

SGA House elections are today

Senate alters proposal endorsing 'Time Out'

The Senate altered a proposal passed by the House this week to endorse and sponsor "Time Out Day."

"Time Out Day" which is advanced by the National Association of Students calls for students across the country to stay out of class on October 9 for the purpose of discussing what they feel to be pressing social and political issues.

The Senate felt it necessary to make provisions for a committee to coordinate the activities of the day in order to make sure that all activities are of a positive nature rather than a negative one.

the regular classroom structure, with the teachers permitting discussion of current questions.

The Senate which endorsed the idea of a "Time Out Day" felt it was also of importance to encourage attendance at the convocation which is also scheduled for October 29 in the Mosque.

John Norcutt, SGA President, said, "I think this is an excellent thing for us to endorse. I also think it is necessary

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Procedure for voting

* Go to the booth in Shafer Court bearing the name of respective department or school, i.e. Business School, School of Fine Arts.

* Present ID and sign name and social security number next to name on IBM sheet.

• Pick up ballot.

• Vote in one of three booths available for secret balloting.

New representatives take office Monday

Polls opened today for students to cast their ballot to select members of the House of Representatives.

To vote a student must go to the booth bearing the name of his department or school, present his ID card, sign his name and social security number next to his name on the IBM sheet and pick up his ballot.

There are three booths available for secret voting and the student may or may not choose to use them. All voting will take place in Shafer Street Court

until 5 p.m. today.

Ballots will be tabulated by the Honor Court tonight and the results will be available at the switch board or in the student center.

Result of Referendum

The new House of Representatives will take office officially Monday night, October 21.

This reorganization plan for the House of the Student Government Association came about as a result of a student referendum last spring. This referendum endorsed the idea of having seats in the House filled according to schools and departments.

Prior to this election, representation in the House has been based on a membership system. Each club, dormitory, and organization was allowed one representative.

The idea behind the referendum stemmed from the fact that many students were without any representative; namely commuting students and students who were not a member of any school club or organization.

A planning committee was formed to see how a change in representation

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Will Be Resubmitted

The proposal passed by the House Monday night did not make provisions for the coordinating committee. It will be resubmitted to the House for approval with the additional provisions.

During the discussion in the House, Jeff Kelso, representative for Students or Liberal Government and chairman of the Student Life Committee, suggested that the day be observed in

Proscript publishes in offset

This week the Proscript begins offset production on newly purchased BM Selectric compositors and output units.

The body type has been composed and laid-out in the Proscript offices, and when the equipment arrives, headlines and advertising will also be set on campus.

Attendance regulations are instructors' decision

Class attendance regulations are left to the discretion of the individual instructor under the present administrative policy, according to James W. Bailey, assistant vice president of academic affairs.

"Students have all kinds of leeway as far as I am concerned," said Bailey, "But individual instructors may require attendance every day."

This system is a compromise of opposing views held by members of the Joint Student-Faculty Committee on Academic Affairs in discussion last spring of attendance regulations.

Underclass Attendance

Faculty members felt students needed to be kept apprised of their academic progress through testing and attendance," Bailey said.

"Students, particularly juniors and seniors, are interested in not having much, if any, control on their attendance. "Thus, the present system is a compromise to allow some checking by the instructor and maximum freedom on the part of the student," Bailey concluded.

According to the university catalogue, instructors are responsible

for recording attendance in their classes, "particularly in 100-200 level courses."

"A student would receive a warning after he misses enough classes to endanger his progress in the course of instruction," Bailey said.

However, students will still be dropped from a course after they have

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Cobblestone schedules photos

Cobblestone staff members will begin taking senior pictures on Monday, October 28. The informal photographs will be taken according to schools and departments by students in the Department of Communications Art and Design.

Seniors are requested to stop at the

Cobblestone table in the Quadrangle to make and verify appointments to be photographed. The schedule for making these appointments is: School of Business, Tuesday, 10 to 5; Schools of Occupational Therapy, Nursing, Distribution and Departments of Psychology and Education, Wednesday, 10 to 5; Schools of Arts and Sciences, Music, Engineering

Technology, Engineering and Architecture and Social Science and the Department of Dramatic Art and Speech, Thursday, 10 to 5.

Students in the School of Art may verify appointments on any of these days. Students within a school or department who wish to be photographed together should make appropriate arrangements

Fraternity movement secures signatures

By W.T. VanPelt

A campus-wide movement to reinstate fraternities and sororities at VCU's general academic division got under way this week as a group spearheading the idea collected signatures on petitions in front of the Hibbs Building.

The group, headed by John Schwarz, Acc4 Richmond, and Bob Hornung, Bus1 Sandston, seemed to be formulating strategy as people were placing their names on the petition.

"We'll present it to the administration and Norcutt (John Norcutt, SGA President)," said Schwarz.

Hornung said that he had received 322 signatures within three hours on Monday afternoon.

"If the students want them we will send letters to all of the national fraternities and sororities and see if they will be willing to build a house on campus," said Schwarz.

"A strong fraternity system is the backbone of the big university," he asserted.

Anne Donald, Ret1, was asked to sign the petition. "Why do we need

them?" she asked.

"Too Few Clubs"

"Because there are too few clubs on campus," answered Hornung. Spencer White, Bus1, added that the fraternities are needed to "compete with the other clubs."

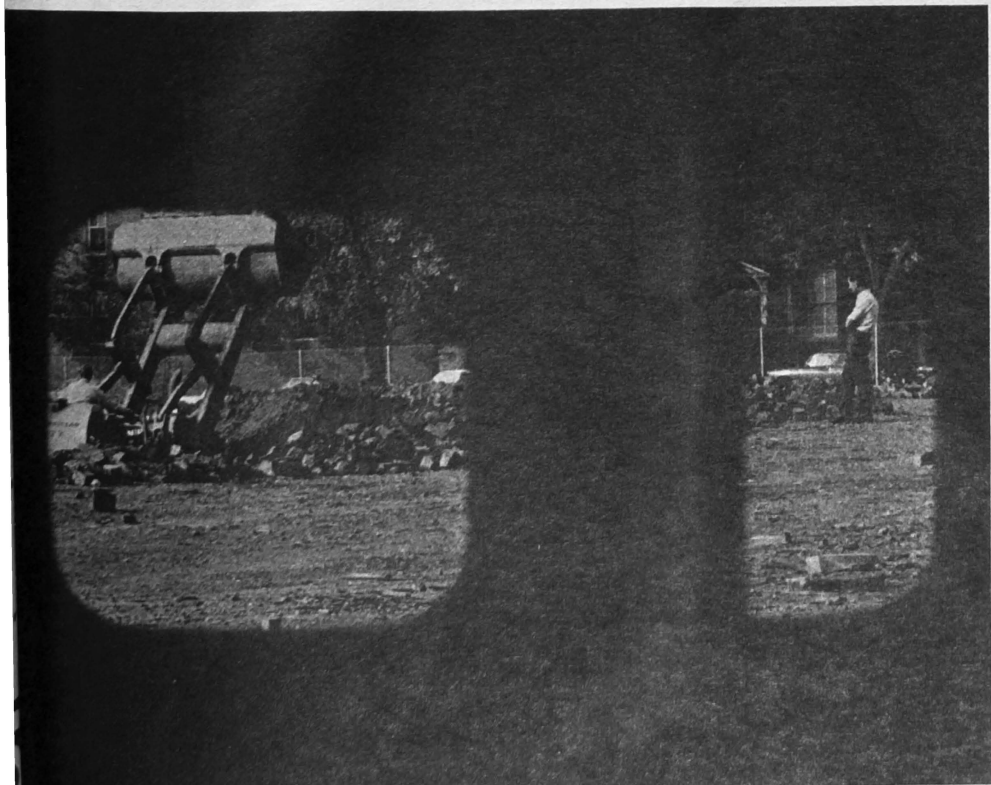
When asked for the name of their group, the principals of the organization realized they did not have one.

"We ought to have a name. Let's make it up right now", suggested Hornung.

After scribbling on a yellow legal pad for two minutes, Schwarz announced that the group would be called "SEFS, for Society for the Establishment of Fraternities and Sororities."

When asked to sign the petition, John McCrocklin, Dist3 Richmond, steadfastly refused, charging that fraternal organizations "form cliques" and "shelter the little guy and get him dates. We've got to build individuals."

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From parking lot to hole in the ground, this square bordered by Linden and Cherry sts. and Floyd and Park Aves. will soon take on a new role as host to the James Branch Cabell Library, scheduled for completion in 1969. An imaginative photographer captured a unique view as bulldozers began clearing the site last week.

Attendance

In a university of this caliber and size, idealistic standards of uniformity and consistency are unattainable and unfeasible in some areas. However, in the specific area of attendance regulations, such uniformity would be desirable.

For two years now, the regulations regarding class attendance have not been clearly defined to the satisfaction and understanding of students; or faculty. Just ask one of either categories and chances are, they won't be able to explain the system.

The ambiguous statement in the catalogue leaves questions unanswered, and the statement proposed last spring by the Joint Faculty-Student committee, now under consideration by the Academic Senate, is absolutely futile.

According to the catalogue, there is no system of "cuts." Instructors must record attendance in lower level courses and notify students whose absences endanger completion of the course.

According to a loose interpretation, students may consider themselves free of attendance restraint and refrain from classes at their own good judgment. However, another interpretation could leave a student in hot water with an instructor. When regulations are left to the discretion of individual instructors, students are baffled as they attempt to read the mind of the instructor, who will not commit himself to an attendance policy.

Sad Instances

A successful educational endeavor certainly necessitates regular class attendance. But there are sad instances in which a full classroom is an indication of compelled attendance rather than quality of instruction.

Why not leave attendance regulation to the discretion of the student rather than the instructor. If a student is not responsible enough to know the value of class attendance, he doesn't belong here anyway, and will be made aware of that.

On the other hand, if an instructor walks into an empty classroom to lecture, maybe he will revise his instructional methods, and our educational standards will rise.

Puppy Burning

The Students for Liberal Government (SLG) are just about to hang their organization on an ever-shortening rope of rash ideas.

If, according to a story in the Proscript today, the "puppy burn" protest of the Vietnam war takes place on October 29, the day scheduled for their "Time Out" happening, the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA) will move in quickly. Even if Jeffrey Kelso (SGA representative) would decide, out of the kindness of his good ole sadistic heart, not to sacrifice the puppy at the last minute, the SPCA could make a warrant for his arrest for terrorizing a helpless animal.

But suppose for a minute that Kelso's "surprise ending" (or "punch line" as he put it) doesn't take place? Who can assure us that, in the frenzy of mob spirit, the puppy would not be sacrificed? We need only to look at history—at the Nazi party, for example—to see that a mob spirit can actually commit the foulest of crimes once a crowd is uncontrollable.

Kelso asserted that the "puppy burning" would leave a "strong psychological impact" on the students by rousing contempt for the war in Vietnam. Of course, he and other SLG members who may go along with this plot have overlooked the obvious. They want to gain power and more student support on this campus. But have they considered the "psychological impact" of the feeling they will create against their own organization? Even if they decided right now to drop the entire ruthless "activity," (it's the main event on the agenda of their happening), no one can erase the stomach-turning fact that the SLG considered doing such a devious deed.

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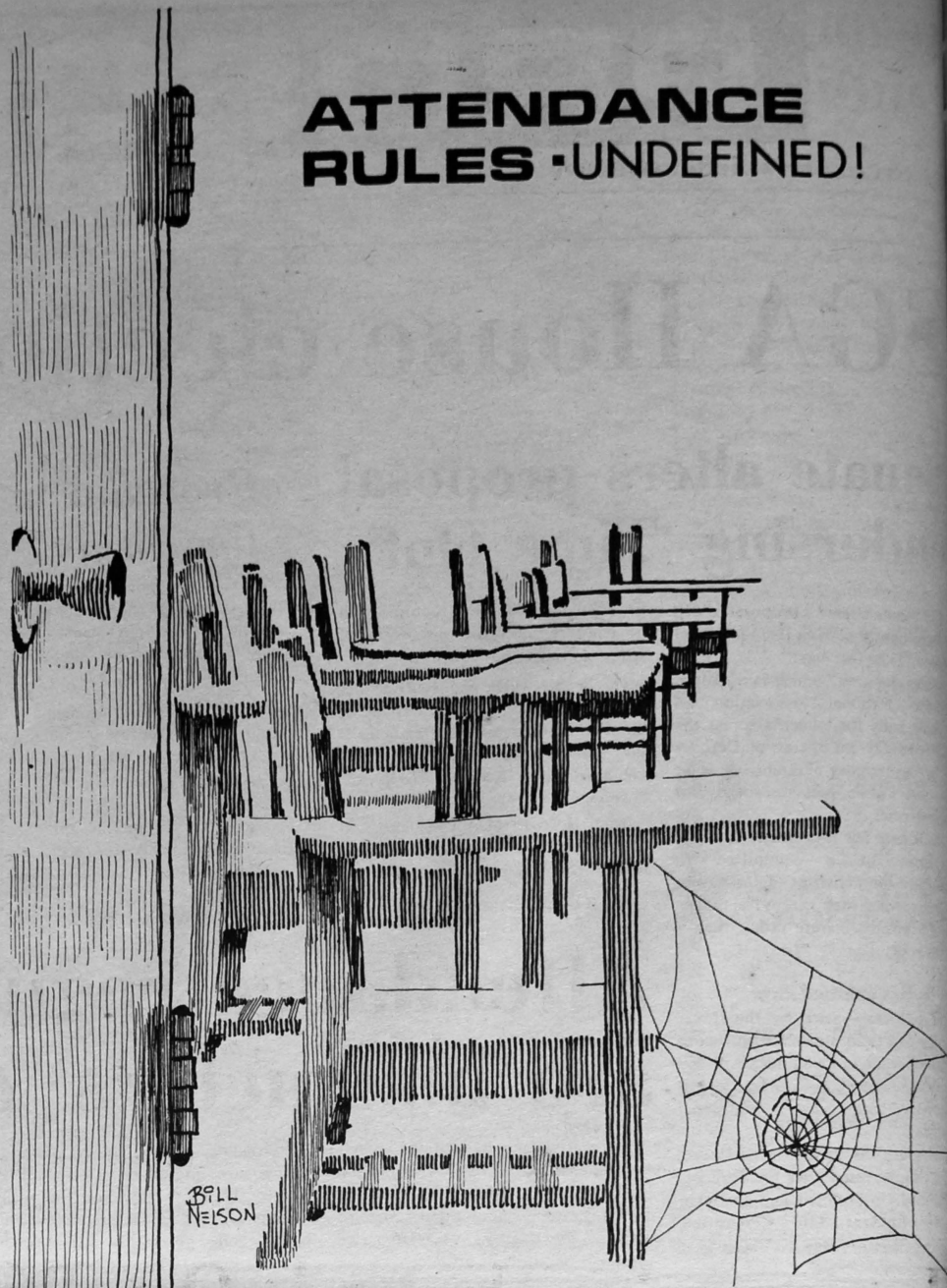
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Letters to the Editor

Professor justifies dorm renaming

Editor, The Proscript

Miss Pat Hooper, who writes "The Observer" was not completely informed when she wrote concerning the unnecessary naming of Johnson Hall in the issue of October 4.

The naming of the building for Dr. Margaret Johnson is long overdue. With the exception of Dr. H. H. Hibbs, Dr. Johnson is probably more to be remembered for the establishment of the General Academic Division than anyone else. The renaming of Monroe Terrace in her honor is a continuation of our respect for her which was originally shown by naming a dormitory Johnson Hall, but which has since been demolished. What Miss Hooper, obviously, does not know is that Margaret Johnson was the first Dean of Women this institution ever had and she served in that capacity for a much longer time than as dean of students. The Board of Visitors did consult with faculty and interested citizens about the naming of this building and I, for one, am especially proud of their actions.

Raymond Hodges

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For centuries man has sought political, economic and religious problems. These attempted solutions have been at times helpful and at times harmful? In any event, they usually were directed toward symptoms of man's problems rather than to the real source and shape of his conscience of mankind.

We are going to acquire a ship that can transport approximately three hundred people and sail around the world as a gesture of peace and universal brotherhood. In order to do

this we have formed a non-profit corporation to organize this voyage. We have no affiliations with any political, social or religious organizations. We will depend solely upon mankind for support.

Perhaps you would like to be one with us. If you cannot come, you might like to help us. There is much to be done.

We will try to get a government ship — perhaps one of the mothballed Liberty ships and adapt her for our purposes. We will change a ship of war into a ship of peace.

When our ship is ready we will christen her the "Mankind." It is a good name, for the whole purpose of our trip will be to express the attitude that we are all one, a seemingly reluctant brotherhood, with only one world to live in.

The world now is full of violence and conflict. Forces of both concern and hatred appear to have become polarized into opposing camps. We feel a closer look reveals that man is more than ever before concerned with the treatment of his fellow man. There is more "life-forced" manifest now than ever before. This force is expressed through Love? it is everywhere and it will be aboard our ship.

We will never reach a world of love through violence. Many who feel despair and bitterness now, may turn to violence. In one way this violence and hatred is a corruption of their desire to love and be loved. Because of feelings of futility and frustration in finding avenues for the expression

We intend to leave San Francisco in June, 1969, and go to many ports. We will sail first to Hiroshima. There we will say that we are sorry for the terrible bombing that happened. All of us, including the Japanese, are

responsible for allowing it to happen and our apology will be from mankind not just from America.

Hiroshima will remind us of the possibility of nuclear holocaust? but can also be a beginning place for reaffirmation of the nature of God and man. There is much despair, bitterness and cynicism in people now, but there is also much reason for hope for all.

Wherever in the world we stop we will offer flowers, music, singing and dancing. We will have gifts for children made by other children.

After our ship leaves Hiroshima, we will go where we think we can express our theme of brotherhood? we will consider the safety and wellbeing of everyone on the ship as well as the people in the ports of call. We would like to stop in China, Vietnam, Africa, India, and Europe.

As we mentioned before we plan to leave in June, 1969. If you wish to join with us, or to contribute in any way please write to Mankind... Big Sur, Calif. 93920. Those who wish to join with us will receive a letter explaining all of the details. If any school organization or interested group of individuals wishes to take on a project helping us in this endeavor, we will be pleased to send a speaker from our group to talk with you.

We will be supported entirely by donations from passengers and others who wish to contribute with their messages. We are willing to take on passengers who cannot afford their own expenses. However, since we are funded only by donations, we hope that everyone will make an effort to offer something.

Alan W.
Co-ordinator

Omission of rights bill results in Code chaos

By Pat Hooper

Students for Liberal Government (SLG), the most political and radical organization on this campus, is stomping, screaming, crying and beating its collective head on walls concerning the Code of Conduct, made public earlier this year.

And while SLG members scream and cry over this hideous monster, they are over looking a much more important subject; that is the Joint Statement on Rights and Freedoms of Students. Many students do not even know what this document is, and that is still a more important area the SLG should be investigating, because the Code of Conduct is merely the product of the Joint Statement.

For those of you who still don't know what the Joint Statement on Rights and Freedoms of Students is, it will be explained. This statement is for you and protects you from double jeopardy, unfair play by administrative committees. It also covers protection of freedom of expression, protection against improper disclosure, freedom of publications, etc. This statement allowed plenty of room for an administrative code of conduct, which was requested in the statement.

The Code of Conduct has been published, hurrah, hurrah, but where is our bill of rights? Now, there seems to be some controversy over whether it was passed or even discussed at length by the student congress. Well, it was, to great extent, and furthermore, it was passed. In a session of the House, April 22, 1968. Mark Auman, president of the SGA, requested that the House vote on the joint statement that very evening so it could be printed in this year's Signpost, and students would know what advantages, privilege and guidelines they had. So, April 22, 1968, a motion was made: "That the Joint Statement on Rights and Freedoms of Students be approved by the Student Congress for publication in the Signpost." This was passed 63-0. Obviously a unanimous vote—quite obviously. At last, secure, thought the House members, at last a statement so we can sit tight and know the school and courts cannot bust us on the same count twice. And the students sauntered home for the summer,

safe in the popular misconception that all would know the good word with the publication of the 1968-69 Signpost.

Yes, the omission of this vital document from the Signpost could have been a mistake, someone could have just forgotten it. But a most disastrous omission it was. For now, the person or persons who omitted the document have left themselves open to some hard words and have caused a chaotic situation that will take a while to straighten out, especially since the SLG has really begun to roll. It could be suggested that someone get on the ball and find that statement and print it as a supplement to the Signpost very quickly: and quicker than quick.

It seems we have had this problem before, although there was no visible relation at the time. Two years ago, the SGA held a referendum during elections concerning the "ratting clause" of the Honor Code, more commonly known as "failure to report an offense" clause. The students voted overwhelmingly to delete the clause from the code and again students sauntered home for the summer, feeling safe and secure. Zap, when they returned in the fall the realization came upon them like a nightmare, the offending clause was still included in the Honor Code.

Naturally, the Knight in Black Ink, our revered Proscript, came galloping to the cause and the administration and Honor Court made revisions thereto, and said the clause had been deleted as far as the code went and it would be amended in the Signpost of this year, which it was.

The big question, was this a deliberate omission? Perhaps, an unfair question, perhaps, not. But certainly a most fair statement now would be: The students want their Joint Statement on Rights and Freedoms of Students and they want it published immediately so all can see.

When this long overdue assignment is completed, the SLG may rest easy, the students may rest easy and the administration

Pantomime artist will perform sunday

Tony Montanaro, a noted pantomime artist, will headline the list of entertainers who will be brought to the campus by the Lecture-Concert Committee this year with a performance Sunday night in the Franklin st. gymnasium.

Montanaro and assisting artist Michael Henry will perform at 8:30 p.m. There is no admission charge.

The mime has made numerous appearances at colleges and universities across the country and, according to Brydon DeWitt, director of student activities, Montanaro has received rave notices.

His theater background includes the study of modern dance, classical drama and mime training with Louise Gifford

at Columbia University and with Marcel Marceau and Etienne Decroux in Paris. He received a BS degree from Columbia University and is now performing around the country in various university programs and festivals.

In addition to performing, Montanaro lectures, teaches and is presently on the faculty of the Uta Hagen-Herbert Berghof Studio in New York. He directed an all-mime play with the drama students at Towson State College near Baltimore, and this summer will teach a mime workshop at Iona College in New Rochelle, N.Y.

Montanaro is the first of what the Lecture-Concert Committee hopes will be twice monthly shows for students.

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Campus News Briefs

Homecoming dance is Oct. 26

The Attractions and IGA Heroes will play for the Homecoming Dance October 26.

The dance featuring the two bands performing two hours each will begin at 8 p.m. and last until 12 midnight in the Franklin Street Gymnasium.

Tickets went on sale Wednesday in the Rotunda. The cost is \$2.50 per couple.

The German club is centering its efforts on Homecoming activities to start Thursday.

A float from the German club will appear in the Homecoming parade Saturday. At 2:45 p.m., the German club will play football with the Circle K club at Parker Field. Last year, the

German club was defeated by the Circle K.

Applications for state teachers' scholarships are available in the Financial Aid Office, 920 Park ave.

The Alexandrian Society is sponsoring a talk at St. James's Episcopal Church (1203 West Franklin st.) on Thursday, October 24. Dr. Nathan Johnson, associate director of the Consultative Resource Center, University of Virginia, will speak on urban problems and the role of the Negro American. After the regular club meeting at 7:30 p.m., the speech will begin at 8.

Ruth Fee, Busl Richmond, has been named Freshman class nominee for Homecoming Queen. She was selected at a class meeting last Thursday.

A woman officer representative for the Middle Atlantic States will be on campus with the U.S. Naval Officer Procurement Team on November 1.

The representative, who will be at the team's display table in the Hibbs Building, will be available to answer questions and discuss the woman officer program.

Christian club active here

Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship is seeking to establish itself on the VCU campus.

IV is a national organization which strives to acquaint people of all denominations with the life and teachings of Jesus Christ. Its staff representative, Tully Fletcher, was at VCU Monday with Lyn Hadley, a nurse at the Health Sciences Division and an alumna of Inter-Varsity. They were displaying books on Christian theology and thought, not to make a profit, said Lyn, but to make the texts available to the student.

Lyn, whose membership in IV began at the University of Michigan undergraduate school, stated that their goal is to introduce the campus to the person of Jesus Christ.

The IV program is almost completely religious. They hope to have speakers, said Fletcher, in the near future. These men or women would probably be lay people rather than clergy.

Leading the VCU movement to establish the organization here is Jim Andrews, Mus4 Richmond. The local office is at 2916 Park ave.

Art workshop to begin

The art education department will sponsor a Tuesday and Thursday evening workshop on October 15 and 17.

Hours will be from 7 to 9 p.m. A limited number of students will be accepted, in the order of application, for each ten week workshop. A \$5 registration fee, payable at the first session, will be required to help offset the cost of art materials.

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Rick Ripley Signs a Petition in Front of the Hibbs Building
Students Were Asked to Sign It In Support of Fraternities

Instructor Director cites need for center lecturing in Alaska

Mrs. Ulrich Troubetzkoy, an English instructor in the Evening College, is traveling through Alaska this week delivering a series of lectures and readings from a new book she has written.

The title of her book is "Blue Bonnets and Blood." It is a collection of dramatic and narrative poems about the Texas revolution.

While in Alaska Mrs. Troubetzkoy will lecture at the University of Alaska, Anchorage Community College and Alaska Methodist College.

She will spend three days in Juneau, two in Fairbanks and two in Anchorage.

Mrs. Troubetzkoy is making the trip in her role as president of the National Federation of Press Women. She is also a columnist for the Richmond New Leader.

"I make a major trip about every month of the year," said Mrs. Troubetzkoy. "This is my first trip to Alaska and that's the only state I haven't visited."

Association encourages participation

"Any student actively pursuing a career in education is invited to join the Student Education Association," said Barbara Wilson, Eled4 Richmond.

The George J. Oliver chapter of the Student Education Association is affiliated with the National Education Association, the Virginia Education Association and the SGA Association of this university.

Its purpose is to promote and develop interest in the field of education, to contribute to the professional development of students while preparing; to teach and to encourage active participation in civic and campus affairs.

Plans are being formulated for participation in Student Education convention at Longwood College. Annual dues are \$4 and this amount includes membership in the campus, state, and national education associations.

The need for improvements in the Student Center here was 'dramatically' illustrated last weekend when the center lost a portion of its ceiling.

According to Brydon DeWitt, director of student activities, "The aging plaster that fell in the entrance hallway doesn't make the building unsafe, but it does point out to many of us the need for a new student union on this campus.

We have long since outgrown the present facility," he continued, "and

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could be enacted and to present proposals to the Student Congress.

Centralized Voting

The Student Congress accepted the recommendation that the new representatives be elected on October 18 and that the representation be by departments and schools. Also, the committee recommended that voting be centralized in Shafer Street Court and that there be no alternate representatives.

Received Petition

Each of the candidates received a petition and secured the signatures of 25 students from his department or school as a prerequisite to being placed on the ballot. These petitions were subject to validation of each name and any invalid signature would make the entire petition void.

Thursday was designated as "candidates day." At this time, the candidates were allowed to use amplified vocal campaigning, booths and tables.

therefore a building of this quality and size couldn't possibly serve the growing number of students here without showing strain.

A New Union

"A new student union would have to come from the students themselves," DeWitt said. He illustrated by pointing out that "the students of VCU pay a relatively low tuition now and the fee added to cover the cost of the new center would be worth it to each individual student.

The students want a new center but they are reluctant to pay for it," DeWitt said. "The students fail to realize that the General Assembly doesn't appropriate funds for student unions. It's up to the individual institution to find methods of doing this."

Main Alternative

According to DeWitt, "The main alternative from the heavy payment on the building would be the acquisition of money through the Congressional Loan Subsidy Plan." This plan, DeWitt explained, "would



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Fraternity interest stirs student action

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Schwarz said, "Girls will get in trouble and men will drink. That's why they were banned the first time. But if you develop a good IFC (Interfraternity Council) you won't have those troubles."

Dr. Charles M. Renneisen, dean of students, explained his position on the issue. "Before I came here there were unofficial fraternities and sororities, and there were troubles. At that time the Board of Visitors decided that they did not want such organizations at RPL."

He said his personal feelings on fraternal organizations are that they are "assets if good, but liabilities if poor." He noted that the greatest problem in forming a fraternity is the lack of finances.

"I told the SGA that if there were groups interested in making a formal proposal and if it were well thought out, we could present it to the provost, who would request the new VCU Board of Visitors to allow them."

Asked his personal opinion of fraternal organizations, John Norcutt, SGA President, said, "They're alright

as long as they stay in their place. I don't like the 'cliqueishness' of them."

Norcutt said that he and the SGA would be willing to support the movement if there is sufficient interest

from students. But he added, "I think we could develop something better here, eliminating the negative aspects." He didn't elaborate.

Instructors determine attendance

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missed 25 per cent of the class meetings.

Instructors seemed to feel freshmen and sophomores especially should be required to attend classes regularly, according to Bailey.

"Admittedly there are several variations among faculty members in the manner in which they require students to attend class.

"This may be frustrating to some, but the more mature students will realize this is one of the facts of life and will soon learn to meet class requirements and adapt their schedules accordingly," Bailey commented.

Bailey continued that, "as long as there is some effort to allow freedom of judgement involving students and faculty at VCU, I see no possibility of a thoroughly consistent pattern of attendance regulations."

"But if requiring attendance is the only way the instructor can make students attend his classes, then he may need to have his teaching improved," the vice-president said.

"I look at it like this," Bailey continued, "Students are paying their money. If they want to run the risk of failing or being dropped from the course that's their privilege."

Indefinite Pattern

The Joint Student-Faculty Committee on Academic Affairs formulated a statement last spring concerning attendance regulations that is now before the Academic Senate. If adopted, the policy will become effective for the academic year 1968-69. That statement reads: "Since the educational program of VCU is centered around a system of group and individualized instruction, students are responsible for all material covered and the completion of all assigned work as stipulated by the instructor. The consequence of absence from class is loss of instruction."

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Students prefer Nixon in presidential poll

HHH is called 'only answer'

By Craig Sirles

America's future has much at stake in the upcoming November presidential election. The call for strong positive leadership has sounded throughout the country and the free world, but not the kind of leadership based on racial bigotry that George Wallace advocates or on the wishy-washy platform on which Richard Nixon is running.

Proven competence and experience are what this country needs — the proven competence and experience which only Hubert Humphrey has to offer.

Only Hubert Humphrey has displayed enough foresight to realize that solutions to our problems are possible only if we can get to the roots of the problems.

Only Hubert Humphrey has made a firm stand on Vietnam. Richard Nixon readily admits that his policies on the foolish war would be a little different from those of President Johnson's. George Wallace has yet to come up with an intelligent comment on any fact of the war.

Humphrey's record as a US Senator is virtually unequalled by anyone in the country. Many of his ideas on education and welfare when he was the junior senator from Minnesota were considered almost as quirks, but they are all realities today.

Richard Nixon, in his eight years as vice president, under Dwight D. Eisenhower, gave passive consent to many of the treaties and pacts that this country established with other countries, and as it has turned out, this is one of the big reasons why we are as deeply involved in Vietnam as we are now.

Only Hubert Humphrey has shown real interest in the wants and needs of the American working man and this is precisely why the Humphrey-Muskie ticket is the only logical and reasonable choice in November.

A poll on the upcoming November 5 presidential election was taken on the VCU campus this week by Proscript reporters and 52 per cent of the students questioned favored Richard M. Nixon, the Republican nominee.

Two questions were asked: "Whom do you support for the presidency and why?"

Coming in second was Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey, Democrat nominee, with 19 per cent of the oral votes cast.

George C. Wallace, third party candidate, received nine per cent, and eight per cent of those polled supported a variety of other candidates or former candidates, including Sen. Eugene McCarthy, Sen. Edward Kennedy, Dick Gregory, who represents the Peace and Freedom party, and comedian Pat Paulsen.

As many as 11 per cent stated that they would not support any candidate.

Here are the views of some of the students polled:

Nixon

David Epley, Adv2 Newport News, supports the former vice president simply because "I like his acceptance speech."

Tom Deshazo, Bus3 Roanoke, commented, "I would probably vote for Nixon simply because I'm afraid of Wallace because of his irrational moves. He talks like a wild man. I agree with him, but he might go about it the wrong way, here and in Vietnam. Nixon is more conservative."

Linda Schad, Art1 Towson, Md., declares, "Humphrey is just not competent; Nixon is."



Mickey Kendrick

"...looking for a change"

Mickey Kendrick, RL4 Alexandria remarked, "I believe Nixon has the best chance to win. I think the country is tired of the way the Democratic party has been running it. The people are looking for a change."

Says Bonnie Eskridge, Psy4 Eastern Shore, "I'm tired of people talking about new ideas and a new dream. I want some who can straighten up the old ones. I think that Nixon, through his background and experience, should know the proper channels through which to accomplish this." All three, of course, appeal to popular idea that Vietnam war must end. Yet, all three don't want to 'lose face'... We must remember that the man doesn't make the presidency—the presidency makes the man—look at Johnson."

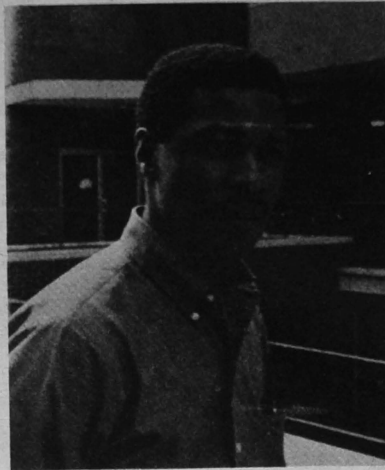
Taylor Cole, Hist3 Richmond, added, "Nixon is the man for this country now. The Democrats can't handle the government anymore. If nothing else, it is time for a change in administration. The American people are displeased with position the Democrats put us in. Nixon is experienced. He was the vice president and has had 20 years of experience of political experience."

According to Chris Klotz, Bus1 Richmond, "Nixon is the lesser of the evils, because he is the better qualified. Humphrey would not make a good president because he is a follower, not a leader. Wallace is too radical, and he lacks the dignity the president should have."

Humphrey

Ray Simone, SpecStu3 Richmond, said, "Humphrey. He's a wishy-washy liberal, but at least he's a liberal."

SGA President John Norcutt supports the vice president. He says, "I think it's a shame that there isn't more in it for American youth. Although I doubted that I would ever be interested in George Wallace and anything he had to say, I think his referring to Humphrey and Nixon as twaddledum and twaddledaw was the most accurate thing said in the campaign. I'm voting for Humphrey."



Elte Thornton

"...all I'm left with"

Elte Thornton, Art3 Richmond, states, "Humphrey is all I'm left with. I don't want to see this country have another civil war. If anybody can do that I think Wallace can."

W. H. Lee, Bus2 Richmond, says, "In spite of what the news media says, this present administration has made a lot of progress. There would have been a war in Vietnam no matter what administration party was in the presidency."

Wallace

Most of those favoring Wallace did so because they said they feel he takes a firmer stand on the major issues. Some picked him because they feel the other candidates simply are not competent.

Kitty Hammond, Bus1 Tappahannock, said, "Wallace stands for something; the others are wishy-washy. They try to please the majority. I agree with his stand on state rights."

Judy Whitaker, Eled1 Fredericksburg, commented, "I would vote for Wallace. Humphrey hasn't done anything as a vice president. What would he do as a president? Also, Nixon is a loser, he couldn't even carry his own state."

James Fulton, Bus1 Honolulu, added, "I have great dissatisfaction with Nixon as well as Humphrey. I don't think Wallace is the answer, but it is a vote against Nixon and Humphrey."

Daniel Glover, Adv4 Wilmington, Del., says, "Wallace. Because the other two aren't much different. Wallace has guts, leadership and he's the best of all three."

Undecided

Several people could not pick a candidate from among the three major ones running. Some of them said they would write in someone, others said they were glad they didn't have to vote.

Pat Dixon, Art2 Buena Vista, remarked, "McCarthy is my preference. Humphrey never takes a stand. Nixon couldn't make it the other year. He'd become president only out of desperation. If Wallace became president, the country would be revolutionary, and he is a racist."

Lougenia Baxter, Eled1 Roanoke, said, "I would write in Edward Kennedy. He is, in my mind, the people's choice."

Ron St. Germain, Dra3 Vienna, said, "I don't know who I would vote for because all the candidates seem to have the answer to everything and the solution to nothing."



Ron St. Germain

"...solution to nothing"

Nixon is choice of moderates

By Dennis Latta

A few years ago, or even a matter of months ago, Richard M. Nixon could not have bought a government office, but today he leads in every presidential poll taken.

How could a man who lost the 1960 election and was defeated in the California gubernatorial elections make a comeback

to the point where he is the frontrunner in this year's presidential race?

The common attitude this year is that Nixon is the least of three evils. Wallace is an extreme conservative and Humphrey is liberal so Nixon is the choice because he is a middle of the road candidate who can satisfy both sides adequately, though not overwhelmingly.

In the South, Wallace's popularity has reached its peak and has started to decline. Wallace takes a stand that some American people want to hear but it is not a realistic or well-rounded platform that intelligent citizens can advocate. Nixon has picked up support in border states that were leaning toward Wallace.

Humphrey began the race with a strike against him because of the trouble in Chicago and that Senator Eugene McCarthy still refuses to endorse him. Humphrey is having little success with his underdog campaign, and his connection with the Johnson administration is hurting him even more.

Nixon, on the other hand, began the race ahead of the pack and has had smooth sailing so far. All three candidates advocate law and order and have spoken out for a peace settlement in Vietnam, so he can't be attacked on the major issues.

Will Nixon still be the one in November? All indications are that the only obstacle that may keep him from finally winning a presidential election is overconfidence, which is an unusual circumstance for Nixon.

Liberal students support no one

By Joseph R. Yancey

In 1968, Eugene McCarthy and a new politics dislodged an incumbent president, forged a consensus that ended the war in Vietnam, brought the street demonstrators and the silently alienated into American politics, and gave new hope, new direction, and new leadership to the citizenry of the United States. So goes the typical fairy tales in this year of our Lord 2000.

In the history books the story of 1968 goes differently: In January Lyndon Baines Johnson declared that the American society was somewhat sick, and that there was a need for a major reassessment of America's attitude toward social change. Eugene McCarthy emerged as the leader in opening new paths of political participation and paved the way for new forces to assert themselves in the Democratic Party.

Fanfare Problems

In the summer months, Robert Kennedy was assassinated, bringing an end to the hopes of Black America for reconciliation with the system.

Richard M. Nixon was nominated at the Republican National Convention, with little fanfare about trivial matters such as the war and the urban poor.

Hubert H. Humphrey was nominated at the Democratic National Convention with quite a lot of fanfare about America's problems, but, alas, the Chicago Gestapo quickly squelched dissension in the convention hall and in the streets.

Students for Liberal Government at VCU cannot entertain support of any of the Presidential candidates by reason of the absolute absurdity of doing so.

Wallace means radical change

By Joe Ebhardt

Wallace... radical... why?

Many people, including the politicians running for the office of president, have given George Wallace this classification.

According to Webster's New World Dictionary, a radical is a person who favors an extreme change of the social structure

I feel as thousands of others feel, that America needs an extreme change in the present social structure, don't you?

Law and order in America have failed according to what our forefathers constituted in 1776 — protection for the people.

Wallace is making this protection one of his major campaign issues, for his chief goal is to restore law and order to our country.

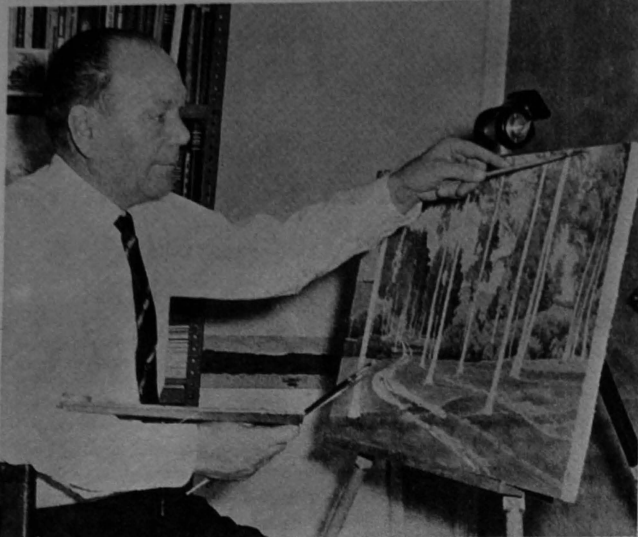
Police today are afraid to stop someone from looting because of the aftermath they will face.

As one can see, the people who suffer following a riot are the store owners and the innocent public who may get in the way of someone who doesn't like the present law or rules.

If you can't obey the law or the rules here, then I have one piece of advice: Get out. Find another place that has the rules and laws you like.

The election of 1968 will go down in history as part of the dark ages of American history because of the many incidents which have taken place.

Although I can't say who will win the presidential elections in November, I can say who will lose if Wallace is not elected—the American people.



Dr. Stephen V. Romanoff Paints Recollected Scenes of Russia
He is an Adjunct Faculty Member in the VCU Evening College

Native of Siberia finds goal here

By Christy Cooke
Assignment Editor

A native of the Soviet Union who always aspired to teach history or political science, but was steered away by Russian "political infestation," finally got his wish after coming to the U.S.

He is Dr. Stephen V. Romanoff, a member of the adjunct faculty at the Academic Division of VCU.

Also a full-time instructor of physics and mathematics at Virginia Union University, Dr. Romanoff says he feels as if he has been a teacher all his life. But it was not until last year that he finally began teaching the history of his native country. He now instructs two courses in Russian history in the Evening College.

Rather Refreshing

It's rather refreshing to go into the field in which I was interested probably the most at the very beginning," commented Dr. Romanoff, who has been a naturalized American citizen for 11 years and a Richmond resident since 1955.

Straightforward and serious in answering questions, the ruddy-complexioned, blue-eyed Dr. Romanoff typifies the impression many Americans have of Russians. His demeanor seems to reflect both determination and composure.

Dr. Romanoff, who was born in 1906 in Omsk, Siberia, says his Russian heritage is a definite advantage in teaching. Since he has observed "propaganda and brain-washing," Dr. Romanoff said that he can probably convey a more objective picture of Russian history than one who has just studied it in a classroom. In other words, he said, he has the "background to analyze."

Soviet Schools Tougher

But Dr. Romanoff asserted that he would never try to influence the political opinions of his students.

"I don't give my views. . . It is better to stick with just the history and economic conditions."

The ardent teacher added that no text about Russian history is free from bias. Most of them, he said, are either "pro-Soviet" or "anti-Russian."

Dr. Romanoff considers Soviet schools to be tougher than American colleges. He received his "certificate of maturity" (equivalent to a high school diploma) from a school in Omsk, his hometown. (As he pointed out, however, "nobody has a home," in essence, in Russia. "Everything belongs to the state.")

At Irkutsk State University in eastern Siberia, he received a degree in physical and mathematical sciences. Dr. Romanoff's postgraduate work was done at Tomsk State University in western Siberia where he received a master's degree in historical and

philological sciences and a Ph.D in physical and mathematical sciences.

The story behind Dr. Romanoff's coming to the United States with his attractive wife Anna sounds like the typical immigration novel.

This is how he recalls it: "I was working as chairman of the Physics Department of the Institute of Technology at Ukraine. But during the war (World War II) that area was occupied by the German army. The whole staff was deported to Germany...They took all the scientists (at that institute) to Berlin."

Unable to take his wife with him, Dr. Romanoff had to go alone as a civil war prisoner to work in a Berlin laboratory and study the sterilization of water. He was in Berlin from 1942 until 1945—"from the first bombing to the last," he said. But after one and a half years, his wife rejoined him.

Air Raid

Then, suddenly, one night there was an air raid during which the Romanoffs escaped by train to Salzburg, Austria. They remained there until the war ended.

"We knew this (U.S.) would be the best country where we could more easily adjust ourselves," he continued. "This country was the center of the Russian anti-communism immigration."

After arriving in New York City, Dr. Romanoff got a job in an automobile industry as a designing engineer.

"Unfortunately, my wife and I worked in a company that just spoke Russian or German. It was a help to be with people who could understand us, but it wasn't a help to learn the English language."

Ambitious to learn English, Dr. Romanoff would sit through a movie three or four times to learn new words and their pronunciation. "I would listen intently to hear how the words were pronounced," he commented in his heavy Russian accent.

'Red Herring'

But idioms of the day, such as President Truman's "red herring," confused Dr. Romanoff greatly, he admitted with a smile.

And when he finally procured an instructorship with Virginia Union University through an American Association for immigrants in professions, Dr. Romanoff's communication difficulties were far from being removed. Each lecture had to first be written in Russian and then carefully translated into English, which took hours of valuable time, he recollected.

But now familiar with the language, Dr. Romanoff has more leisure time, and he is taking advantage of it with both research in mathematical linguistics, and painting stored memories of his native country.

Two coeds dissent

Dorm name is opposed

Opposition to the renaming of Monroe Terrace as Margaret L. Johnson Hall was voiced to the administration this week.

"Since the dedication is within two weeks it's a little late to do anything about the name change now, but we formally want to let the administration know that there should be a better system of naming buildings," commented Gwynne Quillen, Soc3 Waynesboro.

Both transfer students, Gwynne and Anne Pruden, Soc3 Suffolk, objected to "this sudden action" and also because residents of the dormitory were not consulted. The girls circulated petitions against the name change. "We dislike the renaming," said Gwynne, "but most of all we object to the way they went about it."

New System Needed

In a meeting with Dr. Charles M. Renneisen, dean of students, Gwynne posed the question of why a newer building was not named after Dr. Johnson. Dr. Renneisen said that it was the policy to name permanent buildings, but that many of the campus

facilities were not permanent. He also speculated that Rhoads Hall, located on the site of the former Johnson Hall, might have borne her name but was named for Webster Rhoads, after his recent death, by fellow board members.

Dr. Renneisen agreed that a more systematic pattern of naming buildings was needed and suggested a possible student-faculty commission to recommend names to the Board of Visitors.

A memo dated October 9 from the Office of Development to Monroe Terrace residents outlined the chronology of events leading to the change. It stated that a group of alumni had petitioned the Board of Visitors of Richmond Professional Institute to name Monroe Terrace Margaret L. Johnson Hall. It further petitioned that the dedication take place during Homecoming '68 and further that no public announcement be made until plans for Homecoming were announced.

Board's Authority

It went on to say that the Board of

Visitors possesses sole authority to name buildings in honor of those who have contributed significantly to the development of the university.

Dedication ceremonies are scheduled for Saturday, October 25 at 11 a.m.

VCU is cited as crime area

The Richmond Times-Dispatch reported Monday that the area surrounding VCU ranks within the top four high-crime areas in Richmond.

The story stated that the area bounded by Cary, Harrison, Broad and Belvidere streets had the following totals of crime in the last nine months: no murders, 2 rapes, 15 robberies, 7 assaults, 53 burglaries, 188 larcenies, and 38 thefts (auto).

Crimes which appear in this report occurred from January 1 to September 30, 1968.

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Music department lists fall concerts

Few people on campus realize the great activity taking place in the music department, according to L. Wayne Batty, chairman of the School of Music.

The department remains active because of the large number and varied types of organizations within the school. These organizations include the Madrigalists, brass and woodwind ensembles, string ensemble, women's chorus, mixed choral group, symphonic orchestra and concert band. Nearly all of these organizations are present at least one concert each semester.

The most popular of these organizations is the Madrigalists, a small vocal ensemble. They have already had several engagements throughout Richmond and the state. During their concert series, they will travel to Danville and Greensboro, N.C.

Performance Series

Throughout the year, the department will perform a series of concerts at Chatham Cultural Center, outside Danville. Carl Pfeifer and Martha Kirchenbauer of the faculty will make one of these appearances. The VCU Symphony orchestra, under the direction of Milton Cherry, and the Concert Band, under Edwin Thayer, will each perform at Chatham. An opera, yet to be decided upon but to be produced by the entire school, will conclude the season at Chatham.

The Madrigalists are also planning an opera, "A Game of Chance" by Arab. They will be performing in the city and around the state as part of their concert series.

Each junior and senior must perform a recital during the year. Juniors will perform in Hibbs 203 and seniors at Monumental Church. Batty pointed out there would be no less than twenty of these recitals which are free to the public.

Fall Engagements

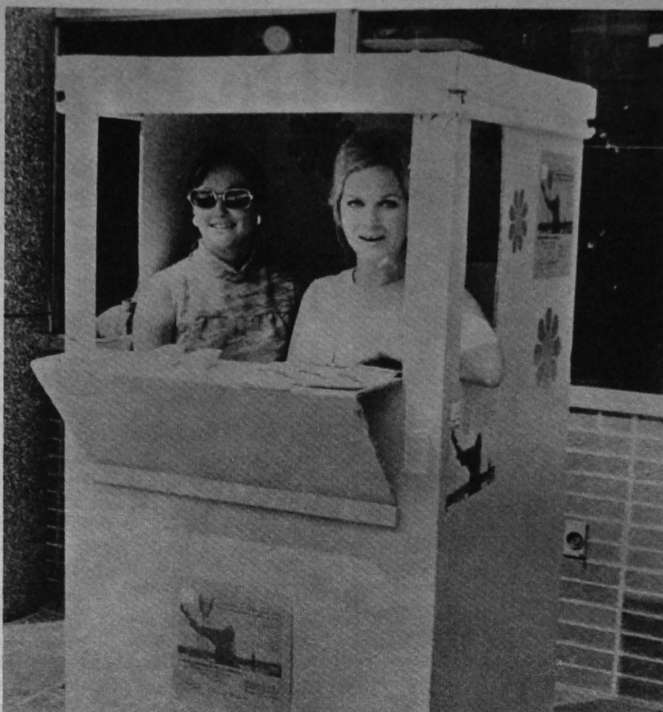
Several engagements are already

slated for this fall. On October 19, the concert band will perform at the Thomas Jefferson Hotel for the Virginia Wildlife Federation in connection with the Governor's Conservation Achievement Program winners. In November, the brass ensemble, directed by Edward Mirr, will play at the Virginia Education Association convention.

Madrigalists

The Madrigalists will perform their Christmas concert for the Danville Women's Club on December 4. They will give a second performance of the same concert to the Tuckahoe Women's Club at Grace Covenant Church December 11. Union Theological Seminary will see them on December 19.

Spring concerts will be given by most of the school's organizations to conclude their concert series for the year.



'New Cinema' Booth Announces Art Films Scheduled Program Was Brought to Richmond by the Phoenix Society

New cinema

Art films to be presented

"New Cinema," a new cultural program brought to Richmond by the Phoenix Society, will present a two-part program of short films at the Mosque October 26 and November 2.

The Phoenix society, explained its president, Mrs. Anne Thompson, is a group of people in the community "interested in furthering the cultural activities in Richmond." This is its first presentation of art films.

"New Cinema" is a collection of art films by famous directors of this era, including Roman Polanski of "Rosemary's Baby" fame and Richard Lester, who directed "Petulia" and the Beatles' films.

Nine Films

Each program will consist of nine

films, ranging from three to 28 minutes. The program will begin at 8:15p.m. and last approximately two and a half hours.

'Enter Hamlet'

The October 26 presentation will consist of these films: "Enter Hamlet," produced by Mogubgub; "Renaissance," produced by Valerian Borowczyk; "Les Mists '67," Francois Truffaut; "The Running, Jumping and Standing Still Film," Richard Lester; "Two Castles," Bruno Bozzetto; "The Fat and the Lean," Roman Polanski; "Corrida Interdite," Denys Colomb de Daunant; "Allures," Jordan Belson; "La Jete," Chris Marker.

Gordon Shepard

The November 2 program will present these films: "The Concert of M. Kabal," Borowczyk; "All the Boys Are Called Patrick," Jean-Luc Godard; "All," Yoji Kuri; "Actua-Tilt," Jean Herman; "The Do-It-Yourself Cartoon Kit," Bob Golfrey; "Act Without Words," Guido Bettiol; "The Games of Angels," Borowczyn; "The Apple," George Dunning; "The Most," Richard Ballentine and Gordon Shepard.

Tickets may be obtained from the

office of Dr. Charles M. Renneisen, dean of students, and the New Cinema ticket booth, located in front of the Hibbs Building, and from Thalhimers and Miller & Rhoads.

Business, economics club forms

The International Association of Students in Economics and Business Administration (AIESEC), is in the planning stages here at VCU.

A private, non-profit organization, AIESEC organizes business-related campus activities, and administers an international exchange of training assignments in business for advanced students.

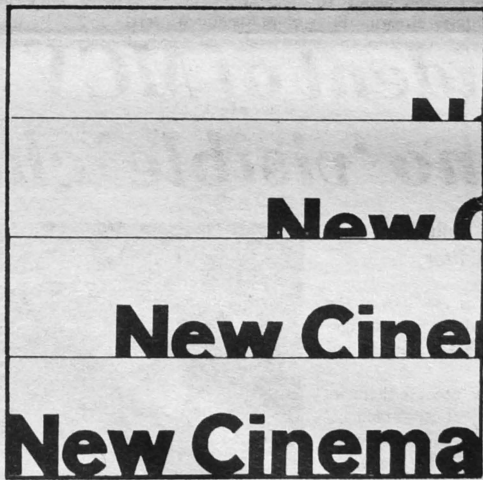
It was founded in Europe in 1948, and at that time had student members in seven countries. The United States branch was organized in 1958. There are now student members in 40 countries around the world.

The purposes for which AIESEC were founded are: first, to prepare advanced business and economics students for careers in business by training them in the business techniques of other nations and by exposing them to a different way of life; second, to foster a basis for international understanding and co-operation among future business leaders and host companies.

"Richmond has so much industry and it would be beneficial to the college and the students to have a group here," commented Kathy Lewis, President of Women's Interdorm. At present there is no such group in the state.

According to Kathy, for every business traineeship acquired here for a foreign student, an American student will be sent abroad to work for thirteen weeks during the summer.

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Children's classes planned by Baptists

The Baptist Student Union is expanding its mission program beyond that of campus life.

A major part of the program will concern 18 students who will work with underprivileged children at the Woodwill, Fulton, South Richmond and Cary st. centers. There the students will hold classes in handicrafts, teach the children about moral values and lead in recreational activities.

Raise Funds

At the present time, the students are busy trying to raise funds for their inner-city summer ministry program. The Rev. Roland Byrd, advisor and counselor for the BSU, said that the students are making progress toward achieving this goal by giving fund-raising dinners, car washes, and receiving donations.

Union's Desire

Mr. Byrd said that it is the union's desire to send out five to six students from this union. The BSU is located at the corner of Linden street and Floyd avenue. "We are always open to any student who wishes to come here," Mr. Byrd said. "We welcome both commuting and campus students, and we have programs that I think they will enjoy. The over-all program is broken down into committees which cover communications, worship, program and missions, and socials. The communications committee is attempting to get a floor representative from the BSU into all dormitories.

In addition to offering a place for study, socializing, and relaxation, the center offers counseling services with either Mr. Byrd or Charles Benton, who is serving as assistant chaplain.

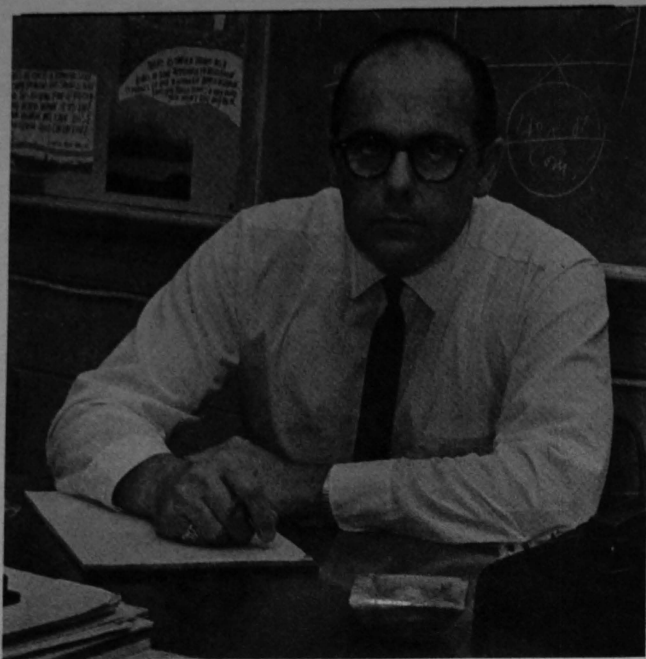
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Junior marshals chosen by class

Eight students have been selected as junior marshals by a vote of Senior class members.

The marshals will serve as ushers at convocations and graduation exercises. They were selected from a slate of 20 candidates offered by the Junior class.

For 1968-69

Junior marshals for 1968-69 are Carol Floyd, Psy Danville; Lillie Hinton, Ed Rocky Mount, N.C.; Ronda Kruger, Soc Norfolk; Mary Skudlarek, A&Sc Metuchen, N.J.; Bob James, H Fredericksburg; Steve Brown, Bus

Petersburg; Corky Thysell, Bus Chester; Don Spires, Psy Newport News; and alternates Barbara Moyer, OT Evans City, Pa.; and Frank Wasky, OT Monessen, Pa.

Mary Skudlarek

The class also selected Mary Skudlarek as its candidate for Homecoming Queen.

In other business, Don Spires, class president, said he will send questionnaires to juniors to obtain ideas for Mid-Winters.

President of MCV student government sees no 'visible' changes since merger

By Jean Talley
News Editor

To the president of the SGA at the Health Sciences Division, the merger which formed VCU was like a 'bloodless coup.'

He takes this view 'because there are no visible signs of the change,' explained Asa B. Lee, a senior dental student who became MCV's student government president last April.

Lee, a native of Spartanburg, S.C., described the 'downtown' division's reaction to its new status and the structure of MCV's student government.



Asa Lee

Prestige of MCV

"My attitude at first was that most of the students down there," Lee said of the merger. "I didn't know what was going on and I didn't know how it would affect us. I felt that this was going to detract from the prestige of MCV. I did not think the merger would add to our status."

"Since I've found out more about this thing, the merger and its effects on the two divisions, I've changed my mind. I think it is a good thing and both institutions can benefit from this. I think a lot of students feel this way. Right now I don't think the students disapprove or dislike it."

Lee said he obtained the position of SGA president without any formal opposition. There was no campaigning for offices, and for Lee there was a natural transition from three years as class president to his position in student government.

Unicameral Government

"We have one representative for each 40 class members," Lee said in explaining the composition of the unicameral student government at

MCV. "We have meetings at least every six weeks and attendance averages about 50 students."

"A lot of people down there could be called apathetic," Lee said, "but I'd rather say they're too busy with their chosen professions."

As an example the dental student cited his own schedule. "I go to class two hours every morning and am in clinic six hours a day."

"Because we are so tied up with what we're doing you really get enthralled with what we're going to do," he continued. "You don't care so

much for outside activities."

Although there are few major controversies among students, Lee said, there is one problem which is causing some discussion among students at the Health Sciences Division.

Consolidation Fee

"One of the matters of concern is that our students pay a consolidation fee of \$150 per person. Of this fee the SGA gets \$18 a student... we use for our total budget," Lee said. This deficiency in funds is a major problem the MCV student government must consider in future meetings.

Lee foresees extended unification in the future of the student bodies of VCU. "Next year they'll be bringing the undergraduates here (to the Academic Division)," he said. "In the next few years," he predicted, "we'll have no undergraduates down there (MCV). I think it will be good for them to get a lot more of the college spirit."

Carrying his predictions even further, Lee said in the future "your graduate students will be governed by our student government and our undergraduates will be covered by your student government."

Other Officers

Other officers of the student government at MCV are: Miss Sylvia

Editor's Note: The following is the first in a series concerning moral and psychological issues that confront students today.

By Nick Brown.

What are the psychological and social needs of students today? Do you think morality is on the decline? These were two of the questions posed to Dr. Richard F. Perkins, theologian, social worker and human relations counselor.

"Students need significant personal relationships so that they can become more fully human and alive as people. There is a great hunger to experience life deeply, I think. People need to express their feelings honestly with others," he said. With a society in which people are always moving to new places and homes however, Dr. Perkins said concerning personal relationships, "People need to be able to move in and then let go and move out."

Concerning morality among students, Dr. Perkins said "I think there has been a shift in society about what constitutes morality." He added that students today are more honest, and more genuine and authentic as far as their existence is concerned, and less moral in terms of cultural norms. "Older cultural patterns don't have much meaning for them. They're not about to accept cultural norms from the past just because they're from the past."

Help Churches

Dr. Perkins is presently director of an experimental research planning training agency, better known as TRUST. These letters stand for task force for research, urban strategy, and training. "We attempt to help churches work together to meet the problems of

people in an urbanizing society," said Dr. Perkins in explaining the function of the organization. Eleven religious groups support the organization, which also receives fees from groups who use our services to conduct training programs or as consultants, he continued.

The headquarters of TRUST are in modern and spacious offices on the second floor of the educational building of St. Paul's Episcopal Church. Dr. Perkins said he recognized the need to talk about students in a collective manner, but added "Students are as difficult to talk about in a group as others. One of our biggest sins is to generalize about groups."

The forces affecting young people today, he said, "are rapidly changing social groups caused by new technology." Such things as new forms of mass media, television for instance, from which a person can learn things visually, audibly, and even physically is creating a different kind of educational process, said Dr. Perkins. "This kind of education is replacing a far older model of how people learn—the classroom technique."

"This technique was appropriate 25 years ago, but not now. Outside the classroom, learning takes place in so many ways."

Other areas such as medical technology which has developed the pill, organ transplants, and genetic manipulation, have all combined to create subtle forces affecting this generation, according to Dr. Perkins. Specialization has also crept in and permeated every field. "To be in the top of your field today you have to specialize in a very tiny area."

RPI Alumnus

Dr. Perkins, 40, graduated from the

Richmond Professional Institute in 1953 with a BS degree in social science. He attended the Union Theological Seminary for seven years and from there received his ThD (Doctor of Theology) degree.

Asked about the psychology involved in the rebellious thinking of students today, he replied, "I think it is a healthy rebellion against the pre-sterile middle class society. I hope this rebellion will have a healthy, corrective influence on today's society. I think students today are much more concerned about honesty and authentic existence rather than just keeping up the culture and norms of the society."

Propriety Makes It Nice

Leaning back in his swivel chair he said, "In Virginia there is this tremendous cloud of propriety." With a smile he added, "The black militants to be rebellious here must do it in a gentlemanly way." He considers it a challenge to try to shape or crack a conservative society, but since TRUST solicits funds, he found it prudent to shave off his beard, thus appearing more conservative himself.

In addition to his position with TRUST, Dr. Perkins is an active member and past president of the Virginia Mental Association; chairman of the Advisory Board of the Richmond Area Psychology Clinic; past minister for seven years at the Boy Air Presbyterian Church; served on the emergency committee on social problems appointed by the Richmond City Council following the Palm Sunday civil disturbances.

In answer to the question, What role do you think religion is playing in students' lives?, he said, "Institutionalized religion is playing a restraining role, inhibiting the development of a deeper humanity. The whole business of organized religion needs to change and be more adaptive."

When asked what effect commercialization, such as advertising, has had on people, he said, "It has tended to depersonalize people and to minimize the importance and beauty of deep-seated feelings. Everyone is under a tremendous pressure to have around him signs of acceptability." He added, brightly, "At the same time there is in all societies a kind of openness to change, which constitutes a healthy resistance."

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Faculty Profile

Active instructor in business assumes numerous roles here

"Schools exist for students first of all — they're people not just holes in cards. They need individual attention...Teaching? The truth of it is I do it because I like to."

These statements by Dr. Woodie L. Tucker, professor here in business education, are not merely ideals; they are mirrored in the man's actions towards those he teaches.

Having earned his masters and doctorate degrees from the University of Pittsburgh, Dr. Tucker has been in the teaching profession for 11 years now — since 1957. But he hasn't always been a college professor or even a candidate for teaching. He remembers well a time when he did stenographic work for 10 years, before becoming a college freshman at 28. He interrupted his business career for his education at the University of Virginia, intending to become an English teacher.

First Job

Of these early college years, he says, "I earned my keep with stenographic work." His first job as a graduate, in fact, was an odd balance between his major and business, a twelve-month job. "It was a combination of English and shorthand...I started teaching it. Gradually I got hooked and switched over to business."

His wife, also a teacher, has an accounting class here Monday nights.

Much of Dr. Tucker's present time which is not engulfed in business courses and office work is spent supervising practice teachers. Despite his background in the field of business, he admits a weakness for his original choice. "More than anything else, I prefer to teach English...In business subjects, I prefer to teach skills —

Aside from teaching and counseling activities, Dr. Tucker's "other role" is that of sponsor and advisor to the largest business fraternity on campus, Phi Beta Lambda, a branch of the national counterpart. Dr. Tucker has been working with the organization since the fall of 1963, when he was asked to take it for a year.

Though, as many others, Dr. Tucker views the new university with expectation, he does not accredit the merger with adding any character to the recognition of old RPI, particularly the business school. "I do think we were already being recognized...I always wonder how someone from Vermont wandered in here. I think the school of business is turning out some good people and good faculty."

The busy faculty member, advisor, and businessman's spare time for leisure reflects a dual personality — and

sufficient grounds for the professor's comment on the humanity of teachers, as well as students.

Keeps Folders

Though he and his wife have no children, he writes about 85 letters each Christmas to former students and their families.

"I've kept a folder on each person who'd had a career in business education since I've been here." He keeps account of all of them he knew as students, including their present jobs, marital and parental status, often receiving photographs of their children.

Yet, behind the informalities, Dr. Tucker definitely takes his work seriously and finds it rewarding in a number of ways. However, he is not stoically above a candid look at his profession and those who partake in it — including himself — and seeing a light side.

Dr. Tucker Offers Advice to a Student
He Is Sponsor of Phi Beta Lambda

Locating students brings problems

By Mary Melnychyn
and
Ray Smith

Looking for someone?

Well, chances are you won't be able to find him through any official channels at VCU.

Not until January anyway, anyway.

That's when VCU will start its first student locator file. This service will enable a person to track down a lost classmate by giving his address and telephone number.

At present, a student in dire need of such information goes to the Student Personnel Office. But there he is stopped with the statement, "I'm sorry. We cannot give out that information."

"We try to respect the privacy of a student," explained Dr. Charles M. Renneisen, dean of students. When asked why VCU does not have a system to help locate students, Dean Renneisen replied, "That's a good question."

Directory Helpful

Phi Beta Lambda, international business fraternity on campus, has been publishing a student directory here for some time. While it is of great help, it does not come out until November and is often incomplete because students fail to fill out the cards, there are some address changes during the year, and new students arriving in January cannot be included.

A student locator file will enable the student to keep his address and phone number up-to-date, and he can remove the card at anytime if he so desires.

East Carolina University was offered as an example of a school with such a locator system. During registration for each quarter, a student there must fill out a card giving his name, local address, phone number, marital status, and classification. This card is placed in a file at the university union desk. A student can easily locate someone by consulting it.

Locator Endorsed

Dr. Renneisen was very enthusiastic about this suggestion and talked it over with Richard E. MacDougall, dean of men, the SGA officers and the registrar. They all agreed it was a good

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As a result, Dr. Renneisen says that cards will be distributed to students to fill out during pre-registration in December.

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Ram Review

By Greg Evans

Is there something missing at VCU on Saturday afternoons? When the days turn chilly and students pull their overcoats out of the closets, there is a certain feeling that most students at most universities experience. Thousands of students across the state and millions across the nation journey to football stadiums each week-end to see their college team or favorite football squad battle with rival teams. To sit in large stadiums wrapped in a warm blanket with your date, sipping on your favorite beverage, whether it be hot chocolate or something else, and cheering for your team when they score a touchdown is one of the most rewarding awards associated with college life.

Why isn't there a football team at VCU? Are we large enough to have a football team? With over 10,000 students this surely doesn't seem to be a major obstacle. Almost every college in Virginia sports a football team and VCU is the largest college in the state.

Can VCU obtain the money to raise a football team? The money allotted for sports this year is ten times what it has been in the past. But can any of this money be given to the cause of having a football team? This question seems to be the hardest to answer.

This year at VCU, emphasis has been placed on making basketball a major activity and most of the money in the sports budget is allotted for this sport. Basketball is a major sport but for many years at RPI it has received minor emphasis. In fact, sports in general for the past few years have had a minor emphasis and impact upon the students at this college.

This year with the increase in athletic funds, the addition of coaches, scholarships and new, enthusiastic spirit, sports at VCU should improve. This so-called "revolution" should produce winning teams and obtain support and enthusiasm from the students themselves.

Crew is also being developed this year into a more popular sport than it has been in the past. More money has been allotted for the purchase of shells, oars and other equipment. Last year, the crew went out and raised money on their own to help in the purchasing of the badly-needed equipment. Shortly thereafter, many clubs and organizations on campus began donating money to their cause.

Can the same thing happen for the cause of obtaining a football team on the cobblestone campus? Here again, the future of having this sport rests with the students themselves.

Talking to students at random on this subject produced these remarks:

"It would give the school a better image and it would provide the school with better participation on the part of the students," said George Pomeranian LE4, Harrisburg, Pa.

Last year there was little doubt in most people's minds about the lack of school spirit at sporting events at VCU. Many students at VCU feel that this is a major problem at this school, one that can even compare with parking difficulties and attendance in class.

The question still remains, is it possible to have a football team at VCU. Many times a week, this question echoes itself around the cobblestone campus, but no one seems to be doing anything about it. If the majority of the students felt the way some do, we would be well on our way of having our "fighting eleven."

Crew boathouse may be obtained

New equipment will be obtained by VCU's crew and a new boathouse is possible this year. The crew's inclusion in the athletic department's budget this year has meant a much needed boost in funds and has made possible the acquisition of a new shell and oars. Plans for the new boathouse are still in the tentative stage, but several distinct possibilities are being considered.

The crew this year consists of twenty-eight members. Of the nine members who make up the varsity crew, eight are experienced men in their second or third year. According to Ed Sargent, co-captain, "It looks good this year. I'm pleased with the way things are shaping up and everything seems to be clicking well."

Enthusiasm seems to be the key word with the crew. Co-captain Mel Denton and varsity crew member Rich Quenere, recently returned from a Southern Rowing Association conference, reported that many of the coaches voiced their admiration of VCU's crew program. VCU is one of the few schools in the area which provides for its crew through its athletic department. They also seemed to feel that the university has made more headway than any other school in the area in getting the students as a whole behind them. Support by the student body and administration is very good.

Coach Donald Bowles, commenting on his impression of the team said, "We have the potential for a good crew next spring. We still have a few

schedule conflicts, but we should be able to work those out. The new men are interested, and are serious and working hard. Just how good they're going to be depends on how hard they're willing to work."

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Ram Co-ed Battles With Richmond Club Co-ed
VCU Lost the Hockey Match, 3-1

Hockey team ups record with 3-1 win, 3-1 loss

The Varsity Hockey team collected its second win of the season Wednesday over Old Dominion College, 3-1, and suffered its second loss of the season in an earlier game with the Richmond club, 3-1.

In the Wednesday match with Old Dominion, Debbie Eades scored all of the Ram's points, 2 in the first 25 minute half and the remaining point in the second half. The "Ramettes" held Old Dominion to only one goal in the second half. This is the first year the Norfolk team has fielded a co-ed hockey squad.

In the Saturday bout with the

Richmond Club, Debbie Eades scored VCU's only point, that on a penalty bulley in the second half. The Richmond Club took an early lead in the first half by driving in a goal with only six minutes gone. A tight VCU defense held by fullbacks Ann Murphy and Nancy Boutchard and goalkeeper Otis Rogers helped to block further goal attempts in the first half. In the last two minutes of the game, Richmond Club twice rushed the goal and scored two more points, defeating the Rams, 3-1.

Mrs. Elizabeth Royster, team coach, noted that the team displayed good

stick work. Royster added that with more speed and aggressiveness the team could emerge to be a fine hockey squad.

Commenting on the match with Old Dominion, Gloria Crittenden said, "The spirit of the team was the winning factor."

Judy Clark credits the victory to, "The backfield played well."

VCU will meet Lynchburg College on October 22 at 3:30 p.m. at Richmond's Hotchkiss Field. The Ram squad now sports a record with two wins, two losses, and one tie.

Golf tournament to be held

A 36-hole match play golf tournament is scheduled for October 22-23 at the Glenwood Country Club. The tournament is sponsored by the Circle K and is open to VCU students and faculty members and alumni.

Tentative plans include the awarding of trophies to the low scorer and the low ten and above handicapper. Various blind-bogey contests are also incorporated in tournament plans with prizes going to the winners.

Winston Gillenwater, vice-president of Circle K and director in charge of the tournament, said that entrance fees of \$2 per contestant have been set. These fees will be used to cover the cost of trophies and prizes. Student rates in regard to green fees will be in effect at Glenwood.

Contestants may register with Circle K members in the Rotunda of the Hibbs Building until October 21. Tee-off times will be assigned upon

registration and range from 12 noon until 3:00 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday. Thursday is reserved as a rain date and a make-up date for those contestants who may have schedule conflicts on either of the first two days. A complete summary of the rules will be available in the rotunda



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Wrestling team has 'lot to learn'

A winning season for the Virginia Commonwealth University's wrestling team? "It's too early to tell," says Dr. Russell Randall, first year wrestling coach. Actual practice doesn't start until next week but after some pre-season technique sessions he adds, "They have a whole lot to learn."

Team captain Gar Wood, Bus2 Richmond, feels the team has already learned a lot but admits to having a great deal more to learn before their first home meet in December. Both he and Tom Baker, Soc4 Richmond, feel the difference between the previous seasons and this year is "more and better material."

another difference from last year is having an assistant coach. He is Jerry Gates.

Both coaches Randall and Gates come from MCV. Dr. Randall teaches as well as practices in his field of kidney medicine and Jerry Gates is a third-year medical student. They both participated on teams in northern schools where the sport is more popular.

Stress on wrestling

"Wrestling is as popular in some areas as basketball," Dr. Randall said. He wrestled at Princeton. "There's more stress on it in high schools, too. The tidewater area and northern part of the state have good programs but most of the areas here don't," Randall said.

Dr. Randall referred to the exhibitionism of professional wrestling as hurting the sport. Baker and Wood also feel that many people think the matches are dragged out affairs of strength. "It's quickness, balance and strength," says Baker.

"Good teams"

"We've had good teams the last couple of years," says Baker, "but a lack of depth and several key injuries early in the season has cost us," he adds. "This year we're going to pull some surprises. A lot of teams are going to be over confident."

Wood also feels that this is going to be a winning season and states that

Wolfpack favored to win

The fearless forecasters struck for a 64.3 average last week, their second best of the season. Christy Cooke picked eight of 10 again, but the sports editor, Greg Evans, kept her from taking the honors for the week as he posted an identical mark.

Evans, bouncing back from a 4-6 scored the previous week, moved into second place behind Christy. Judy Thomason is now third and Ray Reed fourth. Reed is becoming disgusted with his standing and predicts this will be the week he will move into contention for the lead.

The prognosticators are in agreement on nearly all predictions this week. Five selections were unanimous, and the forecasters didn't split more than five to two on any of the other

games.

Miami is seen downing Virginia Tech by all the forecasters, and none of them has any faith in William and Mary in its contest with West Virginia.

The University of Richmond is given an unanimous vote to defeat Furman, and Emory and Henry and Randolph-Macon are seen as winners by all competitors.

N.C. State, 5-2

The forecasters split, 5-2, over the University of Virginia vs. North Carolina clash. This game will probably be a major factor in determining the champion of the Atlantic Coast Conference. Only the leaders, Christy and Evans, picked U.Va. Evans says he

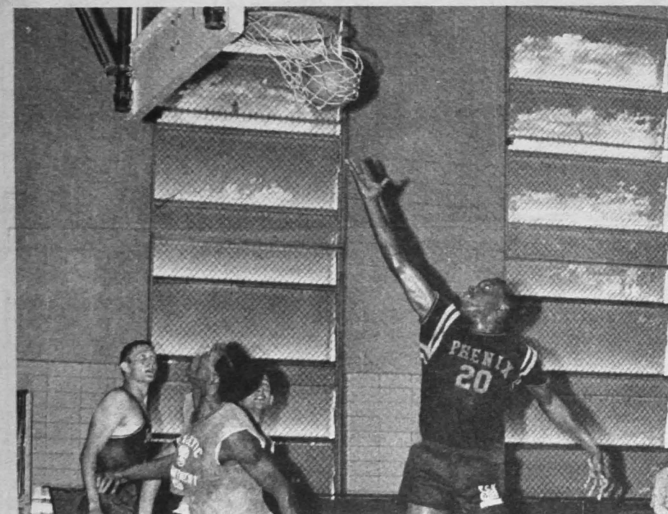
gets his courage from his success last week. Christy doesn't need courage, luck is good enough for her, she says.

It paid off for her last week when she was the only staff member picking Elizabeth. The Eagles have been doing unusually well this year, but they lost last week, and that is the basis for Christy's decision again.

Defeat the Citadel

Reed is the only forecaster picking VMI to defeat the Citadel. "VMI has a greater will to win than almost any school with a comparable football program," he says, and since, according

to one coach, "it's all in the head," VMI will beat the Bulldogs on stamina. Jean Talley had her best record of the year last week, and her predictions compare favorably with the other forecasters this week.



Lynch Practices Basketball Five Days A Week
He Studies to Maintain Academic Standing

Lynch called big help to VCU basketball team

A mother who played basketball and a father who played football would be the envy of any athlete!!

One athlete this lucky is John Lynch, PE1 Hampton, one of the most sought-after high school basketball players in Virginia last year. This year John is at VCU, on a basketball scholarship.

Lynch played his high school ball at Phenix High in Hampton, averaging 23.3 points per game in his senior year. As a sophomore, he averaged 12 points per game. Honors accumulated during his last year included All-District, All-State Tournament team berths of the Virginia Interscholastics Association.

Other scholarship offers received were from Hampton Institute, New York University, Norfolk State College, North Carolina A&T, and North Carolina College. John said he chose VCU "to be closer to home" and because the offer was good.

The phrase "like father, like son," is a little twisted in John's case. His mother played high school basketball for three years in North Carolina while his father, an employee in the Newport News shipbuilding industry, played high school football in North Carolina.

However, neither had direct influence on John's basketball playing. "I picked that up by playing a lot of sand-lot ball," John maintained.

Basketball isn't the only skill John has acquired. Coming from a large family, five brothers and four sisters, he worked as a short-order cook in a Hampton drive-in movie to help out at home. He is the oldest of the children and according to John, "there are no other athletes in the family, yet."

Although he has never boxed, Lynch jumps rope with the grace of a fighter and maneuvers like a nimble halfback.


Fast and shifty

Statistician P.A. Callahan of Maggie Walker High School recalled, "I remember him as fast and shifty. He was the top-point getter for the entire tournament last year, scoring 63 points in three games of the VIA State Tournament."

"As far as I'm concerned, John was the best guard in the state last year. He's easy to coach and good for team morale," summarized VCU's basketball coach Benny Dees.

What does a scholarship basketball player do in his spare time? For entertainment, John plays basketball. His major hobby is even basketball! However, John admits, "I love to fish once in a while."

Possessing a business education background, John intends to change majors to business management next semester.

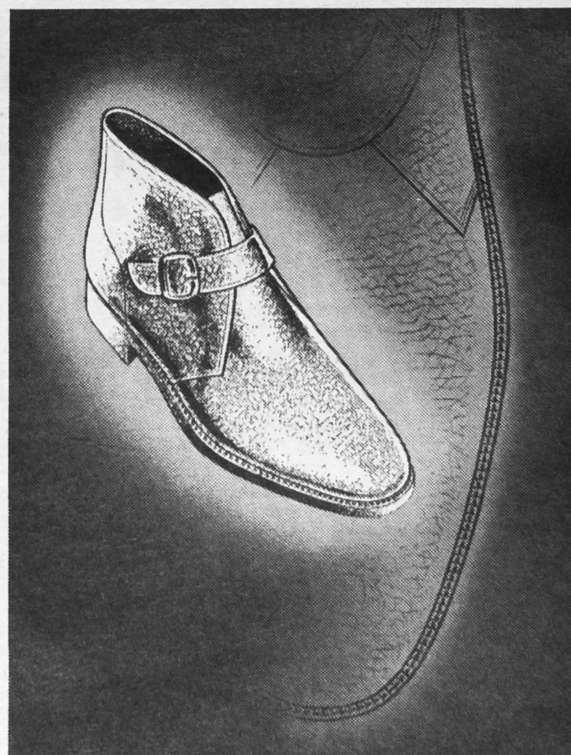


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Shafer Street Was Closed a Year Ago

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Group plans new design for campus focal point

Plans for the remodeling and beautification of Shafer Street are nearing release, according to Charles C. Renick, professor of sculpture and chairman of a committee established to define plans to landscape the street.

"We felt that Shafer Street was such a focal point and the opportunity was so great that it shouldn't be done piecemeal," Renick said.

"We felt it was important to have an over-all plan, a long-range sort of thing so that organizations and individuals can contribute money or materials within the limitations of this plan," he continued.

Renick said that the committee has held one formal meeting. "During this initial meeting," he said, "we decided it was an appropriate enough project that a portion of this money available should be spent for professional planning."

Architects Employed

The architectural firm of Armstrong & Salomonsky has been employed to draw up plans for development and beautification of the area. Renick said this firm did a "visionary plan" of the Fan District three years ago for submission to the Virginia Museum.

The architects will, probably within the next two weeks, Renick said, present the committee with a scale model of the projected development of the Shafer Street area.

"After the committee has had a chance to react, as well as the Board of Visitors," he said, "the model will be put on display somewhere on the campus." He said a plexiglass cabinet has been constructed for this purpose.

The model has already been shown to members of the Parents Association, a group of concerned parents and friends of VCU, who last year donated \$1,500 toward beautification of the street with the stipulation that the college, then RPI, match the gift.

Shafer Street became a part of the

RPI campus last July, 1967, and was officially closed the following September. Last June, 1968, Dr. Roland H. Nelson Jr., RPI's past president, appointed a committee to develop plans for making the street an integral part of the campus.

Members of the Ad Hoc committee besides Renick are Mrs. Jane Bell Gladding, dean of women; William O. Edwards, director of development; Raymond Holmes, comptroller; Milton I. Wallace, buildings and grounds; John C. Norcutt, SGA president.

"We don't want to change the quotient of the place," Renick said. "Hopefully, they will eliminate the street appearance of the place but still retain its spacious quality."

'Puppy burn' slated by student organization

A "puppy burn," the newest way to protest against the Vietnam war, has been scheduled for next Tuesday in a happening entitled "Time Out" by the Students for Liberal Government (SLG).

At the SLG meeting Monday afternoon, Jeffrey Kelso, Ed3 Fairfax, the organization's student government representative, asserted that a live dog will be sacrificed at VCU on a wooden funeral pyre to "protest the horrors of the war in Vietnam."

He said the burning of a dog would be analogous to the killing of U.S. soldiers in Vietnam.

Although Kelso hinted that the animal probably will not be burned at

the last minute (which he said would be an effective "punch line"), he stated that the mere attempt to sacrifice the puppy would leave a "strong Psychological impact on the people."

President Not In Favor

Joe Yancey, SSc3 King George, SLG president, interjected that he is not in favor of sponsoring the "Time Out" happening. He reasoned that such activities would only be adhering to what he called the "military industrial complex" plan to appease students by allowing them to protest.

As the organizer of "Time Out" and the puppy burning, Kelso also outlined other activities which will be on the

October 29, SLG agenda. Several planned are: a "pipeline" Tele-lecture with either Sen. Eugene McCarthy or Rep. Mark Hatfield, protest movies entitled the "Guerrilla Theater," sessions on racism and drugs (the latter he would not expound upon), and a "bitch-in."

Kelso explained that the "bitch-in" will give students an opportunity to question deans of the school on any topic at an outdoor session. Dr. Charles M. Renneisen, dean of students, had approved this, according to Kelso.

Dean Not Approached

Dr. Renneisen said, however, that he had not been contacted by Kelso to accept an invitation to appear at the "bitch-in," and he would not consider appearing to answer any questions unless he receives a formal invitation.

Also discussed at the meeting was the organization of SLG members for a block election to the new House of Representatives. The new House of Representatives is to be reorganized today according to departments and schools. As of Monday, 13 members were instructed by Kelso and Yancey to obtain petitions to run for office. Kelso said, however, that SLG students will not be running on a separate ballot or under a specific heading.

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No merger planned by VCU magazines

Image, campus art magazine, and Spectrum, literary magazine, are moving forward with new ideas for publication and organization.

A proposed merger of the two magazines delayed any definite plans until the two staffs met and decided not to merge.

Image, which is primarily an art publication, disclosed in a budget hearing October 6 plans for only one publication this year. The single issue will go on sale in May.

Tim Camden IV, managing editor of Image, describes the publication as a "journal of creative ideas." He proposed a plan to help make the publication self-supporting and explained that efforts during the first part of the fiscal year would be aimed toward this end.

The plan consisted of enlarging and organizing a mailing list of 5,000 addresses to about 20,000 addresses. These addresses are of colleges with schools of art, libraries, and alumni. Image has hopes, he explained, of showing the talent of VCU to people outside the immediate academic area. Camden asserted that he knew of many cases in which instructors have been swayed by the magazine to come to VCU to teach.

the future," Camden admitted. He predicted that Image should have a "high degree of success with 5,000 of our addresses."

Image also plans to expand the publication in its one issue to include areas of crafts, printmaking, and etching.

Rosalind Urbach, editor-in-chief of Spectrum, outlined plans for three issues to be published this year.

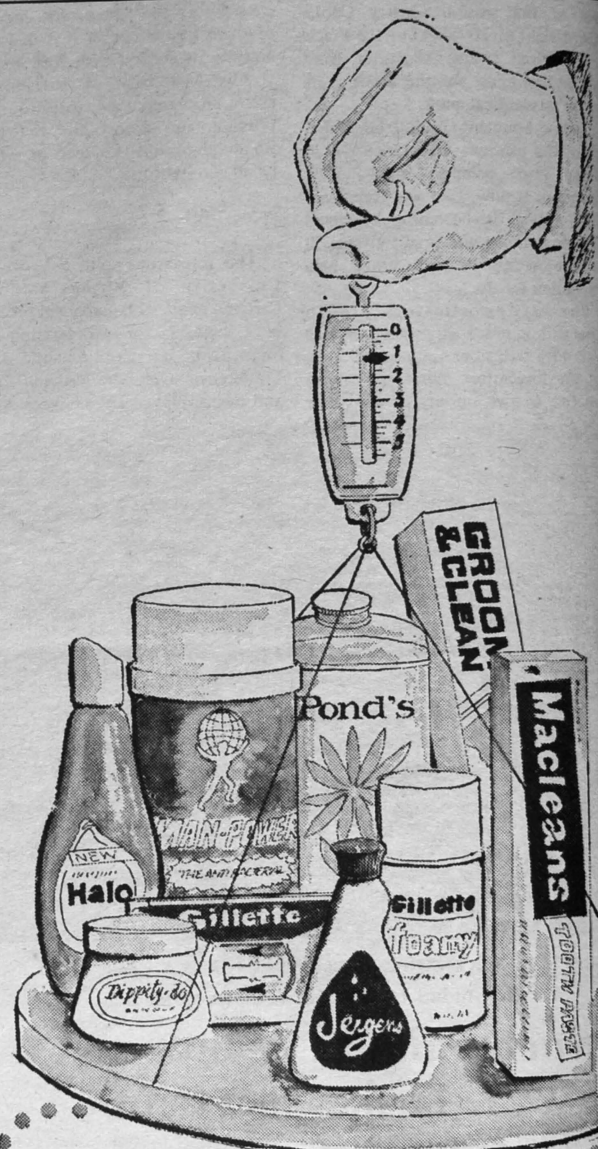
"For some time," she said, "We have felt that an increased frequency of publication would better allow us to fulfill our stated purpose." She explained Spectrum's purpose as "stimulating and encouraging literary activity on the campus." Three issues a year would better this by giving authors an increased chance of being published.

Prizes Offered

Plans are being formulated to offer prizes to the two best works in both prose and poetry submitted to the magazine, with \$15 for a first prize and \$10 as second.

Rosalind assured that all submissions would be considered and if not used they will be returned to the author with constructive criticism and a letter offering to consider the work for a later issue after a rewrite.

Neither publication has formulated definite plans of format and layout.



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