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House votes to ask Board of Visitors to rescind ban on social fraternities



Performance to end Sunday

Susan Sandler, Dra2 Newport News, (left) and Natalie New, Dra2 Alexandria, are members of the cast for "The Killing of Sister George." Performances will be held at 8:30 tonight through Sunday in the Gaslight Theater. See play review, Page 5.

Registration for Free University begins; classes to open March 17

Registration for classes in the Free University is now under way, and classes are scheduled to begin Monday, March 17, in recently acquired classroom space at 725 West Broad st. The classroom building was obtained through a local realtor for \$350 per month on a one-year lease. The Broad street structure features two stories and a full basement.

Thirty classes are offered in a registration pamphlet being distributed on campus. The current course offerings are suggestions made by committee planners. Courses may be dropped or added from the schedule according to consensus of those

attending the Free University. The pamphlet states that the direction and scope of the class is completely left to the discretion of those present, with "spontaneity" as the all-important factor.

Seminar Courses

Among the suggested course offerings are seminars in Advanced Poetry, Adjectives, African and Afro-American History and Philosophy, African Literature, Analytical Poetry, Art, Biafra Action Group, Cultures, Democracy-Communism-Socialism, Emotional Hang-Ups, Free University

Evaluative Study Group, Latin America, Modern Music, Narcotics, New Theology, The Occult (Parapsychology, ESP, etc.), People (Community Organization), Prose Poetry, Racism, Relevant Sociology, and Selective Service.

Other suggested seminars include T-Group (Sensitivity Training), Theater, Trends in Modern Political Thought, U.S. Small Country Foreign

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By Nick Brown

The House passed a motion this week which requests the Board of Visitors to rescind its present ruling banning social fraternities and sororities at the Academic Center. The House also narrowly defeated an amendment to the constitution which would eliminate grade requirements for running for or holding an SGA office.

BULLETIN

The Proscript learned late Wednesday that Bob James, SGA vice-president, had submitted a letter of resignation to John Norcutt, SGA president. According to Norcutt, James cited personal reasons for his resignation, effective March 9.

John Norcutt, SGA president, had initiated the motion regarding fraternities and sororities in the Senate last week, where it was passed. Norcutt told House members that he had received 2,600 signatures on petitions favoring social fraternities and sororities. He also said, "In discussion with the Board of Visitors, they said that all complaints for fraternities and sororities arose from the housing situation. They were not necessarily opposed to fraternity housing, however they did want to see the fraternities and sororities established for a while. After they were established then they could make a separate case at a later date for housing."

"The Board clearly indicated that they would be glad to consider a motion only from the student government association requesting that this ban (against the establishment and recognition of fraternities and sororities) be lifted."

House Galleries Filled

The House galleries were filled to capacity with visitors including some who wore red or white jackets with Greek letters, indicating their affiliation with social organizations.

With little further discussion the House passed the motion by a large majority.

The amendment to the constitution

calling for the end of grade requirements for running or holding an SGA office was recommended by the Rules Committee. After some discussion, vote resulted in a tie, 21-21. Steve Burns, speaker, voted "no" to break the tie.

In Senate action, a motion was passed to request the Board of Visitors to seat SGA president as a nonvoting member of the board.

The Senate unanimously passed a motion to initiate a \$25 per year student tax for a new student center. Discussion arose over the feasibility of satellite centers. Brydon Dewitt, director of student activities, said this is what we have now. He said the purpose of a union is to bring students together and the present situation is not fulfilling this need.

A motion made in the House by William Patterson, requesting the administration to investigate the possibility of instituting various courses in Afro-American studies in such fields as Art, Music, History, Sociology, Journalism, and Dramatic Arts. The Senate passed the motion Tuesday night.

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Library moves section of books

Books on philosophy, political science, psychology, religion, statistics, and economics have been moved from the library to the basement of 908 West Franklin st.

Due to lack of space in the library building, this section has been moved in order to make room for the large number of volumes being added to the library's collection.

All books in the classification 00 to 327 are now located in stacks which are open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. After 5 p.m. students in the Evening College and others who have emergency need for these books may get them through the library until 9 p.m.

SAAP petition requests Afro studies

About 500 people have signed a petition circulated by the Students for Afro-American Philosophy (SAAP) suggesting that Afro-American studies be incorporated into the curriculum of the History Department, according to Rick Stanley, Advl Richmond.

Stanley, a member of SAAP's executive board, said the petition further requested that an adequate supply of books relating to the Afro-American culture and people be included in the curriculum of VCU.

Several SAAP members presented the petition explaining its purpose and asked students to sign. The petition is now retired from circulation, allowing SAAP's executive board time to make plans for future action.

The petition will first be presented to Dr. Charles M. Rennisen, dean of students and then forwarded to Dr. Francis J. Brooke acting provost of the Academic Center Stanley said.

Urban League leader speaks on social topic

By M. B. Winfrey

Northern whites tend to abhor racial injustice in Mississippi while overlooking slums in their own neighborhood, said Whitney M. Young in an address here Monday.

Young labeled his philosophy "the Scarsdale (N.Y.) phenomenon", saying, "the further away (from the problem)... the more liberal."

Young spoke Monday morning on the VCU campus under the joint sponsorship of the VCU School of Social Work and the Richmond chapter of the Urban League. A trained social worker turned civil rights leader, Young covered a potpourri of subjects related to the field of social work.

Among other topics Young discussed was Vietnam. As an agency, the Urban League stays clear of international affairs due to a lack of resources and other reasons, Young explained. "Vietnam is a symptom of America's problem," he said, "the

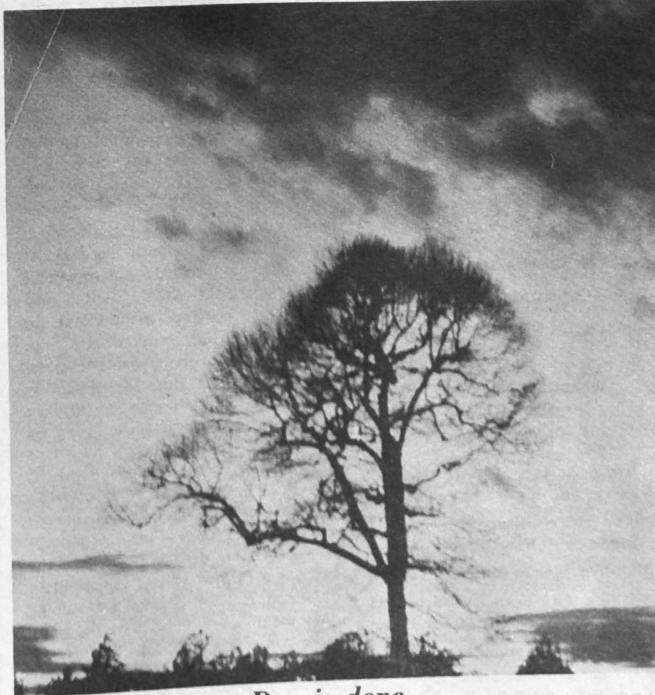
problem is the struggle for power, money, and authority." In regard to military spending in Vietnam, Young speculated, "If the war ended tomorrow... the domestic program wouldn't gain."

Basic Problem

He outlined one basic problem of American society. Lack of respect for law and order, authority, and other forms of rebellion attributed to youth show dissatisfaction with a monetary-oriented society.

"In order to improve social-welfare support and insure U. S. economy," Young says, "... the rich should get rich at a little slower rate and give some to those who have none." In this regard, Young feels "social-welfare should do more than help the poor. It should lodge and stimulate a willingness

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Day is done...

Photo by Craig Sirles

"The greatest of all conflicting harmonies... The magnificent paradox in nature... The culminating climax - the height of glamor Coming at the close of day." —Stanley Dietz

Fraternities soon?

A recurring student demand reached culmination this week with the passage of a motion by the Student Government Association to request the Board of Visitors to rescind its ban on the establishment of fraternities and sororities on campus. It now looks as though the much talked about dream may soon become a reality.

According to John Norcutt, SGA president, the Board has indicated strong willingness to consider requests for fraternities and sororities. The Board could hardly ignore a plea from a movement representative of probably one of the largest common interest groups ever to be organized on this campus.

The petition favoring fraternities reportedly bears almost 3,000 signatures, and for the past two meetings of the House of Representatives, the galleries have been crowded with those who anticipated passage of the motion. The spirit alone that the fraternity movement has generated should warrant serious consideration of the issue.

Fraternities and sororities just might be the answer to the firmly implanted problems of lack of involvement and deficiency of social activity on campus. The strong enthusiasm which has been stimulated and the ability of the movement to organize itself effectively demonstrate what social potential fraternities could have given the opportunity.

It is time for a reconsideration of the issue by the Board of Visitors. The ban has been in effect since Richmond Professional Institute was a part of William and Mary. Before that time, fraternities had been established, but there was trouble, and they were outlawed. When RPI separated from William and Mary, the RPI Board of Visitors retained the ban. With the transition to a university and governance by a new Board of Visitors, fraternities may now be imminent.

And why shouldn't they be? The advocates of fraternal organizations are not asking for housing, and they have agreed to abide by regulations applicable to all other campus organizations. In effect, pseudo-fraternities and sororities already exist anyway, under such names as Circle K, German Club, Cotillion Club, Epsilon Pi Sigma, to mention just a few. These groups practice the same tactics as would be characteristic of legally recognized fraternities. So why not rescind the ban on something which is allowed to exist and permit the organizations to gain the additional benefits of national affiliations?

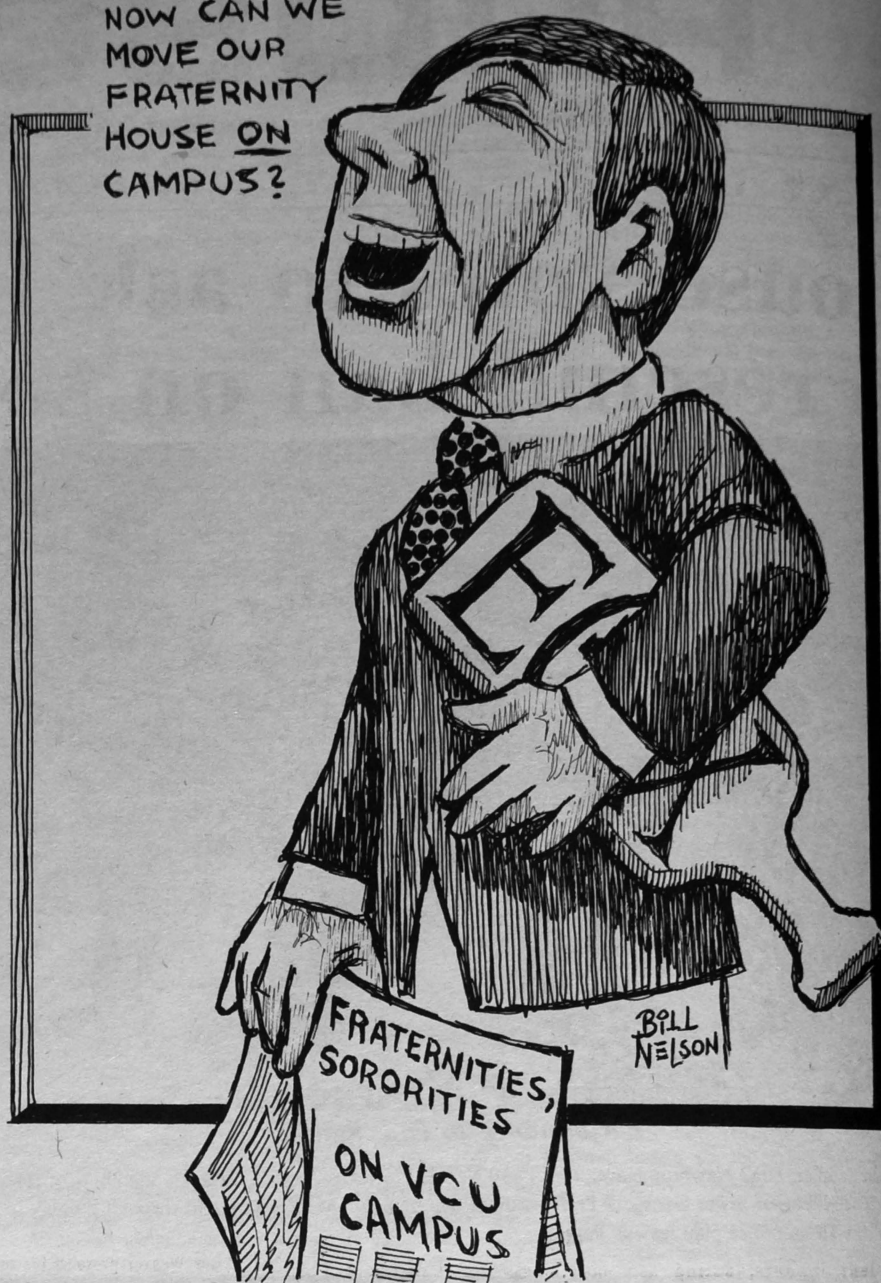
We should not ignore the attempts of students who are trying desperately to work out their own solutions to a common need for on-campus social activity. And let's face it, most students consider the social aspect, as it should be, an important part of their education and maturity.

We remind those who argue that fraternities will breed detrimental and discriminatory "cliqueishness" that in this cold, cruel world, people will always encounter exclusion from groups. Cliques are natural tendencies, and not necessarily dangerous.

If anything, fraternities would unite more than they would divide. There are few elements now that have succeeded in uniting more than a handful of students. Fraternities have a strong appeal, we have seen, and could unite students of common interests in pursuit of similar objectives.

If, however, permission is granted for establishment of fraternities and sororities, and they abuse the privilege, the Board would rightfully be compelled to re-enact its ban in the interest of the student body. But at least give them a chance to prove themselves, and do not base judgment on a bad experience which happened many years ago. A great deal has changed since then.

NOW CAN WE
MOVE OUR
FRATERNITY
HOUSE ON
CAMPUS?



Letters to the Editor

Grade requirements for SGA favored

Editor, The Proscript

As a graduate of the Class of '66 at R.P.I., I frequently read the "Proscript" to see what is happening on campus. In one particular respect, I see little change. During my college career, the senate, S.G.A. officers and the honor court constantly argued over who had the authority to do what.

The officers were of the Slop Shop crowd who spent their time gossiping and playing Bridge instead of studying. Most of the officers made poor grades and some were on the brink of academic deficiency.

The student body did not bother to vote in the elections. Good students wouldn't run for office because they were too busy with their studies and felt they couldn't give the time. The student body didn't vote, perhaps because they had a choice between nothing and nothing. How much change has there been in this respect?

I cringe with embarrassment when I hear that the S.G.A. President argued his right to continue as president, no matter what his grade average was. What is a senior doing with borderline grades? If he had spent any of his first three years with his nose in a book, I don't see how he could be in such a position now. And to have the audacity to "argue" this right to continue as president to the public embarrassment of all of the students!

VCU's academic image is already in a state of needing repair without the help of a student who is supposedly representative of the college ruining the image more. The least he could have done for VCU was to withdraw quietly from the presidency, or, even better, kept up his grades if he felt so duty bound to "serve" his college. Some serve best by remaining out of the limelight.

I'd like to see a 2.5 average required for anyone running for office. I don't

like to see borderline students voting themselves a scholarship.

I am glad to see that the administration has passed a stronger regulation on allowing deficient students to remain in college. Many deficient are just lazy.

Rosalind Hancock Elmore

Alumna, Class of 1966

Editor, The Proscript

There is a considerable challenge and pride in being the "last freshman class" to enter the School of Nursing in the Medical College of Virginia.

We are challenged to accomplish a merger, to achieve the ending of our way of learning. No longer will there be a four-year school of nursing. The ending of our courses not only finishes the process of transition but begins the succession of obstacles that separates us from our goal: to be a nurse—not just any nurse, but a dignified, qualified MCV nurse.

"No more General Chemistry!" echoes through the hall. Yes; no more simple oxidation-reduction reactions, no more tables of ions and solubility, no more confusion, despair or frustration over chem labs, or even missed nights of sleep to study for that important chemistry final covering more material than two quarters should contain; we are finally finished. Even though we are suddenly relieved and proud that we have met and passed this first obstacle, we sense there is something much more to what we have done. For now its end is final. There will be no more freshman nursing students to follow us. No one else will feel the pride of finishing "this" class or continuing on the path it opens.

"Yea! We've finished biology!" No more frogs to anatomize, worms to dissect or crayfish to dismember and even the time to ruin experiments has

passed. But, this class, too, has finished, completely finished, with no more freshmen to complain about the smell of formaldehyde or wonder what the professors will expect of us next. Again rises our joy in completion and also our regret in being the last.

Even as we feel the pride in our achievements, feel the regret in ending our way of learning, and dream of the cap we will wear and the places it may take us, we consider what this challenge before us really means: Proof you qualify to wear the cap of a nurse. But what it really means is you're our last class in this four-year school of nursing, distinguish yourselves from the others, make this school prouder of you than any before. That in itself is a challenge which will be our most important achievement of the many before us.

Cassandra Ray

Nurs I (Medical Center)

Poetry forum to establish writers' room

The poetry Forum is planning to establish a room for writers in the President's House at 908 West Franklin st.

The room will be equipped with reference magazines and books for use by student writers. N. Harvey Deal, director of libraries, is in charge of obtaining reference materials for the forum.

The forum, led by Ester Leiper Lang + Lit4 Cheyney, Pa., program director, and Richard McCann Lang+Lit2 Rockville, Md., treasurer, discussed and read works by Robert Lowell, Anne Sexton, and Sylvia Plath, members of the Confessional School of Poetry at its last meeting.

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'Tambourine man' isn't near

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By Christy Cooke

Hey, Mr. Tambourine Man,

Take me on a trip
Upon your magic swirling ship.
My senses have been stripped,
My hands can't feel the grip,
My toes too numb to step... —Bob Dylan

The theme song of a drug addict, perhaps?

It's been presumed Dylan's poetic song was written expressly for today's minority who escape reality on a trip with a drug for a ticket.

It seems about every day the news media carry stories about the most recent marijuana or heroin raid. Certainly, it cannot be denied that drug usage has multiplied within this decade.

But let's not confuse all this play-up as the true core of this campus. It just doesn't represent the majority.

VCU received more unfavorable publicity with the recent arrests of three freshmen charged with possessing narcotics and dangerous drugs. "Impact," the newsletter of the Freshman class, reflected this unwanted limelight in its first issue in which the arrests were referred to as a VCU "witch hunt."

Then the Art Union "newspaper" threw up its verbal defenses this week, calling not only for possessors to "flush" their drugs (since the "man" was "busting" 'em) but also for the legalization of marijuana.

But just how near is Mr. Tambourine Man? Perhaps he's not as influential here as many students and Richmonders in general have been led to assume.

The point can't be emphasized and reiterated enough that this university, like any major institution, is a melting pot (perhaps "pot" is a risky word) of the most diversified of students. We have a distinctive variety, from the so-called gray flannel suiter, to the silent middle-of-the-roader to the vocal left-wing activist. Since the latter shout the loudest, unfortunately, they are the ones who are heard.

Let's hope that some of the findings of a recent poll of 30 Virginia institutions (conducted at the request of Sen. William B. Spong Jr., D-Va.) will better represent VCU for those who link an unfavorable connotation to this area:

The question was asked if the student thought the government should forbid marijuana, LSD or heroin to be sold to people of any age. In these liberal times, 67.1 per cent, 87.7 per cent and 94.5 per cent of VCU students polled did not condone marijuana, LSD or heroin, respectively.

Another question posed: "Which of the following do you consider to be good reasons for the government to forbid people to use a food, drink or drug?" As many as 74 per cent of VCU students polled supported, "It may cause irresponsible behavior, and thereby cause harm to others."

So maybe Mr. Tambourine Man isn't too near yet. But he's got his foot in the door. If, like the stubborn salesman, we can't get rid of him, perhaps we can offset his stigma by trying to project the true image of this university: an academic and economic asset to the community.

Writer-musician to lecture March 19

Gunther Schuller, president of the New England Conservatory of Music, will lecture at seven Virginia colleges next week under the auspices of the University Center in Virginia.

A composer, conductor and teacher, Schuller was solo French horn player with the Cincinnati Symphony at the age of 17. He has received commissions from many of the major orchestras in this country, and has also composed many works for the Modern Jazz Quartet. He is the author of Horn Technique and Early Jazz: Its Root and Musical Development. His lecture

topic will be "The Changing Language of Music."

Schuller's schedule while in Virginia will be: Monday, March 17, Mary Baldwin College, Madison College and Hollins; Tuesday, March 18, Randolph-Macon Woman's College and Virginia Military Institute; Wednesday, March 19, Academic Center of VCU and Old Dominion College.



Gunther Schuller
Visiting Scholar

French tour set

The Student American Medical Association will sponsor a summer in France for VCU students in elementary, intermediate and advanced French classes.

The students, under the direction of Mrs. Marise Martin will study at the University of Poitiers and will receive two credits of work for the two semesters of work at the university.

A deposit of \$30 is required Monday, March 31, to reserve each seat. Interested students may contact Miss Juliet L. Woodson, head of the Language Department.

SGA Column

Plan proposed for Supreme Court

This weekly column is an opinion by a member of the Student Government Association, and not necessarily that of the entire legislative body.

By David Henley

Student leaders, acting as representatives of the student body, have developed a penchant for creating countless pseudo-governmental bodies under the guise of better representing the needs of the student body. With this, they not only get hung up in their own self-created bureaucracy but create additional problems by getting into over-lapping areas of conflict with the administration and faculty.

With little thought of long-range goals and powers to carry out these goals, they tend to create toy governmental structures with implied responsibilities, and no provision is made for inherent powers to carry out these responsibilities.

The students at VCU do not need another pseudo-judicial structure such as the Honor Court, which is responsible only with dealing out punishment for violations of rules and regulations in which the students have no realistic voice in formulating. Your elected representatives would be doing the student body, which would be little more than the infamous Ad Hoc committee of bygone puppy-burning days. Here was a classical example of an SGA structured appellant body charged with specific responsibilities when elements of the university community, other than the student body, were affected.

To prevent the Supreme Court concept from falling into the same trap, I am presenting the following suggestions to be considered by the entire Academic community at VCU. This is only meant to be a conceptual outline and specific structure is mentioned only to give a reference point from which the appropriate representatives from the student body, faculty, and administration can come to a mutually acceptable Supreme Court concept for the entire university community.

The purpose of the university Supreme Court would be to resolve all issues relevant to the university community outside of the jurisdiction of civil law. These decisions will be based on established university policy. (This body will have no policy-making function.)

This would be the final appellant

body on any and all matters of appeal by any group or individual member of the university community. It would be recognized, however, that decisions of this body would not be binding on the Board of Visitors, in that the Board of Visitors has the final legal responsibility for the university.

The Supreme Court may be comprised of 11 individuals, representing the following: four administrators, four students, and three faculty members serving in a pivotal position, with all members having equal votes.

It is suggested that judicial bodies be formed for each individual element of the university community to decide issues which are relevant only to that specific body. For example, the SGA would form a Board of Appeals which would decide issues of concern only to the students and such a board would be made up of students only.

Appeals from this body will be taken to the university Supreme Court which would first decide on whether or not to hear the case. If it is decided that the case would not be heard, the case would be resolved on a lower level. In case the appeal from the intermediary body is accepted for review, final judgement would be made by the Supreme Court.

Thus, the university Supreme Court would have the responsibility of resolving all relevant university issues and the power to carry out its decision. It would be in a position to resolve questions from the lower intermediary bodies where conflict of interest arise because of various elements of the university community.

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Campus News Briefs

Weaver to speak at Forum

The dilemmas faced by urban America will be the subject of an address Saturday, March 15, by Robert Weaver, former secretary of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare at the next program of the Richmond Public Forum.

After Weaver presents his speech, a panel of mayors of three American cities will have five minutes each to present their views. On the panel will be mayors Sam Yorty of Los Angeles, Hans G. Tangler of Jacksonville, Fla., and Kevin White of Boston.

A panel of local officials will screen questions from the audience. Alan Kiepper, Richmond city manager; Melvin Burnett, executive secretary of Chesterfield county; Edward Beck, manager of Henrico county and Julian Hirst, manager of the city of Roanoke, will serve on the screening panel.

The Study Abroad Program, course numbers 490 and 590, is still open and registration is now being accepted.

This art-enrichment program consists of a 22 day journey to the countries of Greece, Crete and Italy.

In each country the leading art museums and centers of art will be toured. This limited enrollment course will last from July 29 to Aug. 19, 1969.

Those interested are urged to immediately contact Walter I.

NeHalsing at the Department of Art History, 922 West Franklin st.

The film society will show the Japanese film "Fires on the Plain" at 5 and 8 p.m. today in the Science Building, Room 115.

The film, directed by Kon Ichikawa, was the unanimous first place winner at the Locarno Film Festival in 1961.

Set at Leyte, near the end of World War II, the story concerns the attempts of a Japanese army straggler to survive — resulting in cannibalism.

Eiji Funakoshi and Osamu Takizawa star. Tickets are \$1 each and may purchased at the door.

The Mathematics Club, approved last week by the SGA, has elected its first slate of officers.

The president of the new organization is Leander Minadakis, Math3 Richmond. Also named for offices were: Eveleen Willbore, vice-president; Genia Wittman, Math4 Richmond, secretary; and Bernhard K. Hollar, Math4 Ft. Bliss, Texas, treasurer.

Permanent council members were elected at the second organizational meeting of the Veterans Club on Monday, February 24.

They are Evelyn Buhl, Art3 New Brunswick, N.J., Sam Wilcox, Bus3 Richmond, and Richard Lewis, Bus3 Richmond, with Norman Tiller, Engl Glen Allen, as chairman.

The next meeting is at 3 p.m. on March 17. All veterans, both male and female, are invited to attend meetings. Anyone desiring additional information concerning the organization may contact Norman Tiller at 266-9474.

A "Blow-out Veterans' Style" is being planned for May for the veterans and their wives and/or dates.

The Young Americans for Freedom (YAF) is sponsoring a speaker, Dr. Eric Chow on Monday, March 10, at 4 p.m. in Hibbs 303. A Red Chinese defector, Dr. Chow was trained in Peking and became editor of a Red Chinese newspaper. He also served as a government official there.

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Freshman president defines role

"The office of president is just a way to get things moving," said Mike Fowler, Art I Charlotte N.C., the newly elected president of the Freshman class.

According to Fowler, "Right now I'm more of a politician than an artist. Right now I'm here to represent students, not just the long-haired Art Union students."

Fowler was a SGA House member before becoming Freshman President. His office now makes him a member of the Senate.

Fowler expressed concern about apathy among students. Speaking about the SGA, he said, "Our number one problem is apathy... the best way to shut apathy down is by informing students properly and by letting them know what is best for the school."

According to Fowler he has two projects under immediate consideration and a number of ideas for future development. He has instituted the Impact news-letter to be a biweekly news-letter, primarily for freshmen, and he has changed the annual freshman dance in April to a freshman concert in the hopes of creating more student interest.

Fowler said that he has plans for joint projects with other groups. He added that he would work equally with groups which had ideas and no money, and with groups which had money and no ideas.

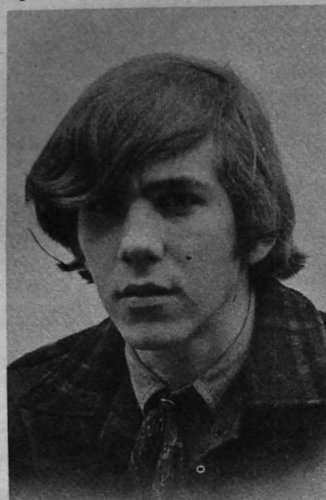
According to Fowler, "I haven't seen the classes do anything since I've been here. So working with my vice-president and other officers, I'm going to change this."

SGA House votes to rescind ban

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The House also passed a motion made by John Schwartz which requests that the Student Life Committee study the feasibility of having another Student-Faculty Retreat later in the semester. Schwartz told House members that communications between students and faculty were improved at the last retreat two weeks ago. "The so-called pseudo faculty-administration-teacher image that people used to have of teachers are not that way anymore—they're down to earth individuals too, and you can talk to them," Schwartz said.

Vote 18, a lobby group which is trying to change the voting laws in Virginia to allow 18-year-olds to vote, was endorsed by the House. A spokesman for Vote 18 told House



Mike Fowler
Class President

members, "This is your issue. We cannot finish this issue without your support. I have been informed of this by Speaker of the House of Delegates John Warren Cooke, and a number of delegates. If the students do not show proper enthusiasm, then there is little chance that the constitutional amendment to lower the voting age to 18 will be passed."

Registration under way

University to open

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Policy, Women's Liberation, Young Americans for Freedom, The History and Development of Pornography, Poetry and Underground Publications and Short Stories.

Lacking accreditation and course restrictions, the Free University will conduct seminars under the direction of "anyone who feels himself competent," where students and faculty can operate on an equal basis.

Explore and Experiment

In explaining the Free University's purpose, the committee registration form explains, "The very nature of the Free University is one of exploration, experimentation, and striving for the development of a new sensitivity that is buried in the bureaucracy of the present university system. Learning is a deeply personal process, and today's universities are becoming increasingly depersonalized. Diploma factories seldom produce anything but degenerate stereotypes who wish to maintain the status-quo. The Free University is not an institution, but rather a community of intellectually

Jay Mangan, Chairman of the Board of Elections, announced that the election for SGA officers will be held Thursday, April 17.

Three new members were accepted into the House: Joel Caldwell psychology, William Kaffenberger, Drama, and Louis Weissman, Social Science.

A motion by Mike Fowler to liquidate the SGA scholarship fund was tabled in the Senate.

Committee is studying block system

The block system of scheduling classes is being studied by an ad hoc committee of the academic senate.

The committee, according to James W. Bailey, one of the committee members, is weighing ideas for developing a more efficient scheduling system.

Bailey, who also is assistant vice president for academic affairs, said he had proposed a system under which some classes would meet for one hour on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays with others meeting for longer periods of time on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Any new system would not be put in use until the second semester of next year, Bailey said.

A major reason for changing the present block system, Bailey explained, is that only about half the students here attend classes on the block system.

The vice-president said another goal in reorganizing the system is to better utilize laboratory and classroom facilities.

Class forms now available

Student class schedule forms that will make it possible to reach a student whenever he is attending classes may be picked up in room 9 of the Administration Building starting today.

The form lists a student's spring semester schedule including class time and locations. It is requested that each student check his course number and section to be sure the schedule is correct, according to Merle V. Slater, registrar.

Copies of the form will be kept in the student personnel office, office of student accounts and in advisers' offices.

League wants members

Membership in the Richmond Chapter of the League of Women Voters is now open to students, faculty and faculty wives interested in informed participation in government.

A non-partisan organization, the league promotes active citizen influence on the decision-making processes at all levels.

Civil rights leader, Young, speaks on social work

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A man who has served on numerous presidential committees, Young discussed the feasibility of the Nixon administration's plan to create and support black commerce with Negroes owning and operating various enterprises. "I don't like the term 'black capitalist'... it suggests two

societies... there is only one... American capitalism with equal participation."

He said he feels there is indeed a large measure of white racism in this nation. "Any white punk, pimp or prostitute can move into Bronxville (New York). I can't."

"What is it," Young asked, "that made black people go 300 years

without striking when the Chicago police couldn't go three days?"

"Black Americans," he said, "have been studied to death" as far as their weaknesses are concerned. Now, he added, it's time to study their strengths.

Commenting on the controversy over Richmond's model cities program, Young said, "Model cities program legislation represents the most comprehensive study of the area."

Young observed that more than 50 per cent of Richmond's population is black and approximately 85 per cent of that number concentrated into three well-defined ghetto areas. Therefore, he said, the need for urban renewal with black decision makers is evident. He pointed out that with the aforementioned percentages, Richmond yet has one Negro city council member and no Negro school board members.

Circle K to open coffeehouse in student center Sunday

A coffeehouse sponsored by the Circle K will open Sunday night in the student center. Activities will begin at 5 p.m. and admission is 75 cents.

Opening night will feature two performances by local entertainers. The Folksters will sing at 8 p.m. The four members of this group are area college students.

Sue Sperro attends Mary Washington College; Larry Fitch is a student at Randolph-Macon College; Donnie Parks and Lee Powell are enrolled at the University of Virginia.

At 9:30 p.m. Carla Schaaf, a senior at Douglas Freeman High School, will present a solo performance.

The idea behind the coffeehouse, according to Circle K member Daniel Kirk, Dis3 Dover, Del., is to "offer an

inexpensive place for students to attend on Sunday evenings." The coffeehouse will be open each Sunday night at 5 p.m.

"It is felt that there are not enough campus-oriented activities for the student to attend," Kirk said. "This is a non-profit venture, a service to the school, and the admission charge will only cover expenses incurred."

He indicated that if more money is taken in than is needed, the admission charge may go down.

"Hopefully, we can get VCU students to perform," Kirk said. "Students need not be professional or have any experience. All interested VCU students should contact a member of Circle K or watch for posters supplying the necessary information."

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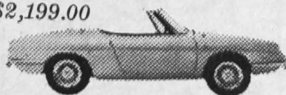


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Residence rates to be increased

An increase in dormitory rates at Rhoads Hall, Johnson Hall and all male dormitories has been approved by the board of visitors.

The fee for Rhoads Hall, which houses some 700 women, will be raised from \$410 to \$440 for two semesters effective September, 1969.

All other women's dormitories will retain the charge of \$400 per year.

Roland H. Wheeler, housing director, explained that this change has been made because Rhoads Hall will have air conditioning installed by late this summer or early next fall.

Johnson Hall, formerly Monroe Terrace, will cost \$410 for two semesters. The fee had been \$400. This

Senate to ask student help on statement

The committee on student affairs of the academic senate is beginning a study of the Joint Statement of Student Rights and Freedoms, with plans for inviting students to voice their opinions of possible changes.

The committee on student affairs is planning to utilize the Joint Statement as a starting point, but will try to resolve some of the conflicts of opinion that have developed among some senate members regarding some passages in the statement.

James W. Bailey, chairman of the committee, said the group would invite members of the student live committee and Student Government Association to sit with the committee to help draw up a new document.

New programs planned in special education

By Sally Cox

VCU's special education program is designed to train teachers to deal with students who are not capable of learning on the teaching level of ordinary schools.

Dr. Howard L. Sparks, head of the special education department, said, "Ultimately, it costs far more not to educate handicapped children properly than it does to provide appropriate experiences during the critical years that they are in our schools."

At VCU, degrees in special education are currently being awarded at the bachelor's and master's levels for study of mental retardation and at the master's level for study in the area of the emotionally disturbed. Plans are being made for the development in the near future, of additional programs, particularly speech pathology and crippling conditions.

In addition to the degree programs, courses for nondegree-seeking students are also offered in a variety of fields. These courses are designed for the in-service teachers who need specific skills for working with exceptional students and have been employed, despite a lack of appropriate professional preparation, because the need for special education teachers is so great.

Grants Available

To alleviate the tremendous personnel shortage in special education, the federal government is making grants available to students planning to teach handicapped children. Grants for tuition only are available at the junior year level. Trainerships at the senior year level and fellowships at the master's level carry stipends for living expenses as well as tuition and fees. There are 18 special education students receiving financial assistance at VCU. They are acquiring not only academic preparation but also intensive, practical experiences. In addition to student teaching, students do small group or individual

charge was increased, Wheeler said, because Johnson Hall offers "more study area, vending machines and a library."

The residence fee for all men's dormitories will be raised to \$400 for two semesters instead of \$350.

Wheeler said lounge and study furniture in all men's dormitories will be "changed to provide a better atmosphere."

Summer school rates have also increased slightly. The rate for a double occupancy room in Rhoads Hall will be \$15 per academic week instead of \$12 as it had been previously. For the first time, women will be able to have a single occupancy for \$18 per week.

The summer school fee for other dormitories will stay at \$12 per academic week. Single occupancy in other dormitories will cost \$15.

These changes were approved by the board of visitors at its meeting on February 27.

It had been proposed, Wheeler said, that all summer school students, both male and female be housed in Rhoads Hall. This suggestion was denied, the housing director said, because air conditioning won't be installed until the end of the summer session.

Next summer the plan will be implemented, Wheeler predicted. The two-floor wing will house men, he said, while women will live in the tower.

"Hopefully, by sharing the rentals on some of these we can provide the student with a living and learning attitude in the residence hall," Wheeler said, "and also provide an opportunity to use our facilities for such things as workshops which may be brought in by other departments."


instruction at a number of facilities in the metropolitan area including Richmond city schools, Grace House, and the Richmond Association for Retarded Children Pre-school Center.

The Special Education department last summer conducted a college credit Institute for Teachers of Emotionally Disturbed Children in cooperation with the Virginia Treatment Center, of the Health Sciences Division, and the Virginia Department of Education.

Freedom dance slated tonight

"Getting Together," Freedom Dance Concert No. 2, sponsored by the Students for Liberal Government (SLG), will be held on Friday, March 7, from 8:30 to 12:30 p.m. in the Franklin Street Gymnasium.

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Drama Review

Susan Sandler praised in role of 'Sister George'

By Bob Mann

Few deaths could bring about such great impact on a city as "The Killing of Sister George" does. But then Sister George is no ordinary person. Besides being a lesbian in real life, she is a kind hymn-singing nurse to thousands of people through her role on a BBC soap opera.

Susan Sandler in her first appearance on the Gaslight stage powerfully portrays this gin-drinking, cigar-smoking "person." She is in complete control of her "flatmate", Alice "Childie" McNaught. Natalie New, also strong in her role, is not nearly so loyal to Sister George as she would like for her to be. In fact, she has been "cheating" on her by dating men.

Then there is the merciless Mrs. Mercy Croft who seems to fully enjoy telling Sister George that she will no longer be a part of the soap opera. Kathi Lockwood effectively brings out the snobbish, lack-of-feeling attitude of this BBC official.

To describe Madam Xenia presents a problem. In a hilarious effort Kathleen Reiman portrays this fortune teller. In one scene she reminds one of Johnny Carson's occasional role on his show of "Camac the Magnificent." Each of the girls in the cast is making her first appearance on the Gaslight Stage.

The play immediately ushers in conflict in the opening moments of the first scene as Sister George announces that she will soon be written out of the play. Childie tries unsuccessfully to comfort her with the notion that the play could not possibly survive without one of its most

popular stars. It is apparent from the start that Sister George is in complete control of all operations in the flat.

Poor Childie frequently has to bear the brunt of Sister George's dominating mannerisms and unusual punishments. Childie's most important possessions in life seemingly are her several Victorian dolls.

At first it appears that scene two will never begin moving. Much headway, however, is made when the two, Childie and Sister George, do a pleasing take-off on Laurel and Hardy when the flatmates are rehearsing for an upcoming affair. Then the disastrous news of the end of the character of Sister George is ruthlessly delivered in person by Mrs. Mercy.

The third and final scene opens with a take-off on the style of the BBC soap opera. Many sound effects are used to properly get rid of Sister George.

Only after Sister George "dies" is the true popularity of the character realized. Flowers and telegrams from everywhere pour in. Madam Xenia helps out in receiving them and arranging them around the room.

It is interesting to note that the fine set design was done by a student, Frank Davis. There was a variety of styles in furniture.

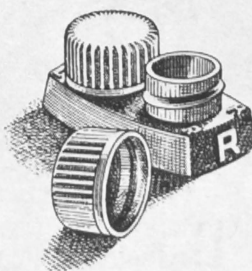
The four participants in "The Killing of Sister George" related to each other beautifully and all seem destined for many more appearances on the Gaslight stage. The play is under the direction of Mr. Roy M. Carter and ends its run Sunday night.

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Spring Cometh!

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—C.P. Cranch, "A Spring Growl"

Play production thesis depicts Greenwich Village

By Bob Mann

Brydon DeWitt, Director of Student Activities and a graduate student here, has undertaken a big assignment for his graduate project.

As a creative thesis, DeWitt is producing, designing and directing the play "The Sign in Sidney Brunstein's

ran for 101 performances. It stopped with the 101st performance because the author died. Later, the play reopened to standing-room only audiences off-Broadway.

Greenwich Village

"The Sign in Sidney Brunstein's Window" deals with problems in the area of Greenwich Village such as race, prostitution and corrupt politicians. It concerns the struggle for one man to maintain his ideals. The Cast:

Sidney Brunstein	Ric Paul
Alton Scales	Ron Anderson
Iris Parodus Brunstein	Donna Aronson
Wally O'Harra	Steve Byrbs
Max	Charles Maloney
Mavis Parodus	Bryson Marianne Clarkson
David Ragin	Richard Hopkins
Gloria Parodus	Louise Mills
Detective	Tom Guthrie

Architectural preservation is advocated

"By 1972 much of America will be plowed under for the construction of highways," according to James Biddle, a visiting scholar who spoke here Wednesday, February 26.

"If we don't do it now and do it quick," Biddle concluded, "there won't be anything left for any of us in twenty years."

His talk was entitled "Historic Preservation in the United States." Biddle is the president of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, an organization concerned about the landscape of the city.

Biddle stated, "Preservation is planning to preserve the best architecture of the past and integrate this with modern architecture." In the next seven years more building will be done in America than in the past 200 years, he said. Many historic buildings that could be of practical use will be destroyed. The National Trust was established to prevent this. It now owns a number of historic properties in the United States, many in Virginia and the DC area.

The Trust has 1,000 member organizations throughout the United States.

One of the Trust's main problems is that there are not enough experts on planning and landscaping. People are also needed who can take care of the legal aspects. The Trust is now working with three universities, one of which is in Virginia, to establish postgraduate degrees in architectural planning.

Another play, "Summertime," recently a hit at the Wedgewood Dinner theater, was considered but the company did not grant release of the play for performance.

"The Sign in Sidney Brunstein's Window" will open for a three-night run at the Shafer Street Playhouse Thursday, March 20.

Paper is planned

The Young Americans for Freedom (YAF) will start publishing a newspaper within the next week, according to Dick Cheatham, a YAF member.

The mimeographed paper—tentatively to be called Remnant—will present views of YAF members and will probably editorially oppose the Art Union paper, Cheatham said.

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March 7 SGA Executive meeting, 1-4 p.m., Student Personnel Office
"The Killing of Sister George," 8:30 p.m., Gaslight Theater

March 8 Rummage Sale, 8-4 p.m., Shafer street
"The Killing of Sister George," 8:30 p.m., Gaslight Theater

March 9 SAAP meeting, 4-6 p.m., Hibbs 303
German Club meeting, 5-9 p.m., Hibbs 403
Spectrum Staff meeting, 7-9 p.m., Hibbs 324
Newman Club meeting, 7-9 p.m., Science 115
Kappa Society, 7:30-9:30 p.m., Hibbs 208
"The Killing of Sister George," 8:30 p.m., Gaslight Theater

March 10 Young Americans for Freedom, Speaker, 4-6 p.m., Hibbs 303
SGA House meeting, 5:30-7 p.m., Hibbs 403
Inter-Varsity meeting, 6:15-7:30 p.m., Third Floor, Student Center
Arien meeting, 10-11 p.m., Hibbs 303

March 11 Economics Society meeting, 1-3 p.m., Hibbs 406
Research Bureau meeting, 2-3 p.m., Student Center, Third Floor
Economics Society meeting, 3-5 p.m., SHibbs 403
Student Life Committee meeting, 3:30-5 p.m., Student Center, Third Floor
Cotillion Club Meeting, 5-6:45 p.m., Hibbs 403
Phi Beta Lambda, 5:45-6:45 p.m., Hibbs 303
SGA Senate meeting, 6-7 p.m., Student Center, Third Floor
Art Union, 7-9 p.m., Franklin Terrace, Room 201

March 12 Spectrum Meeting, 3-4 p.m., Student Center, Third Floor
Circle K Club meeting, 5:30-6:45 p.m., Hibbs 403
C-Quo meeting, 5:30-6:45 p.m., Hibbs 303
Carpe Diem meeting, 5:30-6:45 p.m., Hibbs 324

March 13 Students for Liberal Government meeting, 4-5:45 p.m., Hibbs 403
Women's Interform Council meeting, 5-6:30 p.m., Hibbs 303
Delta Epsilon Chi, 5:45-6:45 p.m., Hibbs 307
Pi Sigma Epsilon, 5:45-6:45 p.m., Student Center, Third Floor
Freshman Class meeting, 5:45-6:45 p.m., Science 115
Group meeting, 5:45-6:45 p.m., Hibbs 326
Junior Class meeting, 5:45-6:45 p.m., Hibbs 403
Christian Science, 6:15-6:45 p.m., Hibbs 424

Medical Center

March 10 Art Exhibit - Traditional Prints, Larrick Student Center

March 11 School of Nursing SA meeting, 7:15 p.m., Larrick Student Center

March 12 Visiting Lecturer, John Hallowell, "The Philosophy of Democracy: Current Challenges," 8 p.m., Student Center

March 13 Episcopal Communion, 6 p.m., Monumental Church



Brydon DeWitt

Window" by Loraine Hansberry, to be presented in mid-March at the Shafer Street Playhouse.

In the preface to his work, it was mandatory that DeWitt give facts concerning the play, criticize it, and do a character analysis. Also, he explained how he was to handle publicity and what his prop script would be, and he included a copy of his floor plan. Even notes concerning his program copy had to be written in the preface.

In his production notes, a daily account of his rehearsals, he is able to point out changes necessary to his original plans.

The play itself has an unusual history. The author, Loraine Hansberry, was dying of cancer when the play opened on Broadway. To add to her misery the critics, for the most part, panned it. However, the audience was not in accord with the newspaper opinions, and with the help of several stars of the entertainment world who bought large ads in papers, the show

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Self-defense methods discussed

Representatives demonstrate tactics

By Pat Blake

To be alert, prepared and cautious at all times are the common-sense methods of criminal assault prevention, says Mrs. Lorraine M. Shackleford of the Investigative Operations Unit of the Richmond police, "The best policemen are daylight, rain and artificial lighting," she added.

Mrs. Shackleford, who has lectured on self-defense tactics to area organizations, advises that women not walk the streets alone at night, but "if you must, walk out near the curb, even in the street, if necessary to stay away from billboards, fences, alleys, vacant lots and churches. If you feel you're being followed, change direction or go to the nearest house and call for help."

She also recommends the use of devices such as rat-tailed combs, perfume and hairspray for self-defense when accosted by would-be attackers. These devices, when concealed in the hand, would be ready for quick use and are most effective when aimed at the eye of the attacker. A comb raked across the eyes, car keys, fingernails, fingernail files, hat pins, fountain pens and tear gas pens were also suggested. The cheapest and best device, according to Mrs. Shackleford, is a cylinder pill bottle of black pepper thrown into the assailant's eyes.

"In criminal assault we are dealing with a felon. These are intelligent people, but are cowardly along with it," she said. With this in mind she recommended the use of a police whistle which when blown after she frees herself from the attacker, will make him think the police are after him and cause the attacker to flee.

She also noted physical tactics to be used, such as grinding the heel into the attacker's foot or applying the "hand spear" to the pressure points of the body. The "hand spear" is formed by locking the wrist and placing the thumb in the fingers which are held rigid and tight. If applied to the bridge of the nose it could break it.

Other pressure or sensitive areas of the body include the side of the neck, under the nose, the base of the skull, the collar bone, the midchest, the groin, the "Adam's Apple", the shin bones and the top of the foot or hand.

A fist drawn up with one knuckle extended is most effective when applied to the base of the skull, to the eyes or to the top of the hand. A quick, hard box to the ears could knock the assailant out. Mrs. Shackleford stressed that these were all dangerous tactics, to be used only in defending one's person and only if the victim has the opportunity.

When grabbed from the back she suggested expanding the chest, thus stretching the attacker's hold and then expelling as much air as possible to allow the victim to slip through his arms.

For women living alone she recommended a double lock or a heavy motorcycle chain installed either above or below eye level. And the listing in the telephone directory should be by initials rather than by full name.



Mrs. Lorraine M. Schackleford Shows Use of Tear Gas
She is a Member of the Richmond Police Department



Detective C.T. Powell Assists in Demonstration
Mrs. Schackleford Bites Hand of 'Attacker'



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Physical Tactics are Employed Against 'Attacker'
Demonstration Shows Use of Spike Heels

Photos
by
Craig Sirles

VCU security chief airs problems, dangers

By Mary Melnychyn

T.R. Benson of the VCU Police Department said that five co-eds have been attacked since September.

He explained that the figure has to be compared to other parts of town. "Compared to Church Hill, five is not much, but it is plenty."

"The VCU police force has 10 men with at least two or three on duty at all times. They patrol the campus and adjacent properties," Benson said.

One of several factors aiding attackers, according to Benson, is poor street lighting in the Fan District area.

In high population areas, there are more perverts, the policeman explained.

"One of the main factors is the student herself when wearing short skirts, walking alone, or taking shortcuts through dimly lit alleys to save three minutes," he said.

Being overfriendly to strangers is another hazard, he said. A little caution should be used in contact with new people.

"When an assailant approaches, the best thing is to scream—many times this scares him off," he continued.

"Do not fight if you can break away. Go to a lighted area or building and phone the police."

Benson recommended extreme caution if the assailant is carrying a knife or gun. "Normally a person desperate enough to carry one would use if he had to," he said.

Co-eds were also interviewed on the methods of defense they would use if approached. A junior from Richmond, said, "I have heard that most attackers free their victims if they cause no trouble; but I feel that I would lose my respect if I didn't fight. I would rather be dead than raped."

"I did read a book on the art of self-defense that I happened to pick up at a relative's home. If my hands were behind me. I would ram down on his foot, bring my arms up, and chop him in the Adam's Apple with the side of my hand," she continued.

Carol Richardson, Med.Sec.2 Richmond, commented, "I would carry a gas pistol to shoot in the eyes—at night around VCU. I try to prevent this by not walking by myself at night. I'd do anything—bite, kick, scream."

Harriet Moser, Ed3 Orange, said that she would defend herself by screaming as loud as she could.

Sally Morgan, ID2 Portsmouth, gave a quick answer: "I probably would run like hell."

'History' yields insight

By Mary Melnyczyn

A history teacher with quite a history—that's Miss Thelma Biddle, who teaches at VCU.

"I was born on the day that they opened King Tut's sarcophagus. My students enjoy this because when I tell them, the good students figure out how old I am," she smiled.

Miss Biddle received her BS in education with a double major in history and English from New Jersey State Teachers College at Trenton.

"Because of World War II, I graduated in January from undergraduate school. That summer I cut grass around graves in the Private Orthodox Jewish Cemetery owned by the Weinert Family in Lodi, N. J. from 8 to 12. From 1 to 5, I sold J.R. Watkins products from door to door. And from 6 to 11, I jerked sodas in a drugstore. I am very proud of the chocolate sodas I jerked.

"Since Miss Tudor has joined the History Department, there is a conflict over who is the best soda jerker. Some day there's going to be a contest," she laughed.

She also sold World Book Encyclopedias door to door some years ago.

"All jobs are a great help to me as an educator because I have met so many different people and this helps me to understand them better," she said.

This is Miss Biddle's third year full-time in the History Department. She joined the adjunct faculty of VCU (then RPI) in 1962. Her former teaching experience included public schools in Maywood, N.J. and Henrico and Chesterfield counties and Richmond.

From 1947 to 1957 she served as assistant supervisor of the Partially Seeing with the Virginia Commission for the Visually Handicapped and she has worked all over the state with school children with partial vision.

Asked for her views of anti-war protestors, she responded, "In every war there has been anti-war sentiment and I believe each person is entitled to his own considered opinion. That's one of the things America's all about."

Concerning Nixon's election win, Miss Biddle said, "I think it will be interesting to observe his Administration for the next four years, and apparently America thought it was time for a change and it will be interesting to see if there will be a difference."

What does she think of the generation gap?

"There always has been some kind of a gap but I think there are always people who try to lessen it. There has to be a gap of a sort because (age) 40 doesn't see the world the way (age) 20

does. I think age 20 and its view of the world is just as important as age 40 and 60 and its view of the world. We need the impatience and the vision and the excitement of youth, and experience that age should be able to bring to life."

Miss Biddle praises students highly. "I love them with all my heart. I think they're the hope of America. I can only say good things about them, but then I can only say good things about youth."

Currently working on a doctorate in education at the College of William and Mary with history elective (she goes each Wednesday), she received her masters' in education there. She also pursued graduate study at Wayne University in Detroit, Syracuse University and Florida State University.

Miss Biddle says she decided to teach history because "I love it and I believe that each person was called to his own and I believe that I was called."

"For me, my history classroom filled with people is the 'joy of the morning'" she said in reference to the 30th psalm.

"How many beans in a bean patch?" she replied when asked for her favorite figures of her subject. "History is simply studded with figures that interest me. Because that's what history's all about—people."



Photo by Cheryl Patteson

Miss Thelma Biddle

Dean's poll to analyze study habits

Questionnaires designed to analyze student study habits will soon be available through the office of Richard E. MacDougall, dean of men.

The test is designed to help students discover what they are doing wrong in their study habits. It is not meant as a research project, but merely an aid to the students.

Dean MacDougall said he feels that perhaps students may be studying too long and infrequently or perhaps frequently, but not long enough.

The questionnaires will first be available to those students who have academic deficiencies and then to other students who have no deficiency but wish to improve their study habits.

Freud is discussed by visiting scholar

Daniel Callahan, executive editor of Commonweal Magazine, stated in a lecture here last week that many wrong attitudes toward Freud exist today.

Callahan, whose topic was "Freud: Religion and Culture," spoke at the Academic Center as part of the Visiting Scholar series.

Callahan objected to some of Freud's theories. He said Freud's

concept of man's God does not correspond to that of religion in the western world. The present era projects mature gods. Today's God is able to cooperate with man, instead of functioning as a "father" to children, as Freud believed. Callahan stated that the Christian religion of today is a religion of hope and love.

He also said that there is no evidence of the death instinct in man. He concluded that if it is possible to believe that human beings can make progress in destroying himself, as Freud did, then it is possible to believe that he can make progress in building himself up.

Callahan received his PhD. at Harvard University. He is the author of "The Mind of the Catholic Layman," "Honesty in the Church," and "The New Church." He is the editor of Generation of the Third Eve and The Secular City Debate.

This lecture can be heard on radio WRVA at 8 a.m. Sunday, March 16.

Placement Schedule

Job interviews slated in March

Placement interviews with Proctor and Gamble have been rescheduled for March 10 according to James Dunn, placement director. The following companies will have representatives on campus on campus to interview prospective employees from March 17 until March 28.

March 17

Legget's Stores, retailing and related careers, juniors for summer work assignments; Carson, Pirie, Scott and Co., retailing careers, juniors for summer work assignments, business and other majors for manufacturing and distribution divisions; U. S. Air Force, career opportunities for male and female graduates; Chesterfield and Richmond public schools, elementary and secondary teachers.

March 18

Hochchild/Kohn, retailing and related careers, juniors for summer work assignments; W. T. Grant, Co., retailing management program for any major, seniors only; F. W. Woolworth, Co., training program for any college major, management opportunities, seniors only; U. S. Fidelity & Guaranty Insurance, Co., opportunities in casualty insurance, not selling; Moore Business Forms, production management and sales opportunities; Strawbridge & Clothier, retailing and related careers.

March 19

College Life Plan, insurance sales program; Rish Equipment Company, management and sales training program; J. C. Penney, Co., retailing and related careers, seniors only; Wards, Co., Inc., opportunities in distribution and retailing; Strawbridge & Clothier (9-12), juniors for summer work assignment.

March 20

Woodward and Lothrop retailing and related careers, juniors for summer work assignments; Goodyear Tire and Rubber, retail management program; Rik'e (Dayton, Ohio), retailing and related careers, juniors for summer work assignments; Rike's (Atlanta), retailing and related careers, juniors for summer work assignments; Burdine's (Miami), retailing and related careers, juniors for summer work assignments.

March 21

Hetch, Co., retailing and related careers, juniors for summer work

assignments; C & P Telephone Company, management development opportunities for men and women graduates, any major; Thalheimer's, retailing and related careers, seniors only; Joseph Home, Co., retailing and related careers, seniors only; Cole National, Corp., distribution and marketing opportunities in small outlets.

March 24

Hahne & Co., retailing and related careers, juniors for summer work assignments; Southern Department Stores, retailing careers and allied work, juniors for summer work assignments; Peebles Stores, retailing and related careers, juniors for summer work assignments; Filene's (Boston), retailing and related careers, juniors for summer work assignments.

March 25

Commonwealth of Virginia, career opportunities in state agencies and divisions; Appalachian Power Co., chemistry and engineering technology majors; Hess-Apparel, retailing careers in small apparel shops; Associates

Corporate Services Company, Inc., accountants for time sales finance program and personal loans.

March 26

Jackson Company (W. Va.), schools, elementary and secondary teachers; Miller and Rhoads, retailing and related careers, juniors for summer work assignments; Kroger Stores, food distribution and marketing, management development program; Davison's (Atlanta), retailing and related careers, seniors only; Sears, Roebuck & Company, retailing and related careers, seniors only.

March 27

American Greeting Corporation, english, mathematics, accounting, general business and drafting technology majors; Miller and Rhoads, retailing and related careers, juniors for summer work assignments; Lord and Taylor, retailing and related careers, juniors for summer work assignments; Jewel Box Stores (10 a.m.), management development opportunities; Roanoke City schools (9-11), elementary and secondary

teachers.

March 28

Hallmark Cards, communications art and design majors, creative art, portfolio required; Kennett (Pa.) Consolidated school system (9-12), elementary and secondary teachers; Fort Lee-U. S. Civil Service, varied positions in civil service for any major.

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Power of freshman president expanded in House proposal

The House is presently considering a motion made last week by Jay Mangan, Dist. Arlington, that would allow the freshman class president and vice-president to select their own cabinet of secretary, treasurer, and senator plus any other officers which they deem necessary.

If it is passed, this motion will be an amendment to the SGA constitution and thus become the rule for ensuing freshman class officers here.

According to Brydon DeWitt, director of student activities, the Freshman class made this proposal necessary. He cited voting apathy as the cause for the motion. DeWitt said, "I think it's (the motion) establishing a rather dangerous precedent and denying freshmen a chance to select the candidates that they think should be in office."

Mike Fowler, newly elected freshman president, said, "I think it's my duty and right to choose my secretary and treasurer. The choice of the senator should be up to the student government and myself."

Lillie Tilden, Ed3 Rocky Mount, N.C., a member of the Freshman class advisory board, said she opposed the motion to amend the constitution but expressed approval of the idea for the unusual circumstances involved in this election. She said, "I think it's a good idea because there aren't enough interested freshmen to even run for office. This is only occurring because of a lack of interest." She continued to say that in her opinion another election would not be the answer to the problem.

When asked about the possibility of a president taking advantage of the power that this amendment would give if passed, Ken Kirby, SGA treasurer, said, "Any time people don't vote there's a threat. If people aren't interested enough to get out and oppose them, then that would be their problem. They would have to learn to live with them."

Dr. Charles M. Renneisen, dean of students, commented, "I don't see any ethical problem involved. If that is the

kind of system the SGA thinks is best—that is their business." Dr. Renneisen continued to say, however, that there is still time for the freshmen to express their opinions before the SGA votes on the issue.

Considering the possibility of holding another election, views were divided.

Lillie said, "I really think it's useless to have another election." Dewitt commented, "Is it ever a waste in the democratic process?"

Exam scheduled

The Federal Service Entrance Examination (FSEE) is given monthly at the main U.S. Post Office on East Main street. The deadlines for applying and examination dates for the next exams are as follows:

Deadlines for applying are March 12, April 9 and May 14. Examination dates are April 19, May 17 and June 21.

Information and applications are available in the Office of Development, room 6 of the Administration Building.



Photo by Craig Sirles

To The Beholder...

Art is an expression of individuals concerning the times in which they live. While many tend to identify art with paintings, it comes in various guises. Above is one form of art, a drawing by a VCU fine arts student. Another art form is drama. (See story below.)

Nudity viewed skeptically by dramatists here

By Cheryl Patteson

Features Editor

"Nudity belongs in the bedroom."

Thus waggett the old Victorian tongue; but a surprising amount of skin is showing up outside the bedroom lately: on album covers, between sewn "bits" of cloth, and before audiences.

Films continue to capitalize on the body as a tool, but the theater is just beginning to make progress. Recently a number of unabashed cast members of the highly successful production "Hair" willingly accepted this as a requirement of the role. But actresses are finding that acting ability is not always enough to land a substantial part these days and several have refused lofty salaries on the ground that no offering of money or fame is worth the indecency of appearing "in person" on a stage.

Viewing this "moral dilemma" Raymond Hodges, head of the VCU Drama Department, commented, "I think it's terribly detracting. I don't see any need for it. It's, to me, like the gutter language that is appearing in some contemporary plays. As long as it is motivated by plot or character, it is valid, but if it's just put there for the shock value, as so often is the case, it means one of two things: either the playwright has a very limited vocabulary or is descending into cheap theatricals... As far as I'm concerned it isn't theater."

He went on to add that there are certain times when the use of nudity can contribute something to the

"artistic integrity of things." He cited the screen version of "Romeo and Juliet" as an unoffensive example.

"But people like Richard Shetner and his 'happenings', when he tries to get people in the audience to take off their clothes, is nothing but sensationalism."

Musical 'Peep Show'

Having not seen the dynamic musical "Hair", Hodges doesn't feel qualified to make a judgment except to say "I think the reason 'Hair' has standing room only is that many people are expecting a 'peep' show."

Several students majoring in dramatic art shared similar views.

Mary Ann Moorman, a senior from Richmond, expressed her reasoning for the jump of the nude scene into the theater saying, "I think in films it is being used much more effectively than in theater. People are going to see mass media: films, not theater. I think to make progress theater is incorporating nudity for no reason."

She too cited "Hair" as an example. "The only reason it is really done is to say 'THIS is the naked man!'"

However, she said she would not turn down a role calling for such a scene, if it were for some purposeful, meaningful reason. "I think the nude scene in 'Romeo and Juliet' was beautiful. The ones in 'The Fox' were tremendously effective...But in using it for the sake of nudity itself, we are regressing."

Another co-ed, Shirley Regus, a senior from McLean,

thinks she would turn down such a role. Why? "Well, from what I was taught as a child—from what our parents teach you that this type of thing is wrong. I think that's the main reason. Also, personally, I don't see any purpose in it."

However, she did not think "Hair" was presented in bad taste, nor with great sensation. She watches the nudity leap with some understanding. "On Broadway, a

great deal of it is by playwrights who are the new voice of the theater, and they are rebelling, though they sound like a holdover from the beatniks of the 50's. For the theater, it's a liberalization that has been needed for a long time." Madaline Long, a graduate student in drama, agreed with the others that productions such as "Romeo and Juliet" are handled in good taste, but believes that at certain times the use of nudity is greatly exploited.

Matter of Bare 'Necessity'

She shared the feeling that actress Elizabeth Taylor recently expressed in turning down a nude scene—that it degraded a person as a person and someone who doesn't want to should not be forced to as part of a role. Her own reaction, if faced with the same decision would "simply depend on whether I thought it was necessary."

"If I really felt the scene was called for, I would do it."

Not very, students say

Are stars reliable?

By Sandye Fink

Astrologically speaking, we have just entered the twelfth sign of the Zodiac—Pisces.

You who were born under the sign of the fish, don't be surprised if you appreciate the mystic wonders during French literature class, or wander off to distant dreamlands during biology lectures; for Pisces are dreamers and poets.

Many people follow their horoscope religiously. Some plan their day by it, others go through the day trying to live up to the predictions in their horoscope. Each day newspapers carry an astrological forecast, and fashion and beauty magazines plan the ladies' looks and dress by their zodiac signs.

Yet, it seems the students of VCU have doubts about the reliability of an astrological prediction.

Reta Furey, Fresh2 Petersburg, who is a Libra says, "I would never go by my horoscope, as far as what I do from day to day."

Judy Winborne, Soc3 Holland, says she reads her horoscope occasionally, "but I don't see how everybody under the same sign could have the same predictions. Everyone is an individual." Judy is a Gemini.

Pisces Bonnie Colson, Soc2 Fairless Hills, Pa., says, "I read it, but I don't follow it. There are so many people under one sign, how could it possibly apply to everyone?"

Forecasts Vague

"I read it once in a while, for amusement," says Karen Comer, ID2 Petersburg, a Capricorn, "but I don't put any stock in it. They are usually so vague you can twist it to mean what you want it to."

Even those who don't follow their horoscopes, or read the astrological forecast in the newspapers, must concede that the chances of an accurate astrological forecast are better than the chances of an accurate weather forecast—or at least as good.

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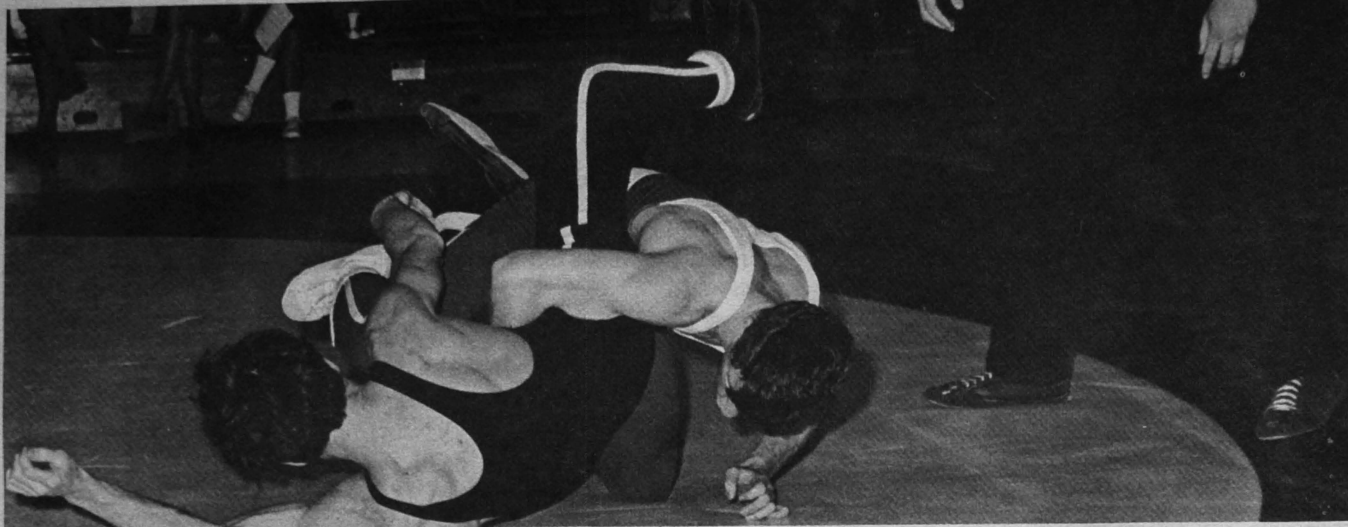
The Rams tangled with Virginia Tech last weekend, and, as might be expected, didn't fare too well. The Techmen handed them their sixth loss of the season, 32-8. Pete Mitchell got VCU off to a good start by pinning his

opponent after 7:19, but by the time Lee Stalsworth got the Rams their next points with a 10-0 decision, the Gobblers had

built up an insurmountable 14-5 lead, and none of the other VCU matmen was able to earn any points. The loss evens the Rams' record at 6-6, with the Atlantic

Coast tournament coming up this weekend.

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Stronger Ram-erica has ramifications

By Duke Smither

Ever hear of the Rams?

Only a year ago, this question would probably have been greeted with guffaws from a portion of the basketball world.

Today, the answer would be, at the least, a meek yes because of their added credentials—a 13-11 record as compared with 5-18 last year—which promotes the Rams to a comfortable status in the basketball universe.

The Rams come from the small country of Ram-erica located near the bordering jungles of the VCU continent.

Before embarking on their road of imperialistic acquisition of neighboring countries, the Ram-ericans were a portrait of problems. Inexperience in battle and a lack of teamwork were only two of their many hindrances.

However, after losing four consecutive contests at the outset of this season and five outstanding citizens temporarily exiled, the Ram-ericans made an astounding recovery after being defeated by the Island of Hampden-Sydney. Uniting for a common cause, Ram-erica astonished friend and foe alike in their thirst for victory.

The two wars with Hampden-Sydney are of significance. The first served as the springboard to Ram-erican conquests. The second was the Rams' final satisfaction that they had indeed made progress.

But while everyone is nursing their wounds, Ram-erican generals are planning to further their political endeavors next year by invading such potent territories as Providence, Western Kentucky and Ohio U.

Imagine the ramifications!

Establishing a name among nations of this caliber would greatly enhance Ram-erica's prestige, which only a year ago, under another name, wasn't exactly enviable.

Of course, with Ram-erica in such an expanding program, expenses may also expand. But that's no real problem; they can always revert to the tax-paying inhabitants.

Another sidelight of the new ramifying possibilities will be the influx of mercenaries to help in waging battle, of course, with compensation. In fact, three of these merciless specimens are already on Ram-erican soil while the head strategist for the Rams left on a recruiting tour to Texas, Arizona and Colorado last week. The mercenaries being sought will have to qualify in two categories—height and skill.

Crew schedule

April 5: The Potomacregatta at Georgetown, George Washington, Marietta, UVA., St. Joseph's, Villanova and Marist.

April 12: Washington and Salisbury State; home—2 p.m.

April 26: Southern Rowing Association Invitationals; 12 teams from Virginia, Alabama, North and South Carolina and Florida; at Charleston, S.C.—2 p.m.

May 3: Washington and Salisbury State at Chestertown, Md.—2 p.m.

May 9-10: The Dad Vail Regatta; Schuylkill River, Philadelphia, Pa.

May 17: Intramural Regatta; home—2 p.m.

Tourney slated here

Fencers from four states are expected to turn out at VCU for the Virginia State Sabre Championship March 15 in the gymnasium.

The state epee championship will be held March 2 at the University of Virginia, and the state men and woman's individual foil championship on March 22 at the College of William and Mary.

VPI-VCU scoring

115..... Mitchell (VCU) p. Gilbert 7:19
123..... Fried (VT) d. Legge 8-2
130..... Reid (VT) d. Madigan 12-4
137..... Stover (VT) won by forfeit
145..... Tucker (VT) d. Wood 9-2
152..... Stalsworth (VCU) d. Webb 10-0
160..... Blair (VT) won by forfeit
167..... Post (VT) d. Fitz
177..... Davis (VT) p. Ratkus 4:20
Unlimited . Horrell (VT) p. Crotty 1:59

OD 25-game streak is snapped by Ramlettes with 67-61 win

By Lou Skinner

The VCU Ramlettes smashed Old Dominion's two-year winning streak last week by defeating the Monarchettes, 67-61. It was VCU's first win over ODC's squad and Old Dominion's first loss in nearly 26 games.

Four members of the VCU squad scored in double figures. Co-captain Ann Murphy led the team with 19 points. She was followed by Ann Carneal—16, Co-captain Wanda Quesenberry—15, and Debbie Eades with 12 points.

Under Strong Pressure

VCU led by one point at the end of the first quarter, while the Monarchettes moved ahead 27-24 at the half. Old Dominion held the lead throughout the third quarter, but the VCU team continued to match each basket they scored. In the fourth quarter, the Ramlettes came from behind with 25 points to win the game 67-61. Continuous fouling by ODC and the ability of the Ramlettes to play under strong pressure, proved to be a decisive factor.

Ramlette Gloria Crittendon said, "Winning against ODC proves that we have the ability to beat any college team. The main deciding factor, as always, is the desire to win."

"The girls worked together as a team," added Ann Carneal, "and the squad showed a superb effort in defeating Old Dominion."

Jayvees Win

The Jayvees romped over Westhampton's JV squad, 46-24, to pick up their fourth win of the season. Ann Birindelli scored 13 points, followed by Ann Sheets with 10

points, and Gwen Walton with 7 points. The varsity team suffered a 40-32 setback by Westhampton's varsity squad.

Tonight the team is to play the University of Maryland at College Park. Tomorrow afternoon, the team plays American University at Washington. Prior to the game against Chowan College, the varsity record stood 7-3. The JV squad stands 4-3.

Quarter Scores

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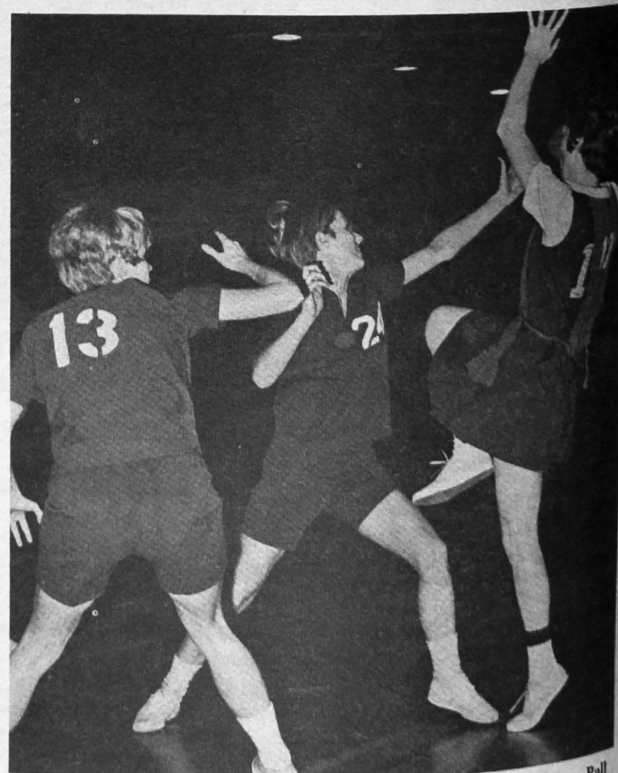
VCU 15 9 18 25

ODC 14 13 20 14

Junior Varsity game

VCU 8 8 13 17

W.H. 9 3 6 6



A VCU Co-ed, Off Balance, Still Tries to Gain Possession of Loose Ball
Ramlettes Ended Two-Year Winning Streak for Old Dominion Last Week

Fencing is 'ideal' sport

For a sport that is fast, safe and offers both physical and mental exercise, a VCU Medical Center physiologist recommends fencing.

Dr. N. Herbert Spector, an assistant professor of physiology and psychiatric research, is a fencer with 30 years experience in the art of swordsmanship. He rates fencing as the ideal sport for men and women, young and old.

"One can fence to a ripe, old age and still be good at it and still enjoy it," Dr. Spector said. Practiced for centuries for deadly combat dueling, fencing has continued as a sport because of the benefits—poise, co-ordination, timing, speed, agility and physical fitness—it offers to fencers who stay in practice.

Dr. Spector, founder and instructor of the Richmond Fencers Club, has been selected for the Olympic fencing squad for the last 16 years based on his performance in national competitions. He is the Virginia foil and sabre champion, the Southeast regional individual sabre champion, and was a finalist in the 1968 Olympic sabre trials.

The average age of the national competitor is 30. Dr. Spector is 49, but looks 35.

"I attribute that to fencing," he said. "Before a national competition, I diet for a month and put my pipe away."

"When you've fenced for some time, you learn to quickly evaluate your opponent, to anticipate his moves," Dr. Spector said. "Fencing has all the elements of chess. Once you are past the preliminary stages of basic movements, then it becomes a game of outwitting your opponent. Beginners enjoy fencing as an exercise; others enjoy it as a mental exercise as well. I don't know of any other sport that offers as much physical and mental exercise simultaneously."

VCU chessmen drop tournament

VCU's chess team participated in a tournament last weekend at East Carolina University, but had to drop out of the contest before it was finished due to lack of funds.

"We probably would have finished ninth or tenth out of a field of 14 if we had had the proper funds to remain and complete the tournament," said Dr. Charles M. Renneisen, dean of students.

Other universities competing in the tournament were: the University of Tennessee, University of Kentucky, University of Virginia, and various colleges in North Carolina, South Carolina and West Virginia.

Pairings for the tournament were made Swiss style, meaning lots were drawn to determine opponents.

Each VCU chessman played three rounds. Dennis Wyman, ED3 Highland Springs, turned in the best performance among the VCU players, said Dr. Renneisen.

"This was a great opportunity for VCU to contact other schools for possible matches next year, said Renneisen. "We learned a lot from playing in the tournament and it was a helpful experience for all members who participated."

The chessmen have tentatively scheduled a statewide collegiate chess tournament for the end of March.

Dr. Charles Renneisen Watches Chess Team Play

Dees' trip fruitless in talent quest

By Duke Smither

Athletic Director Benny Dees visited some far-flung points last week in an effort to recruit new athletic talent.

Coach Dees' trip took him to Arizona, Colorado and Texas. The effort apparently was not too fruitful.

"The trip didn't turn up anything positive," Dees said. "We haven't closed anything yet insofar as contracts are concerned; it's too early to tell anything right now."

Earlier this year, the Rams recruited three impressive cagers who are enrolled at VCU this semester. They are 6-7 Charles Booker, 6-6 Dick Davidson and 6-5 Charles Chambliss.

But according to Dees, "We've really just about completed our recruiting efforts with where we stand now; however, we could still use one good guard and one big man."

At Phoenix Junior College, Coach Dees went after the big men, 6-8 Leroy Cobb and 6-8 George Watson, only to find himself competing with basketball powerhouse Southern California.

"These fellows will be coming from a real good ball club that's 28-0 and second in the nation," he noted. "But it seems that they will be going with Southern Cal next year. Both were from New Jersey."

He added, "We're still considering prospects in the local area and a player in Kentucky."

As for next year's schedule, "all of our six major college games have definitely been confirmed, but we haven't contracted any more along those lines," he said.

The six major-college teams Dees referred to are Ohio University, Western Kentucky, Providence, Tennessee Tech, Akron and Long Island University. One game will be played with each of the six schools, all of them on the road.

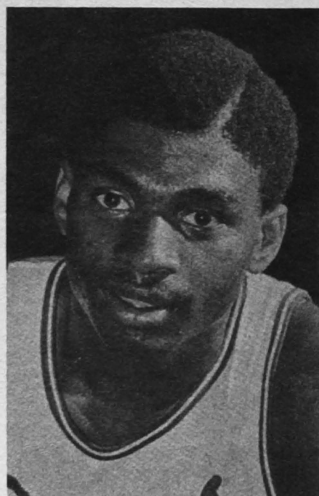
"For next year, we've scheduled 16 games so far with eight of those being at home," Dees said. "Although I feel certain that by the time we've finished, we'll close to a total of 22 games."

At present, next year's lineup features the College of Charleston (home), Hampton Institute (home), Hampden-Sydney (home and away), High Point College (home), Quantico Marines (home), Atlantic Christian

(home and away), Virginia State College (home) and York College (home).

"However, I'm also certain that we'll be playing Virginia Union University at home and Washington and Lee and Old Dominion away and at home," Dees added.

When asked about the past season's performance and 13-11 record, Dees maintained, "We were satisfied



Jasper Rice

over all with our team; they did a real good job.

"The key to a good season next year lies in the fact that they will definitely have to improve and learn how to keep poised against the bigger schools we'll be running against."

Sports Menu

Today
Girls Basketball
VCU at Maryland
Wrestling
VCU at Atlantic Open
Saturday
Girls Basketball
VCU at American U
Wrestling
VCU at Atlantic Open
Monday
Intramural Basketb lb

6 p.m. Gentlemen vs. PBR's
7 p.m. Low Hole Wild vs. Dudes
8 p.m. Surprises vs. Drafts III
9 p.m. Rebels vs. Hasbeens

Tuesday
Intramural Basketball

6 p.m. 806 vs. Short Shots
7 p.m. Ariens vs. German Club
8 p.m. Scherer vs. Pressmen
9 p.m. 828 vs. Eps

Wednesday
Intramural Basketball

6 p.m. Surprises vs. Ejects
7 p.m. Drafts III vs. PBR's
8 p.m. 806 vs. Sots
9 p.m. Low Hole Wild vs. Hasbeens

Thursday
Intramural Basketball

6 p.m. Pressmen vs. Short Shots
7 p.m. Eps vs. Drama
8 p.m. 928 vs. German Club
9 p.m. 806 vs. 812 Kids

Eps, Rejects on top in respective leagues

By Larry Lyon

As the intramural basketball season draws to the final weeks the two league races have taken on different looks.

The Club League is still very much a tight race with the Eps holding a slim lead over the Scherer and German teams while in the Open League the Rejects have built a comfortable lead over the second place Sots.

In Club League action, the Eps easily handled Lafayette, 50-35, to retain their lead as Mehanll lead the winners with 18 points and Kendrick added 12. Simpson scored 21 for the losers. Other league action saw 828 hand Meredith a 44-33 defeat while the winless drama team lost by forfeit to the Short Shots.

In the Open League the Low Hole Wild dropped two close games, losing to the Rejects by two points and then falling by one to the Sots. The league-leading Rejects continued to increase their lead as they took a 55-53

decision from the Low Hole Wild behind Chenault's 23 points with Collins and Cobbs adding 15 and 10 points, respectively.

The second place Sots also managed to edge out the Low Hole Wild, 46-45, as Burton and Hall each scored 12 points. The Low Hole Wild team was lead by Jackson in both games with 14 against the Sots and 18 against the Rejects.

The Drafts III failed to put anyone in double figures in their game with the Hasbeens despite a 45-32 victory.

Scherers Routed

In previous action, the Scherer team routed 806, 71-41, the Pressmen overpowered Circle K, 56-23, Lafayette took Meredith, 56-34, and the Quiz Kids defeated 828, 51-46, in the Club League.

The Dudes crushed the Rebels, 67-40, and the Drafts III out scored the Low Hole Wild, 59-52, in the Open League.

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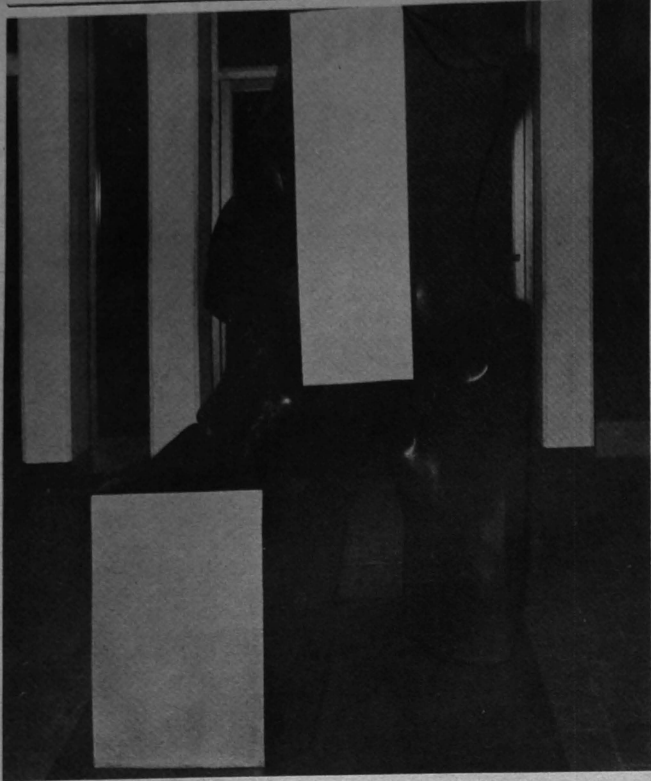


Photo by Bill Gorry

Nameless Sculpture Stands in Rhoads Hall

Abstract is exhibited by instructor in art

A nameless, undescrivable creation stands in the center of the lobby at Rhoads Hall.

The most recent sculpture on exhibit there is about six feet tall. Cast in bronze and weighing approximately half a ton, it is curved in and out, with several flat shingling areas. A short tunnel runs under the bulk of the sculpture, along the base.

Charles Henry, instructor of sculpture, completed the work as part of his graduate thesis at Cranbrook Academy of Art in Detroit, Mich.

Henry said he worked on the sculpture for about six months. The cost of material amounted to \$500. The work has been on exhibit in a Detroit museum.

Because of the size and weight of the sculpture, it was difficult to transport to the dormitory. A wrecker was rented to lift it on and off the small trailer that carried it.

The art instructor said that he had not titled the piece.

Speaking of the process that went into his work, he commented: "I would describe it as an abstract sculpture...It was first made in wax, and from wax, molds, and then I cast it into bronze."

When the work is removed from Rhoads Hall, it will probably be placed on exhibit somewhere else. If the right offer comes along, he will sell it, Henry said.

Economics discussed

The Economics Society will meet Tuesday, March 18.

The society was organized by Dr. R. Pierce Lumpkin in 1967 to discuss the economic problems of the present day. Among speakers who have appeared to talk on specific economic issues in recent months are J. Sargeant Reynolds, a Richmond-Henrico representative to the House of Delegates, and City Manager Alan Kiepper.

According to the society's treasurer, William Mullins, Econ4 Richmond, there are plans to have Dr. Lumpkin, former head of the Economics department, speak in a future meeting.

Also tentatively set is a discussion by the ambassador from Kuwait, a

sheikdom in the Middle East, said to have the highest per capita wealth in the world.

"We try to average one speaker a month," said Mullins. "This year we have had about three speakers so far."

The society's programs and membership are not restricted to students majoring in economics.

DE students to meet Thursday

Delta Epsilon Chi will be host to high school students in distributive education from the counties surrounding Richmond on Thursday, March 13, at 3 p.m. The visiting students will convene in Hibbs 403.

According to Gail Fitzgerald, Ed2 Greenwood, club president, this has been declared D.E. Day here and its purpose is to acquaint high school students with Delta Epsilon Chi, the teacher-education program for Distributive Education and the college facilities and activities of this campus.

On SGA credit

Members, deans speak out

By Warren Morgan

Members of the student government are voicing approval of the proposal to give three credits per semester to members of the SGA.

Still in its early stages, the proposal, made by SGA President John Norcutt, was sent to the House Rules committee last week. It is to be sent to the Academic Status Committee.

Discussion on the proposal, though limited, has brought out many suggestions and fears on the part of the members, and some administration members. Those students interviewed were in favor of the proposal. One member of the administration is opposed to it, and another supports the idea with reservations.

Fred Shorter, SGA parliamentarian, said, "I think it is only equitable. I am against it being any departmental credit. It should be listed as an elective."

"Some people have drawn an analogy of the SGA to sports and the publications. I don't think the analogy holds. What we are doing here is a new idea, and a good idea."

Shorter also said that he hopes the proposal comes out of the Academic Status Committee with more explicit ideas. "I think you are going to see widespread support from the SGA."

Gary Morgan, Art2 Annandale, is for the proposal stating that it is the only thing SGA members get for their experience. He has two reservations. The first is that as yet it has not been decided where the credits will come from. He said a possible suggestion would be the Arts and Sciences School or Social Sciences.

The second reservation concerns regulation of the credit. "As far as a person doing his job and earning his credit, it's up to the people who elect him. They should know what kind of guy they are electing." He said that this should be the only criteria for deciding whether a government member deserves his credit, since there is no one who could act as an overall evaluator.

Regulation of Credit

Jay Mangan, Dist1 Arlington, said that he approved of the proposal providing a workable solution to regulating the credits could be made. Mangan suggested that a member of the congress be given one credit as a member; two credits for being on a committee and three credits for being on two committees. Each committee chairman would evaluate the work of each member of the committee. He feels that there are enough committees to allow each member a seat.

"The members deserve it, since it is a learning process," said Pat Steinmetz, Soc2 Richmond. Her experience in student government had helped her in government class she said. She expressed concern over abuse of the credits. "The students in the future who are elected to office might abuse the practice to get the credits. Changes will have to be made in areas such as attendance. It's a slim chance that this could happen."

Tanyua Dickenson, sophomore senator, said, "I'm much in favor of it. I think there should be some sort of check to see that this credit isn't

violated. It's John's motion, so any ideas on it would have to be his." She added that grades shouldn't be given.

Dr. Charles M. Renneisen, dean of students, said that it is the student body's decision as to what standards they will want to establish.

He agreed that the government was a learning process, but he wondered

where the giving of credits would stop. "Would other organizations such as SAAP or a language club deserve credit?"

Dr. Renneisen also agreed that the credits could be used as incentive for the government members, but he said the conception of public service by the members would diminish. "In this society, but not necessarily here, the idea is what can I get out of it."

Not Enough Facts

"My position now is I don't have enough facts on the proposal to comment intelligently. It's a complicated proposal," he said.

He has written to California at Berkely, Harvard and Yale, three universities mentioned by Norcutt in the proposal that use this method of accreditation to see how they make evaluations in their systems.

James W. Bailey, assistant vice president for academic affairs, says he is basically against the proposal. Being part of the SGA is a learning process, but so are a lot of other campus activities."

"The credits would have to be given by department, but which one? Supervision is needed. If a member is willing to work under a supervisor, I am all for it."

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