomorrow at 2:30 p.m., they will play host to Franklin & Marshall, and Sunday they engage in yet another doubleheader, this time with William Patterson, again at Hotchkiss, beginning at 1 p.m.

Women's Tennis

The women's tennis team also faces a busy week. Today they meet Longwood College in Byrd Park, beginning at 4 p.m. Saturday, they will host Madison College at 10:30 a.m. On

Tuesday, the females will challenge the racquetters from Old Dominion University at 3:30 p.m., again in Byrd Park.

Men's Tennis

The men's tennis club also begins their season this Saturday. They will do battle with the Bon Air Tennis Club on the Bon Air Courts at the early morning hour of 9 a.m.

Faculty Running Awards

In an effort to remain physically fit and even more mentally alert, some of the members of VCU's faculty have been engaged in a jogging program sponsored by the Department of Physical Education. Awards will be presented today at 12:15, Thursday, in the new gym. The recipients are faculty members who have jogged 1000, 500, and 100 miles.

In the 1000 category are Dr. J. Curtis Hall, dean of the School of Business, and Ed Meharg from the Information Systems and Data Processing department. In the 500 mile group are Dr. Budd Hebert from the Urban Studies Department and Dr. Charles Gallagher from the Economics Department. The 100 mile runners are both from the Department of History and Political Science. They are Dr. George Munroe and Dr. William Blake.

Last year, Dr. Warren Brandt, President of the University and Mr. Edwin Blanks of Computer Center racked up and attained membership in the 1000 mile club.

Swimmers Take 8th

The male Aqua-Rams sent four swimmers to the Major Independents Tournament. Lance Terpenney, Win Hunter, Charlie Kouns and Mark Wood secured eighth place in the overall standings out of twelve competing teams.

Kouns took tenth place in the 100-yd. backstroke, Hunter came in ninth in the 100-yd. breaststroke and Terpenney set a Va. state record of 52.7 by finishing fifth in the 100-yd. butterfly.

Coach Tsuchiya commented, "We were pleased to go to the nationals but found the competition too strong."

Football Practice

The VCU Club Football team is currently conducting spring practice on Tuesday,

Wednesday, and Thursday evenings at 6:00 p.m.

Under the direction of head coach C.M. Trinkle, the team practices at the Maggie Walker High School field. Anyone who is interested in playing football or helping out the football team in any capacity, should get in touch with Ken Castlebury at 748-5454 or 770-7791.

At the end of the spring practice season, the team will conclude with a spring football game.

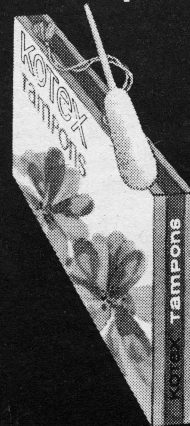
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Female Tankers Place Ninth

LEW CREEKMORE

Who would have believed that out of the ninety-four schools entered in the AIAW Women's National Swimming Championships at Penn State University, the Ramettes, with only four girls entered, could take ninth place? Well, whoever wouldn't, ought to now.

These four girls; Camille Wright, Leslie Jones, Adrian Jones, and Patrice Winter - compiled ninety-eight points in defeating such teams as Oregon, Michigan, Stanford, Penn State, Ohio State, Alabama, and seventy-eight others. The only other Virginia school to compete was William & Mary and they failed to qualify in the early rounds.

But there are other factors to consider when looking at the ninth place ranking of the Ramettes. There were seven olympic swimmers at this meet and fifteen swimmers from the 1973 World Games. There were teams like Arizona State (who took first place), Miami, UCLA, Princeton, and New Mexico, to mention a few, who had ten or more girls in the competition.

Regarding all the facts at once, a position in the top ten is nothing less than prestigious. Coach Ran Tsuchiya said "With only four girls going and the strongest meet ever, we are very pleased to be in the top ten. Another five girls and we could have been in the top five."

All four girls who went attained All-American status by finishing in the top twelve in at least one of the events in which they participated, and Camille Wright now holds two certified national records.

In the 200-yd. freestyle relay in the 400-yd. freestyle relay (all four girls included in the relay team) the Ramettes placed fourth and tenth, respectively. Then, separately, Adrian Jones finished seventeenth in the 400-yd. freestyle and twentieth in the 200-yd. individual medley.

Leslie Jones placed well in three events. She took twelfth in the 200-yd. freestyle, eleventh in the 50-yd. freestyle, and sixth in the 100-yd. freestyle.

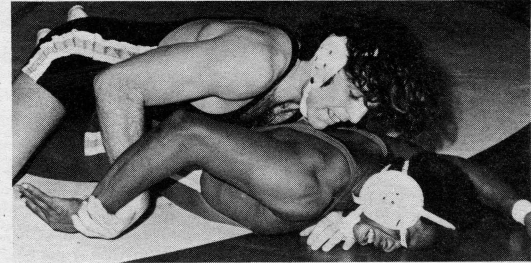
The best performance was turned in by Ms. Wright. In four events she took two seconds and two first. The seconds came in the 200-yd. freestyle and 200-yd. individual medley, and she broke the national record in

the medly event, even though she was beaten (she also placed ahead of Jenny Bartz of the Olympic team). The first place finishes and national records came in the 50-yd. and 100-yd. butterfly

events.

In the shorter of the two she broke the oldest standing national record and in the 100-yd. race she placed ahead of Karen Mole of the Olympic team. Camille is also going to compete in the AAU Women's Nationals in Dallas. Her performance there could qualify her for the '74 World Games.

These girls and the rest of the team have earned a great deal of recognition by sporting and undefeated season and by going so far in the national competition. We all owe these girls and the team congratulations and support the team next year.



Grapplers Surge at End; Look to Next Year

MIKE DUNCAN

The Ram wrestlers have completed a somewhat satisfying season according to head coach Ernie Venturino. After a slow start, the grapplers won eight of their last nine matches, ending with a record of 11 wins and

6 losses.

Venturino described the Rams' defeat at the hands of Frostburg by a margin of 20-14 as the hardest loss of the season to take. "Those kind you don't want to talk about," Venturino said.

Along with the defeats were some very satisfying wins. Venturino cited the three victories over the University of Richmond and a victory over Washington & Lee as the most enjoyable victories. It was the first time the grapplers had beaten Washington & Lee.

Four seniors finished their wrestling careers this year: Tom Legg in the 134 lb. class finished the year with 9 victories, 8 losses, and 3 draws; Norman Jackson at 150 lbs. was 15-4-1; Buddy Elliot at 167 lbs. was 9-2-1; while Curtis Jeffrey the team heavyweight finished the year 7-4.

One of the problems that faced the Ram wrestlers this year was lack of practice facilities. The grapplers often had to share their practice room and at times had to find alternate facilities. "It's not a real good situation when you have to be with someone else," Venturino stated.

According to Venturino, the problem lies with the Physical Education Department. It was his impression when the addition to the new gym was built, that the wrestling room would be used for wrestling only. Venturino expressed hope that some arrangement could be worked out for next year in which all involved could have the practice room to themselves.

In speaking about the possibilities for next year, Venturino felt that things looked promising. Seven

Byrd Park Bicycle Days Planned for Sundays in April

PAUL WOODY
Times Sports Editor

The races are named in honor of a friend of mine who suddenly died in April 1973 at the age of 23. Matthew Rudisill loved bicycles. I hope that this race series will continue each spring and will always be named for my friend, Matthew. -Dick Howard (taken from the RABA Peddler)

I didn't know Matthew Rudisill, but I do know Dick Howard, and every time I talk to him, I want to get on my bicycle and go riding. It doesn't matter where. Byrd Park, down Grove Avenue, or to Roanoke and back, just anywhere will do. Howard is a man who is dedicated to bicycles and all projects, ideas, and amusements concerning the two-wheeled vehicles. That is why he, along with other members of the Richmond Area Bicycle Association, whose president is Tom Romeo, assistant professor of occupational therapy here, are organizing bicycle races on the 7th, 14th, and 28th of April, named in honor of Rudisill, who was a VCU student at the time of his death. So you've heard that song and dance before, eh? You've heard of the nice little rides taken through the Fan district every year. Well, forget

those. buster, you're not even in the right area.

The RABA races will take place in Byrd Park, and will be run around the lower duck pond, which is the one nearest Maymont Park. Five races will be held on each of the three Sundays around the eight tenths of a mile course.

The competition will be divided into five different classes, and there seems to be a class for everyone, although there may be some there who have no class. For age groups 8-12 there will be a three mile race each Sabbath. Moving up to the 12-16 group, there will be a five mile event. The sixteen and over group will have two different race classes. One will be for cyclists who have had previous racing experience, and the other will be for those with no racing experience. Both will be 10 miles. The big event of the day will be a 25 mile contest in which only members of the Amateur Bicycle League of America will be allowed to compete. The races are open to male and female entrants, and only a helmet of some type, which can be attached so it will not fall off your head is required. Head gear such as a hockey or football helmet,

or even a baseball helmet if you can figure out a way to strap it around your chin is appropriate. You do not need a stripped down racing bike, all types are welcomed and expected. It might also help if you have no fear of unknown or sharp turns. The races will begin on the designated Sundays at 1 p.m. with registration beginning at 10:30. In case of rain, the races will be moved back one week, but under no circumstances will races take place on the 21st. In other words, rain on the 7th would change dates to the 14th, 28th, and May 5th.

Howard is hoping this will turn into more than just a cone shot deal. He would like to see the races take place every month, and says the city has agreed to close the racing area of Byrd Park to traffic. He also said that while races would certainly be fun for all involved, they will be for more than mere entertainment. Howard points out that they will try to run them as they should be run, not in some haphazard, unorganized fashion.

So, gentlemen and ladies, start your peddling, the fun is about to begin.