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FINISHED PRODUCT—After more than a year of work, and problems which included a crane collapse, fire and just plain cold weather, the 700 dormitory is, except for the finishing touches, complete. For details about the transfer of co-eds into the dormitory, see page five.

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Merger of RPI-MCV approved by House

The House of Delegates has approved the merger of RPI with the Medical College of Virginia into an urban university and Senate approval of the measure is expected in the next few days.

The bill would authorize the establishment of Virginia Commonwealth University on July 1 of this year. It was passed in the house as "emergency" legislation, which means its provisions would be effective immediately upon final passage.

The legislation is the product of recommendations made in November of last year by the Wayne Commission. That commission was authorized by the 1966 General Assembly to study the feasibility of establishing such a university in the Richmond area and to provide a general outline for merging the two colleges.

The bill was expected to be

reported to the floor of the Senate today from the Senate Committee on Education and Public Institutions. Sen. J. Sargeant Reynolds, D-Richmond, and one of the bill's sponsors in the Senate, said this week that he saw "no major obstacles" to passage of the measure.

Opposition, largely over the expansion site of the university, was voiced in the Senate committee earlier in the session, but Reynolds said "I don't believe we are going to hear anything more about it."

SEN. EDWARD E. Willey, D-Richmond, another sponsor of the Senate bill, said the Senate was considering the House bill, since it had already been passed, instead of a similar Senate bill. The House bill does not contain a specific reference to future site

plans, and Willey said the issue probably would not come up again until after consolidation of the two colleges had taken place.

The House legislation provides for the establishment of a corporation consisting of the board of visitors of the university which would be under the control of the General Assembly. All real estate and personal property owned by RPI and MCV would be placed under the control of the university.

THE LEGISLATION authorizes Gov. Mills E. Godwin Jr. to appoint a 15-member board of visitors for the university. Four of the members would be named from the current membership of the board of visitors at RPI and four from the board at MCV. Seven members without prior service on either board would complete the board's membership.

The board of visitors would be authorized to appoint a president for the university, and to name from its ranks a rector, vice rector, vice rector, a secretary and other officers it deems necessary.

Four students face drug charges

By Warren Morgan

Four RPI students were among 16 persons arrested recently in the fan district. Three are charged with possession of marijuana and one with selling marijuana.

Three of the four students were arrested during January. The fourth was arrested Tuesday.

Investigations by both Richmond City and Campus Police are still being conducted. Investigations in connection with the school have been going on since September. The case broke when a call was received on January 21 by the Campus Police Department, from a woman's residence hall at 905 Park Ave., reporting a male trespasser on the premises.

Sgt. R. A. Price, of the Campus Police force answered the call and said he found the man identified as James Frothingham unconscious in the backyard. When the city police arrived, he was charged with trespassing. A search of Frothingham revealed

marijuana and some pills, according to police.

After state laboratory tests were conducted, Frothingham, a model for RPI art classes, was charged with possessing marijuana.

juana and other dangerous drugs.

City police, with a warrant, searched his apartment and said they found more evidence of drugs and narcotics. His roommates, Lacy Polk and Henry R.

Ford, were charged with possession of marijuana. They are RPI students.

Later that same day, another search warrant was obtained and
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Melvin Belli, noted attorney, cancels speech in Mosque

Melvin Belli, who defended Jack Ruby, slayer of presidential assassin Lee Harvey Oswald, was scheduled to speak in the Mosque Monday, but has cancelled the engagement.

The Honor Council had arranged the talk, but the Student Personnel Office was notified late yesterday that Belli would be unable to come because of a case of the flu he contacted on a recent trip to Vietnam.

"Belli asked no fee for the appearance except that his ex-

penses be paid from Chicago to Richmond and then back to San Francisco," stated an Honor Court member.

Belli is the senior partner of law firm in San Francisco. He claims he hangs his American Bar Association certificate in the toilet and fires a cannon from the top of his building every time he wins a case.

Belli and his firm specialize in trial law, both civil and criminal. He has been counsel for cases tried in England, Germany,

Japan, Italy and the Scandinavian countries, and has represented a number of famed motion picture stars of Hollywood including Mae West, Anne Jeffreys, the late Erroll Flynn, and Tony Curtis.

UPON GRADUATION from the University of California, Boalt Hall of Law, Berkeley in 1933, he was admitted to the California State Bar. He has also been admitted to the U. S. Supreme Court, and the U. S. Court of Appeals among other U. S. Courts.

Draft forms are available for deferments

Draft deferment forms may be obtained and filled out this week in the Office of Student Records. Students who completed the SS-109 form in September need not apply.

New students are urged to complete the necessary forms as soon as possible, to avert 1-A classification by their local boards.

The SS-109 form is sent to local boards yearly to advise them of a student's attendance at college and the number of credit hours he is pursuing.

Part-time students usually do not file the forms, as deferments are intended for full-time students only.

Board approves four-point system

By Donald N. Dulin
Managing Editor

The Board of Visitors has given its approval for implementation of a package of new college policies.

The board said yes to a four point system, tuition and fee changes and faculty, admission and continuance in college standards.

The four point system, an innovation which will bring RPI in line with most other colleges, gives the student one quality point for a D. The old three point system does not.

Beginning in September 1968, the new system will give four quality points for an A, three for a B, two for a C, one for a D and none for an F.

The state's community college system was one of the keys to the change in the admissions policy, according to James W. Bailey, associate dean of the college. RPI, he said, offers two-year, four-

year and graduate programs, and considers itself a community college. The college, Bailey said, felt a responsibility to admit all students who could complete degree requirements.

Now with the two-year community colleges developing, RPI can "concentrate on admitting students better qualified to meet the increasing requirements in four-year and graduate programs.

Increasing admission standards, he said, will 1. eliminate students with below C averages in high school, 2. will put more emphasis upon high school level training for college courses of study, 3. restrict enrollment in many schools and departments and 4. allow more care in screening students on college board scores and high school class rank, although these will continue to carry less weight than high school grades.

THE CONTINUANCE in college policy is under study, Bailey said, and will

probably undergo changes.

There will be no change in the C average requirement in major courses of study and for graduation, he said. In general, he explained, students can't be deficient more than 20 grade points and continue in college.

A "student will be suspended if he fails all his courses in one semester or if after two or more semesters of residence he accumulates a grade point deficiency of more than 20," he said.

Some students have taken as many as 180 credits before graduating, he said, but the maximum would be 150 under the new system.

Bailey said that standards under the new system would be similar to or above those at the University of Virginia, VPI, Mary Washington College and other state schools.

Bailey said that if the college gets enough money, 100 full time instructors will be hired to reduce the student-

teacher ratio and replace part time teachers.

He said the college is trying to increase the quality of education "in anticipation of RPI moving into a higher level of operation as a university as recommended by the Wayne Commission."

Only 17 per cent of the faculty now hold doctorates, he said, and there should be a minimum of 25 to 30 per

In the future, he said, faculty selection will follow specific criteria in the various schools and departments. In general, he said, more attention will be paid to an applicant's "successful experience, training at the master's level and beyond, with emphasis upon the doctorate, and scholarly work."

Bailey said that tuition for out-of-state students will increase by \$100 next year.

Instead of raising tuition for Virginia students, the student activities fee will be \$12 per semester above the cost of tuition.

Academic change

There is a story on page one of the Proscript today that should be of vital interest to students and prospective students who may see it. The board of visitors, we see, has approved several changes—each significant for a number of reasons.

Taken jointly, the initiation of a four-point system, the raising of admissions standards and the stiffening of continuance standards may be viewed as a fundamental change in thinking as to the academic role of this college.

Currently enrolled students will obviously find the review of continuance standards important, because, as those standards are raised, checking that "continuing" classification during registration will become more and more difficult. The effects will not be seen immediately, but the improved academic requirements may soon begin taking their toll on the so-called "marginal" student, forcing him either up or out—to greater academic effort or to job hunting.

POTENTIAL STUDENTS will also feel the pinch of these academic changes. Tighter admission standards may force the high school student who is ill-prepared to begin a fast-paced college career (and that pace is steadily increasing) to seek acceptance in a community college of other two-year institution. These colleges are designed to direct and to counsel the student who is either not prepared for the pace set in four year colleges or who simply has not decided on a major field of study.

The shift to a four-point system, while largely a mechanical change, is highly important. Under the current system, a student who receives a grade of D on a course receives no quality credits. In other words—he receives, in quality credits, the same as a person who fails a course. Under the four-point system, quality credits are graduated equitably from D through A, thus providing a more accurate diagnosis of one's average.

These changes will not reshape the academic structure of RPI overnight, but they are efforts toward improvement, and that is important. We commend this action and hope to see more of the same.

A new beginning

A new semester has begun. Four months loom ahead with countless tests and quizzes to be taken and essays, themes and book reviews to be written.

How many students as they approached the campus for the first time after exams sat in their dormitories or cars and wondered—is it all worth it?

Many of us may have pondered the value of beginning all over again the process of learning new material and the techniques of new instructors.

ANY DOUBTS or indecision a student may face are removed, however, when he considers the avenues open to those who drop out of college or never attend. The fact that a college degree is necessary especially in today's world is not a cliché.

As RPI approaches university status in its proposed merger with Medical College, a student may anticipate the possibility of being submerged in a sea of nameless students, but the validity of a college degree cannot be erased whether it is given by a small college or large university, and feelings of doubt and purposelessness quickly disappear as students become involved in a new semester of studies.

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HEY TEACH! I'M BACK FROM SEMESTER BREAK. YA MISS ME?



Letters to the editor

Dr. Nelson well-pleased so far

Editor, the Proscript

I have now spent one semester at RPI. I have in that time been most impressed by what goes on here and by the people who make it go on.

I want to take this opportunity to express my respect and admiration for the RPI student. He is willing to tolerate a great deal and make the best of what he has, largely, I am certain, because of a determination to get an education; a determination, I think, well above average among college students. I have found student organizations exceedingly cooperative. I think we can point with real pride to the students of Circle K who gave most tangible evidence of their concern for the college when they pledged one-half of one percent of their gross income to its development.

Kudos also to The Proscript. It suffers a foible common to all newspapers, an inaccuracy now and then; but it is, in my judgment, well done and covers the news of real substance and is not, like many college papers I have seen, overly concerned with campus trivia.

Finally, to the faculty and staff at RPI I can truthfully say that I have never been privileged to work with a more dedicated, conscientious group of people. Only through their efforts has this educational miracle that is RPI survived.

I hope that my first five months here have made some positive contribution to the college's development. I know that I have been privileged to serve and to work with all at RPI.

Roland H. Nelson, Jr.
President

Editor, the Proscript

The first four and one-half months of this academic year has been somewhat of an eye-opening experience for me. Before assuming the position of Financial Aid Director, I could not have imagined how ill prepared some of our students are for accepting financial responsibilities.

To some, this may sound rather harsh, but I think most students would like to hear a direct and frank explanation rather than a glorified and empty statement. I decided to write this letter before we entered into the process of preparing for the academic year 1968-69.

The beginning of this year brought with it students who waited until the last moment to seek financial means for their education. Being new to the position at that time, I considered the matter as just another "happening." How wrong I was because here we are entering the second semester and that same "happening" is upon us once more with many of the same students as repeaters. I believe it is about time that people forget about this philosophy of — Well, if we make it through today, we can think about tomorrow when it arrives. This is not a philosophy. Most students conduct their business affairs rather well and to those students I give my congratulations.

Now I would like to suggest some guidelines for students to follow in the future.

State-Residents — Establish a banking account now at your local hometown bank so that you may be eligible to apply for the

State Educational Assistance Authority Loan.

Non-Residents — Establish a banking account now at your local hometown bank so that you may be eligible for the United Student Aid Fund Loan to attend an out-of-state college.

Plan well in advance — Make up your minds now as to whether or not you are willing to sacrifice certain luxuries to gain your education. Don't wait until you receive your bill from the college and then come to our office and expect financial assistance. By that time, our funds will have been exhausted. Plan ahead by at least one year. Always underestimate the amount of money you may be receiving from outside sources or the college and be determined to sacrifice your vacation periods to earn the amount you will need.

Married students who expect to live at the same level they did before entering college are only fooling themselves. You cannot expect the school to accept pre-college responsibilities.

The whole essence of this letter is contained within two words — "don't wait." Anticipate the maximum you will need for a school year. If you are applying for financial assistance at the college, anticipate that the school can only meet about 35%-40% of that need—if you qualify.

I hope this letter has been of some value. It was not meant to be disrespectful but rather in respect to you as a student. The college and I want to help you, but you must assume some responsibility for the future of your college education.

Milton F. Woody
Director of Financial Aid



The Observer

Rules tug ahead

By Donald N. Dulin

Next week's joint session of the House and Senate should prove to be interesting, even if it is not productive. SGA President Mark Auman has invited Dr. Nelson because he obviously wants to tell him something officially.

Both Auman and SGA Vice President Al Shahda are going to speak. And as Auman has indicated he is going to press for social reforms on campus, among other things. However, everything else will take a back seat to ideas loose here about women's dormitory and social regulations.

The idea, say the reformists, is that the college should not legislate morals the way it does now. Women's Interdorm is working on changing the rules. The SGA is getting excited about changing the rules.

SO THE ADMINISTRATION is going to have to come up with some good answers to some good questions.

Why can't co-eds go to men's apartments?

Why do co-eds have to be in at a certain hour?

Does the college take it for granted that all co-eds are going to do something wrong?

The reformists think that the college is trying to keep co-eds out of trouble. And it probably is. And if it in fact is, the college certainly has nothing to be ashamed about.

The fact is that a never-ending war is being waged—one between the young and the old. Parents and college officials say they know the ways of the world. Students won't listen because they feel that they are, by now, mature and responsible adults. And indeed some are.

This particular war is being waged by the new generation in an old-line southern community and an old-line Southern college which is funded by the old-line Virginia General Assembly.

CONVERSATION ON THE matter is going to have to be between mature and responsible students who do sincerely want some changes and who would not abuse any new privileges and an administration willing to give the students all the freedom they can handle.

What will come in the end is a compromise in all likelihood. And then gradually most of the restrictions will be eliminated. All in good time, however. And it is doubtful that the SGA ought to be actively involved in the bargaining.

Women's Interdorm is meeting regularly with the dean of women. From these discussions will come the desirable compromise based on the arguments about the asphalt jungle and "I can take care of myself."

Author scheduled for March speech

John Howard Griffin, author of "Black Like Me", will speak at the convocation of March 21.

Griffin, a widely known novelist, journalist, student of primitive cultures and social inhumanities, wrote his book "Black Like Me" as a personal assignment to find out what it was like to be a Negro in the South.

In 1959, the darkening of his skin by a doctor enabled him to travel as a Negro for two months through four Southern states.

After articles about his Southern trip appeared in "Sepia" magazine and he was interviewed on television programs, he was burned in effigy in his hometown of Mansfield, Texas. A cross was burned above his house, and his family received threatening letters. There have been numerous magazine articles telling of the aftermath of his experience.

His book, retelling his experiences of what it means to be a black man in the South, has served as an aid to dramatize the immediate need for social change in America. The story of his experiences has been made into a movie and has been the source of numerous television programs.

IN GRIFFIN'S OWN WORDS, the project was begun "as a scientific research study of the Negro in the South, with careful compilation of data for analysis," and ended with his filing the data and writing instead "the journal of my experiences living as a Negro."

Born in 1920, he has spent

most of life in Texas, except for school years in France, war years in the Pacific, and recently in Belgium as a visiting professor at the University of Peace in Tihange-lez-Huy.

The University of Peace was founded in 1960 by the Nobel Peace Prize winner (1958) Father Dominique Georges Pire and it was Father Pire who asked Griffin to share the lecture platform with him in the United States and in Europe in a fraternal dialogue which was one approach to social problem solving based on their convictions that monologues separate while dialogues unite.

Merger Studied for two schools

Negotiations which were to lead to a merger of the Schools of Business and Distribution are no longer under way, according to the associate dean of the college.

The dean, James W. Bailey, said that different departments in the School of Distribution are not in agreement as to which school they should be merged with.

Dr. Nelson said Monday that he would not call it "merger talks." He said that the relationship between the schools was under study.

However, Bailey said that the

Campus News Briefs

'Mess RPI' tomorrow night

The first Mess RPI contest, a contest using boys as the beauties, will be held at a dance tomorrow night in the gym.

Admission to the Sophomore class dance is \$1.50 stag, \$3 drag. All sophomores will be admitted free with their class cards.

The dance features the Continental Five. Male contestants sponsored by campus groups will be dressed as girls and will present talents. The candidate who receives the loudest applause will win.

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Applications for student financial assistance and state teacher's scholarships are now avail-

able in the Financial Aid office room 204 in the Administration Building.

Financial assistance applications for the 1968-69 academic year must be submitted before March 15. Any applications received after that date will be put on a waiting list.

State teacher's scholarship applications for the summer quarter in the amount of \$117 and the fall and spring sessions in the amount of \$350 must be filed by May 1.

Applications for the financial assistance loans must be classified as full-time students with an accumulative grade point average of "C."

State teacher's scholarship applicants must meet the same requirements as those who apply for financial assistance in addition to being Virginia residents.

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A directory listing telephone numbers of RPI faculty and staff was printed during the semester break for use by faculty members and offices of the school.

• Learn about the motorcycle. Know its controls and their functions. Adjust the gear shifting lever and brake pedal into a comfortable position. Surprisingly, many people starting to ride a motorcycle have not been told that these could be adjusted.

• Practice. If you are new to cycling, get the feel of the machine by riding first on less frequently traveled roads. Try braking and accelerating until it becomes natural.

• Riding double. It is against the law to ride double on a motorcycle unless the seat is fastened to the rear of the cycle and separate foot rests are provided for the passenger.

• Drive defensively. Keep alert to possible accidents caused by conditions of the road. Watch out for cars that take advantage of the road with their larger size.

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Students who have not re-validated their ID cards may do today from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. in the Student Center. New and transfer students who do not have ID cards may have theirs made at this time.

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A membership tea for the C-Quo club will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday in the formal living room of the 700 Dormitory. All girls who have attended one semester of college are invited.

"Billy Budd" will be presented Sunday, at the Franklin Street Gymnasium by the Interdorm Film Society. The film, starring Robert Ryan and Peter Ustinov, will be shown at 8 p.m. The admission price will be twenty-five cents per person. Be sure to bring a blanket.

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Handicapped students blocked

Architectural barriers seen here

By Sandra Jean Talley
Features Editor

On this urban campus with an enrollment of more than 10,000 students, opportunities for education appear endless.

There are, however, visible and tangible obstacles that bar the pursuit of education by a certain minority group.

Tall, steep steps in the English building, a swivel entrance to the new bookstore and narrow, old-fashioned elevators in the Raleigh Building are examples of architectural barriers to education faced by approximately 30 physically handicapped students enrolled here.

Breaking down these barriers is the object of studies by two departments, the Schools of Rehabilitation Counseling and Occupational Therapy.

"THIS CAMPUS is impossible for the handicapped people the way it is now," said Clark Sabine, assistant professor of Occupational Therapy. He mentioned specifically "the whole aspect of the cobblestones, old buildings with no elevators and no ramps."

"RPI has several students who have never been able to get into their advisers' office," said Keith C. Wright, professor of Rehabilitation.

"Architectural barriers are actually those kinds of barriers," Wright said, "that don't permit or enable people to get into or out of buildings. RPI has several.

"Your object," he continued, "is to make barriers accessible to all people, and it is especially important in public buildings.

It is just as important for the young as for the old who have trouble climbing stairs, people with cardiac problems, some with respiratory problems, etc. Elimination of barriers is of benefit to everyone not just a few."

ARCHITECTURAL barriers exist on almost all campuses in the nation, Sabine and Wright agreed, but are particularly apparent at colleges such as RPI with its widely-spaced physical plant consisting of many houses converted into classrooms and offices.

Long flights of stairs aren't the only barriers on campuses, Wright said. Among others "are the old drinking stands in the Administration Building. They are too tall for wheelchair students to reach, and kids can't reach them either.

Non-skid floors would make it easier for everyone, particularly for the guys using crutches and canes. The swivel entrance to the bookstore is a barrier. Elevators in the Hibbs Building extension have a recessed hole between the floor of the elevator and the floor of the building just large enough to halt a wheelchair or catch a cane or crutch."

ONE STUDENT WHO IS SPENDING his college life in a wheelchair isn't reluctant to speak out about the problems of handicapped students.

Wirtley Lipscomb, a freshman math major who commutes from Powhatan, spoke about the existence of architectural barriers on the cobblestone campus.

"There are a great deal of them," Lipscomb said. "In the English building you have to go up steps. They put a ramp up, but it leads to the basement. The Hibbs building has done a real good job except for the doors. They're a little small."

Lipscomb spoke optimistically



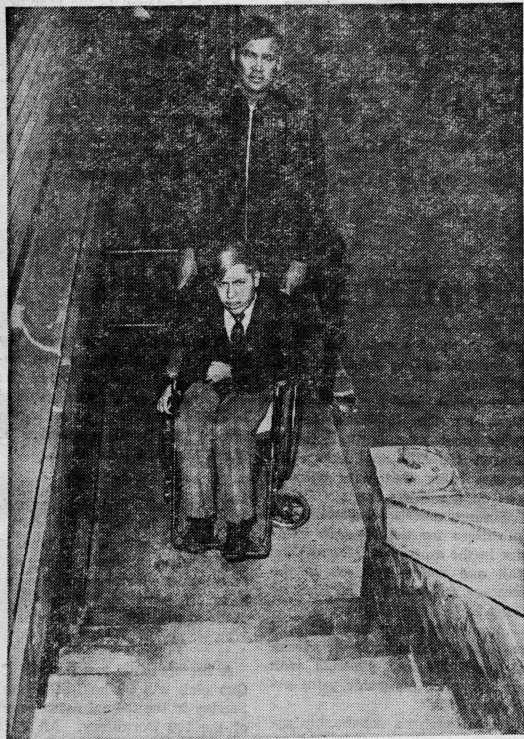
Barriers Are Eliminated
Ramps Facilitate Transportation

of improvements that have been made. "The Science Building has ramps; there is no trouble over there. They've put up a ramp in the gym. Just about everywhere they could help, they have."

PATRICK MAYNES, A sophomore in Rehabilitation Counseling from Richmond, commented on the problems faced by Lipscomb and others. "You need two people to open the doors to the Hibbs Building entrance to the 'slop shop' he said. An aide to wheelchair students, Maynes added, "I think it's dangerous getting someone to help the aide and getting a wheelchair up and down the long steps in the English building."

The School of Occupational

Therapy was instrumental in having a ramp constructed at the Harrison street entrance to the Raleigh Building.



Patrick Maynes Aids Wirtley Lipscomb
Handicapped Students Encounter Barriers

Mid-winters weekend to feature the Turtles

The Turtles are slated to appear here February 23 for the Mid-winters Concert. The concert will begin at 9 p.m. Friday, and will cost \$2.50 per person.

Rated as the number six recording group in 1967, The Turtles are currently headlining concerts on a national tour of one night appearances aimed at the college set. They would, however, like to broaden their audience to include adults as well as teenagers.

Howard Kaylan, lead singer for the group and official spokesman, says that the time has come to bridge the gap existing between the musical tastes of adults and teens.

The Turtles will soon launch their first overseas tour — a month-long round of appearances in England, France, Germany, Denmark, Belgium, and Holland. They have appeared on such television shows as Ed Sullivan, Shindig, Hullabaloo, Hollywood Palace and the Smothers Brothers.

Following the concert will be the Mid-winters Dance at the Mosque ballroom Saturday night, February 24, from 9-12 p.m.

Pat Dorn and Orchestra will play for "The Mid-Eastern Af-

fair." The group, from Connecticut, features the big band sound of today. Pat Dorn, who got his start in Richmond's Commonwealth Club ten years ago, said that the group is working on an album now and hopes to release it in June.

The 14-piece band plays a variety of music and has played for dances at Sweetbriar College, Washington and Lee, and the University of Connecticut, among others.

The formal dance will cost \$5 per couple. Tickets may be purchased in the Rotunda from next Wednesday through Friday, February 23.

The highlight of the dance will be the presentation of rings to members of the Junior class.

"Class members who did not receive invitations to the dance should contact me by letter," said David Bradley, Junior class president. "Although this is a ring dance we want to have the entire school attend and enjoy what we think is going to be an excellent dance."

Juniors will receive instructions on participating in the ring ceremony when they purchase their tickets.

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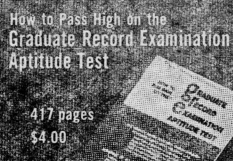
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Co-eds move to new dorm; men fill vacant houses

The transfer of co-eds to the 700 Dormitory has been completed.

Nearly 500 students now occupy the first 13 of 17 floors of living space in the new addition. The remaining floors will be used as needed for new students arriving in February.

"Everyone who has been coming for February has been accepted and contracts have been drawn, so we have vacancies this

semester," said Mrs. Margaret J. Ferritt, assistant to the dean of women.

Three of the vacated former women's dormitories have already been occupied by male students. They are Scherer Hall, Meredith House, and Chalkley House; but, according to Mrs. Ferritt, 810 W. Franklin will become a classroom. In fact, the only other co-ed dormitories left on campus, other than the 700,

are Founder's, 909 W. Franklin, Anderson House, Ritter-Hickock, and Monroe Terrace.

Aside from the 498 new student residents of the 700, the dormitory also has two housemothers, Mrs. Bell and Mrs. Manning.

One of the problems that was presented with the new dormitory was the telephone system to be used according to RPI switchboard operator, Mrs. Helen Ross.

"It has been a problem," said Mrs. Ross. "There are only so many numbers we can use." Originally, the telephone company was to set up the system, but "I told them we'd assign them numbers, because we wanted to use those that are coming out."

Campus radio station affiliated with CBS

By Nick Brown

WJRB, RPI's campus radio station, has become affiliated with the CBS radio network.

"We've secured a secondary CBS subsidiary from local station WRNL, which means we are now affiliated with the CBS network," said Jim Atkinson, Arts & Sci2 Richmond, station manager.

"We will be able to tape news or shows for rebroadcast, or do them as they come in over the wire," he said. The network uses a special class telephone wire to send its programming to WRNL. The radio club has arranged for the telephone company to install this wire service for WJRB, and CBS programming on the RPI station will probably begin Monday, Atkinson said.

In addition to including the CBS network in its format, the station is now soliciting paid advertising, said Atkinson. "We'll probably be doing commercials for places like Andy's, Honda House, and of course all the commercials in any CBS show that we use," he said.

The station, which programs from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. weekdays, will offer national and international news from CBS, gather its own local and campus news, and give weather reports. The station offers diversified music—some jazz, rock, and may offer special shows later such as hit musicals.

WJRB is operating in Monroe Terrace dormitory and the Temple cafeteria. "We have ordered the transmitter for the 700 Dormitory and we plan to be in Hibbs before the end of this semester," Atkinson said. "We're still working on what shows we'll be programming. Since we are going into the girls' dormitories, we'll probably do shows such as 'Dear Abby' and 'Walter Cronkite and the News.'"

"Our popularity has increased considerably since we moved into Monroe Terrace. One evening we received 145 calls between 9 p.m. and 12 p.m. from girls in the dormitory wishing to speak to the deejay or requesting jobs on the station."

Two religious clubs form student center

The Episcopal Canterbury Society and the Methodist Wesley Foundation are jointly sponsoring a student center at 909 West Franklin Street.

The center is open from 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday through Friday and has counseling by an Episcopal minister, the Rev. Robert Duvall and a Methodist minister, the Rev. David Lewis.

A TELEVISION, record player, coffee soft drinks, student publications from other schools and literature about current theology, ethical concerns on sex and attitudes are available.

The Canterbury Society discusses the "Urban Crisis" at 6:30 p.m. every Wednesday. "The whole urban crisis is the most serious one facing the nation today, thus these programs are aimed to show students just what our nation is facing," said Mr. Duvall.

Beginning on February 14, the group will view "We Got to Live Here," a look at the Newark ghetto two years before last summer's riot. Two Richmond VISTA workers will discuss Richmond's problems February 21. On February 28, the Rev. Robert Hare will speak about ghettos in Richmond.

FRANK ADAMS, executive director for the Virginia Council on Human Relations, will discuss the "Mood of the Negro Minority" on March 6.

On February 10 the Wesley

New plan for enrollment being studied

Admission to RPI may require higher student standards next year than it has in the past.

Dr. Nelson and the Board of Visitors have a new enrollment policy under consideration. The policy would mean that instead of admitting a large number of new and transfer students into the college next year, enrollment would be limited to about 10,000.

The president of the college said this week that the Board had come to no decision concerning the proposal and said that funds appropriated by the General Assembly would be a relevant factor in their decision.

Under the new proposal there may be marked effects on persons applying for admissions. Applications for admissions this February were up 25 percent according to Dr. Charles M. Rennelsen, dean of students. He said this might be an indication of how much greater the number of applications will be for the 1968 fall semester.

Rennelsen said that graduate and upper level admissions have not been discussed. He said he thought that consideration would perhaps be given the students transferring from the community colleges first. "This would mean that a lot of marginal students may start their college careers in a community college. This might be best for the student..."



Staff Photo by Harry Long
Judy Beigbender, Fash1 Alexandria, Looks Over New Room
Co-eds Completed Move To New Dormitory Monday

Head of Department

Dr. Lumpkin resigns

"For the past seven years, I've had one foot in the banking community and one in the educational community," said Dr. R. Pierce Lumpkin, head of the Economics Department who will leave his post here in June to become a vice president of the Virginia Commonwealth Bankshares Inc., in Richmond.

Dr. Lumpkin, a graduate of the University of Richmond, has been in banking since 1933. After receiving his MA and PhD from Harvard University, he turned to teaching in 1950, instructing courses for banking personnel at the American Institute of Banking in Boston.

In 1952 he returned to Richmond and taught evening courses at RPI, becoming a full-time pro-

fessor and head of the Economics Department in 1961.

SINCE 1960 he has served as a member of Virginia Commonwealth Bankshares Inc. and as consulting economist to the Bank of Virginia, a member of Virginia Commonwealth Bankshares Inc.

Because of his growing responsibilities, Dr. Lumpkin chose to resign to concentrate his efforts in one area. "I love teaching and it was a difficult decision to make to leave such a growing school as this. I leave with much reluctance," said Dr. Lumpkin.

As a full-time officer of the bank, Dr. Lumpkin will serve as corporate planning officer in addition to his duties as economist.

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Auman favors end of special committee

Mark Auman, student government president, said recently he will advocate abolition of the special committee on constitutional revisions in his speech to the student Congress Monday night.

If Auman does so, Roland Worth Jr., chairman of the revision committee, said this week he will be prepared with verbal ammunition in favor of continuing his committee.



Mark Auman

Auman's contention is that if and when RPI merges with the Medical College of Virginia (MCV), an entirely new SGA constitution will have to be drafted to fit the needs of the new university. Thus, he says all the special committee's work will have been done in vain.

NOT SO, RETARTS Worth, who said he and Auman have "collided vehemently" on several issues this year. The revisions chairman added that Auman may

be opposed to the Committee's continuance simply because their collisions in opinions may have caused a "cumulative effect" on Auman.

Although Worth admitted that the committee has not made progress lately, he said he hopes to present a rough draft to the student Congress soon so that the representatives can vote on alternatives.

Worth explained his reasons why a new constitution could be workable under the merger.

"We will be dealing with their (MCV's) pride. They won't come under anything we've done after the two groups merge . . . regrettably, we will probably continue separately.

"I don't think we'll get the two groups together for four or five years," he continued. "We'll have to wait to the point where we have new groups from the top to the bottom . . . a complete change of student body."

Another reason for the continuance of the committee, he said, is that MCV could easily "come under the multi-house system," which is one of the alternatives of governmental organization now being considered by the revision committee.

If the Congress follows the advice of Auman, the revisions committee may be abolished by a three-fourths vote, according to Worth, who is the former SGA parliamentarian.

SGA Parliamentarian quits; position remains unfilled

Roland Worth Jr. stepped down from his position as parliamentarian of the Student Government Association (SGA) Monday.

In Worth's letter of resignation he stated two reasons for leaving the post: "A desire to be fair to those other persons qualified for the position . . . (and a) need to spend additional time with the constitutional revisions committee."

Worth told the House he will continue as the chairman of the special committee on constitutional revisions.

Bob James, speaker of the House, will appoint a new parliamentarian.

In other events this week, the House unanimously approved the Honor Court's policy of open trials, an option of the accused and also supported the Court's decision to continue closed sessions of deliberation and voting

procedures.

Also dealing with the Honor Court, just before examinations the SGA passed another constitutional amendment to substitute Item 7 of Article VII, Section 4 of the Constitution. It states: "If and when a member of the Honor Council submits a resignation, a committee consisting of the President, Vice President, Speaker of the House, Honor Council Chairman, . . . two members elected from the House and two members elected from the Senate shall present nominations to both houses of the Student Congress for the vacated position."

Also before the examination period, the SGA unanimously approved two resolutions, the first dealing with pressures imposed on students during examination periods.

The second resolution, which

Auman plans address to SGA joint session

Similar to the purpose of President Johnson's State of the Union Message, a speech on the progress and problems of the Student Government Association will be given by Mark Auman, SGA president, to a joint session of the student Congress at 5:30 p.m. Monday in Hibbs 403.

In addition, Al Shahda, SGA vice president, will speak to the Congress on the philosophical differences between this year's SGA and those of the past.

Some of the highlighted suggestions in Auman's speech will be:

- A request of \$200 from the Student Activities Committee for SGA functional purposes
- A request for congressional

approval to charge an additional \$2 from each House member and \$10 from each class also for functional purposes

- A proposal to discourage any further work of the special committee on constitutional revisions

- A proposal to alter the SGA scholarship program into a short loan fund

- A request of the Congress to reject the "in loco parentis" philosophy that the school should act as a parent concerning co-ed dormitory regulations

- A proposal for the school to investigate the feasibility of providing a service for married students such as low rental housing projects.

Students arrested

(Continued from Page 1)

the apartment of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Dale of 2025 Monument Ave. was searched. They were arrested and charged with possession of marijuana. Mrs. Dale is a student here.

Frothingham's hearing will be held Feb. 13, and Mrs. Dale's Feb. 19. Hearings for Polk and Ford will be held Feb. 26.

"THE ADMINISTRATION was completely aware of our actions, investigations, and arrests," said John Velier, security director of the Campus Police.

"The investigations are designed to protect the safety and welfare of the students who attend RPI for an education," he said. "My main objective is to cut off the supply to the RPI area so that the opportunity of being tempted to take drugs or narcotics can be cut off or eliminated."

Velier also stated that under Article 54-488 of the Code of Virginia, it is unlawful for any person to manufacture, possess, have under his control, sell, prescribe, administer, dispense or compound any narcotic drug except as authorized under the article.

Anyone violating the article, upon conviction could be fined \$1,000 and be imprisoned not less than three and not more than five years.

A second offense would result in a \$2,000 fine and a five to ten year prison sentence.

Student drug use seen as limited

Dr. Nelson said this week that he did not feel the use of drugs was widespread on campus, but that he viewed the practice with disfavor.

"I have a responsibility to the college's reputation, students, and to society as a whole . . ." Dr. Nelson warned.

AS A RESULT of recent arrests on narcotic charges in Richmond's Fan District in which four RPI students were involved, the school has undertaken active investigation of the matter.

"It is important to emphasize the publicity television and newspaper coverages gave the matter," according to Dr. Charles M. Renneisen dean of students. "Many people have talked to me and said that RPI students were deeply involved. From the numbers, only four out of some 14 or 15 were RPI students. Second, no RPI student has been charged in court with possession of narcotics on his person. One student has been charged in court of frequenting an apartment where narcotics were found. Two other students have been charged with not having it in their possession, but in an apartment they share with a non-student. The non-student was charged with possession on his person."

"The college is a big college," Renneisen said. "We are concerned about this (use of narcotics), but when we have a lot of students in an institution this size, you have to expect that some people might make mistakes . . ."

Renneisen agreed with Dr. Nelson that he did not think that many students are involved in the

use of narcotics as far as they could tell at this point.

"If our own investigation finds that our students are involved. . . the college would certainly take disciplinary action," he said, "but I want to emphasize we would try to make a judgement as to the degree of involvement with individuals."

"We have tried to tell the students involved of their rights. One of the rights of a student is that we do give him the advantage of due process in discipline hearings. We don't presume him guilty," Renneisen said.

Renneisen emphasized that the rules at RPI are broad, and intentionally so. "We don't list categorically that you cannot violate specific laws, but we do say, generally speaking, that if a student does violate civil laws the college is concerned. Attempts must be made to ascertain whether a person should continue at the college."

"Most students," Renneisen said, "would assume that the college expects them to be law-abiding citizens. Students want this, and when they violate the law, I believe the average student expects us to maintain high standards along this line."

Free passage given students on toll bridge

The Boulevard Bridge Authority gives RPI students free passage when commuting to and from classes.

"A memorandum has been issued by the Student Personnel office to remind students that they must stop and show their identification cards to the bridge gate personnel."

If there are any questions by the gate personnel as to the validity of the card or its use at times other than as intended by the Boulevard Bridge Authority, officials on duty may demand the identification card, the memo stated.

Late registration due tomorrow

Late registration for evening college will be held tomorrow from 8:30 a.m. to noon on the second floor of the Hibbs Building. Late registration fee is \$5.

"We expect a 5-10 per cent increase over last February in evening college registration," said John A. Mapp, director of the Evening College.

Disagrees with social rules

Dormitory hall president resigns

Candy deButts, Soc3 Loudoun county, has resigned as president of third floor wing of the 700 Dormitory because she does not agree with the social regulations imposed upon women dormitory students and refuses to enforce them.

She commented, "The school has some right to make its own laws, but no right to have its students enforce the laws, I think."

Candy defines a college's purpose as threefold: "to give the best possible education, to provide a place to sleep and to provide good food since the students pay for it."

"That should be it; there should be no regulations on the way we live," She posed the question, "Where did the school ever get the idea it had the right to impose moral regulations?"

The former floor president added that she would not criticize the social regulations unless she could offer a possible solution to alleviate the problems. She explained that she would advocate having no curfew hours imposed upon women dormitory students. She suggested that full-time night watchmen be hired

to let girls in each night at whatever time they returned to the dormitory.

ANOTHER AREA of regulation Candy disagrees with is the signing in and out process.



Candy deButts

Candy explained that she had been told that sign-out cards were designed so that a co-ed could be reached in case of an emergency. She doubted, how-

ever, that the cards could fulfill this purpose. "How would you find a girl in a movie in the city of Richmond?" she questioned.

She remarked that in case of emergency someone close to the girl would probably know where she would be reached.

Candy said that she does not feel that the school must accept any responsibility for a girl's social activities. If a parent sends his daughter to the college knowing that it imposes no restrictions, he could not expect the college to be responsible, she explained.

"The only thing we feel should be regulated is the noise problem," Candy said. The regulations should be made for the sole purpose of insuring "individual rights."

She has concluded that to RPI, "It's not how intelligent or how productive we are, but how we look." She expressed her feeling that the public image is given too much emphasis and that we should be more concerned with educating than "keeping the neighbors from talking."

As of Monday, a successor to the presidency had not been elected.

Acting, directing form dual roles for performers



"I've told you all about what happened at the zoo."
Anderson, Plays Jerry, Brings Expression to role



"...mess... first step in progress."
Hunter Spence, Scene Designer, Comments On His Work

An adventuresome spirit has led Tim Anderson to direct as well as act in Edward (Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf) Albee's one-act play, "The Zoo Story," as a project for a graduate level course, Drama Research. His partner on the stage is John Wynn, with whom he acted last year in the Drama Department's production of "John Brown's Body."

Creating a production requires months of hard work and endless rehearsals. Sets must be built, properties acquired, lights set, and most important, realization of the author's work must be imbued in the actors for a valid interpretation. Tremendous energy is expended by all members of the crew in achieving those subtle nuances which add up to a great production. Anderson rehearses until 3 a.m., then goes home to grade papers for the Public Speaking class he teaches, or catches up on his homework for the classes he attends as a graduate student.

"Running lines" is actors' jargon for learning his part in the play through practice. "Running lines with Anderson is like being part of the scene, for he gives it all he's got, or at least you think so. Sweat beads on his red face, veins swell, and tears flow at appropriate places," said a person who had worked with him. His utter concentration on being the character portrayed transforms his body into Jerry's for Albee's script.

"Peter (played by Wynn) is very weak and self centered, in his late forties, but childlike in attitudes," said Anderson. "Jerry is the same way, but younger and realizes his shortcomings. He is trapped by everything around him. For him the world has become a zoo—Jerry is caged, and has a hard time communicating," explained Tim.

Ron St. Germain is stage manager. He and Larry Clark have assisted Tim in the production.

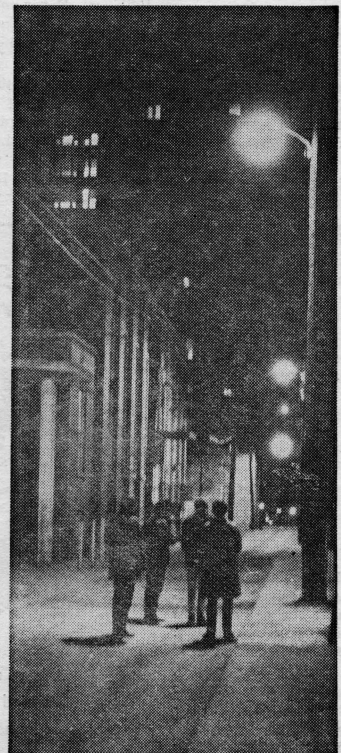
To create the set, Anderson asked Hunter Spence, whose main interest in scene design, for help. Spence retorted (with his tongue in his cheek), "Anyone who works with Mr. Newman all summer doesn't need the advice of an RPI sophomore." Spence was referring to Anderson's summer job supervising a set crew for the filming of "A Jest of God", directed by Paul Newman.

The Zoo Story will be presented Thursday in the Shafer Street Playhouse at 8:30 p.m.

Photos, story by Van VanPelt



"She has some foul parody of sexual desire."
John Wynn as Peter Hears Jerry's Explanation of The Landlady's "Sweaty Lust"



After 2 a.m. Rehearsal
A Tired Crew Walks Home

Temple pipe organ has unsure future

William Van Pelt

People who play the pipe organ call it the "King of Instruments." RPI has one that could deserve that title. It sits unused and mistreated in the balcony of the Temple's Gaslight Theater.

Raymond Hodges, Drama Department head, says that he sometimes plays the instrument for his "own amazement." According to him, the organ is "in very bad shape, and some of the pipes are missing."

Organ builder George Payne, who has built one practice organ for RPI, and whose wife teaches organ here, inspected the Temple organ at the School of Music's request and came up with several suggestions for its use:

- Let the state declare it surplus material and sell it as salvage.

- Repair it and let it remain in the Gaslight Theater.

- Use parts of the instrument as the basis for a larger organ.

- Take several of the better sets of pipes from it to make a practice organ.

L. Wayne Batty, chairman of the School of Music, indicated that his school would probably like to see the organ rebuilt for use as a practice instrument for students. "We need organs to practice on very badly," he said.

But the cost of doing anything with the organ may be prohibi-

tive at the present time. "Is it going to be too expensive to go into?" asked Batty.

HAVING CONSULTED with Lawrence Robinson, head of the organ department and on a sabbatical leave this year, Batty said, "Probably we will store what is good in the organ, and when the budget permits, we will utilize it." He said that another alternative would be to release the organ for sale as salvage material by the state. The final decision rests with the bursar's office.

"By either method, we will be getting the instrument out of the Drama Department's way and also prevent it from sustaining further damage," said Batty.

PAYNE SAID that the organ was built during a "particularly undistinguished" period of American organ building, when the instruments were made to sound "mushy." Differentiation of tone among stops was not as pronounced as modern or earlier practice indicated. He emphasized that there is much merit in the Temple organ, however, and that these parts could "provide the nucleus for a fine instrument." If repaired without alterations, he said the organ would not make a good recital or practice instrument, because

it was built before American Guild of Organists standards were set, and would not conform to the qualities needed in a recital instrument.

The organ was originally built for the Church of the Covenant Presbyterian Church in 1911 by the Kimball Company. When that church merged to form Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church several blocks west on Monument Avenue, the Scottish Rite took over the building. In 1936 the Masons had the organ refurbished by a local organ builder, Vernon Marean, who modified the action of the instrument. Payne said that a new action would probably have to be designed if the organ is used. (The action is the keyboard and associated parts which cause a pipe to sound when a key is depressed.)

RPI acquired the Temple and the organ—two years ago.

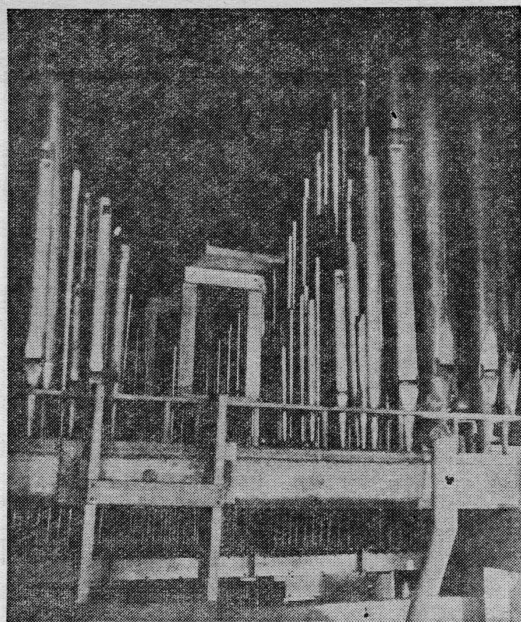


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Organ Pipes Hang Unused in Temple
Fate of Instrument Is Undetermined

Final budget appropriations may fall far short of request

The college's budget request for the 1968-70 biennium is now in the hands of the Appropriations Committee of the General Assembly after being revamped by Governor Mills E. Godwin, Jr.

Godwin's cutting of the college's request by \$13.7 million is an almost certain indication that the college is not going to get the full \$47.9 million which it requested, but the Governor's recommendation is a sizable increase over the appropriations given to the college in the past.

In its request to the Governor, the college asked for \$24.3 million in terms of capital outlay, for construction of additional buildings.

In terms of maintenance and operations funds, used to pay salaries, provide equipment and generally finance the operation of the college, a request of \$23.5 million was submitted to the Governor.

When presenting his total budget for the 1968-70 biennium to the General Assembly Godwin called for a \$4.2 million decrease

in the maintenance and operations fund request and a \$9.5 million decrease in the capital outlay request made by the college.

In its capital outlay request to the governor, the college requested \$16.07 million in general funds, or funds that would be provided by Commonwealth revenue, and \$8.3 million from revenue bonds. These bonds would be repaid with income earned by the facilities for which the money was used.

GODWIN SUGGESTED the college be given only \$4.9 million in general funds and \$10 million in revenue bonds.

Included in the funds asked in the form of revenue bonds is a \$7.1 million bond for the construction of two dormitories and a \$2.9 million bond for the construction of a student center.

In response to the Governor's recommendations to provide bonds for the building of a student center, Dr. Nelson said Monday that there is "dim hope" that such a facility could be built with funds obtained from bonds.

In an effort to convince legislators to restore some of the funds cut by Godwin from the maintenance and operations request, Dr. Nelson addressed the Appropriations Committee of the General Assembly on January 31.

From the \$4,487,175 cut by the Governor, Dr. Nelson asked that \$2,009,000 be restored. The President asked the legislators to increase the cut by \$780,000 to provide for the second half of a proposed school of education building; \$709,000 for faculty salaries; \$320,000 for library resources, and \$200,000 for maintenance and improvement of the physical plant.

Student opinion poll ends Honor Week

Honor Week, sponsored by the Honor Court ends today.

The event, the second of its kind to be held by the body in the last two years, was highlighted by an address from William C. Battle former ambassador to Australia and a public mock trial held by the Honor Council.

Battle used for his topic "An Effective Honor Code and Its Relation to Higher Education." He spoke to an audience in the Franklin Street Gymnasium last Monday. The former statesman is also believed to have aspirations for running for governor of Virginia in 1969.

The mock trial, the first public trial ever held by an Honor Court at RPI, took place Tuesday night in Shafer Street Playhouse. Students took part in the case, which involved a hypothetical situation of a girl being charged with cheating on a history examination.

The Honor Court members then conducted a discussion the following day for students who had any questions concerning the proceedings of the mock trial or any

other phase of the honor system. That same night, the group's members sponsored a "French Cafe" in the Quadrangle. The main purpose of the occasion was to expose evening college students to Honor Week.

A faculty tea was sponsored by the Honor Court yesterday in the Faculty Lounge in the Hibbs Buildings. Honor members were present to answer questions from the faculty concerning the Honor System.

An opinion testing, the last scheduled event of Honor Week, started this morning and will continue through the rest of the day. Students may pick up questionnaires in the Rotunda.

Gym extension bid accepted

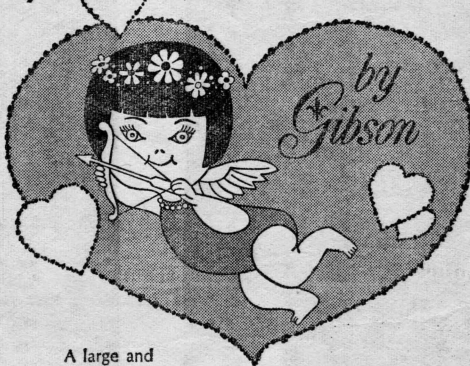
Robert M. Dunville and Brothers Inc. has received the contract to build the extension on the Franklin Street Gymnasium.

After RPI experienced several delays in getting the money, bids were asked and Dunville and Brothers submitted the lowest, \$1,479,357.

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Pendleton's play opens in Nebraska

A new play, "The Brief and Violent Reign of Absalom," by James D. Pendleton, assistant professor of English here, recently received its premiere production at Hiram Scott College in Nebraska.

The 65-member cast tells the Old Testament story of the conflict between Absalom and David.

Dr. Thomas R. Long, Director of Theater for the Hiram Scott College, says that "Absalom" reflects the struggles of our own times in the generation gap problem. Pendleton says that the play is not only a commentary on the generation gap but also on all revolutionary situations. The

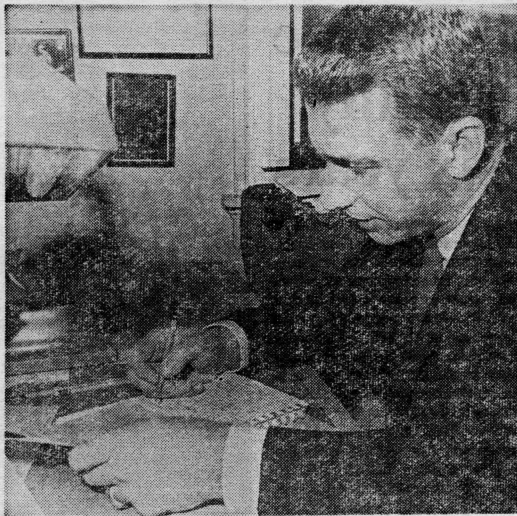
result is upheaval and violence.

One of Pendleton's earlier plays, "The Defender," written especially for the Civil War centennial Celebration, was presented at RPI in 1961. Since then it has been presented in California, Chicago, and Michigan and throughout the South.

Pendleton's one-act play, "The Oaks of Mamre," won the TRAV-TV Television writing Award for 1962. He later rewrote it for the stage and it won the James Helms Playscript Award for 1963 and received high praise from playwright Edward Albee and director Robert Lewis.

"Nightsong," a two-character tragi-comedy, completed in 1964, deals with the conflict between a man's ambition and his love for his wife. It won the Converse College drama award in 1964.

Pendleton received his BS degree from Davidson College and an MA degree from the University of North Carolina. He is currently working on a new play, but refuses to make any comments about it for fear that that might make it lose its vitality.



Staff Photo by Harry Long

James D. Pendleton, English Instructor
Latest Play Was Presented at Hiram Scott College

Police might get canines

The Campus Police Department is investigating the possibility of adding dogs to its night patrol force.

Research is being conducted to determine cost of the dogs and kennels, the added police protection, and the reaction of students.

John Velier, campus police director, said that if the dogs were used, they would not be added to the force until the Oregon Hill section is added to the campus.

Student charged

Charles Edward Wrenn, FA3, was charged and arrested this week for selling obscene literature, following seizure of the Jan. 18 issue of "The Sunflower."

Wrenn, of the 2000 block Monument ave., was arrested in his apartment shortly before midnight on Monday night by the Richmond division of the vice squad.

"The Sunflower," a tabloid newspaper which claims to be an underground publication, contains an obscene phrase in an article condemning the Selective Service system and involvement in the Vietnam war.

Lynn D. Abbott III, a senior in English at Randolph Macon, wrote the article, titled "The Cheese-Spangled Manner."

Composer to lecture next week

Aaron Copland, world famous composer, will conduct a series of lectures and discussions here on February 16-19.

A dinner will be held for Dr. Copland next Friday evening, and a reception is planned in his honor Saturday afternoon in cooperation with the Jewish Center.

He will present a lecture in the Science Building, room 115, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, February 17. Because of limited space, people interested in attending this lecture should contact the School of Music.

On Monday evening, Dr. Copland will be the guest conductor for the Richmond Symphony orchestra concert.

Milton Cherry, head of the Therapy and Composition Department, is in charge of the arrangements for Dr. Copland's visit. Cherry will be assisted by Miss Melissa Wuslich of the Piano Department.

Public Forum opens season

Tickets are now on sale for the Richmond Public Forum's first program of this season, "The History of American Comedy." The Forum's program will be held in the Mosque auditorium at 8:15 tomorrow night.

Students may obtain tickets from the Student Personnel Office, at a cost of 50 cents for singles and 75 cents for couples.

Moderated by Dave Garroway, the program will feature comedians Dick Gregory, George Jessel, Henry Morgan and Roger Price.

Gregory is a civil rights activist who is known for his processional calling. Morgan, with his wry, subtle humor is contrasted with Jessel, who demonstrates an earthy, ethnic humor. Price is the author and creator of the cartoon character "Doodles." Garroway is mostly noted for his "Today" television program and his "Garroway at Large" show.

Romance fills air on Valentine Day

"Roses are red; Violets are blue; Sugar is sweet and so are you."

Each year around the second week of February the mails are filled with typical American sentiment.

To a child in grade school, Valentine's Day means a time of receiving many cards and to a high school student the fourteenth of February means, perhaps, one special card. But what does that day in February mean to college students?

According to Leslie Wall, FA1 Richmond, "The whole concept of Valentine's Day has become another commercial gimmick. In a good relationship, everyday becomes a day to show special attention to one another."

STUDENTS SEEM to feel that the outward expression of romanticism is not important.

According to Jane Thurn, Dra3 Clearwater Beach, Florida, "Valentine's Day is not necessarily a display of appreciation but rather that of affection; however, unless there is someone particularly intended to receive this expression, the day doesn't usually hold any real value to anyone. In other words, this gives you an

opportunity to share deliberate expression of love that is more concentrated above the normal devotion for a person."

The male point of view was expressed by Dave King, a history major. He said, "I really don't care one way or the other about Valentine's Day but I suppose the girls like cards and flowers so we guys may as well keep the tradition going."

As opposed to the male point of view, Mary Yates, Psych2 Charlottesville, had this to say: "Valentine's Day is fine and I like cards and candy as well as the next person, but when you get to college age it isn't the most important thing in the world. The whole concept seems to change. Relationships between two people tend to become more personal and need not always be expressed by a card or candy. I see no reason to do away with Valentine's Day but it's too bad it's become so commercial."

Choral group to host district festival here

The Choral Group will host the Central District High and Junior High School Choral Festival on February 16-18.

Registration for students and directors will be held at 3 p.m. February 16, on the second floor of the Hibbs Building.

About 300 students and their directors are expected to attend the festival which has been held here for the last seven years.

During the festival, tryouts will be held to choose delegates to the All-State Choir festival in Charlottesville.

Two courses will be held for the students during the festival. The Choir, a course for senior high school students, will be directed by Claire McElfresh, conductor at Cleveland High School in Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

The Chorus, a course for junior high school students, will be directed by Bob Knauft, supervisor of music in Fort Thomas, Kentucky.

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Public relations role has grown rapidly during last six years

The Office of Development has many functions, and one of them is the direction of public relations. William O. Edwards is director of development.

Edwards said that since the Office of Development was initiated in 1962, public relations program here has been greatly expanded. He emphasized the importance of the College Placement Association, which is one of the main ways that the college comes in contact with the public. This system performs a service to the student, while at the same time puts RPI before the public through corporate contact.

He noted that each year RPI sends out 800 letters to businesses, informing them about the school and soliciting for prospective employers for graduates. "Now we've built up to 300 companies which participate in on-campus interviews with students," he said. James L. Dunn, assistant to Edwards, is the president and one of the founders of the Virginia College Placement Association.

In other areas concerning public relations, RPI is now in the process of composing a 50th Anniversary booklet, which will be distributed to businesses, alumni, and government officials. The school is a member of the Virginia Press Association Clip Service, which keeps a record of all news about the college.

Some people feel that such publicity as the recent controversy about students wearing beards is bad for the college. Edwards, however, disagrees with this view. "I think that any news story is good for us. Through the news media, issues are sharpened, images are destroyed and rebuilt."

"No opinion worries me," he said. "If they're reading about us they're going to come to a most positive understanding of what we are trying to do."

Surveys of opinion and special reports have helped to identify RPI's position in the community.

Concurrent with the movement of America to the cities is the problem posed for higher education, Edwards said. Urban universities in the United States which today number 10 per cent of all the institutions of higher learning are educating nearly 60 per cent of all Americans engaged in college study. It is these institutions, located where the people are, which will be called upon to educate, and re-educate through continuing education, millions of Americans at a time when knowledge is expanding at a startling rate.

Although RPI has performed educational services beyond that expected of most other institutions of higher learning in the Commonwealth, according to Edwards it faces continued growth due to the location of the institution and because of the programs it offers alone among colleges within the Commonwealth.

Sidney Hollander Associates produced a pamphlet prepared for the RPI foundation entitled, "A Study of Higher Education in Virginia." The study was completed in 1963. Among 60 community leaders interviewed throughout the state, the chief findings were in favor of expanding facilities, particularly for community colleges and schools offering technical training such as RPI.

These 60 civic leaders felt

that the most pressing needs at RPI were for additional buildings, classrooms, dormitories, and recreational facilities. Questionnaires sent to parents and alumni showed parents and alumni feel the needs of RPI to be campus expansion, new buildings, classroom space, more student housing and better public relations.

The next best way for RPI to achieve this expansion is the merger of the college with the Medical College of Virginia, to form an urban university, said Edwards. "MCV is one of two major medical schools not associated with a major institution," he said.

In the future it will become increasingly necessary for medical students to take courses in the liberal arts and the arts and sciences, he commented. RPI can help MCV in this way through a merger of the two schools, he added.



DEMOLITION PROCESS—Work continues on the razing of former dwellings on the 900 block of Floyd ave. in preparation for construction of the proposed new library. Workmen have been dismantling the structures for three weeks. Plans specify a three-story structure between Floyd and Park avenues.

Staff Photo by Horton Beirne

Social work expanded

School undergoes changes

The graduate department of the School of Social Work, which has been with RPI since the college's beginning, is presently undergoing a new program.

Among its most significant projects is the faculty-based field work unit at the Janie Porter Barrett School for Girls in Hanover County.

"There are three basic fields of social work: case work, group work, and community organization," explains Emanuel Tropp, instigator of the field project and instructor here in group work activities. Up to now, RPI has offered a major in case work only. In the future, however, it plans to offer all three. The project in group work at Janie Porter Barrett School will be a major stepping-stone in the department's plans for change.

In order to train the social work students in a field of work, half of his time is spent in class, work and half—about twenty hours a week—in field placement. Prior to the present, the school contacted agencies to provide experience for the students. Usually two students are assigned to a work unit under a faculty supervisor having a master's degree.

WITH THE FIELD UNIT at Janie Porter Barrett School, however, the approach and the students participating differ.

The work team, composed of graduate students, was begun in September, 1967, after plans had been discussed with the State Department of Welfare. Instrumental in initiating the project were Carroll Minor, director of the Division of Youth Services, and Thomas Bayhan, superintendent of Janie Porter Barrett. They worked out the arrange-

ments with the School of Social Work on the basis that they would provide training grounds and also benefit from the assistance of the department. Distance was also another factor in the choice of the institution by the Welfare Department.

"Also, we brought into our faculty, Mr. Sidney Clearfield who not only teaches group work here, but has a position of field instructor at Janie Porter Barrett School, where we now have four students training at the school."

THE PROJECT was made possible by a grant from the U. S. Children's Bureau of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

Tropp says the Department of Social Work feels that adolescent

girls with problems are very good for group experience study.

But he added, "It can't be a one-way street. The RPI students are performing a very real additional service that they didn't have before."

The students assisting at the school are Stuart Gluck, Allan Reitzes, John McGill, and Wayne Johnston of Richmond. The latter three are RPI graduates.

Each of the students is assigned to three groups. The first category is a short-term group counseling program in which groups of girls are organized for a 10-week duration and rotate. "The purpose," says Tropp, "is to help the girls discuss such things as their life at the training school, what it's like, how they got there, how they can best

use their stay at the training school for their own benefit and what they anticipate going back to."

THE SECOND main type of group is the activity group, which unlike the first is not a short-term program but a yearly one. The girls are assigned to activities groups as they might be assigned to a club group. There is only one specialized group, the newspaper put together by the girls for the school. Others, like dance and dramatics, meet once a week and plan a variety of things to do.

"We work with them in a sense of preparation, giving them a chance to have someone meet and show an interest in them."

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Rams drop two, gain new player

Four new players have become eligible for basketball this semester, and one of them, Don Ross, has scored 102 points in the three games he had played.

The Rams did not win either of the games which were played during the semester break against Bridgewater and South-eastern, but the other teams were not able to run away with the game.

The Eagles of Bridgewater managed to outscore RPI by eight points, 91-83, after holding an 11 point lead at halftime. Ross got 19 of his 32 points in the second period, which kept the Rams within striking distance most of the half.

Against Southeastern the following night, Ross dropped in 31 points to take game scoring honors. Southeastern had a more balance offense, however, and dealt the Rams an 81-74 loss. Bob Bostain backed Ross up with 15 points, but no other Ram reached the double-figure category.

Ross, a product of Richmond's Armstrong High School, is a transfer from Cleveland State University and was forced to sit out the first semester at RPI before he became eligible to play.

Ross, a sophomore, averaged 23 points per game for Cleveland State's varsity last year. He was also a high school All-American selection at Armstrong.

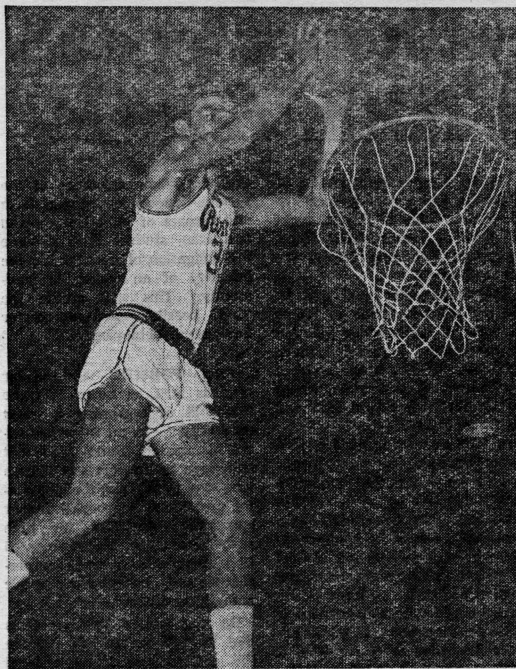
Co-eds defeat Va. Wesleyan

RPI's co-ed basketball team defeated Virginia Wesleyan Tuesday afternoon with a score of 78-14.

According to Coach Berndelli, "The girls have come a long way since the beginning of the season. The only unfortunate thing is that right after hockey season we have to start basketball practice and then we have Christmas break. We no sooner get back from Christmas until it is semester break. However, the girls accuracy has improved and their enthusiasm is wonderful."

The co-eds now have a record of three wins and one loss, which was suffered at the hands of Old Dominion with only a four point difference.

Coach Berndelli expressed the hope that the girls could keep up their winning streak and continue to improve.



Staff Photo by Ray Reed

HIGH JUMP?—Bob Bostain goes high over the rim to dunk the basketball, seemingly supporting one visiting team's claim that the basket is lower than regulation height. Actually, the basket measures 10 feet; Bostain is jumping off a trampoline.

Tigers down Rams, 98-86

Hampden-Sydney came from behind early in the second half on a scoring spree led by Denis Soden to upend the Rams by 98-86.

RPI held a 44-42 halftime advantage, but the Tigers came back in the last period to outscore the Rams by 14 points. Soden put Hampden-Sydney on top for good with a free throw five minutes into the half.

Don Ross poured in 39 points in leading the Rams offense, but the only other Ram scoring consistently was Charlie McLeod, who had 15.

The Tigers had no such difficulties, getting double-figure performances from four players. Charlie Cobb took the scoring honors for the Tigers with 26, while Soden trailed him by only two. Fred McNeer and Don Robinson chipped in 17 and 16, respectively.

Foul trouble was a key factor in the Hampden-Sydney win. The Rams sent the Tigers to the line for 42 attempts, and 32 of them were good, giving the Farmville team a percentage of 76.

The Rams hit a respectable 67 per cent from the line, but only got 24 attempts for 18 points in the face of Hampden-Sydney's red-hot shooting.



Crew Member Demonstrate 3 Types of Exercises.

Improvement expected

Crew workouts begin

The 1968 edition of the RPI crew officially opened its Spring practice Monday with an organizational meeting. According to coach Donald Bowles the major purpose of the meeting was to "discuss things" and get everything into its proper perspective.

Matmen drop contest, lose 3 players

Eastern Mennonite defeated the Rams wrestling team 28-16 Saturday, avenging a 39-3 loss earlier in the season.

"Eastern Mennonite was a vastly improved team," said coach Dave Magill in reviewing the match. "They were strongest in the classes they were the weakest in before."

The Rams were weakened by the loss of two of their best wrestlers. Danny Redfearn, the team captain, dropped out of school for personal reasons. Tom Baker resigned from the team also for personal reasons.

Alson Kemp, the Ram's regular in the 145 lb. class, has also resigned from the team.

Tuesday the crew began its exercise period with a schedule of running in Monroe Park on alternate days with working out in the weight room and doing calisthenics in the Franklin St. Gymnasium.

Coach Bowles expressed hope that the crew would be able to take to the water by the first week in March. If the water conditions are not agreeable by then the crew will be forced to wait for favorable weather in which to begin actual practice.

Bowles also expressed hope for an improved crew due to a good foundation from last year plus

some "good looking new material."

Bowles considered this year's crew to be farther ahead in training than the crew of last year. Last year's crew was RPI's first; Bowles said that this year the crew would be more experienced. He also added that the opposition would also be improved but he said that RPI would be a bigger threat than last year.

Bowles added that the procedure for races this year would be the same as for last year in that RPI would use one varsity and one junior varsity crew in each meet unless otherwise stated.

Gentlemen retain Day League lead

The Gentlemen continued their winning ways in Day League action Monday, downing the Mates +1 49-42.

The win upped the Gentlemen's record to 5-0 and put them in first place in the league. The Mates dropped their second in a row and now own a 3-2 record.

Keith Lawson of the Gentlemen was the game's leading scorer with 26 points.

In other Day league action Monday, the Super Rehabs dealt the winless Floyd Boys another defeat, 43-33. White was the leading scorer for the Rehabs with 26. None of the Floyd Boys reached double figures.

Gentlemen	23	26-49
Mates +1	22	20-42
Gentlemen scorers:	Trent 9, Clatterbaugh 6, Wright 4, Lawson 26, Blackburn 2, Blaisdell 2.	
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Battle says honor code is mutual faith, respect

"Education is the quest for truth. There is an inseparable relation between the act of telling the truth and the act of seeking with faith to know what is true," former Ambassador William C. Battle told students Monday night.

Stiers says new system less confusing

Because of a new system used for the first time this semester at RPI, registration and add-drop procedures were conducted with less confusion and fewer mistakes, according to Walter F. Stiers, assistant registrar.

Instead of the traditional method of registering alphabetically, registration was based on Social Security numbers as was regular registration held February 1 and 2. Stiers pointed out that this system produced an even flow of students and made the turnover more constant. He said the lines were shorter than in past registrations with the average time for the process being between 10 and 15 minutes.

Stiers said the number of forms to be filled out was also decreased. He said also that the Mosque was used for both registration and add drop, which took place Feb. 5, 6 and 7 because the facilities "provide more flexibility and room to maneuver."

Battle, former ambassador to Australia and son of former Virginia Gov. John S. Battle, spoke as part of Honor Code Week, sponsored February 5-9 by the Honor Council.

The ambassador said that he did not want to speak in "blind support" of RPI's honor code but of the lasting impression made upon him by the honor code of the University of Virginia, where he received his BA in 1941 and his LL.B. in 1947.

At RPI as well as the University of Virginia, he said, "honor and integrity are the foundation of any effective honor code." He continued, "To be effective, an honor code cannot be another expression of authority and control by the administration over the student body. It . . . must be designed only to separate the honest from the dishonest . . . not to enforce discipline or to establish a general standard of behavior."

HE STRESSED THE importance of student acceptance and enforcement of an honor system to make the code work. He said that many students who come under an honor code for the first time will initially "comply through fear of getting caught, being expelled or being disgraced", but that they later comply through appreciation of "participating in a community where there is no cheating, no lying, no stealing."

He said that the most difficult task in any honor system is investigating and reporting violations of the honor code. He said

that the whole structure of the system depends on mutual faith and respect of its members and that each student must assume the obligation of maintaining the integrity of an honorable community. This will create the "best possible environment for intellectual achievement."

THE FORMER ambassador regards RPI as being "on the threshold of becoming a great university." In an interview after his speech, Battle said that education in Virginia still "has a long way to go" and that the major problem is to provide higher educational facilities for high school graduates. He commented that Virginia has a very low percentage of college-age people actually in college.

He also stated that he feels that Virginia voters will approve the state administration's bond bills, which would provide a maximum \$81 million for capital outlays in education and mental health.



Staff Photo by Harry Long

Former Ambassador William C. Battle
His Address Opened Honor Code Week

Instructors address meeting

Four leading Richmond social work educators actively participated in the Council on Social Work Education national conference which was held in Minneapolis January 23 to 26.

Richard Lodge, dean of the School of Social Work here, took part in two sessions focusing on social work teaching from the

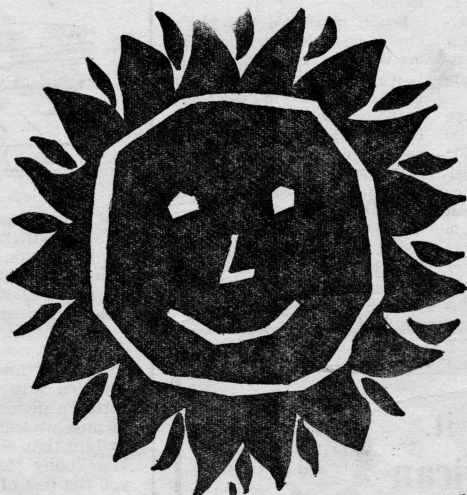
view of both the administrator and the student.

Mrs. Elaine Rothenberg of RPI's school of Social Work acted as chairman for a workshop on "The Administrative Processes in Admissions in Graduate Schools of Social Work," and was the featured speaker at a session which was held on Jan-

uary 26 titled "The Selection and Presentation of Social Work Knowledge for Sharing with Others."

Joseph Golden, was the chairman and discussion leader on January 26 for a workshop dealing with the role of students in affecting their social work education.

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