



Danes Nipped by Williams, 74-71

by Bruce R. Maggin

A questionable call in the closing seconds prevented the Albany State basketball team from upsetting Williams College Saturday night, as the Danes lost its opening game, 74-71.

With 14 seconds remaining in the contest, Albany, who trailed by a point, had the ball to pass in from the backcourt. The pass came to rookie Ed Johnston because he is the fastest man on the team. His defender appeared to use his

body and leg to push Johnson out of bounds but to the disdain of Doc Sauers and his team, the referee didn't call a foul. He gave the ball over to Williams and for all intents and purposes, that was the ballgame.

To the surprise of many, Byron Miller didn't start the game but he made a substantial contribution late in the contest. Freshman Mike Supruniewicz and junior Rich Kapner got the nod in the backcourt. Freshman Ed Johnston moved into Miller's forward spot, along with Reggie Smith and Harry Johnson at center. Harry Johnson, did not have himself a good game and was hampered by foul trouble. But the Danes countered with Harold Merrit in the pivot and he did a whale of a job in the second half.

The Danes started off the contest a little sluggish and quickly fell behind 7-0. Albany finally started to put it together and they and Williams battled neck and neck all evening. Williams was able to take 34-33 lead into the lockerroom at halftime.

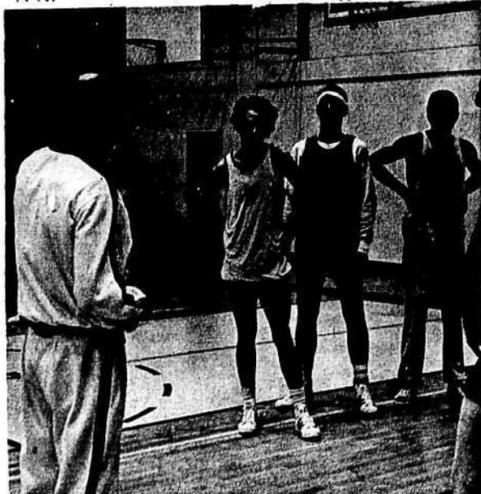
In the second half the Danes started to click and they maintained a three to five point spread, sparked by some hot shooting by Merrit. With five and a half minutes remaining in the game, Harry Johnson fouled out and co-captain Byron Miller came alive. Miller started getting hot from the outside and he was able to score Albany's next nine points. Williams, however, was able to grab the lead as they were sparked by their high scoring guard, Harry Sheehy. With the Danes trailing by a point, Miller converted a three point play after he drove the lane for a beautiful lay-up. The teams continued to play evenly. The Danes held a 69-68 lead with a minute to go but Coach Sauers felt that it was too early to try a freeze. Miller had a good shot from the key but he missed that shot and his follow-up. Williams took the ball down court and scored on a lay-up after Miller blocked a shot.

With time running down, Smith hit a driving layup to

give Albany the lead by a point and it looked like the Danes were going to putt out a squeaker. But it didn't last long. Sheehy calmly threw in a 25-footer with 14 seconds remaining to put Williams in front. That set up the questionable call which Doc Sauers labeled a "bad call." Williams had possession with eleven seconds remaining and they led the game with a bucket with two seconds left, sending Albany home with a tough loss.

Coach Sauers felt his team made a good account of themselves but the team wasn't patient enough. Reggie Smith was high scorer with 17 points. Miller chipped in with 15 points. Ed Johnston, playing in his first varsity game, played very strongly at both forward and guard.

The team travels to Utica tonight to face another young team. Albany continues its road trip at Cortland Saturday, before they return home week from Thursday against Hartwick.



The Cagers practicing last week. Albany faces Utica tonight.

Wrestlers Romp in Quadrangular

by Kenneth Arduino

The Albany Quadrangle meet turned into a triangle when Lehman College was forced to withdraw but it made little difference as the Albany wrestling team impressively destroyed both Dartmouth College and RPI, by the respectable scores of 36-6 and 39-6. Dartmouth squeaked past RPI for second.

It was a total victory for the Danes and the magnitude was quite a surprise. Coach Garcia was expecting the Danes to have trouble with Dartmouth but the Danes totally blew them off the mat. The Danes only lost four matches all afternoon with no one even being pinned.

Albany started out by getting forfeits from both teams at 118 pounds Ethan Grossman then got the honor of winning the first Albany match of the year and the Danes were on top. Last year's top pinner, Larry Mims, followed Grossman with some clutch wrestling. Seeing a 5-1 lead dissipate to 5-4, Mims quickly scored five points in the last period to put the match out of reach.

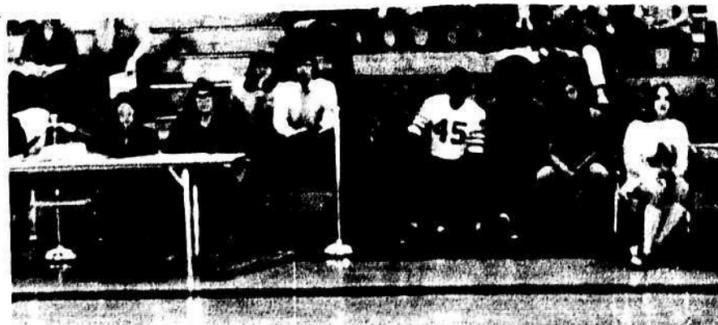
Tom Horn followed with Albany's first pin as he took control of his match. It was the Dane veterans who led the way. Horn won his second match reversing his opponent with just 4 seconds left to pull out a victory. For that feat, he earned a large ovation from the sizeable crowd.

In the later rounds both Mims and Grossman got their second wins on pins and along with Rudy Vido, contributed nine points to the cause.

The newcomers joined right in with Ken Knickmyer, Rick Lawrence and Don Mion all looking impressive in winning their first matches.

Both Lawrence and Mion, who are new to the team this year, acted like veterans on the mat belying their inexperience. They will both get better.

For the first time since I have been covering wrestling, the crowd was an outstanding feature. It was a large vocal crowd that gave their support to the grapplers. Their ovations for Vido's explosiveness and Horn's reverse were a cloud as for the basketball team. It looks like the wrestlers have come of age at Albany. Their next match is Saturday at Williams.



The Wrestlers in their triangular on Saturday. They proved too much for their opponents as they beat both RPI and Dartmouth.

Mobil To Cut Gasoline; Vacations In Question

Shuttle Bus Service Ends; Additional Steps Taken

by Dan Gaines

John F. Buckhoff, Jr., SUNYA's Director of Physical Plant, spoke to the University Senate earlier this week about expected gasoline shortages. While the downtown shuttle (Draper) and service vehicles are not in danger this semester, the yellow uptown shuttle is no longer in service. After January 1st, field trips and faculty-administration use of the University Fleet will be curtailed, and there could be curtailing of gasoline usage by the downtown shuttle buses and service vehicles.

While fuel oil and electricity supplies seem relatively secure for the time being, Mobil Oil officially informed the University recently that they would supply only the amount of gasoline that SUNYA bought last year. Buckhoff is certain that in the near future Mobil will make cuts in the amount of gasoline they supply of as much as ten or fifteen percent. Though Mobil has not made an official decision, some people around the University have intimated that the cuts are a foregone conclusion.

In the past three months SUNYA vehicles used 44,400 gallons of gasoline, compared to 35,700 in the same period last year. This rate of gasoline consumption is due to more Draper bus trips because of an increase in the number of students who are living on the downtown campus and off-campus near the bus route. These buses use 75 per cent of SUNYA's gasoline purchases. The University is 8600 gallons behind its allotment already, and that is without the expected cuts.

Buckhoff has set up a priority system describing which uses of University gasoline are most essential. Of most importance is the downtown-uptown Draper bus, since it is the lifeline of a large part of the University community. Second are the service vehicles on campus. Food Service, Security, snow plows, deliveries, etc. Number three on the priority list is the Operation Fleet, twelve cars used by faculty and administrators to get to conferences and other meetings off-campus. Fourth are school field trips, and last in priority are the yellow buses in the intra-uptown shuttle.

Three actions have definitely been taken, affecting the three gasoline users lowest on the priority list. As of Tuesday, Dec. 4th, there are no longer any yellow uptown shuttle buses in service. Buckhoff doesn't see this as having a significant effect; the buses usually run empty and were more a convenience than a necessity. He did point out that some handicapped persons may have relied on the bus, and he has plans to make it so there is a minimum of inconvenience; some handicapped persons who drive here will be able to obtain special parking privileges, for example.

Two more gasoline saving plans

JANUARY

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
6	7	1
13	14	2
20	21	22
27	28	29

Classes begin—8 a.m.

Last day for late registration and to add courses

New Year's Day

will go into effect after the first of January: University buses will no longer be used for field trips, and use of the Operation Fleet cars will be limited.

The Motor Pool is not confident that they will be able to obtain gasoline outside of the University supply, and so while departments and groups will still be able to have field trips, they will have to use chartered transportation.

The Fleet cars will not be dispatched for trips to New York City, Buffalo or out-of-state, and efforts will be made to insure that the most efficient use possible is made of the cars.

If the country goes into gas rationing, or even if it doesn't, it seems likely that Mobil will eventually decide to cut their sales to the University well below last year's levels. If that were to happen, Buckhoff has two more plans to save gas.

First, service vehicles will have to adapt themselves to a weekly quota on gasoline usage. If something has to be moved, for example, a truck will not be dispatched until there are enough things to fill the truck. Food Service and Security also would have to carefully regulate their use of gasoline according to their quotas. If gasoline problem continues after these steps have been taken, then the downtown shuttle may be curtailed in some ways.

Buckhoff emphasized that this would be a last resort. Weekday nighttime hours would probably be cut, possibly to ten o'clock. The number of buses running in the afternoon could be reduced; the morning buses would not be affected.

The University cannot have firm policies, because the gasoline situation is in constant flux. The federal government is trying to increase

Benezet Hints No Xmas Extension; Final Decision Expected Soon

by David Lerner

Justine Davidson, executive assistant to Vice President Philip Sirotkin said yesterday that she believes that there is little likelihood for the President to extend the approaching Christmas vacation. The President, she reported, said that before any final decision was to be made, he would fully consult with faculty and students to assess their views on an extension. Sirotkin's office gave no date when this decision will be made.

Factors influencing the final decision, Davidson said, would include the status of the other SUNY schools and the seriousness of Albany's own fuel shortage. Davidson also said that all students would be informed of the final decision as soon as it has been reached. If, however, no ruling is made until after the vacation has started, the Administration will inform every student through a mailing to his home.

The President Monday had reported that he doubted that an extension of the winter recess would be necessary, leaving open the possibility of a change of mind.

Davidson indicated that much of the confusion centered around the possible extension was due to rumors that had been circulating on campus as to the extent of SUNYA's situation. The Administration will not know for some time exactly how serious Albany's problem is.

The Administration said that it must be fully informed before it decides on any course of action. Davidson emphasized that she was not projecting any Administration attitudes toward the situation, and said that Benezet warned against speculation. "We cannot guess at this time how this University will handle the vacation and fuel situation," Benezet said.

Student Association President Steve Gerber explained the present problem that the Albany campus faces this coming winter because of the present oil shortage situation.

Asked about the possibility of an extension of the winter intersession, Gerber said that there are no definite plans to change the academic calendar. "One thing I am damn sure of," Gerber said, "is that the last thing the students will let happen is for commencement to take place after May 26."

Under the present calendar, the intersession ends on Sunday the 12th of January with the first classes set to convene at eight A.M. Monday. The term ends with the commencement exercises for the Class of '74 on May 26. Any plan to alter that calendar would have to insure that commencement day be left untouched. An alternative way to make up the lost class days if vacations were extended would be the elimination of one of the spring vacations.

Gerber explained the unlikelihood of such an occurrence since SUNY Central decided that there must be at least one vacation before nine weeks of the new semester elapse. The second vacation would probably not be eliminated either, because both Passover and Easter run concurrently about this time of the year.

Since Benezet's statement Monday, Mobil Oil Company, the only distributor of gasoline to University vehicles, hinted that they would be announcing a 10 to 15 percent reduction in gasoline deliveries. Gerber explained the problems that would be the result of such an action.

The University vehicles, most importantly the Draper buses, consumed close to nine thousand gallons of gasoline more during the last three-month period last year. The University is allotted a specific amount of gasoline, he explained, and this amount was not increased from last year. Thus, the University has far exceeded its allotment of gasoline and even if it no cutback from Mobil comes, actions would be necessary to compensate. With the expected reduction from Mobil, more steps, such as the elimination of the on-campus shuttle buses, and the elimination of field trips, will be implemented.

Gerber released a University Senate Executive Committee plan for the upcoming winter to alleviate the possible reduction in Draper bus service. The plan, called the "University Car-Pool Program" calls for President Benezet to set up an Ad Hoc Committee with the purpose of investigating the feasibility of establishing a University-wide car-pool program.

The President's administrative committee will meet today to discuss possible courses of action in the face of the current fuel situation. If they arrive at a complete plan, they will be bringing it to the Senate's special session on Monday. Gerber said that any student wishing to know the Senate's decision should contact the Student Association office on Monday.



GAYDOS

Library Extends Hours For Coming Finals Week

The main library will be open 24 hours daily beginning December 10 through December 22, the week before and the week of the final examination period, in order to provide a place for students to study. The main, second and third floors will be accessible for study purposes only. No library services - circulation or reference - will be provided during the extended hours listed below:

Monday-Thursday: 12 midnight-7:30 a.m.
Friday: 10:00 p.m. - 9:00 a.m. Saturday
Saturday: 10:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Sunday

Policy Changed On S.A. Tax Waivers

by Ken Nugent
A new waiver policy concerning the Student Tax, passed on October 17, will begin to take effect in the beginning of the second semester. Introduced to the Central Council by Steve Gerber, the President of the Student Association, and Howie Grossman, the bill revokes all of the previous waiver policies and generally clears up the

confusion concerning the possibilities of waiving the payment of the Student Tax.

The new bill grants automatic full waivers to students who are members of the clergy, who commute to SUNYA from an area greater than thirty miles away, who work more than thirty five hours per week, or who are responsible for support or care of a child. Documentation of automatic waivers must be in the form of proof of birth of the child or a statement from the employer listing the hours worked by the student per week. The new policy grants partial waivers to student teachers and those students whose education is financed primarily by the G.I. Bill.

Also considered for waivers are students who have files with the Financial Aids Office or the International Students Office. In this case, the student should apply to the Student Activity Assessment Committee for his waiver. The Committee will consult with the office with which the individual is involved and that office will recommend a decision to the Committee as to the individual's eligibility for a waiver.

Students who believe that they are entitled to a waiver must apply every semester, with the exception of those demonstrating support or care of a child. Such students need apply only every other semester. All applications for the waiver of payment of the Student Tax for the Spring Semester are due January 28, 1974.

Library Dedication of the New Judaic Studies Collection

SUNDAY DEC. 9

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Saturday, Dec. 15

LC 18

7:00

10:00

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NEWS BRIEFS

International

SAIGON (AP) More than 100 South Vietnamese warplanes attacked North Vietnamese and Viet Cong positions in retaliation for a Viet Cong assault on South Vietnam's biggest oil depot that wiped out up to half the country's fuel reserves, the government announced Tuesday.

It was the biggest air attack publicly disclosed by the South Vietnamese military command since the cease-fire began last January. South Vietnamese bombers usually fly strikes without public disclosure.

The attack on the fuel depot and the retaliation, both of which occurred Monday, were part of a recent upsurge in truce violations. South Vietnam claims its enemies are preparing for a new general offensive.

SUNNINGDALE, England (AP) Prime Minister Edward Heath opened what he called an historic conference with the leaders of divided Ireland today and said their talks could establish peace and security for the Irish.

As a sign of good will the British leader said an unspecified number suspected guerrillas held without trial in Northern Ireland will probably be set free by Christmas.

Heath said he hoped the conference would produce agreements that would enable Northern Ireland's new executive to take over rule of the war-torn province from the British.

LONDON (AP) A new oil find in the North Sea was reported Wednesday by the Conoco group, which includes Gulf Oil of the United States and Britain's National Coal Board.

According to an estimate in the Financial Times, the find, with neighboring strikes, may prove big enough to meet half Britain's total oil needs later this decade.

Conoco said only that a discovery well has tested oil at "restricted rates" of 5,177 barrels a day.

National

WASHINGTON (AP) House Minority Leader Gerald R. Ford nomination as vice president was endorsed enthusiastically in the House today as it moved toward his confirmation.

Ford won the praise of both Republicans and Democrats during the debate that preceded that late-afternoon vote.

One Democrat, Rep. Clarence E. Long of Maryland, urged House Republicans to an impeachment move against President Nixon so Ford could be elevated to the presidency.

If Nixon remains in office for three more years, said Long, the Democratic can win the White House in 1976 "with the Boston Strangler" as a candidate.

For the most part, however, partisanship was put aside as the House members heaped tributes on Ford, who has been their colleague in Congress for 25 years.

WASHINGTON (AP) Sen. Lowell P. Weicker Jr. is reported to be preparing a detailed legal brief accusing President Nixon of taking an unjustly warranted half-million-dollar tax deduction on his vice presidential papers.

The Connecticut Republican's top aides said they had been instructed not to discuss the matter, but a White House source said the President's lawyers are aware of Weicker's investigation into Nixon's personal finances.

Presidential spokesmen have said a detailed Nixon financial statement will be released this week. When the White House briefed Republican leaders on the substance of the statement earlier this week, Weicker told them not to accept it blindly.

Weicker, junior member of the Senate Watergate committee, has conducted an independent investigation during the past year of various administration activities.

(AP) Officials in Ohio and Pennsylvania used the threat of arrest and National Guard action Wednesday to force truckers protesting high fuel prices and low speed limits to lift highway blockades.

In Ohio, riot-clad police and tow trucks manned by National Guard crews moved in Wednesday night to arrest drivers and move vehicles if necessary after officials ordered secondary roads closed by 9 p.m.

About 50 drivers peacefully abandoned a blockade at the intersection of Ohio highways 16 and 161 as about 50 police and two tow trucks approached soon after the 9 p.m. deadline.

The site of the blockade was seven miles north of Interstate 70 and 25 miles east of Columbus.

The clearance order applied to 10 leader highways within a 15-mile area along Interstate 70, which runs through the middle of Ohio between West Virginia and Indiana. A total of about 300 truckers stalled traffic along the auxiliary roads.

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Bob Kanarek Controller



State Assemblyman Peter Costigan outlined the proposals of the Select Committee on Higher Education at a press conference held Thursday at the State Legislative Office Building.

Costigan Committee:

Financial Aid Revision Proposed

by Linda Mule

Assemblyman Peter J. Costigan, Chairman of the Select Committee on Higher Education, announced yesterday the committee's proposal for a new system of financial aid to college students in New York State.

The proposed Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) is designed to maximize freedom of access to institutions of higher education for all qualified students and to foster competitive equilibrium between public and private colleges, according to the committee. TAP will replace the current Scholar Incentive Program

a student might receive from federal and State sources will not exceed the cost of his educational expenses.

At a press conference outlining the new aid proposal, Assemblyman Costigan said that if it is put into operation, "there will be no loss to any student in any system in the state, public or private." He added his belief that all higher education institutions in the state would benefit greatly from the new program.

"The problems in financing a student's higher education are enormous for everyone concerned

PROPOSED TAP AWARDS

Net Family Income	Present Award	SUNY ED	SUNY UD	PRIVATE
\$0 - \$2,000	\$600.00	\$650.00	\$800.00	\$2,000
5,000	200.00	470.00	620.00	1,820
8,000	200.00	240.00	380.00	1,580
11,000	100.00	100.00	100.00	1,280
14,000	100.00	100.00	100.00	920
17,000	100.00	100.00	100.00	500
20,000	100.00	100.00	100.00	100

but Regents scholarships will be continued to reward scholastic achievement. The committee recommended a standard sum of \$250 annually to each Regents scholar.

According to Mr. Costigan, TAP will provide more money for students by providing a greatly expanded grant program. Its long range goal is to subsidize tuition at public schools completely and at private schools to a level of \$2,000 for the lowest income student.

Award amount, based on family net taxable income, will be scaled down as income rises.

"TAP would probably take at least four years to phase in completely," Mr. Costigan said. During that time, it would be necessary to keep some classes under the present program in order to adjust to the fiscal realities of the State Budget.

The gradual phasing in of a new program will also allow for effective coordination with BEOG, the Federal Basic Educational Opportunities Grant Program, so that the total amount of financial award

Brown Addresses Gays At Weekend Here

by David Harrienger

Gay physician Dr. Howard Brown spoke at Albany Friday night, under the sponsorship of the SUNYA Gay Alliance. Also featured was Ms. Nath Rockhill, who has worked for several years on behalf of lesbian rights groups. The speeches kicked off a weekend of activities held by the Alliance, including a dance, parties, a luncheon, a coffeehouse, and two film showings.

Ms. Rockhill centered her talk on her experiences working for four years in Lesbian Liberation. She stated that she was amazed at how quickly change has come in the acceptance given homosexuals by society in recent years.

According to Ms. Rockhill, the homosexual lives two types of oppression - his own feelings of guilt and self-oppression and the role expectations of society. "Role expectations are what makes society outside our heads come down on

Referendum Favors Impeachment

The results of the referendum on impeaching the president held by the Central Council last Thursday and Friday show a strong pro-impeachment feeling exists among those who voted in it. About 5 out of 6 students voting responded "yes" to the statement "I, as a student of the State University of New York, call for the impeachment of Richard Nixon." Besides the referendum, elections were held for student representatives on Indian and State quads.

In the quad elections, Andrew Bauman won the post of University Senator from State, and Lew Fidler was chosen as Indian quad's Central Council representative.

Voting on the quads was conducted by ballot, while voting machines were used at the Campus Center on the referendum issue.

According to Carol Hackett, about 700 persons participated in the referendum. This number, although small compared to the whole SUNYA student body, was considered by the council to be fairly good, especially since there

were few other issues at stake in this election, and thus there was not a great deal to interest students in participating.

The purpose of the referendum was to determine whether a policy statement on behalf of the students should be issued on impeachment. A bill passed Wednesday in the Central Council calls for the results of the poll to be sent to the President, the New York delegates to the House of Representatives, the Chairman of the House Judiciary Com-

mittee Senator Jacob Javits, Senator James Buckley, Senate majority and minority leaders, The Chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, and all Capitol District newspapers and media, and all prominent news services.

The proposal to hold the referendum was made in the Council by Ken Stokem, after a bill to issue a policy statement failed to pass. The motion received the required thirty percent vote of Council members and was then submitted to the students for referendum.

Pot Seized On Dutch

by Kurt Emmerich

Albany State Security Police, armed with a search warrant from Guiderland Town Justice Court, searched a suite in Van Cortlandt Hall Wednesday and confiscated an undisclosed amount of marijuana and hashish. The "hit" was a result of an investigation which allegedly turned up a pot plant in the window of the offenders' suite. Four people were involved, however their names are being withheld by this reporter until formal charges are brought to bear upon them.

The Security Police are waiting for the State Police Lab to weigh the "contraband" before they bring charges upon the four suspects. Assistant Director of Security, James J. Connolly explained that the offenders were allowed to remain on campus and get in touch with relatives and their lawyers. They will be formally arrested by the Security Police as soon as the weights are calculated by the State Police Lab. The reason for this is that each of the four will be charged according to the amount of marijuana and/or hashish found in his desk at the time of the search.

Under New York State's Drug Law, whether or not the offense is a felony or a misdemeanor is based on the weight (amount), in the suspect's possession.

Because Van Cortlandt Hall is in the Town of Guiderland, the Guiderland Township Court Judge issued the search warrant. Any misdemeanors occurring will be tried in Guiderland Town Court. Any felony (Possession of more than one-quarter ounce of

marijuana) will be tried in either County Court or by the Grand Jury.

Assistant Director Connolly pointed out that the Security Police didn't think it necessary to arrest the four on Wednesday because, as he put it, "We don't consider them fugitives." He went on to explain that the amount of dope was not indicative of dealing but rather more for personal use. He did not mention the legal aspects of the plant found growing in the suite.

When asked if the Security Police have the option to arrest or not arrest the offenders, Mr. Connolly replied that the Campus Security Police are law enforcement officers and they take the same oath as any other policeman. Therefore, he continued, there would be no attempt to ever cover up such an offense on the part of the Campus Security.

After formal arrest of the suspects, it will remain to be seen how they are affected by the New Drug Law instituted in September. Although the laws concerning marijuana were not changed as drastically as with other drugs, there will be a closer guide for the courts to follow as a result of the new law.

Another ramification of this will be to see how the courts handle the possession aspect of the case. Will they hold each person responsible only if he has any illegal drugs in his desk or will everyone in the same room be charged for the possession? Also, who will be held responsible for the plant growing in the window?

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persons, and was followed by a telephone press conference with local television stations. Dr. Brown said the reason more homosexuals in top jobs had not come out publicly was that they are still afraid of the consequences to their jobs and positions. Both he and Ms. Rockhill also re-emphasized their belief the press was becoming more lenient toward Gays.

Everyone had a good time at a party held afterwards which was attended by over 100, a number considered surprisingly good by Alliance president Lawrence Keleher. He said that the dance Saturday was attended by about the same 120, while 47 persons attended the film "Fortune in Men's Eyes" on Sunday. Attendance to a coffeehouse Saturday was less than 30, but was better than expected.

Keleher termed the weekend successful in its goal of publicizing the group and bringing together Gay people from the area.

The attitude of the press and the media has become much more favorable, according to Brown. He noted that the language used by the press is more positive in regard to homosexuality.

The event was attended by 97



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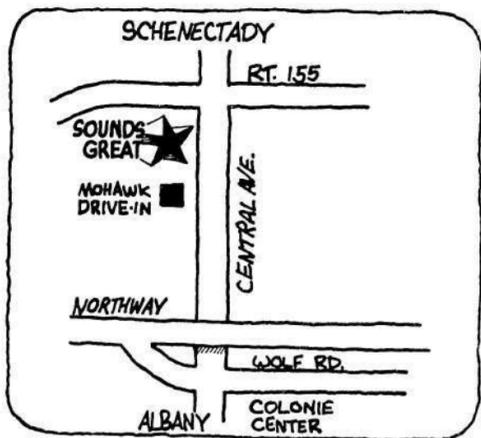
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Judaica Collection Opens Sunday

The community at large is invited to the dedication of Albany State University's Judaica Collection on Sunday, December 9th at 2:30 PM in Lecture Center 18 on the campus. The principal speaker will be Dr. Alfred Gottschalk, President of Hebrew Union College. The ceremony will be followed by an open reception in the Art Gallery.

The Judaica Collection, consisting of about 6,400 works, represents a lifetime of concerned, thoughtful acquisition by Dr. Mordechai Kosover, renowned scholar in Hebrew and Oriental linguistics. After his death, the collection was brought to the attention of the Judaic Studies Department at SUNY Albany. Library experts examined the collection and found that it contained a number of rare books from the 17th and 18th centuries, as well as books which are unavailable even in outstanding scholarly libraries. All in all, the collection was given superior ratings by the experts. The newly emerging Judaic Studies Department was anxious to acquire the collection to provide adequate support for the program of instruction and research activities of their students and faculty. Since the University did not have sufficient funds to purchase the collection, the late Samuel Aronowitz, together with Sidney Albert, Lester Kommit and Leo Phaff, undertook a fund raising campaign within the local Jewish community to secure the additional monies needed.

Although the books are written in many languages, among them English, French, German, Arabic and Russian, a good part of the collection is in Hebrew and Yiddish. There are over 1000 volumes in history and biography alone; books on the holocaust and Dead Sea Scrolls, folklore of cultures and lands, Biblical Scholarship, encyclopedias, literature and poetry are but some of the categories found in the collection. Outside students and scholars, as well as those within the University, will have access to the books.



Dr. Alfred Gottschalk, President of Hebrew Union College, will be the main speaker at the dedication of the Judaica Collection at State University of New York at Albany on Sunday, December 9th at 2:30 pm in Lecture Center 18.

250 Expected To Enroll In Spring

by Charles Pritchard

Goals for new admissions for the spring of 1974 have been established by the Admissions office, with the prospects of meeting them very good. However, there is a possibility that the housing crisis of early fall may be revived when the new students take up residence on campus.

Rodney Hart, the admissions Director for the university, outlined some of the goals for next spring. He noted that the "impact on overall campus enrollment figures was not that great."

Hart said that he is hoping for an enrollment of 250 new students next semester. This total consists of 30 new freshmen, 195 incoming transfer students, and an expected 25 new students to be enrolled under the E.O.P. program. The estimated E.O.P. student figure includes 15 freshmen and 10 transfers, although Hart said he

was hoping for as many as 48 new E.O.P. students.

Hart indicated that there was a significant difference between the projected spring enrollment and last year's enrollment totals. Last year 383 students were admitted in the spring, of which 38 were under the E.O.P., as compared to the expected 250 students to be enrolled next semester.

The impact on the on-campus housing situation may be significant. Hart mentioned that there were an estimated 150 to 200 spaces available for new students, which could leave up to 100 students without spaces. He said the university may feel the "housing crunch" again. It was also noted, however, that some of the new students might be commuting students or visiting students. This would tend to lessen any crisis in housing which might develop.

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Both officers allegedly suffered cuts, lacerations, and bites. Smith's suitmates, could not be reached for comment. Eleanor Hathaway, Residence Director on Dutch Quad stated that she had known him personally last year, but that all she knew about the situations was what she had read in the papers.

Ebony Voices Perform Today

by Terrance D. Harps, Unity Press Service

The Ebony Voices, a black choir sponsored by EOPSA will make their first appearance today at 2:00. The choir will perform for the Jazz 210 class of Dr. Irvin Gillman in the Performing Arts Center Recital Hall.

The Ebony Voices was started in 1971 by two EOP students. The choir was directed by Marvalene Moore who has since left to work

on her Doctoral in Music at Michigan State University. She has been replaced by Rudolph Stinney, a graduate of Fisk's University School of Music and Minister of Music at Bethel Baptist Church in Troy.

The choir offers a variety of music stemming from gospel to contemporary rock. Some of the tunes sung for the first time will be, "Love, Why Did You Go Away," Stevie Wonder's "Sunshine of My Life," and Diana Ross' "Reach Out and Touch."

Although this is the first performance of the year, there are many of last year's veterans remaining on the choir with ample "on the road" experience. These seasoned songsters should provide the base needed for a fine performance.

Department of Theatre Auditions for Antigone

A Staged Reading based on Sophocles Aeschylus, Euripides) Monday, Tuesday December 10 and 11 7:30 pm Studio Theatre PAC Auditions open to registered SUNYA students

by Jonathan Levenson

Following the first reported fiscal surplus in many years, the Faculty Student Association has announced additional measures to reduce overhead costs and keep students' meal contract rates down. The plan, approved by the F.S.A. food advisory committee, calls for the introduction of a new computerized meal checking system on all quad cafeteria dinner lines.

Each quad's cafeteria would have a small metal box where the checker is. Instead of the present process, where the checker crosses out the meal card number on a sheet, the computerized meal card would be fed into the box. The computer would automatically note the card's number, and the checker would look to make certain that the person waiting on the line is the same person in the meal card picture.

Since the computer system would be campus wide, it could be ascertained whether or not the card had been used previously for that meal. If it had, or if it had been reported lost or stolen, a green light would go on indicating that the meal card was invalid. Otherwise, a red light would blink on, the card withdrawn and returned to the student, and the next card inserted.

This process, which apparently very simple, would allow a complete revision of many of the aspects of the campus food service.

The computer system being considered is manufactured by IBM, and is designed to perform sixteen different operations.

In addition to speeding up the checking process (the new system is supposed to take only 1 1/2 seconds per card), it can decrease meal lines considerably.

With each kitchen having a small

FSA To Computerize Cafeteria

computer extension, the chef can know how many people have eaten and where, and have a better idea of how much food to prepare.

An example of the usefulness of this aspect was seen during the World Series. Very few students had eaten dinner as of 5:30, yet at about 6:00 after the game was over, the lines were extremely long. Had the chefs had numbers to work with, the food preparation might have been adequate.

Refunds For Missed Meals
When a meal card is inserted into the box, the computer would record its number, and where it was used. The effects would be to allow refunds to be made for missed meals, enable extensive statistical analyses to be made concerning eating trends, and, of course, a sharp decrease in freebie meals.

Meal contract students would be advantaged by the plan in that statistical analyses of eating trends

would allow for more efficient food preparation by the chefs, which, added to the faster checking process, would shorten lines and lessen waiting time.

Also, the savings on freebies would lower FSA costs (which are passed on to students in the price of the meal card). The FSA could increase the efficiency of their billing and funding procedures.

At present, each quad's cafeteria is funded according to the number of meal contract students living on the quad. Under the proposed new system, each quad would receive money depending upon the number of diners it served, a more accurate method.

Approved by Advisory Committee

The Food Service Advisory Committee, which includes three FSA representatives and five students, has already approved the installation of the computer system. Whether or not the com-

puter will be installed (on a permanent or trial basis) depends upon the decision reached by the FSA Board of Directors. The Board, which is composed of eleven members: three administrators, three faculty, four undergraduate students, and one graduate student, manages the affairs and property of the FSA.

The Board of Directors will vote on the matter at their December 12 meeting. While the meeting is not open, anyone requesting to attend (in advance) will be allowed to do so.

Three of the Quad Boards have thus far endorsed the computer system: Colonial, Dutch, and Indian. Colonial Quad Board President, Gerry Ring, said that he is in favor of the proposed computer system, "providing that it is used to save students' money."

According to E. Norbert Zahm, who is the General Manager of the

FSA, the FSA could save \$25,000 annually, and he considers this to be a conservative estimate. Zahm said that the computer's cost would be approximately \$12,000.

Peter Haley, Assistant to the Director of Food Service, calls the proposed system "fantastic." He noted that the savings which the computer could make might be enough to offset rising food costs, thus maintaining the present food contract rates.

Vice-President of the SA, Barry Davis, who is on the FSA Board of Directors, said that he opposes the plan at this time.

When the three Quad Boards' endorsement of the system was mentioned to Davis, he remarked that he was unaware of this. He added that the Quad Boards' decision, as representative of the resident students, would be taken into account.

Another member of the FSA Board of Directors, SA Comptroller Bob Kanarek, said that he had not decided upon the matter yet, because he was "waiting for more data." He added that he had not been given hard figures, and that he had not been told the computer system's purposes, or its benefits to the students. Kanarek also mentioned that he "would like to evaluate" the computer system, and find out if there are any "hidden costs."

Brown University, which has a similar computer system installed and working, was contacted. Representatives of the FSA, including General Manager Zahm, pointed out that the proposed computer system would be efficient, but that the staff had talked to administrators, viewed the computer's operation at Brown Uni-



The proposed computer is hoped to shorten the long dinner line waits.

Council Acts On EOPSA Issue

by Ken Wax

Wednesday's Central Council meeting was more crowded than usual. The gallery numbered about thirty-five and the mood of room 375 was one of impatience. The ethnology of the visitors indicated that there was to be a matter of some importance to Puerto Rican students discussed.

The standing committee reports were finished a little after eight o'clock and there was an air of anxiousness during the President's Report. About nine o'clock bill 7374-71 came to the floor. The bill, entitled *What's the Problem?* proposed the creation of a task force to resolve the problems dividing the EOP Student Association. The bill would have the five non-partisan members report their solution, which will be binding on both factions, by January 23, 1974, the week after intercession.

A committee set up by Central Council three weeks ago to investigate the growing division between Black and Puerto Rican

students in the EOPSA reported last week. Their view of the situation was disappointing, reporting little chance for reconciliation between the two groups.

Just seconds after the bill was read the floor was yielded to one of the Puerto Rican students. He suggested that an equitable solution could be found by taking half of the twenty thousand dollars allotted for Black and Puerto Rican Weekend, and use it to budget a Puerto Rican organization for the rest of the academic year.

After brief council discussion, it was pointed out that this money is not intended to be divided up for this purpose and it would be unfair to the black members of EOPSA to make such a decision without giving them a chance to make themselves heard before Council.

The Puerto Rican students reacted by saying that if that was the case, then the EOPSA budget should be frozen because it should not be able to spend any monies during the investigation.



Puerto Rican students sat in en masse at Wednesday's Council meeting. Council acted on a bill pertaining to the split between Black and Puerto Rican factions within EOPSA.

It was noted that because of this internal EOPSA political arguing there had been no minority programming and refreezing the EOPSA budget (which had been frozen and pending the first SA investigation and then thawed) would effectively mean no minority

programming the entire semester. In light of this Central Council added a paragraph which would call for freezing only the half of the Black and Puerto Rican Weekend monies that the Puerto Rican students had asked for, pending the decision of the

bill's binding arbitration committee. This compromise was well accepted and the new committee's chairman, Eric Lonschein, stated he would try to have the committee report before intercession.

After that bill had been acted on the gallery emptied quickly in a mass exodus.

The referendum last week concerning the impeachment of the President was put into writing and will be submitted, in the form of a letter, to Senator Javits to be read into the Congressional Record on behalf of the student body.

The Council decided to investigate the financial practices of the concert board. Their budget is to be submitted to the Central Council for inspection next week. Until further notice Concert Board will be able to spend no new monies, although their previously incurred bills will be paid. The bill calling for the investigation was passed by a voice vote.

If you like jumping out of planes (and who doesn't?) you'll be happy to know that the Skydiving Club is now funded. The Jazz Club got postponed until next week, when, it is hoped, a representative will be present to explain the budget.

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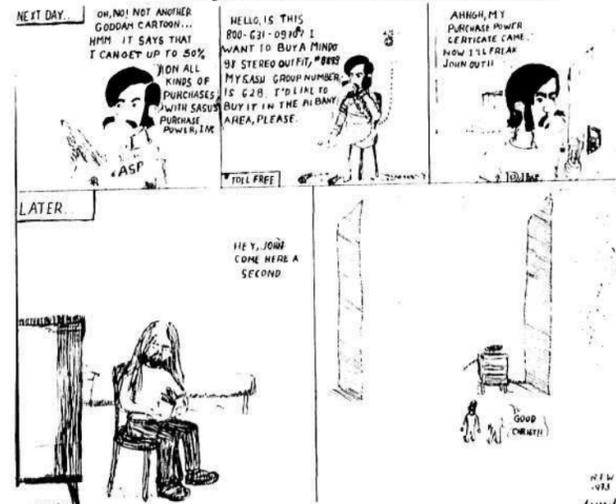
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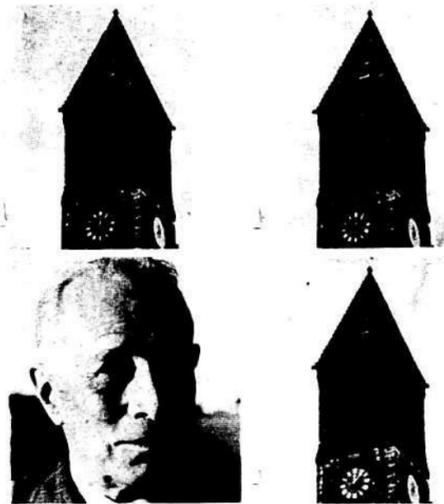
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Albany Budget Passed - Unanimously, of Course



"Are you going to be wooden-headed marionettes?" Theresa Cooke asked the aldermen.

by Glenn von Nostitz
The public hearing room on the second floor of City Hall was very crowded. There were seats for no more than fifty spectators, while many more than that number of Albany citizens had shown up for the city budget hearing Monday night. They were there to urge the Common Council not to approve the proposed \$41.6 million dollar 1974 budget.

But the balding, white haired aldermen seemed oblivious to the pleas of their fellow citizens. Speaker after speaker from the gallery went to the witness stand to testify against the budget, but not even a glimmer of a reaction could be seen on their staid, wrinkled visages. They remained poker-faced as critics charged that the budget is a fraud, that it would waste millions of dollars in support of political patronage, and that the aldermen should postpone their approval of it until they could get answers to hundreds of questions. "Are you going to be wooden headed marionettes?" critic Theresa Cooke asked them.

The response came at the end of the meeting when the budget was finally voted on. The clerk read the roll, marking down each alderman's answer even before he said it. As everyone expected, the budget passed unanimously, much as it has been passed for decades.

Comparisons
The budget document, itself, was a thin pamphlet containing very little information and one of the witnesses displayed to the audience a copy of the Schenectady City budget for purposes of comparison. The Schenectady budget is the size of a Manhattan phone book.

That comparison seemed to very adequately summarize the difference between the two budgets. Albany's budget contained very little breakdown of categories, and included such items as "Youth Resources, Various Programs - \$450,000," "Labor \$500,000" and other such large, unexplained lump sums. The Schenectady budget, on the other hand, enumerated expenditures for every single stenographer and laborer and in many cases contained written justifications for the expenditures.

The Albany budget did not contain last year's expenditure figures,

so there was no way to know if the city was increasing or decreasing appropriations in a particular area without looking up the old figures in the city clerk's office. All of these seeming shortcomings necessarily invoked a great deal of criticism from members of the audience.

A corporation budget officer called the city budget "meaningless" and said that he would be "immediately fired" if he ever prepared a budget like Albany's. Michael Fritz, the unsuccessful candidate for alderman in the 14th Ward called the budget "ridiculous" and another witness, John O'Toole, complained that the budget was released too late; it was made public after the election and after the fiscal year began. According to O'Toole, this was to ensure that the criticism would be little.

Another witness, identified only as a Mrs. Gross, wanted specific answers from the mayor to her questions. "Why," she wanted to know, "are engineering fees going to double. What is being done in the city to mandate that these fees go up?" She had more questions:

"The city bought a dog catcher's van last year for \$4800, but it is always in the garage. This year \$2,000 has been allocated for its maintenance. Why?"

"There is a tremendous labor budget with no breakdown in the water works. How many meter readers do we need?" Mrs. Gross wanted to know.

"Why are lifeguards listed as earning \$500 a week?"

And the list of alleged discrepancies was recited for another fifteen minutes. "Why does it take \$500,000 to run a police communications system in a city Albany's size. It should cost not even half that amount."

Still another witness wanted to know where the "animal control" money was going. There was no allocations breakdown for this department in the city budget. The same witness announced that there would be "fewer pests" in the City of Albany next year because the budget for "pest control" had been reduced substantially.

And then Carl Touhey spoke. "I'm disappointed in the budget," he said, "because certain reforms were not made. There were absolutely no changes in the budget presentation in spite of the closeness of the election results."

The losing mayoral candidate went on to say that Albany's budget "is

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One certainly won't get rich working for the City of Albany. After undergoing considerable pressure from critics, the Mayor's office disclosed figures Monday night showing that the city pays hundreds of laborers bare subsistence wages. In the parks department there are over 200 workers earning \$1.21, \$1.34, and \$1.40 an hour. A laborer in the street maintenance department can earn as little as \$1.17 an hour and a mechanic in the city garage makes only \$1.46 an hour. How the city can legally pay so little is uncertain, since most of the men are full-time workers.

Most of the laborers are thankful for their jobs, however, low-paying they might be. Many of them are retired, and others would be walking the streets of sitting in bars all day long. The city hires them at a pittance and keeps them busy maintaining the parks, cleaning the streets and tending the city landfill site. In return, they are assured of hundreds of loaves of porters voting for machine candidates on election day.

City Hall is not a large building yet it is very well maintained by some 48 custodians. The total amount of money paid to the army of workers city-wide is in the millions of dollars.

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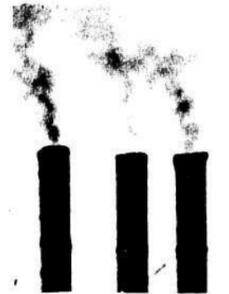
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Coal Use, Strip Mining on the Rise

by Kay Joslin

(CPS) The present shortage of oil and natural gas has led to the call for development of alternate energy sources. Because solar energy, nuclear energy and oil shale development are only in the planning stages the energy demand is turning to the most plentiful and inexpensive source - coal of which there is enough to last the US 2500 years.

The energy panic finds Congresspeople, government officials and the Nixon administration lauding the versatility of coal which can be burned to produce steam in power plants or converted to synthetic, clean-burning gas and petroleum. President Nixon recently ordered federal funds totaling \$165 million for research into coal gasification and liquefaction, as well as mining health and



safety. That the environmental detriments of coal development may outweigh its contribution as a fuel source seems to have been ignored. Coal presently accounts for 18% of US energy needs, by 1985 it could feasibly account for one-half.

A few environmentalists and Congresspeople contend the new coal boom is the work of the oil companies who lubricated the present shortage in order to step up coal development as well as the development of the Alaska pipeline and off shore oil reserves. It would seem the development of coal is to the benefit of the oil interests. Since 1960, 11 of the 15 largest coal companies have been purchased by oil companies and several large oil companies also own vast federal coal leases which they have been sitting on.

For the past 30 years coal has been a largely forgotten energy source, forced out of the markets by the cleaner and cheaper fuels - oil and natural gas. Provisions of the Clean Air Act of 1970 and the Min-

ing Health and Safety Act of 1969 had disastrous impact on the deep mining coal industry of the eastern US. The Clean Air Act outlawed burning of the high sulfur coal mined in that area and the Safety Act required underground safety practices that the coal companies were not willing to invest in.

Although there are vast reserves of high sulfur coal in the Appalachian states approximately 30 per cent of the US coal lies in the North Central Great Plains area and the Southwestern Four Corners area. These low sulfur reserves can be profitably strip mined and burned without emitting sulfur oxides.

Presently production of Eastern coal is slack; since 1969 alone 1500 underground mines have been closed. Despite the Mining Health Safety Act underground mining in the US remains one of the most dangerous occupations; during the last 15 years an average of one coal miner has died in the nation's mines every working day. Further production of Eastern coal remains uncertain pending Congressional action to amend the Clean Air Act and relax the tough safety standards set in 1969.

In 1971, before the energy shortage became an issue, Rep. Ken Hechler (D-W. Va.) was able to get 100 co-sponsors for his bill to abolish strip mining completely, now the tide has turned and bills have recently been introduced calling for relaxation of the pending



federal strip mining legislation. The argument for the abolition of strip mining is illustrated by the example of the devastated Appalachian countryside.

The US Geological Survey reported 3000 square miles, an area the size of Connecticut, have been strip mined and only on one third of this has any reclamation been attempted. According to the survey an area the size of Connecticut, Maryland, New Jersey and New York can be profitably strip mined. Another problem of strip mining is demonstrated by Appalachia, streams are polluted by the water which leaches through the spoil piles and carries acids and poisonous metals, including lead, mercury and cadmium to nearby waterways killing aquatic life. The survey estimated 17,000 miles of waterways have been poisoned by strip mining practices.

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Biologists are concerned about the effect strip mining has on nearby animal, aquatic and plant life. Even on seemingly successful reclamation projects only a small percentage of the original plant species ever return because the mineral content of the soil has been altered. Strip mining destroys the feeding areas of big game birds and forces them to overpopulate other areas. Costs of reclamation projects vary according to mine location; some land has been reclaimed at \$300 an acre, more difficult areas may require up to \$10,000 an acre.

Despite the disadvantages, strip mining continues. It accounted for

40 per cent of the nation's coal in 1973. Although strippable coal accounts for only 3 per cent of the nation's reserves, that is enough to last 75 years at the present rate of consumption.

Most of the cheap low sulphur coal is contained in the Fort Union-Powder River Formation which spans 250,000 square miles in Eastern Montana, Wyoming and the Dakotas.

In the energy companies' projections the area is to become a power



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about 600,000 people to eastern Montana and Wyoming. The projected power plant complex would greatly deplete the water resources in the area.

The 42-plant project is still only a dream of the power companies although Montana has two generating plants under construction and Wyoming has one plant in operation and another under construction. Several gasification plants have been suggested for the area, but no formal action has yet been taken.

According to the environmental impact statement on the power station under construction in Montana, the plant could pollute the surrounding area with acid rains from its wet cooling towers and

although its sulphur oxide emissions would be low, it would emit a harmful amount of fluorides and mercury because Western coal contains as yet unknown amounts of these poisons.

Studies of coal burning power plants in the Eastern US report they are the major sources of poisonous mercury in the air.

The industrial development proposed for the North Central Plains is vaster than that already underway at the Four Corners area in Utah, Arizona, Colorado and New Mexico. Much of the 100 million tons of coal strip mined in the Four Corners area each year comes from the Black Mesa in northeastern Arizona, home of the Hopi and Navajo Indians who regard the Black Mesa as sacred

ground. At least six coal-fired generating plants have been planned for the area; three are in operation, one on the Navajo reservation. All are fed by coal from the Black Mesa.

One Black Mesa plant alone reportedly produces not only more fly ash than that produced by New York city and Los Angeles combined, but also vast unhealthy quantities of sulphur oxide and nitrogen oxides which kill plants and aquatic life.

The power companies have also used vast amounts of water to ship pulverized coal by pipeline, thus jeopardizing the Indians' water supply.

The Hopi Indians, with the assistance of the Native American Rights Fund, are now involved in a suit against the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) seeking to invalidate a 40,000 acre coal lease on Black Mesa because the BIA allowed the tribal council to illegally approve the lease.

Similar to Arizona, one third of Montana coal lies on Indian lands, including the northern Cheyenne and Crow reservations in southeastern Montana. Through a series of negotiations with Consolidation Coal and other coal companies 56 per cent of the Cheyenne reservation has been leased for coal exploration and strip mining. When the tribe learned of Consolidation's plan to build four gasification plants which implied a city of 30,000 non-Indians the Cheyennes sought legal counsel from the native American Rights Fund and have asked the BIA which approved and arranged the leases in the first place to declare the existing coal leases invalid.

The only significant impediments to full-scale coal developments other than the Indians are the state governments involved.



Corning Budget

continued from page eight, submitted in a flimsy and loose fashion - it's the size of a football program, while other city budgets are the size of a phone book." Touhey urged the Common Council to return the budget to the Mayor for reconsideration.

Another critic addressed the 15th Ward alderman directly, asking him to vote against the budget because his district was lost by the machine in the recent election. "The Council is supposed to be a check and balance, not a mouthpiece for the Mayor," she advised.

Noted city critic Theresa Cooke was one of the final witnesses to appear. She first complained that the hearing room was too small for the number of people crowded into it, and that this was "an indication of how Albany's citizens are treated."

She went on to charge that "this is still a fraudulent budget, intended to deceive the public, especially in the revenue section." She complained about the city practice of raising assessments before the budget is prepared, and then "ar-

bitrarily lowering them after the election in order to make it look like the city is "getting more revenues than it really is." She called the aldermen a "room full of wooden headed marionettes."

"The only thing that has changed between last year and today," she announced, "is that nearly one half the voters of this city have announced that they are fed up."

She wrote a letter to Mayor Corning several days ago asking him to answer her questions on specific budget items, and on Monday night the Mayor's responses were delivered to the public. Cooke called his answers "nine pages of nothing."

After all the witnesses against the budget had spoken, the Chairman asked to hear any one who was in favor of the budget. Out of all those in attendance, no one stood up and speak in favor of Mayor Corning's budget. There was silence.

The Mayor, himself, did not show up until near the end of the meeting, and answered a number of questions from the few aldermen who spoke in public. There was a half hour caucus, followed by the expected unanimous vote.

No Confidence
The latest Harris poll shows that only 28 per cent of the American people have confidence in government. The general consensus among those attending Monday night's Common Council meeting was that the outcome of the budget vote will do little to alleviate these feelings.

Reid Blasts Rocky Again

by David Shaffer
ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) Rep. Ogden Reid says Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller will be the major issue in the 1974 gubernatorial election, whether or not Rockefeller runs again.

Reid formally announced Tuesday his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for governor, becoming the first major candidate of either party to do so.

The Westchester congressman, who switched from the Republican to the Democratic party only 18 months ago, first entered politics at the behest of Rockefeller.

But he said Tuesday that "Nelson Rockefeller today is not

the Nelson Rockefeller I once knew" and accused the Governor of being "insensitive to the lack of compassion."

Reid attacked Rockefeller's record on taxes, inflation, education, court reform, legal reform and mental hospitals. Beyond promising "open government," he detailed no specific programs or proposals of his own.

Reid said "I expect the candidate to be Rockefeller," but made clear that even if Rockefeller does not run he will be the Democrats' main target.

"Even if he drops out and the running against the Rockefeller program, and a Rockefeller surrogate," Reid said.

Reid, 48, announced his candidacy on a cross-state sojourn that took him to Buffalo, Rochester, Albany and New York City.

Friday, December 7, 1973

To Russia With Love

by Nancy Miller

Somehow over the ocean Russia lies....

Tuesday marked the preview of one of the most highly touted theatrical productions in the history of the State University Theater: *The Wizard of Oz*. Directed by Patricia B. Snyder, this show would have been noteworthy if only as one of the fall season's major productions, but this company has the added distinction of having been chosen to do an extended tour in the Spring which will carry them to the Soviet Union and Hungary. This tour represents the first college theatre company to be invited to perform on a professional stage in either country.

Of course, the prospect of the foreign tour presents certain challenges, but, here at home, one of the most difficult obstacles to be overcome is the inevitable comparisons with the cinematic classic of the same title on which we were weaned as children. Seeking to create an intrinsically believable fantasy world is no easy task, and this production succeeds admirably.

How Are They Going To Keep Her Down On The Farm?

Bearing most of the onus for credibility is Bertilla Baker as Dorothy, who has added another fine performance to her already long list of credentials. Although she got off to a somewhat shaky start with a rather unimpressive "Somebody Over the Rainbow," she warmed to the part during the

course of the show, and was especially effective in the second act. The talented Miss Baker lent her role a certain verve, and the unquestionably fine voice to sustain it.

Supported by Auntie Em (Alanah Fitzgerald) and Uncle Henry (Joseph Ritter), one suspects that their family portrait would closely resemble a Grant Wood painting.

The Incredible Journey

Kansas, as we all know, is not exactly a "hot spot," and Dorothy has a very active fantasy life to supplement her dull surroundings. These surface in her fantastic journey to the Land of Oz. The first stop in her wanderings is Munchkinland, which is by far the most colorful and pleasing scene in the play. In this delightful recreation, the Munchkins are played by puppets and are presided over in fine style by Gordon Kupperstein as the Munchkin Mayor. Completing this mythical land is the beautifully regal presence of Stancey Patterson as Glinda, the Witch of the North. Her rendition of the part was smooth and added a certain grace to the stage, ranking as one of the truly outstanding performances in the show.

Marring this tranquil picture was the intrusion of the Wicked Witch of the West, who swept in on a puff of smoke. We had already seen Nancy Bandiera's portrayal of the spinster, Miss Gulch - the flower atop her hat bobbing in righteous indignation - but her representation of the Wicked

Witch was vaguely disappointing. She never quite seems to get a handle on the part, and never fully realized her potential for evil. Her comic foil in later scenes, Marci Perres as Bubonia, pointed this out clearly.

A Funny Thing Happened Along The Road To Oz

With the benefit of the silver slippers and a send-off from the Munchkins, Dorothy sets off to see the wizard. En route, she asks directions and befriends a scarecrow, played by Andrew Marashinsky. Possessed of rubber legs and dispossessed of a brain, the Scarecrow showed no want of musical ability in his solo: "If I Only Had A Brain." However, his characterization was not consistent throughout the play and he fell short of greatness.

Thom Prager, on the other hand, turned in a fine performance as the Tinman. Likeable and smooth, his lack of oil notwithstanding, his rendition was solid and dependable. His antic tap-dancing and patter-imperturbable charm and endear him to you, for though he may lack a heart, he has a talent for awakening one in you.

The Heavyweight Champ

But the truly outstanding member of this improbable trio is the Cowardly Lion, played by Joel Aronstein. Tail wagging, laze, grinning, there seems nothing that this talented actor can't do well. His presence and impeccable sense of comic timing make him an un-



forgettable character in any guise, on any stage. His rich voice adds to his stature in both, "If I Only Had the Nerve" and "If I Were King of the Forest." When Aronstein let out a roar, one knew instinctively that this was no cowardly lion, but a King in his own right.

the other two). He asks the most pertinent question of all:

Why Would Anyone Want To Go Back To Kansas?

The Land Of Oz

The cluster of scenes which take place in Oz are weak in comparison with the rest of the show. In "The Merry Old Land of Oz" number, it seems more than a coincidence that two of the guards are blowing whistles; there seems to be a very real traffic problem on stage at that point. The chorus is shown off to its best advantage in these scenes, however, and they are a very well balanced group dealing in relatively complicated music for musical comedies (multiple part harmony).

The Great Oz Unmasked

The Great Oz may be only a poor shadow of a person, but before he is unmasked, we are treated to a technically impressive contraption which alternately booms, roars and spews forth smoke. The voice behind the scenes, however, is that of Joseph Ritter who excels in yet his third role in the show (Uncle Henry and the Gatekeeper being

but he promises to do his best for Dorothy. In a balloon shaped remarkable like a Gemini or Apollo spacecraft, with "U.S.A." pointed on its sides, the Wizard's plan to return Dorothy to her home backfires. At this point in time, Glinda enters and saves the day by assuring Dorothy that she has always had the power to return herself to Kansas, and "Toto, too!" by clicking her heels three times and saying:

There's No Place Like Home

Of so they say, Dorothy is propelled back to the bosom of her family. Dorothy has completed her journey, but she wouldn't have succeeded so well without the aid of many other people including the musical direction of Findlay Coverell, choreography by Victoria Posner, costumes by Lois Morgan, scenery by Robert J. Donnelly, lighting by Jerome Hanley, and stage managing by Keith Smith. There's no stage like home.

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WEEKEND

Friday, Dec. 7

A folk duo: at the Eighth Step Coffeehouse with Heather.

Creative Associates: the contemporary music of Lukas Foss starting at 8:30 in the PAC Main Theatre.

Christman-Hannukah Party: get all the beer you can drink in the State Quad Lounge as you dance to *Sweatband*. From 9 pm to 1 am. 50¢ with state card, \$1 without.

Beer Blast-Mixer: music by *Otto Road*, starting at 9 pm in the CC Ballroom 75¢ admission.

"Rats": Israel Horowitz's play directed by Howard Kolins is presented by the Experimental Theatre. Shows begin at 7:30 and 9 pm; free tickets are available a half hour before each performance.

Saturday, Dec. 8

Twenty gallons of Redeye: and the band *Sun Tour*, will be highlighted at the Alumni Quad Party beginning at 9 pm in the Alden Lower Lounge. 50¢ w/tax, 75¢ w/o.

Sunday, Dec. 9

Contemporary and original folk music: with the guitar, banjo, bass, bagpipes, and comedy of *Bert Mayne and John Pederson*. The good time start at the Rafters in Chapel House at 8 pm. Free.

Music for clarinet: Ann Rugh performs Stravinsky, Shubert, and Brahms with assistance from Ann McGarry (piano), Joan Ferguson (soprano), and Paul Goldberg (cello). The senior recital starts at 9 pm and it's free.

Saturnalia: SUNYA's last tradition, Holiday Sing, presents a night of music and surprises. Be in the gym at 7:00, then stick around for the reception in the CC Ballroom at 10:30.

Child's Christmas in Wales: Dylan Thomas becomes an improvisational dance starting at 3:00 in the Bleecker Library (corner of Dove and Washington). Presented by the Performing Group Dance Council and Electronic Body Arts; admission is free.

Contest Rules

Puzzle solutions must be submitted to the Albany Student Press office (CC334) by Monday, 12 noon following the Friday that the puzzle appears.

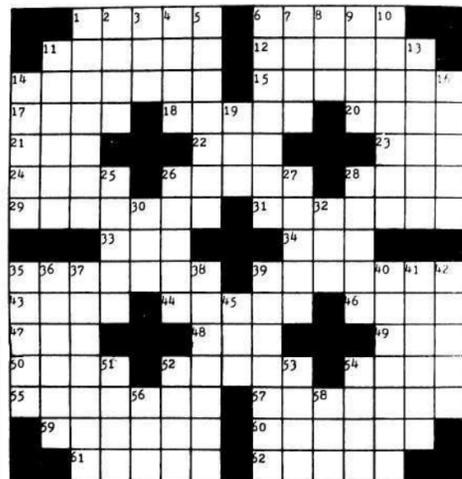
Name, address, phone number and social security number must appear on your solution.

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Each of the three winners will be entitled to a \$10 gift certificate to the campus bookstore. Certificates must be claimed within two weeks of notification.

No one working on or for the Albany Student Press is eligible to win.

Only one solution per person accepted.



By EDWARD JULIUS

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| ACROSS | DOWN |
| 1. Lukewarm | 1. Small Stool |
| 6. Fish | 2. Israeli Politician |
| 11. Bathhouse | 3. Value |
| 12. Olympic Champ | 4. Don Juan's Mother |
| 14. Night Club | 5. Of a Known Year |
| 15. Skilled Workman | 6. Glass |
| 17. Soon | 7. Midwest Belt |
| 18. Hebrew Letter | 8. Decay |
| 20. Samba Language | 9. Leave Out |
| 21. To Give Sp. | 10. Wants |
| 22. Bandleader Pollack | 11. Appetizer |
| 23. Movie Studio | 12. Northerner |
| 24. Fencing Sword | 13. Military Student |
| 25. American Statesman | 14. Corners |
| 28. Herb | 15. Longing For |
| 29. Electron Tube | 25. Burst Forth |
| 31. Deaths | 26. Smells |
| 33. Spanish Digit | 27. Irish Poet |
| 34. Feel Sick | 28. French City |
| 35. Harmonic Relation | 30. Mrs. Lennon |
| 39. POW Camps | 32. Italian Pronoun |
| 43. French State | 35. Picture Game |
| 44. Eaches | 36. Made Amends For |
| 46. Biblical Well | 37. Cure-all |
| 47. Vivant | 38. Speak Vehemently |
| 48. Woman's Name | 39. Tangled |
| 49. Siamese Var. | 40. More Shrewd |
| 50. Single | 41. Equipped |
| 52. Mr. Kostelanetz | 42. Hit Pop Fly |
| 54. Entice | 45. German Conjunction |
| 55. Broke Off from | 51. Fever |
| 57. Confined | 52. Pertaining to Flight |
| 59. Long For | 53. Ireland |
| 60. Expunged | 54. Movie Schizophrenic |
| 61. Fur Merchant | 56. Surnamed; Fr. |
| 62. Exclude | 58. Fairy Queen |

Solution to Previous Puzzle

AHAB PLATS HATE
 BEL ASPIRAC ETAL
 ELLA UTTRA TOS
 SPINDLE ELLIPSE
 COTTA LIN
 MATRIS DAIDAWAY
 ALIEN PIPPO LEMMA
 TIA GERMANE BAC
 ECRU POOR THRESH
 REASSIGN THIRST
 UPS YAHOO
 PRORATA DASTARD
 RAMP LUMEN OLIO
 EPER STAPE UPON
 PEND SORTS SSTS

Bridge

Tricks and Trumps

by Henry Jacobson

NORTH
 ♠ x
 ♥ Jxx
 ♦ AJ10xxx
 ♣ AQ10

WEST
 ♠ M2
 ♥ xx
 ♦ xx
 ♣ xxxxxx

EAST
 ♠ KJ1098
 ♥ Axx
 ♦ xxx
 ♣ KJ

SOUTH
 ♠ Axxx
 ♥ KQxx
 ♦ KQx
 ♣ xx

Contract: 4 ♠

E S W N
 1S dbl P 3D
 P 3NT P P

Sorry about the 'un' print last week: the opening lead is the ♠ 2. East wins with the King and continues with the Jack. South ducks two more rounds. West overtakes on the second, and continues the suit. Upon regaining the lead, South rattles off five diamond tricks. East discards two hearts. But on the ultimate diamond East is caught in a vise. The discard of the heart Ace is lethal, as is the throwing off his small club. In this last case, South cashes dummy's Ace of clubs, dropping East's King and plays his Queen for his

ninth trick. East also cannot pitch a spade, otherwise South plays a heart. Poor East now has nothing but clubs to lead into North's A-Q.

Of course the declarer play will follow these lines exactly, for East's opening bid marks him with most of the outstanding points.

After an uncontested auction, this partnership arrived in an auspicious 4 Spade contract. West led the King of clubs, continued with the Ace, and then exited with a heart.

Now what? Lead the Ace of spades and finesse the Jack if only low cards appear. If West has the Queen, the over-trick is yours for the taking; and if not, nothing ventured, nothing gained. Right? Well, perhaps.

But look at this hand as a pessimist would see it. The outlined plan of play fails when East shows up, unexpectedly, with ♠ Q10xx in trumps. Now the defense must collect two tricks in

spades, which puts a fine dent in your contract. Admittedly, there is only a slight possibility of this occurring, but it is foolish to fiddle around for an over-trick when doing so might jeopardize the success of your contract (in rubber bridge, that is).

The proper way to ensure ten tricks is to play low to the trump King at rick four. Next, return to hand via a diamond, and lead yet another small spade, inserting dummy's Jack if West follows small. Now if East wins this trick, your problems are no longer: the defense collects three tricks out no more. If East refuses spades on the second round, again, the defense collects its one meager trick. And if East shows up with ♠ Q10xx, then his Queen wins the second trump, but his Ten is infeasible.

This unusual way of managing this trump suit, or any suit, is called a safety play. It's almost similar to an insurance policy; you pay now to provide for a possible eventual disaster. In this case, the over-trick is forfeited so as to provide for the case when East shows up with the killing four spades.

Chess

Bishops vs Knights

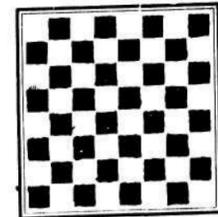
by Jack Uppal

Matthew Katrein (sometimes referred to as the terror of upstate New York) did it again at the Chess Cove Open Tournament. By sweeping all five of his games he captured first prize easily. There were also good battles between some non-terrorists. Lee Battes had an excellent draw against the ex-master Sam Greenlaw. This game will appear in a future article. There was also a 7 year old player at the tournament, and he defeated players more than 4 times his age. Emmanuel Olimpo Jr. may be another young master in the making.

Last week the emphasis was towards tactical play. This week we look at the much harder aspect of chess: positional play. The reason that it is much harder is that there are many rules (and many exceptions to these rules), and that all these rules apply to some of the positions some of the time. One definite rule of thumb is that two bishops are much stronger than two knights. In order for this to be true, the bishops must be activated. AP = activation, the ability

of the bishops to attack across a greater distance than the knights is usually translatable into a winning advantage. How is this done? Very simply -

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| Jack Uppal | Ken Thomas |
| 1 P K4 | P QB4 |
| 2 N KB3 | P K3 |
| 3 P Q4 | PxP |
| 4 NxP | P QB3 |
| 5 B Q3 | Q B2 |
| 6 O O | N QB3 |
| 7 P QB3 | N B3 |
| 8 B K43 | B K2 |
| 9 N Q2 | O O |
| 10 R B1 | P Q3 |
| 11 P QN4(a) | N K4 |
| 12 Q K2 | B Q2 |
| 13 P K B4 | NxB |
| 14 QxN | N N5 |
| 15 P K B3 | NxB |
| 16 QxN(b) | P K4 |
| 17 PxP | PxP |
| 18 N K2 | B K4 |
| 19 P B3 | QR B1 |
| 20 P B4 | P QN3 |
| 21 K R1 | KR Q1 |
| 22 R B2 | P Q R4 |
| 23 P N5(c) | B Q R4 |
| 24 Q K B3 | Q K2 |
| 25 N QN1 | R B2 |
| 26 R/1-B1 | R/2-Q2 |
| 27 R-B3 | R Q8ch |
| 28 K-R2 | Q Q3 |
| 29 RxR | QxR |
| 30 R Q1 | Q Q6 |



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| 31 P Q R4 | QxQ |
| 32 PxQ | R Q6 |
| 33 K N2 | P N3 |
| 34 R B2 | B QN5 |
| 35 P R4 | P R4 |
| 36 K B2 | B K2 |
| 37 K N3 | B Q B4 |
| 38 K N2(d) | R Q8 |
| 39 N/2-B3(e) | R N8ch |
| 40 K B2 | B Q6 |
| 41 N Q2 | BxR(f) |
| 42 N K2 | BxR(f) |
| 43 NxR | BxP |
| 44 resigns | |

Notes: (a) This creates a backward pawn on an open file. Black will attempt to halt the advance of the pawn and use Q B5 as a post for a piece. (b) Black now has won the 2 bishops for the 2 knights. The first step now is to activate the bishops. (c) Again this makes the QB

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Melody Maker, Britain's most authoritative music paper and the largest circulated internationally, has named Holland's Focus one of the world's two "best" groups in their 1973 Pop Poll. Outstanding representatives of progressive instrumental rock musicianship, Focus' individual members all scored

highly in their respective categories. Jan Akkerman was voted the world's top guitarist, making him the first continental European ever to win any of the poll's categories. This Van Leer, classically trained organist and flautist, was named to the third position in the "Miscellaneous Instrument" category, number five for keyboards and number eight as best composer. Bert Rutner placed highly among bassists. With two million-selling Sire LPs, "Moving Waves" and "Focus III", to their credit in America, Focus' recorded works also received their due in the Melody Maker Poll. "Focus III" was named the year's number two and received respect in that category. Focus was also acclaimed as one of this year's "Brightest Hopes" and one of the world's outstanding live acts. All in all, Focus was honored in all but four possible categories, racking up more mentions than any group excepting Yes, winner overall of the poll. Interestingly both Focus and Yes represent a trend towards pure musicianship as contrasted with the showmanship of such traditional poll toppers as the Rolling Stones, a Ace Cooper and Led Zeppelin whom Focus surpassed this year. Clearly even in a musical world as changeable as that of rock, talent pure and expressive, is a language that knows no national boundaries.

Contest Winners

Joel Gross

Carol Spindel

Larry Schallop

More Harvard Law Students

"The Paper Chase" began its 45 day shooting schedule with locations on the campus of Harvard Law School, where the story of law students coming to grips with a destructively competitive system takes place, and then, in the second week of production to Toronto, Canada, where most of the comedy-drama was shot.

With a script by James Bridges, who also directed, it is based on a very popular 1971 novel by John Jay Osborn, Jr., who was a law student at Harvard while writing the book. Osborn has expressed great satisfaction with the way Bridges has been faithful to the book's characters and getting across the sense of the pressures these men are subjected to at Harvard to get good grades.

"The Paper Chase" is an extremely youthful production. The producers, Robert C. Thompson and Rodrick Paul, could themselves pass for students, and Rod, at 20, is not only one of the youngest film producers in Hollywood, but is a year younger than the star of the film, Timothy Bottoms, who at the age when most young men are starting out in their professions is at the top of his. His first film role at age 17 was as the pitifully crippled young war veteran in Dalton Trumbo's "Johnny Got His Gun." His work in that film came to the attention of director Peter Bogdanovich who

was casting for "The Last Picture Show." Timothy won the lead as the sensitive young man stuck in a dying Texas town. His performances in both films have made him one of the most sought after young actors in Hollywood.

Bottoms' leading lady, equally young, is beautiful Lindsay Wagner, who is co-starring in her second major film this year—she recently completed Robert Wise's "Two People" in Paris and Morocco. Timothy and Lindsay are surrounded by bright, talented young actors from the New York stage, among them Graham Beckel, James Naughton, Ed Herrmann and Bob Lydiard. Because of their background on Broadway, they felt right at home with the veteran in the film, John Houseman, the legendary producer-director-writer of some of the most famous productions over the past three decades. In his auspicious debut as an actor, he plays Miss Wagner's father who happens to be Timothy's toughest professor.

In 1937, Houseman and Orson Welles co-founded The Mercury Theater. One of its more famous productions was the modern-dress "Julius Caesar," but its more spectacular one was the radio drama "Men From Mars" which convinced thousands in November 1938 that Martians were invading Princeton, New Jersey. Between 1945 and 1962, Houseman produc-



Lord Jack The Ripper

by Richard Schickel

ed eighteen feature films, among them "The Bad and the Beautiful," "Julius Caesar," and "Lust for Life."

Director-writer Bridges began his career as an actor, playing in Andy Warhol's first film, "Tarzan and Jane..." and then in John Cassavetes' "Faces." As a writer he did 18 Alfred Hitchcock dramas, winning the Mystery Writers of America Award for one of them, and nominated for an Emmy for another. His movie credits include 14 features he worked on as a writer, including Marlon Brando's "The Appaloosa," and "The Farhin Project." As a director his first film was "The Baby Maker." As a stage director his most recent work was the 25th Anniversary production of Tennessee Williams' "A Streetcar Named Desire," in Los Angeles starring Jon Voight and Faye Dunaway.

It begins with Harry Andrews that solid slice of British beef making a speech calling for a regeneration of the moral and spiritual values that made England great. Very shortly thereafter we find him getting ready for bed, his costume consisting of long johns, tutu and cocked hat. The butler murmurs a discreet suggestion: "Silk tonight, m'lord." And so he chooses a noose of that fabric, slips it around his neck, mounts a stepladder and kicks off for a few moments of near-strangulation that are apparently an established part of his nightly beddy-bye ritual. This time, however, he blunders right into the Big Sleep. So much for Harry Andrews. So much for moral and spiritual regeneration. And, one learns, so much for *The Riding Class*, it being hard to imagine how they can top the crazy, shocking black vaudeville of this opening sequence.

But they do, they do. For the heir to the family fortune and title turns out to be Peter O'Toole, who enters laboring under the delusion that he is Christ reincarnated and exits, later, under a companion delusion, one more in keeping with his new station as head of a great family, that he is Jack the Ripper. This conversion occurs, naturally enough (given the film's extraordinary view of English upper-class life), as he sings *The Lion Boating Song* in duet with the titled gent who is sent out to determine if he is sane enough to take his title and his seat in the House of Lords. This institution director Peter Medall envisions as a tomb, its inhabitants unmimbed and spider webbed.

Along the way we are treated to such edifying spectacles as O'Toole retiring to his cross (set up in the drawing room, where it's sure to scandalize everyone) to meditate on his family's follies, the

entire cast breaking into music hall song-and-dance routines whenever the spirit moves them; and best of all beloved Alastair Sim, in his first movie in a decade, as a dotty uncle who is also a C. of E. bishop. At one point, to further one of the family's many schemes to do O'Toole out of his inheritance, he is forced to marry this literal Jesus Freak to a prostitute. The war between Christian conscience and greed the will, of course, participate in the profits of the plot) is fought across every line and wrinkle of this lace. It is hard to recall any actor who has given us such a brilliantly comic statement of a man in inner conflict.

Indeed, it is hard for me to recall any movie of recent years that has been more daring in its comic conceits, more challenging in its assaults on our risibility. One American distributor, having financed the thing, sold it off to another, fearing that it was too English in subject, too nerve-racking in its wild swoops from sacrifice to perversity, from farce to murder to find an American audience.

Yet on the whole I think they were correct to impose upon us. Even their failures are such an integral part of their thrill, try-anything assault on the class system and on the comic conventions that have grown up in hundreds of plays and films about it that I'm inclined to accept them this time. They appear to be fellows who need time and space to crank up their roundhouse punches which - when they land - don't just sting but put us flat on the canvas and grateful for a long count. *The Riding Class* is a monstrous film. And monstrously entertaining. See it next Friday or Saturday, from Albany State Cinema.



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PERSONALS

to my honey
happy 4th (to be) and many more (I hope!) 3+ has been great!
all my love,
your honey (jp)

Miss Weinberg (traub),
Happy Birthday old lady.
Love,
Miss Goldenberg & Co

Baby Rise
Now you can do legally what you've always done illegally. Happy 18th Birthday.
Love,
The fucking crazy broods of 1102

Dear Tully
esp. at your age! I just wanted to wish you a good day on your special day.
Love,
Narcissus

Have you had a meeting of the Mutual Adoration Society yet?
Love,
Ralph

Market shoppers
Here \$20 credit toward the cash. If you shop there, will trade credit for cash.
Call 436-0212

Polk-salad Annie,
Happy Birthday.
The Hookers and The Crewl Woman.

To a few certain Whitman earlings (B.B.E.K.R.) from your very definite angels. Have a nice weekend! We're watching over you

To H., M., and H. - Say "Cheese." Cheeses!! Maybe you need some help....HELPI!!!
Baby and the Rats

Happy Birthday Juliet
From the Julie Buchals Fan Club: Kanga and Roo, Glenda Goodbach, Julia, and the D.J. Groupie

Mater,
As Mayor of Manlius County
We hereby do decree
To validate in all respects
Your legality
To see -
If she -
Is morally, ethically, boozily,
Votily, undeniably 18
(catch the rhythm!!!!)
Happy Birthday Debbie
Love, 307

Dear, Hal,
Happy 19th! With the tequila.
Love,
Gungadin, C.B., the Phantom and Sure-would

Happy Birthday Russell
I promise it'll be great.
Your teacher

Carol
Really!
God

Filmflam, Floundering Buggery et al - I'm going back to New York City I do believe I've had enough

Dear 1203,
Thanks for bringing me up when I'm down. It was a great semester.
Love,
Drowned Rat

Dear D&D,
So what if we're not the same religion.
Love,
J&E

P.S. What a goal
"Brothers and Sisters,"
Hope you "get over" with it me.
Ac. + Sally

Can a hot dog and a turkey find happiness together? We think so! We wish you all the best!
The Deviates

Cassaveta Kid
Something Unique About You
These past 88 Days
That Make Me Like You
In So Many Ways
I Know It Can't Be
So Let's Remain Friends, Always.
Love,
Ambitious Pepper 32

Santa Claus and D.
The Whole Room Is Yours.
Aunt Sally

RASP
Do not despair. Look under the black chair.
Elfa

To single pass, Johnson, Yagur, George Hebert, and the Fruit Flot
Thanks for a marvelous semester! Keep on truckin'!
Love,
Ralph

Dear Gorgeous,
Welcome back to SUNYA. I'm sure there'll be nothing but blue skies for us this weekend and always.
Dave

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To Janis,
Happy Birthday and best of luck always.
Paul and Val

dear babushka,
happy #3 to you from mell
love,
terter

AP5:
Happy Longer-than-forever minus one.
Love ya
FNL

Dear Rich F.
Where were you Saturday night? We had to eat the pizza without the birthday boy.
C & D 104

Dear Debbie,
Happy fourteen weeks. They've been great.
Love,
VIVI

Hey Kid,
Happy Birthday
Love,
Kevin

LEM
Happy Anniversary!! the whole world, nothing less. Thanks for being you. I love you.
Forever yours,
Ell

Christina,
You made it to Albany again! Barbara

What would I do without all the friends I have found? Have a good semester. Barbara

Tal,
Your noanee ain't bad either!
Love you whatever happens,
Ollivitch

To my future dentist - do you realize that by the time the next paper comes out it'll be 2 years? That means only 4 more to go! Happy Anniversary in advance
Lots of love,
LilB

NOW?
Bunk

Verlay,
You'll definitely go far with those triceps!
Love,
Geousgor

Arlene
So it isn't Dec. 8 Happy Birthday anyway
Me

To the special children of third floor Waterbury
A special season's greeting
M.W. Sunglasses

Dear Mr. Cannon Cleaners Great Grandson
You are a sweet inspiration
Uh Uh Uh
JMA

Dear Gorgeous,
Welcome back to SUNYA. I'm sure there'll be nothing but blue skies for us this weekend and always.
Dave

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editorial/comment

Quote of the Day
We seen the beginning, and we sees the end.

-The ASP Staff

Fiscal Irresponsibility

There is only one word appropriate to describe the Monday night Albany Common Council meeting: APPALLING.

The aldermen erased any doubts in our minds that they are what critic Theresa Cooke called "wooden headed marionettes" by voting unanimously for Mayor Corning's budget.

The budget they so willingly passed was, like so many previous Albany budgets, a complete fraud. It included millions of dollars of unnecessary expenditures - money that will most certainly end up paying off friends. It was what one would expect from a political machine.

We were naive. We expected more. After witnessing some very close elections last month, we thought the incumbents would finally initiate some reforms. But we were wrong. This latest budget was presented in the same inadequate manner as before.

The budget came as a pamphlet, no bigger than a football program, while the budget of the neighboring city of Schenectady is the size of a Manhattan phone book. With such a flimsy format, it is naturally impossible to adequately explain the proposed expenditures. There are necessarily very few breakdowns of large lump sum appropriations, with such listings as: "Labor, \$450,000" and "Youth Resources: \$450,000."

The proposed expenditure of \$41.6 million is much too high for a city of Albany's size. Syracuse, a city 70% larger than Albany has only a \$45 million budget, and Syracuse runs a zoo, a municipal airport, and has city-wide trash collection, all of which Albany has not. Syracuse's allocations for street cleaning, snowplowing, and landfill operations are all hundreds of thousands of dollars less than Albany's, while Albany's services are generally of inferior quality.

The Albany budget allows \$2,300 per year for the maintenance of each police car. No sane person would keep a car if it cost that much to run. The budget gives \$400 a year raises to city hall white collar workers, while it provides no raises for literally hundreds of laborers still learning the prehistoric \$1.27 an hour. The budget still assigns 48 custodians to city hall, a building no larger than our own Campus Center. Almost every line of the budget is padded in this manner.

Yet the aldermen voted for it without a single dissent. They voted for it in the face of fervent pleas from the gallery to postpone the vote until hundreds of questions could be answered. They voted for it in spite of all the hard evidence that this budget is a sham.

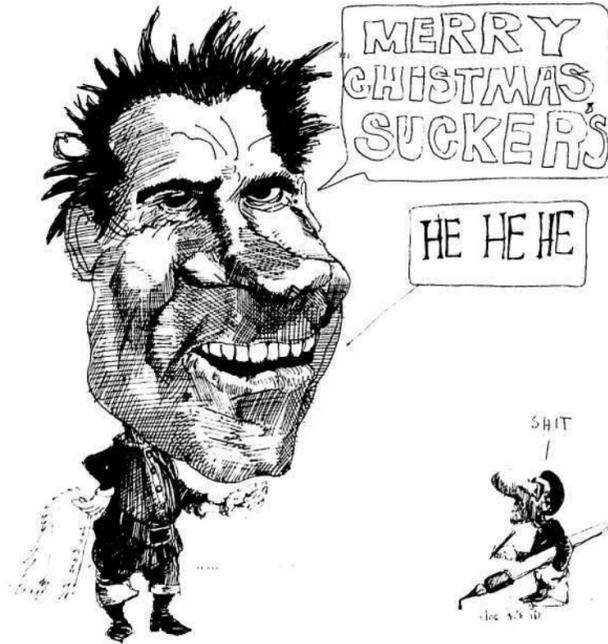
They violated their public trust by being totally irresponsible. The contempt this city government shows for its citizens is beyond compare. And, we are rightfully disgusted.

Trial On Tenure

Former assistant professor David Goodman is still pursuing his case against acting Associate Dean Richard Kendall. And rightfully so. According to Goodman's lawyer, Sanford Soffer, who was quoted recently in the *Kickerbucker News*, "there was a real effort to get the guy (Goodman) out of the system... there were all sorts of machinations involved, and hopefully there is a legal remedy for this legal wrong."

We hope so, too. There must be some way to deal with men like Kendall. They cannot be allowed to pursue their personal vendettas against a faculty member by engaging in activities which subvert the proper tenure process.

Meanwhile, we strongly urge that Dr. Kendall not be considered as a candidate - to be permanent Associate Dean for Behavioral and Social Sciences.



A Young View of Washington

A Rose By Any Other Name...

by Ron Hendren

WASHINGTON - The President has yet to send a single veto to Judge John Sirica's Watergate courtroom who has been able to come away without giving conflicting testimony under oath.

The latest Mr. Nixon's personal secretary Rose Mary Woods dropped one of the most bizarre of the bomb hell tales to explode since the President announced several weeks ago that he knew of no more bombshells.

Miss Woods has, on various occasions, said that she did not erase any conversations from tapes she played that she may have erased a crucial but now missing 18 minute conversation between the President and his former chief of staff H. R. Haldeman, that she did in fact erase that conversation, but only five to six minutes of it and finally that she may not have erased any of it after all.

Although she is not sure what she did, she claims she didn't mean to do it, and her explanation of how the accident occurred by her own testimony that must have strained her credence.

When the court in Miss Woods' case is faced with a dilemma which has occurred over and over throughout the Watergate drama is: "witness guilty of sheer physical and mental incompetence on and off the stand, or is the witness guilty of perjury?" Or, more alarming yet, both?

On the one hand, the mind boggles to think that the President of the United States would associate himself, for 23 years yet, with an individual who is incapable of transcribing or summarizing material on a simple tape recorder without erasing it, and who apparently is not able to remember

from one day to the next what she said under oath the day before. And yet during the whole time Miss Woods insists that she has been telling the truth the entire truth, and nothing but the truth. So she must be remarkably incompetent.

On the other hand, her apparent incompetence and the astonishing timeliness with which she displayed it in the course of the Nixon-Haldeman conversation notwithstanding, the rather compelling suggestion remains, that her dark flip flops, consulative long-windedness as opposed to an intentional telling of untruths. How could she not have talked on the day she swore under oath that she was sure she had not erased any tapes that moment when she now says she rushed "distractedly" into the President's office to confess that she had accidentally erased part of a tape he had given her to summarize? It must have been a particularly embarrassing moment for her in deed, she now says it was just that kind of experience. Yet, when first asked about the possibility that she might have goofed, she told the court that she hadn't that she had successfully taken every precaution to prevent that which she already knew had occurred. Such testimony certainly limits of possible perjury.

What is one to believe, not only of Miss Woods but of all the other Watergatees who aren't sure what they did, but whatever it was didn't mean to do it, who didn't know better, who can't remember, and who are unable to comprehend how any reasonable person could possibly conclude that they or the man for whom they worked) might conceivably be guilty of anything?

letters

Pop Goes The Culture

Signing On The Line

Huh?

To the Editor:

I am founder of the Institute for Studies in Phenomenological Contextualism writing in regards to the article by Arthur Breen entitled "The Semester That Was... Was" which appeared in the ASP on Tuesday, December 4.

Seldom (indeed, never in the ASP) have I seen so sensitive and holistic an analysis of the essence of existence at SUNYA. It was very difficult for me to believe that such a profound statement was able to find its way into a campus newspaper.

I found it especially touching to find someone whose ideas are so near the core of the phenomenological contextualist methodology. Indeed, never has so faithful and categorical a defining of material and immaterial essences been stated since the phenomenological contextualist Andy Aldrich told the parable of the blind-deaf-mute Ydna who, when given her sight, hearing, and voice through a miracle of faith, strode into the market place stood on a pedestal, faced the crowd and remarked "Huh?"

It is such intuitive insights which seem to well up from the collective unconscious that will make possible deliverance both from absurdity and from romantic escapism into unidirectional, multidimensional, holistic existence.

Andy Aldrich
ISPC
Environmental Forum, FA218

Talk Is Cheap

To the Editor:

Merry Christmas to Earl J. Welker (Class of '62)

From: Dennis Lerry

I read the article that Earl Welker wrote about me, and I feel that action speak louder than words. Instead of talking behind the "dress" of the ASP, why don't you come on the basketball court where the men are and stop talking like a "sissy"? I realize that you are much cheaper than your words with which you express yourself. If you were capable of doing more than just talk, you would come to the ball courts, where I am every day! I would like to see if your talent is as lame as your cheap talk. Until you are capable of proving to me that you aren't lame, then I guess you'll be that way for the rest of your rotten life. If you choose to be rotten for the rest of your life, then don't try to express yourself in the ASP. That is the cheap way out.

You tried to mention the success of the team in your past article. I believe that every time a person tries to achieve a goal, he should do it with the intention that he will be successful. Just because Doc Saters is partially successful, doesn't mean that he is a success or a great coach. He may be a great coach to you because you don't know what "great" means. (Great is not just maintaining a .500 record. To be great is to be successful and to be successful is to utilize all your strength which you possess. Do you think Doc did this when he led to start Byron Miller when Albany lost last week to Williams?)

You also mentioned something about intelligence. Well, I feel, that with your mentality, if you could think and walk in a straight line at the same time, the world would probably flip!

By the way, if you aren't smart enough to get the message, why don't you stop trying to think before you create a serious mental disorder inside your empty nut shell that you call your brain?

Dennis Lerry

To the Editor:

SUNYA students are being swindled. They are being swindled deliberately and systematically by the English Department of SUNYA. The swindle is called the "Popular Literature" course.

"Popular Literature" is a term devised by and for snobs. It is used most often by people who have no knowledge of their subject, since they cannot be bothered with "trash," but who write about it or talk about it anyway.

"Popular Literature" is the graveyard of science fiction. It is where the Department has buried the course originally designed and taught by Curt Smith (whom the Department is also trying to bury).

"Popular Literature" is the trivial distraction of the semi-literate, which may not receive condescending attention from superior people. Only on such terms will the Department tolerate the presence of science fiction.

Science fiction could not be abolished. It is far too lucrative for that. In the past, the high SE enrollments have helped to offset the financial losses of the dreariest of graduate seminars. Science fiction must be kept but it must be put in its place alongside comic books, "whodunits," *Valley of the Dolls*, and "B" westerns. (Sure, all these things are trash too, but we can sell out if the price is right.)

The Department will of course deny such an interpretation, will probably call it cynical. But it is true nonetheless and can be proven quite easily.

When the Department takes a literary period or genre seriously when it attempts to give the students who wish to study it full value for their money, they choose their teachers with care. They advertise for specialists. They examine their qualifications. They look for experience and training. They ask for publications in the field. An applicant whose sole claim to competency in a Victorian literature or the Modern Novel was "I have read a little and I think it would be fun to teach it" would be laughed off the campus. But the statement is sufficient for "Popular Literature." The willingness is all.

To teach "Popular Literature" it is not necessary to have studied it, to have written about it, or to have taught it (indeed, it may not be necessary to have taught anything before). That some science-fiction courses have been taught as well as they have is due to the ability and dedication of one or two teachers, not to departmental policy. All the department cares about is full enrollment.

What is to be done?

The first step should be a boycott. Every SUNYA student enrolled in a "Popular Literature" course should withdraw at the first opportunity.

The second step should be the formation of a student committee to investigate the credentials of prospective science-fiction teachers. Enforcement should be given only to those whose training experience merit it.

If these steps are not taken, the science-fiction course will remain dead, and teachers of no-provability will continue to delude students into believing that they are not being swindled out of the time and their money.

If the Department has any answer to these charges beyond a personal attack upon this writer, I shall be very much surprised.

Larry Heston

Ignorance Is Not Bliss

To the Editor:

In response to Professor Johnson's somewhat witty letter of November 30, I would like to point out that it is because of attitudes like his that women's courses are necessary. If all of our professors thought as he does, there would be no need for co-education, for it seems that Professor Johnson and those like him believe that women have no need for knowledge, being part of a sub-human race.

Susan Merrill

To the Editor:

We are the students in Curt Smith's three English courses this semester. Curt's tenure case is to be decided next week by President Benezet, and as his students, we have followed this case closely. It was disclosed yesterday that the Personnel Committee, which last year had voted unanimously against granting Curt tenure, agreed by a 6-2 vote that this year he has presented substantial new evidence in his favor. Last year's 8-0 vote against tenure recommendation is this year a 4-4 tie. The next step is a recommendation by Dean Schmidt followed by the Council on Promotion and Continuing Appointment's decision. Next week the final decision rests with President Benezet.

We should like to express our feelings about this case by pointing out to the university community that Curt has been teaching required courses for the past two semesters - all of which have been just as highly evaluated by students as his Science Fiction and Afro-American Literature courses a year ago. In fact, last semester his graduate level course was the highest rated course in the entire English Department. He is teaching English Composition, Popular Literature, and Science Fiction next semester all of which were closed out by the

third day of registration.

Curt's courses are by no means "guts." He refuses to fail anyone whomakes an effort to learn and will give him an opportunity to re-write an unsatisfactory paper. As a result, very few students are forced to drop Curt's courses because they are failing. Is this not the ideal goal of education? We should learn through our mistakes rather than be given a "D" on a paper, receiving nothing from the learning which is taking place save frustration and failure.

Although Curt's assignments are heavy, the classroom situation is structured so that everyone may participate. Attendance is always large - none of us like to miss Curt's classes.

Perhaps we are only students, and as one member of the English Department said at a tenure review meeting last year regarding students' teacher-evaluations, "What do students know?" Not much about the legal processes involved in tenure, we're afraid (but then, who does?) However, we are directly involved with Curt Smith and we urge the CPCA and finally President Benezet to grant him tenure. This university cannot afford to lose Curt and we the students will suffer the most if he is not allowed to come back next year.

Victorian Literature

Patricia Fitzmaurice
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Science Fiction

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Don Jones
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Paul Plagitt
Diane Harris
Mark Rubin
Brian Green

Despoiling Spills

by Susan Sneed

*These pipe dreams
Disrupt to destroy
A wilderness of grandeur
A shameful, dualistic play.*

*Rape the virgin
Suffer her at his hand
While the profits roll in
Will no one save the land?*

*Kill the carbon
Delude the public
The spoils of your spills
Enlarge the republic.*

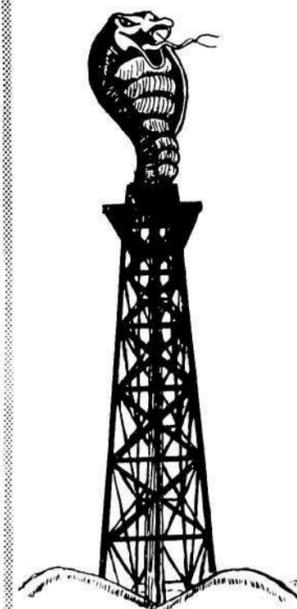
*The Pacific coast waters
The Arctic that, so fragile, so frail
Soon we will see
The polluter's trail.*

*When the public outcry
Against the ecological blunder
Muffled by an energy crisis
Discontinuing to heat a nation asunder.*

*The need to oil
No such words
The Canadians would comply
Yet the United States was rude.*

*Vegetarians were considered
The oil and oil companies
Know they're right
It's hard to say no
To all that might.*

*Trans Alaska pipeline) now a reality
The last frontier
Dying by our unheeding brutality.*



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Tenure Atrophies

To the Editor:

It seems to me that once upon a time, SUNY Albany needed idiots - excuse me - teachers, so badly that they would give anyone tenure. I am referring to those teachers in our university that take their position very lightly. I am talking of those teachers that will consistently come to class absolutely unprepared. I am talking of those teachers who organize their semester's work load solely around several books; and who will consequently make their classes memorization courses. I am talking of those teachers who have the gall to play the game: I am the teacher - and you are the students, therefore you can not disagree with me as I know more than you do! I am talking of those teachers who do certain things in class to scare the students from asking questions.

In a time when the whole tenure issue is being examined, I feel that students in SUNYA should not neglect to exercise their responsibility in obtaining the type of teachers they need. I suggest that a body of students be elected in each department to see to it that teachers, especially those that already have tenure, are not escaping the responsibility of their position.

The academic atmosphere that Professor Harry St. Key talked about in his article is definitely lacking in this University. By taking action against those teachers that separate themselves from the student community, we might begin to achieve the academia we have come to college for.

Maurice Rudmann

Chicken Soup Anyone?

To the Editor:

Since it will soon be possible to major in Judaic Studies, we wish to suggest some appropriate courses that would help any non-Jews get a feeling of the deeper aspects of the Jewish Culture, presuming of course, they will be allowed entrance into the program. They should probably begin with an elementary course in the theory and philosophy of soup. This could be taken concurrently with a course in basic guilt-how to induce it and how to use it.

Following mastery of these essential skills they will be prepared for the delicate intricacies of the principles underlying the dynamics of soup and guilt in mother-child relationships. This would naturally lead to a correlation amongst these three variables on Performance and its ancillary neurosis. A broader comprehension could be achieved by investigating abstract chopped liver - does it exist? or the general function of liver in the release of sexual tension. Lastly, if a well-learned interest has not been kindled by the depth of the subjects, a flight to Jew-nitarianism is recommended.

C.W. Trilling
N.A. Friedman

Of Thee We Sing

by Mitchel Zoler

Suddenly you become caught in the tidal wave that comes barreling out of November and Thanksgiving to lift you through the first weeks of December, which pass in a rush, leaving you beached on Christmas Vacation. The protective layers of SUNYA civilization are peeled off one by one: the ASP stops publication, classes and then finals end, friends leave and then, there you are, alone, unbuttoned, unprepared to face three weeks at home.

Those fleeting December days are frequently worthy of note, but due to bad timing, they often go without mention. Prominent in this category is Holiday Sing, that ever so slightly tarnished relic we possess of college days past. Long-gone and neglected are Homecomings and State Fairs, but still extant in their once-a-semester rush of combined efforts, are Telethon in the Spring and Holiday Sing in the Fall.

As a three-year watcher and veteran of this event, I am struck by the immutable character of it. Without fail, the themes of past years meld into an unidentifiable blur, as do the programs, and the majority of the contestants as well as the songs they sing. Finally coming to its senses, the powers that run Holiday Sing have decided this year they would not have another of the "cuteness-cuteness" themes that make as much of a dent on the memory as so much rainwater.

In fact, one begins to wonder exactly why, each year, the crowd in the gym brushes against the windows near the roof and bulges at the doors and why, so many more tune to WSUA's mediocre reproduction of the event. This occurs in spite of the common knowledge that the acoustics are lousy, the breaks between groups and during judging are boring and seemingly endless and that visually, most of the subtleties are lost in the cavern-like surroundings in which they are contained.

The fact is, I can't give a really good reason why this white elephant of our ancestry retains its popularity while most other events of this kind have dropped by the wayside. There is though, one glaring point which is the reason that I, for example, still go. The reason is that I personally do participate, and therefore must be there. This is conceivably the motivation for many others and is not terribly outlandish considering that at least 1/3 of the audience is composed of people in my position.

All one need do is assume two friends come to the gym to watch each performer and there you have the composition of the rest of the crowd. So, through irrefutable logic, we have arrived at the secret success formula of Holiday Sing. All an event need do is actively involve about 1,000 students and it will be insured of a following as long as there is a SUNYA.

The Home-Bound Highway:

Is It Really A Vacation If You Have To Go Home For It?

by Tom Tortorici

Not everyone heads home for the lengthier school holidays. The luckier among us find themselves waking up to clean sapphire heavens on spotless yellow Daytona or Ft. Lauderdale beaches. Birds of another feather see themselves resting up at the exclusive Stowe or Killington resorts after a day of coasting down windy white mountainsides. Still another breed, perhaps the most fortunate of all, sit nursing Pan Am cocktails as they glide closer to the rich cultural cornerstones on the other side of the Atlantic. Yet, the bulk of our numbers still find ourselves tapping our fingers to WABC's current number two-wo-wo-wo-wo while waiting for the rush-hour Bronx traffic to thin. Our destination: a now curious abstraction called Home.

"Goin' back home" is not, of course, limited to the concrete-and-shingle edifice where we at one time found our rest and nourishment. "Home" can broadly apply to the local Friendly's or McDonald's or whatever else was once regarded as a nightly tradition; to redecorated friends' houses and redecorated friends; to the high school and the after-school job we couldn't wait to leave; and to the of/Main Drag itself with its fragmented neon rainbow that, for some reason, doesn't quite look the same as when we left it.

However, the return to that very familiar house or apartment is still an important part of the whole excursion. There's now a house across the street where there used to be an empty lot, and even more important you find out that you no longer have a room at home because grandmother or somebody else has moved in. It doesn't matter. All that's really important now is getting some food that wasn't cooked in barrels. But the homecoming meal is never eaten in peace, even if you've been doing this shtick for four years, the *de rigueur* exchange of adventures, information and gossip with the kin always highlights the first few hours home. It might as well-it'll probably be the only time during the vacation you'll be seeing them.

Just like old times, right? Well, then, conditioned instinct suggests a ride to whatever parking lot you remember as the last town social center. Sipping on a Tab or a Tequila Sunrise, depending on the nature of the establishment that owns the parking lot, the wait is hopeful for a familiar face or car.

O.K., so finally somebody comes by. "Hey man, how ya doin'?" "Oh, all right, pretty good, y'know." "Far out...so, ya...uh, like it up there?" "Yeah, it's all right, lotta work, y'know..." "Uh huh...pretty good school, Buffalo, ain't it?"

"Umm, I uh...go to Albany, y'know, by the Capitol..."

"Oh, right, uh, like it up there?"

"Yeah, it's all right, lotta work, y'know..."

Well, that one didn't count. Never really hung out with him, anyway. But then you find that communication with *close* friends proves almost as fruitless, and you realize that either you or they have gone through some changes since the last vacation. Strange. Any attempt at conversation turns into some form of reminiscence, drifting back to summer nights of Schaefer six-packs or twig-filled ounces. But this is supposed to be like old times, all right, so you pool resources and start flipping flip-tops or begin filling pipes. Or both. But it's not, it's not really the same. And you just can't figure why.

If you're a freshman, the chances are that your first home-town visit will include a stop at your old high school. If you're a college upperclassman, you probably know better. The teachers that you so graciously decide to drop in on are almost always busy with a class, and overall, it seems that most of the people who actually remember you are the people who are at the school for the same reason you are. On top of all this, the Student Council won't let you in to the Friday Night Dance because you're no longer a student there. Well, who cares. Who needs a dipshit place like this, anyway, after being exposed to 'University Life.' Indeed.

Also expected, especially if it's not only your first or second time home, is a visit to the folks who work at the place where you used to work. This can be fun, except if estimates of next semester's bills warrants a few 8-hour days of your own to be put into some tedious though all-to-familiar task there. Such is life.

Anyway, the last day of vacation always brings mixed emotions. One final call on your 12th grade buddy yields a truly stimulating intercourse ("Yeah, well, I'm leavin' today see ya." "Me too. Uh, have a good trip."). And then, that last cruise through town. Of course it's not what it used to be. For you, the only thing left there is the memories. Christ, is that sentimental.

In any case, after an uneventful ride back up to school, everyone gets to exchange vacation exploits and events with the usual excitement:

"Hi, uh, how was your vacation?"

"Not bad...Yours?"

"All right...After all, it was only a ride home."



From the Frogs Mouth



The Golden Solution To Pollution?

by Gary Selwyn and Bob Schiller

It was not a trivial observation, after downing my fourth beer, that solutions soon follow. In fact, it was the golden hue of this particular solution, that led me to a better beer can ecology.

As I tossed aside my fifth can, the problem of solid waste first struck my roommate. "You meatball! That beer can you tossed just bounced off my head."

"Sorry I was aiming for the garbage."

"I thought you ecology people were supposed to recycle your cans."

"We try, but other people don't."

"Well if beer cans were made of gold, you can be sure people wouldn't litter."

"He was right! Undeniably, if beer cans were made of gold—people just couldn't afford to litter! The crime would be itself each time! People would be more than happy to pick up littered cans for their "nominal" deposit value."

However, the price of a six-pack may rise slightly. Oh, about \$90 (not including sales tax) of which \$88.50 is refunded upon return of the empty cans! Who could afford not to recycle!

Slightly tarnished by my sixth beer, I realized this was an environmentalist's gold mine. Imagine wrapping gum in gold foil the people couldn't bear to throw away wrappers, at \$5 a stick!

"Dad, can I borrow \$25 for a pack of gum?"

Seriously, however, if we don't take more interest in recycling our empty cans and bottles, then these resources will become as rare as gold.

Sobored somewhat by these uncanny thoughts, I gathered up the beer cans from my roommate's closet and brought them to the recycling bin. On the way, I noticed the beauty of the outdoors. Ah, all that glitters is not gold.

Now, the High Board does not make its

Hobbits Are Hard To Break

by Barry Bennett

Ed. note: The following is a tale of the Hobbits, those delightful little creatures created by J.R.R. Tolkien. It tells of their own peculiar "tenure" system, specifically of the case of a particular member of their community. It is noteworthy because of its great similarity to our own tenure system, and even more so, to at least one particular case in this University.

Once upon a time, in the faraway land of Hobbiton, there lived a young fellow named Bilbo. Now this Bilbo was a likeable sort, and was held in high esteem by all the citizenry of Hobbiton. Now it seems in this land that after five years of residence, each member of the community must go before the High Board, whereupon it would be decided whether he was worthy to continue as an accepted member of the community or whether he should be expelled. If allowed to remain, he would be promoted from the rank of plebe to that of citizen and be granted tenancy. Now it also seems (coincidence, no doubt) that Bilbo had lived in Hobbiton for five years and was going before the High Board to have his fate handed down to him.

In spite of his most pleasant self, the High Board (or actually, the Lord of the High Board, who makes all of the decisions) found grievous fault with his person. In the first place, Bilbo was known to have traveled far and wide and to have picked up many queer ideas in his travels. In fact, he was even rumored to have visited the land of Mordor, and indeed to have returned a full-fledged Mordorist. (Oh, the dastardly fellow!) Mordorism was highly unpopular with the High Board of Hobbiton and all thought to follow its practices were deemed unworthy of continuing citizenry. So Bilbo appeared to have one strike against him before he even started. Now, the High Board does not make its

decisions so indiscriminately. No, indeed, you see, all plebes, in order to be retained after the five-year indoctrination period, must show that they have contributed in some worthy manner to the general well-being of Hobbiton. Bilbo was a very well-read and learned man. He had done much experimentation in the scientific field that had pleased many of Hobbiton's finest citizens. But the trouble is that the High Board is not interested in the works of science at all. You see, the High Board is based entirely on fairy tales, so it wishes its citizens to do their work in that field. Scientific work is looked down upon and generally considered a lot of nonsense. So poor Bilbo didn't have much of a chance at all. He was denied tenancy and sent to pack his bags. But Bilbo wasn't ready to give up just yet. Not old Bilbo! He sent throughout the land pieces of paper asking the Lord of the High Board to let him stay in his home, and had every citizen of Hobbiton sign one. The High Board had warned that this was evil and showed the deceptions of a true Mordorist: Bilbo persevered nonetheless.

The Hobbitonic texts are obscure and vague after this point. Two separate endings to the tale would appear to be discernible, neither of which can be accurately vouched for. The first one is the refusal to alter the decision in Bilbo's case, after which came the Great Flood and the inundation of the land of Hobbiton. But the second tells of a reversal of the decision, followed by a fortnight of partying. Several historians feel that it may have been the partying that caused the Great Flood, while others doubt the existence of such an event at all. But that is another tale (as they say). Anyway, I wish I could tell you exactly what had happened on that day in the land of Hobbiton. Alas, myself, I do not know. A mere guess would be all that I could venture.

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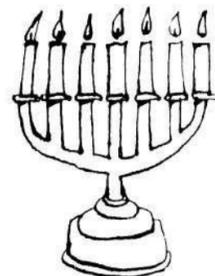
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Wrestling Team Travels to Williams



The wrestling team in last week's triangular. The Danes are at Williams tomorrow.

by Kenneth Arduino

The Albany wrestling team, coming off a big victory in the triangular meet last Saturday, goes on the road tomorrow, taking on Williams College.

Last Saturday the Danes got their feet wet with two outstanding victories. The point spread was more than even the most optimistic could have expected. Losing only four matches out of twenty and not being pinned was unbelievable.

Veterans Larry Mims, Tom Horn, Ethan Grossman, and Rudy Vido all won both matches and contributed a pin each. The newcomers also chipped in with everyone scoring a point for the cause.

With this match out of the way, the Grapplers travel to Williams College. Albany beat Williams last year and should be able to handle the Epheman. Unlike many teams, the wrestling team should have

less trouble on the road due to vast experience. A young team has much problems organizing on the road, but with seven returnees, the road trips are old hat for Albany.

After this match the Danes take on Buffalo State at home a week from Saturday. Because there are finals the following week, a small crowd is expected but the Danes should do a decent job at home.

During intercession the wrestlers are expected to wrestle in the MIT tournament. This tournament is a life saver for the Danes. The three week vacation enjoyed by students plays havoc with the schedule. The team needs work during that pause to keep sharp.

In the first two weeks back the wrestlers take on Amherst, Plattsburgh, RPI, and Fairleigh Dickinson. How rusty the team is, will be found out then.

Football Predictions

by the Blond Bombshell

In the last issue we close out the thirteenth week with these predictions. It's tough as some of the good teams are not putting out. Season records to date: 99 right, 57 wrong which includes 8 ties. As I won't get a chance to do the play-offs here is the Super Bowl prediction. Miami 24, L.A. 13.

OAKLAND over K.C. by 3. The Chiefs blew their chance last week as they collapsed. Oakland nodded through game with Houston.

MINNESOTA over GREEN BAY by 6. Minnesota was shut out last week and they will want revenge. The Packers victory last week does not mean they are back.

DETROIT over CHICAGO by

6. Butkus may or may not play but Detroit is the better team no matter who plays. Lions win this one at home or else?

BROWNS over BENGALS by 1. This is the toughest with the loser probably eliminated. The Browns have more big game experience.

DENVER over SAN DIEGO. The Chargers are hurting severely, while Denver still has a chance. This one won't be close.

PITTSBURGH over HOUSTON by 13. Another laughter unless Dick Anderson is traded quickly to Houston. Bradshaw is back.

MIAMI over BALTIMORE by 10. And the jokes keep rolling as the Colts keep losing. Miami is still

the champion team despite Monday's second half.

BUFFALO over NEW ENGLAND by 3. O.J. has a shot at the record with two good games. Plunkett's hot streak is cooled as O.J. runs.

JETS over EAGLES by 3. Namath is ready and the Jets want Fwbank to go out with some wins. Their defense must hold.

ATLANTA over ST. LOUIS by 8. With visions of play-offs dancing in their head, the Falcons revenge last week's loss.

SAN FRANCISCO over NEW ORLEANS by 7. Spurrer has the 49ers rolling. The team has to much experience and pride to roll over.

WASHINGTON over DALLAS by 2. Despite their injuries, Washington is still the team for one game. Allen claims Kilmer will start. Don't believe him.

L.A. over GIANTS by 3. The Giants again make it close but choke against the Rams.

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Bedford Reflects on Soccer Season

by Nathan Salant

Although the season has since ended, the interest in soccer at Albany State has only begun to rise. With full winter and spring programs ahead, the ASP talked with Arthur Bedford, star fullback of the Great Danes.

ASP: Arthur, can you fill the readers in regarding your background, etc.

Bedford: I was born in Barbados, and came to the United States last September. I have always been interested in sports, particularly soccer, which I started playing when I was five years old. I also played cricket, table tennis, and ran track for my school teams.

ASP: I am curious as to your reasons for coming to Albany. I know that you had offers from other schools. Why did you decide to attend Albany State?

Bedford: A lot of schools approached me during my senior year with vague offers. Originally, I wanted to go to Miami because it is warm there. Also, I wanted to play against tough competition, but I did not want to sit on the bench.

When Coach Schieffelin spoke to me last year, he told me that Albany State was rebuilding, and that I would definitely do a lot of playing. I wanted to go where I would help. Albany needed players. Also, I knew most of the players who were coming here because I played against them on my school team, and had played with them on the same teams such as the Eastern States All Star Team. Johnny and myself also played for the same club team in N.Y.C. These factors, plus the reputation of the school for good education, helped me make my decision.

ASP: What did you expect prior to this year's season?

Bedford: Certainly not an NCAA bid. We had problems of different styles of play to solve—a few of the players played a South American style of soccer, with lots of dribbling and less passing, while players like Leroy, Wayne, and myself were used to the English style

which involves a more passing type game. We also had the problem of what position each player would do the best job at. ASP: How do you account for the team's meteoric rise?

Bedford: First of all, the coach was excellent. He is a good trainer and knows how to handle the players. Second, there was good talk between the players about the different styles of play.

The thing which really sparked us was the losses to Fredonia and Cortland. We knew that we should have won both of those games. I had made us want to win to prove to everyone that we are really good. ASP: What positions do you prefer to play?

Bedford: I can play any position if I have to, including goalkeeper. In high school in N.Y.C., I played goalkeeper. I only let in one goal in 3 games.

My best position is defense. If the guys play with good communication, and lots of passing, I can play halfback or forward, but I prefer to play the right fullback spot right now.

ASP: Do you want to play professional soccer?

Bedford: No. I am interested in architecture and chemistry. Besides, you cannot make a living in the United States as a professional soccer player. It's not like in other countries. ASP: Speaking of other countries, what are the differences between American soccer and the foreign style?

Bedford: The American style is less skilled, and more physical. For example take Dale Cobane. He uses his speed to get past an opponent. Now take Carlos Royston or Chepe Riano (Argentina). They are more into fancy dribbling. Leroy Aldrich (West Indies) is more into fancy passing and slick moves.

The one exception is Bobby Schlegel. He is very good for an American player. He is one of the best American players I have seen. ASP: Can you explain the lack of popularity of soccer in the United

States?

Bedford: Basically, there is too much competition from baseball, football, basketball, etc. ASP: Do you think that soccer will ever become a popular sport in this country?

Bedford: No. Definitely not. Back in 1950, the U.S. beat England in the eliminations of the World Cup Championship by 1-0. If the sport did not catch on then, it never will.

Look at our games. Most of the crowds are foreigners, as are the best players. There is a lack of American interest in the sport.

Another problem in the United States is that high school soccer is poor, whereas in other countries, high school soccer is on the level of American college soccer. It is from the high schools that players for the national teams are chosen.

ASP: Can you explain what you mean about high school soccer being poor?

Bedford: Yes. I look at the coaches. Most coaches are teachers, who never played the game—they have no working experience. Somebody just shows them there, or else they need the money. They read a book and think that they are Pele.

Most of them do not even know how to train a team. Usually, all they do is make you run. There is very little work on skills.

Of course there are some really good coaches, but not very many. ASP: This may seem like an unfair question, but how do you rate Coach Schieffelin?

Bedford: Coach Schieffelin is a good Coach. He does a great job of training his players. He communicates well with us. Also, he knows how to use the psychological part of coaching.

ASP: What about the possibility of Coach Bedford?

Bedford: I would much rather be playing than coaching. Next semester, I will be doing community service at the Albany Boys Club, and I hope to teach soccer. Maybe that will change my mind.

Also, I have not been coached by many people. In Barbados, I never had a Coach until I made the

National Tournament. In most other countries, you simply learn from the better players.

ASP: Let's return back to the subject of the Albany State soccer team. Who would you select for the All-SUNYAC and All State teams?

Bedford: Everyone. Soccer must be played as a team. If the team wins, then everyone is doing as "ALL" job.

If you want me to single out individuals, I would say that some of the guys have the potential to go even further. Wayne, Leroy, and Johnny among others, certainly have the chance to eventually become All Americans. I hope that some day I can get that honor, but I played too poorly for it to be considered this year.

Also, Henry. He is definitely one of the best goalies around. He was not as highly rated as the other players, but did a great job, keeping us in games we could have lost. He is the player I have the most confidence in.

ASP: As you know, there have been some rather serious charges of racism against some of the coaches here at Albany State. What is the situation on the soccer team? Is there any racism?

Bedford: DEFINITELY NO! Everybody gets along. There are three blacks on the team, and they start. Several of our best players are Latin Americans. Leroy and Johnny won the team MVP Awards, and neither of them is white.

Of course there may be some guys who are unhappy over not playing more, but that is only natural when you have to find time for so many players. Coach Schieffelin is very

fair about everything. ASP: This year, the team surprised everyone with an NCAA bid. What does the future hold in store for the SUNYA soccer fans?

Bedford: Next year, the NCAA is going to three divisions. If we are invited, I think that we can win our national division.

ASP: What does next year hold in store for Arthur Bedford?

Bedford: As you know, I was not happy with my play this year. In the beginning, the refs were upsetting me. I became more involved with them than with the games, because of calls which I did not agree with. Coach Schieffelin realized it, and he straightened me out.

My best game was against Binghamton in the game we lost. We all wanted that game, but some of the guys were looking beyond at Adelphi. Binghamton is the one team we never wanted to lose to. They said that our University Championship was a fluke on lousy goals. One of their players told one of our guys during dinner that, "I think about it, in a couple of years you guys are going to be pretty good." Our goals in the game were not cheap goals—we blasted all three into the net. Their goals were the same as ours; ours were cheap. I guess that theirs were the same quality.

I will never forget the treatment some of their players gave us. The insults were wild, and they all behaved very poorly.

To get back to the question, for myself, and for the team, next year is everything. We all want an NCAA Championship more than you can imagine.

Junior Varsity Wins Again

The Albany State Junior Varsity basketball, led by a complete team performance, blasted Utica's JV right off the court, as they doubled their opponents output, 80-40.

The Pups had no trouble polishing off Utica as they broke loose right from the start and the contest was never in doubt. Albany held a hard to believe 45-19 lead at half time.

The second half, as can be expected in games of this type, was very sloppy, with the

referees calling many needless fouls. Coach Bob Lewis substituted very freely and everyone on the roster got into the scorebook. Warren Miller led the Pups scoring attack, as he hit for sixteen points. He

was followed by Gary Sgrat with fourteen and David Lanahan with eight.

Coach Lewis after the game said, "The team still needs a lot of work but it has the personal to be in every ballgame."

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Smith & Miller Spark Danes to Narrow Win

By Bruce Maggin
Byron Miller's clutch followup shot in the closing seconds plus some real tenacious defense in the second half sparked the Albany State basketball team to a narrow victory Tuesday night against Utica College.

The Danes really played two different games. The first half was one of total confusion on offense as the Danes shot a poor 23% from the field. But in the second half, Reggie Smith and Byron Miller took charge and they gave the Danes two leaders to look for on the court.

Once again Miller did not start as Coach Sauers went with the three "scheme". Mike Suprunowicz, Ed Johnson and Gary Trevett, along with Smith and Harry Johnson. The Danes quickly fell behind and with only 4:44 gone in the game, Mr. Miller came in to play the rest of the ball game. The move didn't improve matters as the Danes offense lagged. They lacked that much needed quarterback on offense to control the team. There was really no one to look for on the court and nobody wanted to take charge. The Danes had trouble rebounding and often battled one another under the boards. At half time Albany found themselves down by eleven points.

But the second half was a different story. Seniors Smith and Miller took over the leadership and they controlled the offense. The team was really moving well and Albany was able to take the lead for the first time after a 13-3 spurt to start the half. At the same time

the offense was working, the defense to quote Rich Kapner "played the tough D." Ed Johnson was particularly impressive in the way he covered Utica's star guard, Rick Williams.

The contest proved to be very similar to the Williams game as the outcome went right down to the wire. With under two minutes to go, Albany found themselves up by a point. Unlike the Williams game, they tried to freeze the ball and the Danes held it some forty seconds before losing the ball to Rick Williams, who was intent on fouling to prevent him from having a shot at an easy layup. Williams, who is Utica's best shooter, missed the one and one situation and Albany snared the rebound. The Danes had 56 seconds left and they still clung to their very unsecure one point lead. The Danes tried to freeze it again and the seconds ticked down. The ball came to Miller with 34 seconds to go. He held the ball four seconds and faced a jump ball if he held it a second longer. Since he couldn't find anyone open to pass to, he called a timeout. This is where there is no substitute for experience.

With time back in, Utica had no choice but to foul Albany. This brought Harry Johnson to the line for a crucial one and one situation. He missed the shot but Byron Miller's clutch followup on the shot gave Albany a three point lead. The Danes hit with a second remaining but Albany had a 57-56 victory.

When Reggie Smith had to come on he did. Smith helped spark the team in the second half as his twen-

ty footers and tough rebounding gradually brought the Danes back into the ballgame. He finished with 19 points and 15 big rebounds. Ed Johnson showed great poise for a freshman as he came back from a tough shooting half to make a substantial contribution.

Rich Kapner, in his quiet way, got the job done as he served as a steady factor in the Danes offense and defense. Rich reminds one of former Dane guard, Dave Welchons. Kapner is still hampered by leg problems and he is not in the best of shape.

Byron Miller won back his starting spot with great work in the se-

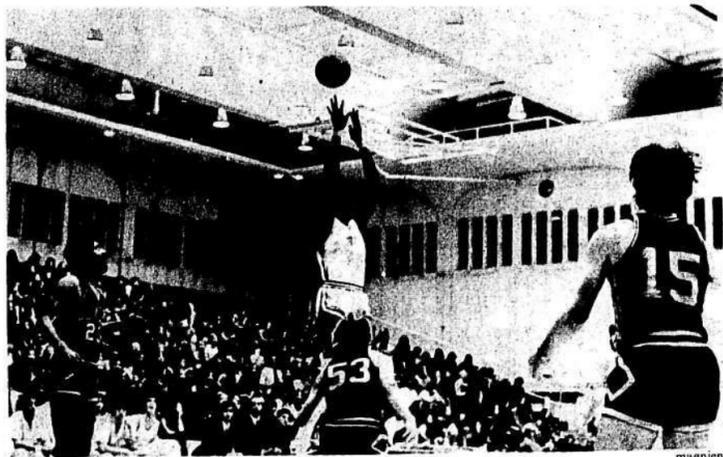
cond half. Harry Johnson is still the big question mark on the team. He has the talent, it's just the question of when he is going to put it together. Harry right now appears to be pressing. He did manage to do a good job rebounding as he snared nine against Utica.

Doc Sauers was "Glad to be alive" after the Utica game. After shuffling his lineup in both the Williams game and the Utica game, Sauers will start Ed Johnson and Kapner in the backcourt, Miller and Smith at forward and Harry Johnson at center against Cortland.

The team now heads to Cortland

tomorrow night to complete their longest road span of the season. Sauers figures Cortland to be 4-0 by tomorrow and they have beaten some really tough teams.

The Danes have shown that they have great potential but at the same time, they have been pretty inconsistent. Doc Sauers has been shuffling his team but appears to have come up with a combination that clicks. After the Cortland game, the Danes come home to the friendly confines of University Gym Thursday, against Hartwick.



The Cagers return home Thursday against Hartwick.

Busy Christmas Planned For The Cagers

by Harvey Kojan

Intercession is almost upon us, at which time most of us will return home for three weeks of rest and relaxation. However, such is not the case for the Albany Great Danes Basketball Team, who once again host the Capital District Christmas Tournament. The tournament, which includes R.P.I., Siena, and Union as well as Albany State, will be held December 28th and 29th in the University Gymnasium.

Last season the Danes took first place by defeating Siena in the opening round and taking Union in the final. The win over Siena was especially significant as Doc Sauers termed it "one of our sweetest victories." The rivalry continued later in the season as Siena gained revenge by edging Albany at the Washington Avenue Armory in a game that is still being discussed.

This year's pairings are identical to the previous matchups, as the Danes will take on Siena after the conclusion of the R.P.I.-Union game. If the Danes happen to face Union again in the finals the next evening, there would also be

more at stake than just the championship. In last year's E.C.A.C. divisional playoffs, Union upset the Danes in the final to abruptly end their season after a string of victories.

This year's Siena squad is almost identical to last year's, but there is a major difference. This time around Siena will be playing without their all-time leading scorer and rebounder, Fred Shear. Shear was particularly outstanding against Albany the last time these two teams met, and his absence will no doubt hurt the Indians. However, Siena still boasts a 6'8" center by the name of Steve Raczyński, and his back-up is no less than 6'10". Both played against the Danes last year but did not show exceptional talent.

Tickets will go on sale shortly for the tournament, which begins at 7:00 PM. that Friday evening with Union taking on R.P.I. The losers of the game on the 28th will face each other in the consolation game the next evening (once again beginning at 7:00), with the championship immediately following.

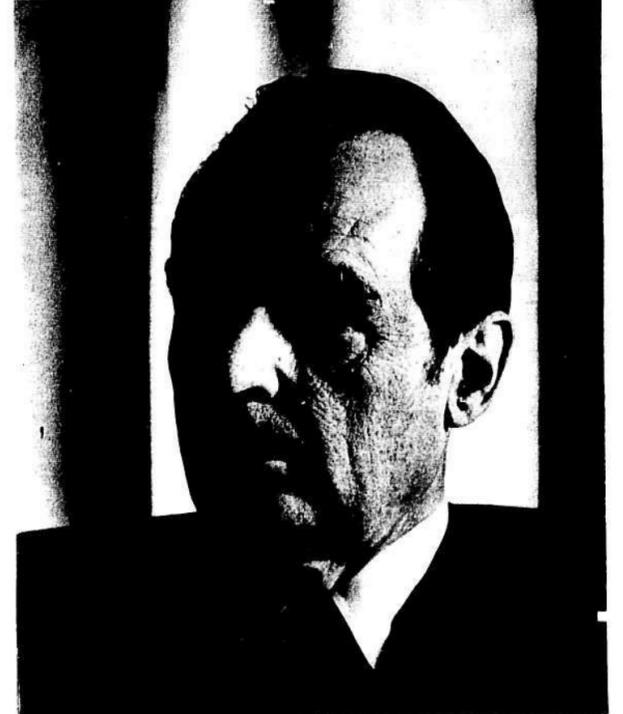
A brief look at the Danes schedule up until the tournament follows: *Saturday, December 8th (Away, 8:30 PM) - Albany vs. Cortland* - last year the Danes bombed Cortland at home but things should be very different. Cortland is much improved (recent victories over Ithaca and East Stourdsberg) and is led by John Jackson, a fine ballplayer who was voted MVP of the "Dedication Tournament" hosted by Cortland last weekend. *Thursday, December 13th (Home, 8:30 P.M.) - Albany vs. Hartwick*. Hartwick humiliated the Danes last season by the score of 72-57, and they appear to be at least as strong this year.

Only one other team beat the Danes by a larger margin (Oneonta). *Saturday, December 15th (Home, 8:30 P.M.) - Albany vs. Binghamton*. In the fifth game of the 72-73 season, the Colonials edged the Danes in Binghamton in a game almost as controversial as the second Siena game. Last year's game was considered a big upset as the Danes were not supposed to have too much trouble with their opponent.

Smith Denied Tenure, Benezet Decides



Curt Smith, left of center, was active in the student faculty movement to revamp the SUNYA tenure policies.



by David Lerner

As a fitting tribute to one of the most highly touted teachers in SUNYA, President Louis T. Benezet took the opportunity over the Christmas vacation to honor Dr. Curt Smith with his final decision to refuse to grant the English professor the coveted title of "tenured."

News Analysis

Benezet's decision came after a two-year struggle on the part of Smith and his army of student supporters to both win Dr. Smith's tenure and at the same time expose the tenure system for what they believe is a blatant sham. According to Smith, who was visibly bitter as he announced the decision to a few students assembled in his office on Wednesday, it was not all that unexpected Smith had long since lost faith in the tenure system and believes that that was undoubtedly one of the primary factors in his negative outcome.

The vote by the University Council on Promotions and Continuing Appointments was six to four against granting Smith tenure while the College level Personnel Committee arrived at a four to four tie on the issue. They had opened by a vote of six to two that Smith's case warranted reconsideration, the major stumbling block thrown up by the new Stroukin rules.

In a letter from Bruce Marsh, Chairman of the University CPCY he said that after having carefully reviewed the information available to us related to your continuing appointment and promotion. We have forwarded a negative recommendation on both to President Benezet.

TO: Barry Bennett
Jean Cantore
Barry Davis
Patricia Fitzmaurice

Dear Friends:

Your recent visit in behalf of Professor Curt Smith added to my appreciation of teachers who make a definite impact on their students. Your testimony played its part in my review of the written recommendations.

In Mr. Smith's case we were faced with one of a group of post-mandatory year reviews. By Senate agreement it was stipulated that a case presenting new evidence should be truly exceptional for tenure to be reconsidered. There are no State University provisions for such a process.

The favorable English Department vote was followed, as you know, by department chairman and dean recommendations for disapproval. The Personnel Committee vote was 4-4. The Council on Promotions and Continuing Appointments after reviewing the case at length recommended disapproval. On the basis of the total review I have concurred with the Council's recommendation.

The news I know is unwelcome, just as it is an unwelcome duty for me to convey it to you. I appreciated the spirit of your talk with me and consider that this response direct to you is appropriate.

Best wishes for the remainder of the holidays.

Sincerely,

(Handwritten signature)
Louis T. Benezet

the information presented at Smith's reconsideration hearing insisted granting him reconsideration. This avenue had been left open, many critics such as Smith feel to allow those who couldn't stomach handing down a "no tenure" decision, to back out and plead "no substantial new evidence," content with the knowledge that Benezet will view that as a no vote. Schmidt had voted in favor of granting Smith

tenure last year, and claimed, according to Smith, that she still thought he was worthy of tenure, but "had to follow the letter of the rules."

According to those rules a candidate, if he or she has not presented "substantial new" evidence in the case, is not entitled to come up for reconsideration, even if he is qualified. The intent of the rules allows those who believe a candidate qualified, to declare the

teacher evaluations forms from the Spring '73 show that Dr. Smith is an outstanding teacher in a variety of courses, but some felt that this was not new evidence, since the evaluations of his teaching were very good in previous years as well.

Smith maintains that it is clear that he was punished for being an outstanding teacher, a contention that tenure critics have held for

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Tickets for the Christmas Tournament are on sale at the gym.