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## Eight Coeds Reach Pageant Semi-Finals

Eight coeds here have a perfect percentage going for them in the Miss Richmond pageant.

All eight, who are full-time students, passed preliminary judging with flying colors last week end and have been named semi-finalists.

A part-time Evening College student also reached the semi-finals.

The elite eight are Brenda Carole Goin, 18, Freshman, Art, Glen Allen; Linda Beard, 19, Sophomore, English, Rockville; Mary Elizabeth Kuchar, 20, Sophomore, Applied Social Science, Hardy; Madoline Mills Long, 18, Freshman, Drama, Richmond.

**Carole Ann Mundy**

Also, Carole Ann Mundy, 22, Senior, Fashion, Rockville, Md.; Noel Gay Walsh 19, Freshman, Music, Newport News; Carol Ann Williams, 20, Sophomore, Fashion, Jetersville, and Ann Lee Marston, 19, Junior, Music, Richmond.

Sandra Townsend, 20, Freshman, History, Richmond, enrolled in the Evening College, is also among the 16 semi-finalists.

The semi-finalists were selected after a talent and beauty screening held for 29 entrants at the Westwood Woman's club.

Semi-finalists will be making various appearances during the

## Spring Enrollment Reaches 5,588

Enrollment for the Spring semester dropped 851 below the record 6,439 from the fall semester figure. Total enrollment for the second semester reached the 5,588 mark as the Registrar's office tabulated final registration figures this week.

The 1964-65 figures surpass total enrollment of 5,209 recorded for Spring semester last year.

Of the total for this semester 3,154 are day students and 2,434 are enrolled in the Evening College.

According to John A. Mapp, director of the Evening College, the enrollment in evening classes has increased 21.7 per cent over last spring's figure. Day students enrolled in evening classes were not included in enrollment figures for the Evening College.

Full-time, part-time and departmental figures have not been estimated at this time.

coming weeks, but their formal presentation will be made at the Miss Richmond ball, April 16, at Tantilla Gardens ballroom.

Miss Richmond 1965 will be crowned 8 p.m., April 25, at the Mosque.

Brown hair is prevalent among the coeds with no blondes represented. Linda is the tallest at 5' 6½" and Noel is the shortest at 5' 2".

For entertainment Linda, Mary, Madoline and Sandra will present drama-connected acts. Carol Williams will sing and dance. Carole Mundy and Noel will sing, and Ann will play the piano.

All the girls are sponsored by various businesses in the city.

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## Use of \$3 Million Dormitory Not Offered, Dean Says

**By Tom Barnett**

The use of a proposed \$3 million co-educational dormitory, to be located at 823-29 West Grace st., has not been officially offered to the college, according to the Dean of Women.

Mrs. Jane B. Gladding, dean of women, said to her knowledge the \$3,042,000 dormitory, being built by Collegiate Developers Inc. (CDI) of Richmond, has not been offered to the school, and if it were offered only coeds eligible to live off campus would be permitted to live there.

Dr. Oliver declined to comment on the matter at this time, according to the developers.

A college regulation states that all undergraduates, full-time single female students under 22, not living at home with parents must reside in a dormitory. Male students above the freshman level could live there.

### Dorm Offered to College

Arthur C. Worley, president of CDI and Worley Bros. Construction Co. Inc., said the dormitory had been offered to the college, but there was very little response from the school about the matter.

Worley said nothing definite will be known concerning use of the

building until a proposed meeting with undisclosed college officials May 1.

The dormitory, the second of its kind in the state, will house about 750 persons. It will have 64 units per floor, will be 12 stories high and is designed to permit possible expansion at a later date.

The first floor will feature a television lounge and lobby with the possibility of a barber shop and drug store located there. There will also be cleaning and laundry facilities.

An exercise gymnasium, recreation room with facilities for bridge, table tennis, billiards and

a snack bar are planned for the basement.

The units will be furnished, carpeted and air conditioned. Each will house two occupants with every two units sharing one bath. A limited number of private rooms will be available.

Rent will be \$150 per semester.

The first development of this type was constructed at Old Dominion College in Norfolk, and rentals there are \$525 per semester, including meals.

Although there is no direct connection between the college and CDI, all of the company's officers are RPI graduates, Worley said.

## Drew Pearson to Tell Of Washington Life

Drew Pearson, a crusading columnist, who has the political life of Washington as his newspaper beat, will speak about the Washington Merry-Go-Round, 8:30 p.m., next Saturday in the gymnasium.

Pearson, regarded by many as the top reporter in Washington, has obtained his reputation through years as the Washington reporter who can get stories others can't get. He dares to print and broadcast what others will hush up.



Drew Pearson

Pearson has been a co-author of several controversial books, including, "Washington Merry-Go-Round" and "Nine Old Men."

The lecture is sponsored by the Student Activities Committee.

Admission will be by ticket only. Tickets will be available from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., March 8 through 12 in the Student Personnel Office.

Student tickets will be free with validated identification cards, and all other tickets will be \$1.50 each.

## Arts Festival Is Scheduled For April 19-26

(BANG)<sup>3</sup>, this year's version of the Spring Arts Festival, to be held April 19-26, will be another rip-roaring week of cultural festivities, just like last year.

The Festival, sponsored by the Student Activities Committee with the assistance of faculty members in the Schools of Art, has been dubbed (BANG)<sup>3</sup>. This title is in keeping with the spirit of last year's festival, "Bang, Bang, Bang, Etc."

### Week's Activities

The week's activities will include a play, a synthesis, a dance performance, various types of music, films and guest speakers.

The synthesis will be presented by a group of Art School faculty and students. A synthesis, unlike a play, is improvised and has no plot.

The Judson Theatre Dance Group will perform and discuss dance, theater music and scene design. The same performance will be presented at the Rochester Dance Festival in upper New York state this month.

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## Music Variety Show Will Be Presented

"Corn's a Poppin'," a music variety show, will be presented by the Accidental club at 8:30 tomorrow night in the Gym.

Admission will be 50 cents and proceeds will be used to help finance the club's Spring concert.



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**From Left, Carol Williams, Madoline Long, Linda Beard, Carole Mundy, Brenda Goin**  
Five Coeds Are Among Nine From RPI Competing in the Miss Richmond Pageant



# PROSCRIPT

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## Into the Open

It is a fact that the national rate of alcoholic consumption skyrocketed after the passage of the Volstead Prohibition Enforcement Act in 1919 and declined after Repeal in 1933.

The very fact that a prohibitive law was in effect brought about widespread abuse of liquor restrictions. It had something to do with adverse reaction, psychologists tell us.

A somewhat comparable situation seems to have developed in Virginia colleges over the years.

There is a state law and there are specific regulations pertaining to the consumption of alcoholic beverages by college students. One of the RPI regulations: "Alcoholic beverages are not permitted at any college-sponsored, off-campus activity."

Liquor rules have necessitated a Prohibition-like situation here. Because students are denied the privilege of social drinking at such occasions as Mid-Winters, the result has been sub rosa cocktail parties before major school functions, concealed bottles and flasks, frequent trips to parked cars, etc.

If it is not abundantly clear by now, we herewith state that we are NOT opposed to social drinking. College students should have reached the stage where social drinking can be enjoyed, tolerated and controlled in an adult manner.

But the question here is not the pros and cons of student consumption of alcohol. In question are regulations that force students to devise methods to satisfy their social thirst through dishonest means.

Saturday night, the Dance club and the Junior class co-sponsored "Winter Dionysia" at the Mosque. Violations of school rules were apparent to even the least observant.

We urge the administration of RPI—and other schools in Virginia—to seek a more adult state attitude, and to seek some means of getting those bottles out into the open.

Regulated social drinking at college functions—particularly major dances—seems to be the answer to hidden flasks, quick trips to a car and other hypocrisy.

C.R.H.

## Campus News Briefs

National Student Defense Loan applications for the Fall semester are now available at the Student Personnel Office.

Russell A. Johnston, dean of students, said only full-time students will be eligible for loans during the summer school session.

Dr. George T. Kalif, director of the Graduate School of Social Work, will attend a meeting of social workers March 20 at Hollins College in Hollins.

The group, representing various state colleges, will discuss ways of strengthening social welfare contact and undergraduate education.

Dr. Kalif said the point is to do whatever is possible to prepare students for doing a better job in the field of social work. He said the field needs many people to fill the many jobs available and the meeting will act as a recruiting device.

Dr. Mary E. Kapp, chairman of the School of Applied Science, is attending a conference on analytical chemistry in Pittsburgh. The conference is sponsored by the University of Pittsburgh and the Pittsburgh division of the American Chemical Society.

Four associate professors in the Graduate School of Social Work will attend a meeting of the Amer-

ican Orthopsychiatric Association in New York City, March 17-19, to discuss the mid-century social revolution.

The group includes Mrs. Betty Davis, Mrs. Elaine Rothenberg, Miss Jacqueline Stackhouse and Marion Kahn.

The Young Republicans' club will send several delegates to the statewide Young Republicans' annual convention to be held at the Hotel Richmond, today through Sunday.

The featured speaker at the convention will be Congressman Mike Batin (R-Mont).

State officers are to be elected, and the RPI club has decided to back its president, C. L. Sigmon, for the office of State College Federation Vice-Chairman.

## Campus Calendar

- March 5—Image staff, 3 p.m., Student Center, 2C.
- March 6—Accidental Club Variety Show, 8:30-10:30 p.m., gymnasium.
- March 7—Student Recital, 3 p.m., Hibbs 203.  
Alpha Sigma Sigma, 6:30 p.m., Hibbs 303.
- March 8—German club, 5 p.m., Student Center, 2B.  
Bible Discussion, 3 p.m., Student Center, 2C.
- March 9—Phi Beta Lambda, 5:45 p.m., Hibbs 303.
- March 10—Circle K International, 5:30 p.m., Student Center, 2C.  
President's Council, 5:30 p.m., Hibbs 403.  
Fine Arts Group, 4:30 p.m., Student Center, 2B.  
Cave club, 5:30 p.m., Student Center, 2G.  
Cotillion club, 5:30 p.m., Student Center, 2B.
- March 11—Christian Science Organization, 5:15 p.m., Student Center, 2C.



## Ten Music Students Give Recitals Sunday

The School of Music will hold the second of its student recitals, 3 p.m., Sunday in Hibbs 203, and will feature representatives from five of its departments.

The piano department will present Ruth Green, special student from Richmond; Cristina Sanchez, Freshman, Composition, Petersburg; Freshman Piano majors Mar-

tha Glenn and Cynthia Hicks of Richmond and Senior Roy Hall of Pulaski.

Pamela Ritchie, contralto, and Paul Northern, tenor, will represent the voice department. Pamela, Freshman, Voice, Statesville, N.C., will be accompanied by Diane Woolridge, Sophomore, Piano, Richmond. Northern, a Junior Voice major from Richmond, will be accompanied by Mrs. Betsey Jones, Freshman, Organ, Ashland.

## Arts Festival Is Scheduled

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A seminar on the state of the Arts also is scheduled. Special emphasis will be placed on the problems of contemporary painting.

The Second Annual Richmond Film Festival will be presented in four parts. All four parts will be complete and different, without repeating any films in any program.

The Folk, Jazz, Ethnic, Pop Music Festival will be a sort of musical marathon. It will include an Armenian Band, a Blue Grass band, Mississippi John Hurt, the Virginia Choral Ensemble, a Rock and Roll band and a group of amateur folk singers.

The premier performance of a Spanish play translated by Robert Shoffner, Junior, Drama, Charlottesville, will be produced. The play is "Thus Five Years Pass" by the surrealist playwright Federico Garcia Lorca.

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From the reed department will come bassoonist Melvin Solomon, Freshman, Applied Music, Richmond. His accompanist will be Carol Lynch, Sophomore, Piano, Chesapeake City, Md.

French hornists Sandra Fralin and Gerald White will be presented by the brass department. Sandra, Senior French Horn major from Halifax, will be accompanied by Cynthia Hicks and White, graduate student in Music Education from Colonial Heights, by Dr. Robert Johnson.

## Alumni News

## Graduates Winning Note

RPI graduates can be found working in almost any job listed in the government's "Dictionary of Occupational Titles." The positions that they have accepted are varied and widely scattered geographically. Alumni Association President Bill Norris, for instance, has a BS in Business '52. He is senior vice president of Fidelity Bankers Life Insurance Company. Jack Carver (BS in Retailing '58) is doing association work for the Apparel Manufacturers Association. Also, a '58 School of Distribution Graduate, Stuart Forrester, is serving on a Presidential Committee in Washington, D. C.

Many other RPI graduates are holding responsible positions.

A 1962 Commercial Art graduate, Brenda A. Whitehurst, is the interior designer of the Belk Department Store Chain. The chain includes approximately 420 stores.

## Letter to the Editor

## Reader Says Do Away With Code

Editor, the Proscript:

Throughout history men have attempted to control other men's actions by rendering them impotent with guilt and fear-ridden inhibitions instigated by conduct codes. During periods of change, these systematized prescriptions for behavior are intensified out of a need for stability.

Like many others in a contemporary world, the society at RPI is in a period of transition and development, bringing changes and upheaval. In the search for stability among the students on this campus, we cannot lose sight of our integrity and right to act freely as individuals.

### Constricting Force

The Honor Code established here in 1925 was meant to construct a code of conduct for the students. It has failed. In attempting to resolve that failure, the code is being revised. The revisions will be, in reality, an ever constricting force upon the personal lives of every member of this student body. We cannot allow the Honor Code to descend from the hands of the powers that be, like a net, engulfing and encroaching upon the students at this school.

The Code is based upon the premise that every individual is a dishonorable one. Negative foundations will not assert positive ends.

### Police State

The Honor Code is, in truth, nothing more than a police state, employing the most appalling methods of incrimination, turning your friends into informers, stigmatizing the free movements of everyone, and ultimately forcing individuals to use those means which the Code set out to remove in its conception.

The Honor Code is in the hands of people whose original intent was in the interest of RPI and the people attending school here. That interest is questionable now, at a time when what little vitality existing here is being slowly suffocated and strangled.

Your opinion has not been solicited. A voice of protest must be raised. It is only through the concerted effort of the students that action can be taken and the time is now.

We do not need to revise the Honor Code.

We need to do away with it.

Salvatore Federico

James Stinchcomb of the International Association of Chiefs of Police will visit the campus to discuss the Law Enforcement program.



# Coach Allen Wants to Join Mason-Dixon

Basketball Coach Ed Allen announced this week RPI is seeking admission to the Mason-Dixon Conference this year and forecasted the basketball team will be bigger and better next season.

"We (RPI) hope to vote on entrance into the league by the end of the month," Coach Allen said.

If accepted the Rams would have the privilege of playing in two postseason basketball tournaments next year. The Rams are in their first year as members of the National Association of Inter-collegiate Athletics (NAIA) and were prohibited from postseason play this year.

**Potential After Old Dominion Loss**

Coach Allen feels that the team this year did not reach its potential until after the loss on January 5 to Old Dominion.

"We didn't play ball until that loss," Coach Allen said, "and that proved to be the turning point in the season."

"I thought at the beginning of the year we might win 15 games if the Freshmen came around, but inexperience and pres-

sure hurt us in the close games that we lost."

Explaining the loss of five of the last six games Coach Allen said, "when we lost to Randolph-Macon (65-63) it took a lot out of the players."

**Could Have Won Last Games**

Coach Allen felt that the Rams could have won the rest of their games had the team won at Ashland and broken the Yellow Jackets' 42-game home winning string.

"I think we could have beaten Hampden-Sydney if we had played them the night we were supposed to have played," he said. The Rams were beaten in their last game by the Tigers to break an RPI home court victory string after the original game was postponed because of snow.

In talking about the team as a whole Coach Allen said, "I think this is the best team I've had the privilege of coaching at RPI and the most talented."

"We started off the season by running and we ended the same way. On defense we started with the man-to-man and in

midseason used both man-to-man and zone defenses. We got caught once or twice with the zone because we used it a bit too long."

Coach Allen predicted that Lyn Creech would probably be Little All-America this year. Creech was the state's leading collegiate scorer with a 24.0 average for 22 games.

"He's the best shooter I've ever coached or seen," Coach Allen said about the Freshman forward. "He's fast and quick when he shoots. Next year I'll probably bring him outside to play guard."

In discussing the Little Eight Conference next year Coach Allen said, "You've got to go along with Randolph Macon because they don't lose anybody off of their team. Hampden-Sydney will lose a couple of first-string men, but they have good depth and you count out Roanoke because they came along at the end of the season."

**Participation Best Ever**

Coach Allen said that participation at games this year was "the best we've had."

As long as you're winning people are going to come out but when you're losing you need more people to help the team out."

Records which the Rams set this year include:

- Creech broke the scoring mark of 512 points set by C. G. Winston last year with 529 points. The 24.0 average for 22 games made Creech Virginia's top scorer.
- The 1963-64 and 1964-65 teams combined to give RPI a 12 game home court winning string, longest in the team's history.
- This year's squad won seven straight games for a new team record.
- The team lost less games than any previous RPI squad.
- The Rams were the only team in the state this year to defeat Randolph Macon. The Yellow Jackets went on to become the Mason-Dixon Conference Champions.
- The team compiled the best offensive average in a season with an 86.7 average per game.



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Basketball Coach Discusses What's in Store for the Rams Next Season after Record Performance Year

**Tennis Tryouts**

Tryouts for the women's tennis team have been scheduled for Monday afternoon at Byrd park.

Miss Nancy Alexander, assistant professor of Physical Education, said almost everyone from last year's undefeated team has left.

"We desperately need more girls," she said.

Transportation to Byrd park for tryouts will be furnished.

All interested coeds should contact Miss Alexander in the women's physical education office before Monday's tryouts.

## Losses to Monarchs, Tigers End Rams Wrestling Campaign

**By Larry Evans**

Forfeits in two weight classes proved to be the margin of defeat as the Rams wrestling team dropped its final match of the season, 21-11, to Hampden-Sydney College Monday night. The Rams also lost to Old Dominion College, 31-5, on February 24.

The Rams showed little sign of being a winless club going into their final match as they wrestled with the incentive of a championship team after falling behind, 10-0 on the 10 points they lost on forfeits in the 137 and 167 lb. weight classes.

Mike Winchester, the Rams' 123 pounder, opened the RPI scoring with a 7-2 decision over the Tigers' Bill Shumadine.

In the 130 lb. class, the fans saw one of the most exciting matches of the season as the Rams' Lynn Gibson decisioned Tex Tilson, 6-5.

**Tigers Put Match Away**

It looked as if the Rams were going to pull out a victory, but the Tigers added a pin and two decisions to their point total to put the match out of reach of RPI.

In the final match of the evening, Ram Captain Charlie Hall closed out his wrestling career for the Blue and Gray with a pin in 3:17 over Tray Edwards, a tackle on the H-SC football team.

On February 24, the Rams were routed, 31-5, by Little Eight Conference powerhouse Old Dominion College. The Monarchs proved that wrestling is not a sport of strength as they used every trick in the book to gain five pins and two decisions and walked away with the match.

The Rams' five points were won by Neils Bredahl in the 147 lb. weight class on an Old Dominion forfeit.

The RPI wrestling team was 0-11 for the season.

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## Sots, Hasbeens Press Varsity Club for Lead

The Hasbeens, Liabilities, and Varsity club each posted a victory in the men's intramural basketball league.

The Hasbeens led, 37-28, at the half and went on to defeat the Carpetbaggers, 78-71.

The Hasbeens were led by Herman Allen with 21 points, while teammate Guy Davis added 19.

Joe Davis netted 26 points for the Carpetbaggers. Howard Clabough, last year's top individual scorer, tallied 20 points.

The Liabilities outscored the German club, 38-20, in the second half for a, 67-45, runaway victory.

Joe Cocherham was high scorer for the Liabilities with 21 points, while teammate Mike Kirby added 18.

For the German club, Joe Lay-

may and Dave Smith had 15 and 12 points, respectively.

The Varsity club showed why it's in first place as it crushed the Commuters, 86-30.

The Commuters actually led for part of the first half and went into half-time trailing only 29-19. The Varsity club outscored the Commuters, 57-11, in the second half, turning the game into a rout.

The Varsity club placed four men in double figures: George Shaheen, 31; Dean Sisler, 16; Bill Brooker, 12, and Bill Parker, 11.

High scorer for the Commuters was Rick Klotz with 10 points.

The Sots and the Hasbeens are presently engaged in a battle for second place. Both teams still have a chance to catch the Varsity club for the lead.

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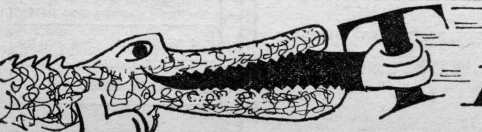
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### Doing It the Hard Way

Commercial Art students in Basic Design, section two, had as a class project to prepare a 270 square-inch signature design. David W. McKay (hat and dark glasses) completed his project on a 120' x 2 1/4" strip of white paper. He managed to sign his name 256 times. Other students in the class helped him show off his project with a parade down the alley in back of the Hibbs Building and down Park ave. Passers-by gave second looks as the entourage skipped down the street with the banner.

## 850 Fill Mosque Ballroom As Picket Stages Protest

By Rick Harrison

More than 850 persons packed the Mosque ballroom Saturday night to celebrate a Mid-Winter's Greek festival.

Outside the Mosque, a sole picket pounded the sidewalk in protest of a series of activities during the past week by the Student Government Association and the Junior class.

The SGA, through far-fetched stunts, attempted to point out several problems plaguing the college—parking, crowded classrooms, lack of qualified personnel, etc.—and members of the Junior class paraded around the campus in togas to publicize Mid-Winters.

Norman Marshall, Liberal Arts, Sophomore, Mechanicsville, was the one-man picket.

#### Lloyd Price and Band

On the inside Lloyd Price and his band with vocalist Erma Franklin and two brass-knuckled, gun-toting bodyguards serenaded students, faculty, and administration at "Winter Dionysia"—the Greek-inspired theme of the dance.

The \$3,200 dance was cosponsored by the Dance club, Ring Committee, Junior class, SGA and the Administration.

Highlighting the dance was the Ring Figure. Approximately 50 couples strolled down the ballroom floor in front of the bandstand, stopped under a draped arch, exchanged school rings and sealed the ceremony with a kiss.

A Toga guard served skewered

hors d'oeuvres of Vienna sausage, green olives and cheddar cheese cubes. Cranberry sparkler (cranberry juice and ginger ale), grapes, apples and date nut bread with creamed cheese also was served.

The bandstand was decorated to resemble the Parthenon—the temple in honor of Athena on the Acropolis. Ballroom columns were embellished with dripping icicles suspended from snow-covered boughs.

#### Cotillion Club Awards

Cotillion Club President Sharon Gates made awards for the best-decorated dormitories typifying the dance's theme—"Winter Dionysia."

Coeds living at the Senior Center received the first-place trophy for their paper mache figures of Bacchus, the Roman god of wine, and Bacchus' helper, which were suspended from the second floor of the center.

Founder's Hall received a second-place plaque for its decoration of a Greek urn which formed the entrance to the front of the dormitory.

#### Dormitory Decorations

The dormitory decorations were judged by a faculty committee Friday afternoon. Assistant Dean of Women Mrs. Margaret Perritt, Instructor of English Shade Wilson and Associate Professor of Business Dave Willis were the judges.

Sharon said she hoped the decoration's contest would become an annual event for Mid-Winters.

Lloyd Price's band had been scheduled to play until 12:30 a.m., but a city regulation that was overlooked in planning for the dance states a band must stop playing at 12 midnight unless special permission has been obtained from the city.

Missing from the dance was the eight-foot, antique gold, simulated school ring which was constructed for last year's Mid-Winters. It had been planned to use the ring in connection with the Ring Figure, but the location of the ring, which was stored last February at 916 Park ave., has not been determined. The ring was built at a cost of more than \$150 last year by the Ring Committee, the official selling agent here for the Josten company, makers of the school ring.

#### Dance Club Loses \$47

The Dance club lost \$47 of the \$800 it had supplied for the dance. The rest of the money for the dance came from the Ring Committee, SGA and the Administration. The Junior class, according to Dance Club Chairman Mike Boblitz, supplied no money for the dance of which it was chief sponsor.

The Occupational Therapy club lost 80 Polaroid picture folders.

## Former Counterspy Explains FBI Role

By Susan Scott

Herbert A. Philbrick, who worked underground for nine years under the direction of the Federal Bureau of Investigation as a communist, told the Proscript before his lecture Friday night the Communist party demands everything from its members.

Philbrick spoke in the gymnasium as a part of the concert-lecture series sponsored by the Student Activities Committee.

He left an advertising career in 1940 and infiltrated the ranks of top Communist organizations in the United States. In 1949 he testified against 11 of the top Communists in this country.

#### Atmosphere of Fear

Philbrick said there was a constant atmosphere of fear and suspicion at all party meetings.

"There was so much uneasiness at the gatherings that it was unthinkable even to carry a ball point pen," he said.

His role as a counterspy was purely voluntary, and he was never on the FBI payroll. He was, however, reimbursed for certain expenses, such as party dues.

"The communists had no idea they were being supported by the federal government," he said.

In his lecture Philbrick pointed out there are about 10,000 communists in the United States today, but he said even this relatively small number presents a

threat to the American people.

"All the party needs is one communist in the right place at the right time," he said.

Although most Americans believe the chances of Communist infiltration is slight, many Communist front organizations are in operation in the United States today, Philbrick said.

"Indeed there is an internal danger," he said.

He added, however, that the FBI now has about 150 Communist organizations under surveillance.

Philbrick has written two books about his experiences—"The Queer Fish" and "I Led Three Lives," upon which an award-winning documentary television program was based.

His syndicated newspaper column has often exposed Communist secrets.

## SGA Senate Votes To Eliminate Harvest Ball Queen

The Student Government Association Senate unanimously voted this week to eliminate the traditional Harvest Ball queen and substitute Miss RPI as queen of Openings—the first major dance in the Fall semester.

Senior Class President Norman Phifer made the motion for the substitution. The Senior class is sponsor of the annual Miss RPI pageant.

It was suggested Miss RPI be the college's representative in such contests as the Apple Blossom Festival and the Miss Richmond pageant, but no action was taken on this.

Dennis Carey, Sophomore, Retailing, Richmond, was introduced to the Senate as new SGA treasurer. Carey replaces Paul Bowers who resigned two weeks ago.

## Sale of Rings To Start Monday

School rings may be purchased from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday in the Rotunda, Andi Respass, Sophomore, Distribution, Grimstead, secretary of the Ring Committee announced this week.

The rings should arrive by the end of April.

Last semester 259 rings were sold.

## Dormitory Fire Is Started By Hair Dryer

Four city fire engines responded to an early morning call Saturday at Monroe Terrace.

A fire at about 4 a.m. in a third floor apartment started when a coed fell asleep while using her hair dryer.

Suze Surdyk, Freshman Distribution major from McLean, who received second degree burns on her back, fell asleep with her hair dryer on. The motor overheated setting fire to the bed, and flames spread to the walls and floor.

Coeds were vacated from the northern half of the dormitory where the fire started to rooms on the southern half, and girls from the upper nine stories came downstairs to investigate the cause of the smoke.

Smoke filled the entire 12 floors of the dormitory. Suze and her roommate, Sue Scott, Freshman Journalism major from Warren, reported heavy smoke damage to their clothing.

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