

Track Team Seeks Successful Season Open at New Paltz Saturday

by Kenneth Arduino

The Albany springs continued their reputation for wetness as the Albany State track team is preparing to open the season this weekend. Their first meet is an away meet in New Paltz against the home club and Oneonta.

The Danes, who lost for the first time in three years last year, are being hampered by this rain. The runners can still run in the tunnels but the field competitors will be the ones hurt most. It is very similar to the indoor track

club, where the tunnels were the only facility that could be used.

To continue the winning tradition Albany will have to expect key performances from some returnees. It is too early, at this point, to tell if any youngsters will be ready to make a contribution.

The sprints will be in the hands of two top returnees, Cliff McCarg and Harvey Sobel. McCarg ran the 60 yrd. dash

indoor and will probably run the 100. He also will anchor the long jump. Sobel is the top 220 man. Both these guys should do the job as long as they stay injury free.

The middle distances show a youngster named Bilash and Chuck Hower. Both ran indoors and had very good years. Bill Sorel, a cross country man, may also try his luck at the 880. Sorel did run the 1000 indoors but the smaller distance might hurt him.

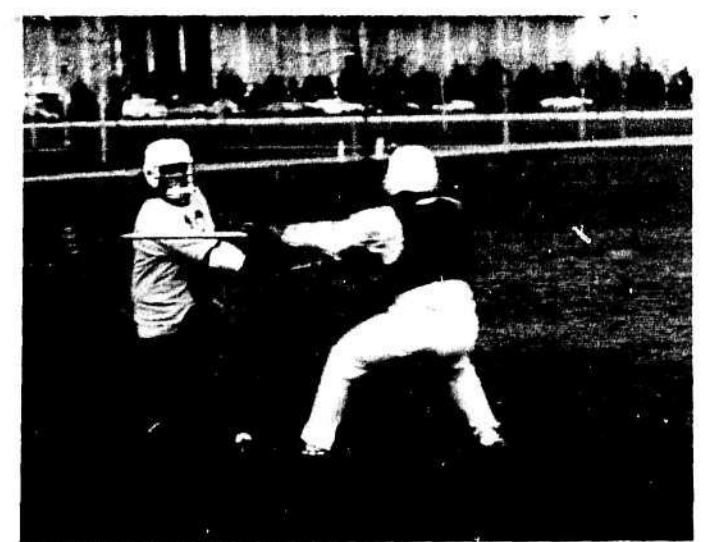
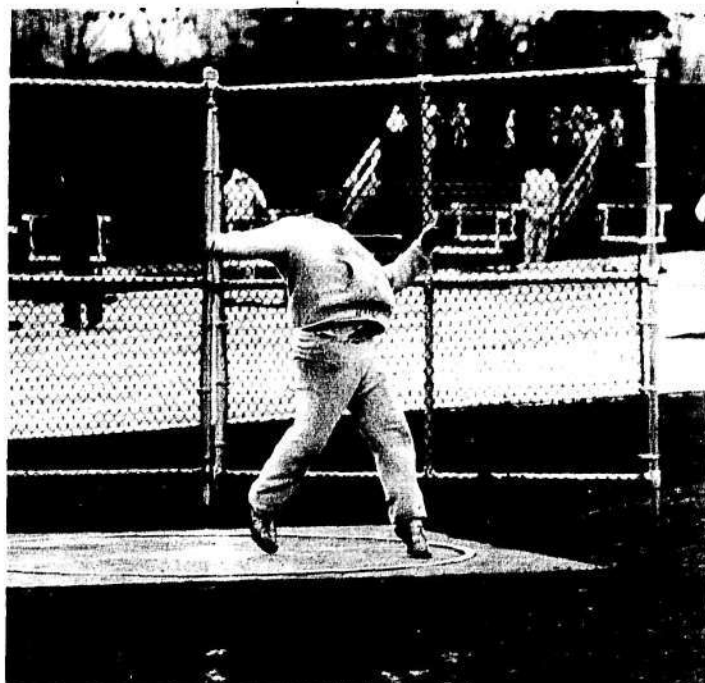
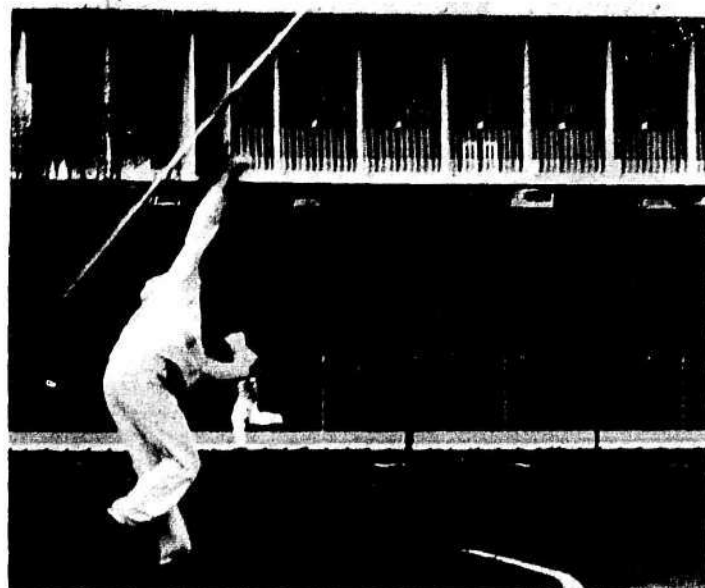
The mile and two mile are solid. Carlo Cherubino and Jim Shrader, both cross-country runners and both ran indoors. Shrader is exceptionally strong and prefers longer distances. Sorel is another one to be reckoned with.

The shot put and the discus are in the hands of Rudy Vido and Jim Holloway. Rudy kept breaking his own record last year and should continue to do so with more experience. Holloway is another big man who threw it

during the winter.

The jumps will feature McCarg and Reynolds. Both jumped during the winter. McCarg was outstanding in the long but he will also be working on sprints. Dave Reynolds is the school record holder for the high jump and also does the triple jump.

So the season will begin and Albany is not accustomed to losing seasons. Well, this one should be no different, unless Albany is crippled by injuries.



The Lacrosse team and the Track team (pictured above) are both limbering up for Saturday's games.

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New Seniority Pre-Registration Underway

Once again pre-registration has begun in the Colonial Quad U-Lounge. A number of new procedures concerning registration and the grading policy are being implemented. These are as follows:

The seniority system has gone into effect, replacing the alphabetical system. Under the new system graduates will pre-register first, followed by seniors (88 or more credits), juniors (56-87 credits), sophomores (24-55 credits), freshmen (fewer than 24 credits), non-matricula-

ting students and open.

Under the seniority system students will no longer be designated by their class year. Rather, they will be categorized by their academic classifications. (Freshmen = FR, Sophomore = SO, Junior = JR, Senior = SR). Classifications are determined by completed course credit information on file at the end of February.

The grading system has changed again. As of the Fall 1973 semester, an undergraduate student may elect to be S/U

graded in any course which is normally A-E graded. A maximum of 30 credits may be so selected. Of these 30 credits, 6 credits may be in the major, second field or a combination thereof. In addition, a student may register for any number of courses designated by a department for S/U grading in the Schedule of Classes or its supplements. The 30 S/U credits do not include S/U credits received before Fall, 1973.

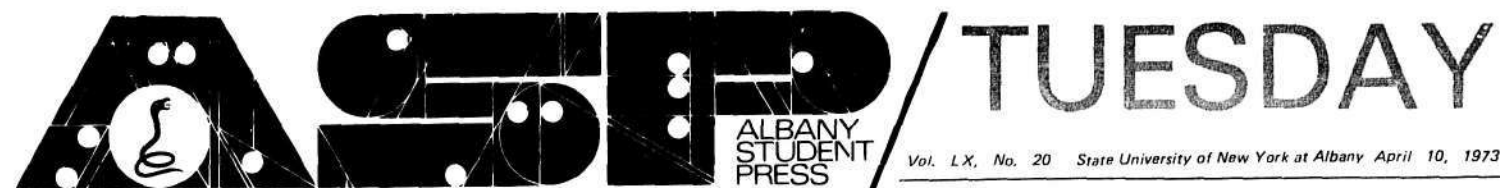
The current pre-registration period will be the first oppor-

tunity that an undergraduate will have to indicate which course or courses in his or her Fall class schedule should be authorized for S/U grading. Another opportunity to select S/U courses (or change back to A-E courses that had been selected as S/U) will occur during the add-drop period of the Fall semester. The last day to add a course will be Wednesday, September 5.

Finally, next semester will offer students an opportunity to cross-register for courses at other campuses within the area. The

participating institutions are SUNYA, Albany College of Pharmacy, Fulton-Montgomery Community College, Hudson Valley Community College, Immaculate Conception Seminary, Maria College, RPI, Russell Sage College, Siena College, Skidmore College, College of Saint Rose, and Union College. Interested students are advised to call Bruce Gray, associate dean, University College, 457-8331.

Registration will continue until May 4.



Group Explores Dimensions of Bubble

by Kathy Eckerle

Potsdam, Plattsburgh, and Cortland don't need one because their facilities are so far superior to ours that they don't have to resort to a "second choice."

Rockland and Queensborough Community Colleges are using them to house indoor sports.

The University of Oregon uses one that covers their entire football field.

These statements all refer to the new air-supported "bubbles" popularly being used across the country as an alternative activity facility. By no means a permanent structure, bubbles have served during interim periods while permanent field houses or gymnasiums are built... or, as a new facility when no permanent structure is planned.

Since a field house is not in the immediate construction plans at SUNYA, the new Committee for Activity Facility Development would like to see a bubble on campus.

When asked how SUNYA's athletic and recreational facilities compare to other state campuses, co-chairman Merlin Hathaway and other committee members could only shrug and say, "There's no comparison. We're the worst."

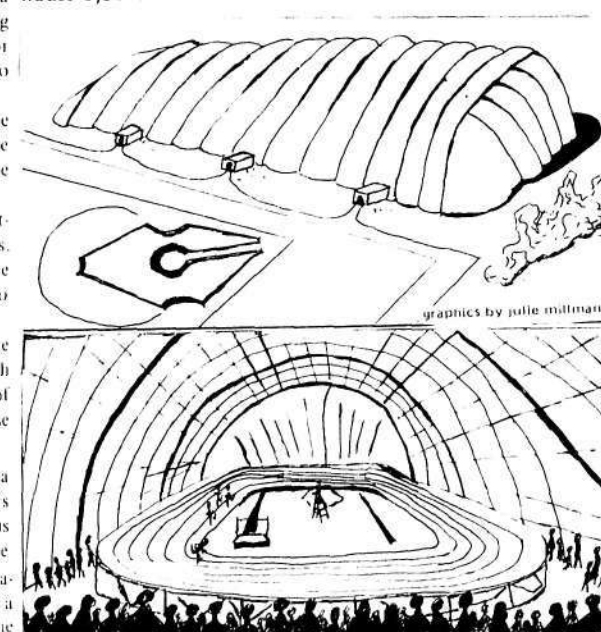
Members are specific to point out such state schools as Potsdam, Plattsburgh and Cortland. Each of these schools, with half the population of Albany, not only has a gymnasium but a field house with an arena area as large as RPI's Field House.

The original plan for Albany State called for a field house, but a construction freeze three years ago locked SUNYA out of phase two of the campus extensions. We had already spent more than one million dollars in foundation and grounds preparation and were two weeks away from signing a contract for the field house construction when the

freeze hit. Since that time nothing has been done to meet the physical education and recreational needs of the campus.

However, this past month the Committee for Activity Facility Development, composed of faculty members of the Physical Education Department and students from AMIA and inter-collegiate sports, formed to tackle the problem. In evaluating what is needed to alleviate the deficiency, the members will concentrate on four areas: instructional, recrea-

A "bubble" field house like the artist's conception below, could house 6,600.



tional, intra-mural, and inter-collegiate.

How large a facility? "Give us as many courts as you want and we'll fill them," is the clamor from frustrated physical education students. AMIA alone has 110 basketball teams participating this year with only two courts to play on, and there is virtually no court space for the group of students who come in just to shoot a few baskets. (See story page 19.)

The bubble could be the solution to these problems. Fundamentally a tent supported by air pressure, a fieldhouse model could accommodate an estimated 6,000 people—more than twice as many as the gym can presently hold. The bubbles are safe—even if a large gash splits the skin, it would take a day or two to completely deflate. It has a life span of eight to ten years after which it must be re-skinned.

Bubbles are being used all over the United States to house tennis courts, swimming pools, football stadiums and indoor track fields.

Mr. Hathaway is quick to point out that the bubble is "a poor second choice to a permanent field house. It's like comparing a home to a tent." But as no one will give us a "home," the bubble is a good alternative.

A field house the size of the one envisioned here would not only provide badly needed recreational facilities, but would give the Albany Community the largest meeting hall in the Capitol District area. No longer would speakers and performing groups be faced with limited audiences and acoustically poor gymnasiums.

An alternative is here. An interested and motivated group is exploring its dimensions, and the University will have a new proposal to consider by the end of the month.

Communications Report Cites Isolation

By Bob Mayer

The State University of New York at Albany is an enormous network of bureaucratic organizations that embraces all levels of this institution. Because of its huge enrollment and physical dimensions, often it becomes an impersonal labyrinth in which many members of the university feel alienated from each other and frustrated because communication becomes difficult, if not impossible.

Aware of certain problems, yet unsure of their causes and solutions, the administration, in an attempt to look at itself as a university organization, com-

missioned Dr. Philip Tompkins, chairman of the RCO department to conduct an analysis of SUNYA's organizational communication. The study was instituted during the first few months of 1972 and released in November of that year.

It had been requested by those responsible for the study, the Office of University Affairs, that the results remain within the university and be made available to all members of the university. The Albany Student Press considered the request and decided that it would be in the best interests of our school to wait before reporting the study, until

the various organizations in this university, particularly the administration, had an opportunity to respond to the problems and recommendations. We now believe the administration has had ample time to grasp the content of the study and to work with the recommendations.

The long awaited communication findings discovered that the faculty and students feel isolated from the administration that has failed in communicating successfully with them.

This was the major conclusion of the team which on one hand condemned the administration

for its failure to reach out, yet on the other hand, accepted the notion that such failures may be inherent in large universities and may be impossible to correct.

There were 322 interviews conducted. Among those interviewed were the president, several vice-presidents, deans, directors, chairmen, faculty, students, and others. They were asked a variety of questions that dealt with communication on this campus. All the interviews remained anonymous, with the exception of President Benezet, who wished to be "on the record."

The study identified three problems plaguing the adminis-

tration most. They were all mentioned frequently and the report concludes that these problems are not uncommon in most universities.

There appeared to be much confusion among administration members themselves as to what exactly was the chain of command in the event that both the President and the Executive Vice-President were absent from the campus. When administration members were questioned as to who is responsible in the event of the President's absence, the unanimous response was "the Executive Vice-President."

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CUNY Faced With Tuition

Students at the City University in New York, which has been a tuition-free system, may now be faced with such expenses. According to the *Meridian* (Lehman College), those students attending the CUNY schools would pay the same tuition as those at the state colleges. The plan, however, calls for "a substantially increased financial aid program" so that the tuition would be "eliminated" for lower income students.

Many city officials oppose this action because it would eliminate "one of the last incentives for middle-class middle income families to remain in the city."

Wine Education

At the University of Missouri-Columbia, an evening course in wine education has been planned by Harold Bassett, to be offered this fall. The culture of wine, chemical fermentation, aging,

and proper selection and serving techniques will be covered. According to Mr. Bassett, "Wine is a basic food in many parts of the world, and it should be appreciated for this." At the end of the course, students will order wine at a meal and drink it. For this reason, unfortunately, students must be 21 to register.

Financial problems at SUNY at Stony Brook resulted in the closing of one of the cafeterias. The Statesman reports that not enough students who had meal plans used Tabler cafeteria and that the price of food increased. Students now on the meal plan there can either use other cafeterias or obtain a rebate and cook their own meals. For most students either option is an inconvenience, especially on such short notice. Concerned students did meet to discuss whatever action would be necessary to

keep Tabler Cafeteria open.

Another research article on suicide at colleges has been done. The *Spartan Daily* of San Jose State claimed that about 1,000 students committed suicide last year. Ten thousand unsuccessful attempts were made, however, and there were about 100,000 threats of suicide. It has been shown that suicide is more common among college students than young workers, that it occurs more frequently at the start of the school year, and that literature and language majors are more inclined to commit suicide. Although techniques differ, the main causes of suicide are fear of parental pressure and feelings of hopelessness. Warnings to be observed include insomnia, a poor personal appearance, the giving away of personal possessions, and long-lasting depressions.

NEWS BRIEFS

edited by Dan Ross

International

NICOSIA, Cyprus

A band of Arab guerrillas blew out the entrance to the apartment building housing the Israeli ambassador with a powerful bomb Monday, and then attacked an Israeli airliner in an apparent attempt to hijack it before takeoff.

None of the tenants of the three-story building was hurt. An Israeli security guard on the El Al aircraft at the international airport wounded three guerrillas as they fired from a car speeding around the four-engine Viscount.

Police said they found a note indicating that the Arabs intended to hijack the Viscount. It was signed by a group called National Arab Youth.

SAIGON

A Canadian peacekeeping investigator charged Monday that a ceasefire commission helicopter was shot down in flames by a heat-seeking missile while flying over Viet Cong-held territory in South Vietnam.

Maj. Gen. Duncan McAlpine sharply disputed a Viet Cong claim that the helicopter met with an accident in which nine of its passengers, including a Canadian and two American civilian pilots, were killed Saturday.

"An accident?" McAlpine snapped. "Surely, with everyone in the area knowing this was an approved flight, and with verbatim reports of the survivors, I think otherwise."

"The fact is that the helicopter did in fact sustain a heat-seeker."

National

WASHINGTON

While Indians took their grievances to a congressional hearing Monday, efforts continued to break the stalemate on negotiations to end the occupation of Wounded Knee, S.D.

Russell Means, a leader of the American Indian Movement, said at a news conference that the militants occupying the village have agreed to stack all unlawful arms if the White House will meet with their representatives.

Means said he is prepared to continue the siege at Wounded Knee for the rest of his life if the White House balks at discussing what the Indians say is denial of their treaty rights.

The government has objected to meetings unless the Indians surrender their arms.

WASHINGTON

What's the number one air polluter in the United States today? Well, according to the *EpaLog*, the official publication of the Environmental Protection Agency, the leading air polluters are burping cows.

According to *EpaLog*, studies have found that "Ten cows burp enough gas in a year to provide for all the space heating, water heating and cooking requirements for a small house." The study estimated that American cows burp about 50 million tons of hydrocarbons into the atmosphere each year.

EpaLog adds: "There presently exists no available technology for controlling these hydrocarbon emissions."

LOS ANGELES

Anthony Russo testified today that he helped Daniel Ellsberg copy the Pentagon papers in 1969 and thought at one point that Ellsberg was not handling the top secret documents carefully enough.

Russo, testifying in his own defense, told jurors of a night when Ellsberg, working at a machine duplicating the papers, called out to a visitor to read a page of the documents.

"I remember thinking to myself, my goodness, those things are top secret markings. We ought to be more careful," the 36-year-old Russo said.

State

ALBANY

Grade school and high school students in New York State would be required to recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag daily under terms of legislation announced Monday by state Republican lawmakers.

State Sen. James T. McFarland, R-Tonawanda, and Assemblyman Emuel S. Betros, R-Poughkeepsie, predicted that such a move would probably be challenged for its constitutionality, principally because the phrase "under God" in the pledge might be considered an entanglement of church and state.

"But we think the Supreme Court in its present makeup will uphold the constitutionality of the legislation," said Betros at a news conference.

PYE Cleans Up, Walks for Water

by Kathy Eckerle

if you really care about your environment put your best feet forward - walk for water

grandway parking lot central & colvin 9:00 a.m. sunday apr. 8 sponsored by siena college ecology club

PYE had a busy weekend-walking 24 miles and \$3,000 for Delta Labs and cleaning up the Pine Bush area.

Bright and early Saturday morning, 80 students from Guilderland Middle School joined University students from PYE, the Bike & Outing Clubs, in a massive effort to clean up the Pine Bush area from Fuller to Rte. 155.

The city of Albany donated four trucks to help in the day's activity, with the University contributing one truck towards the effort. Jim Meisner's Auto Parts helped by towing away abandoned cars.

David Camarow, former SUNYA student and PYE environmentalist, said that many pieces of mail were retrieved. A large cache of discarded books bearing the stamp of New York Telephone were discovered. PYE plans to return them to the company's public relations office and ask for an explanation.

The students put in a hard day's work but the day's job of clearing the area of dumped trash was only a beginning. As evident from the picture below, still more must be done before the Pine Bush beauty can be recaptured.

Walk-for-Water

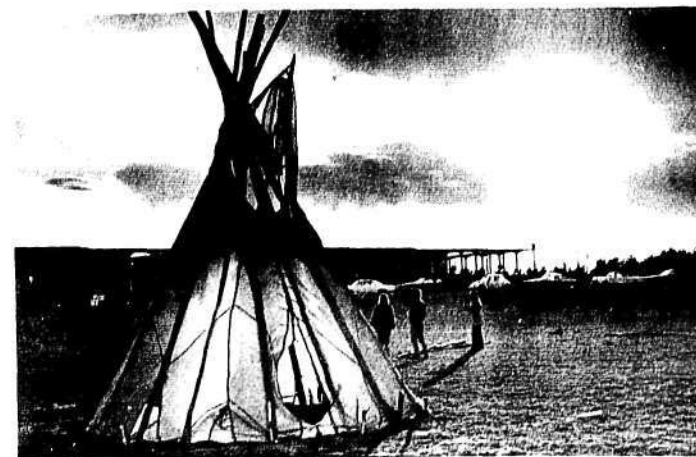
Sunday's Walk-for-Water turned into an exciting race when three participants ran the 24 miles.

SUNYA PYE President George Kelesian, Environmental Studies Department director Jon Scott, and Bill Hensel, a seventh grader from Voorheesville, ran the route in four hours and four minutes while the other 300 participants walked it in eight hours.

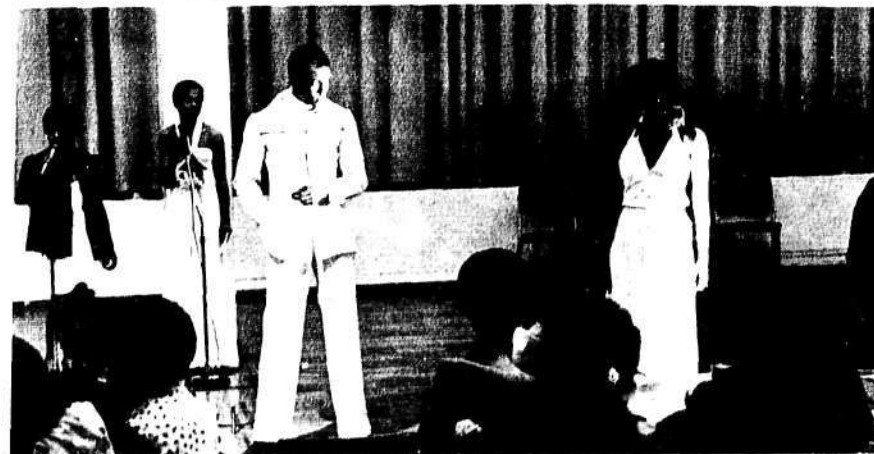
Each of them was sponsored by individuals or groups. Jon Scott brought in the largest total of over \$400. His secret? He hit the Administration Building "cause that's where the money is."

The event was sponsored jointly by PYE and Siena's Ecology Committee to raise money for Delta Laboratories Inc. Delta Labs is an environmental lab, independent of all vested interests, which depends on independent donations for its existence. Located in Rochester, N.Y., it provides free, unbiased analysis to anyone needing it. Their 6000 volunteers have done air and water tests nationwide--35 in this area alone.

Altogether more than \$3000 was won by those participating in the Walk.



Black Culture Weekend A Success



More than 3,000 people participated in this week's Black Culture Weekend.

Students and visitors had a wide variety of activities to choose from, including a Science Symposium and lectures. Eddie Kendricks sang to a capacity crowd Saturday night and Burundi, Ebony Voices and Black Gold once more displayed their talents. The "Black World of Fashion: A Desiderata Production" featured designs by Willie Smith, Camille Howard, and Stephen Burrows.

All in all, it was a successful "together" weekend.

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Washington D.C. Demands End of Colonial Status

Press Release from the League of
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The Nation's capital will see an end to its colonial status before the Bicentennial in 1976, if the League of Women Voters and the Coalition for Self-Determination for D.C. can arouse citizen response.

756,000 citizens of our capital still are unable to elect local government officials. In the District of Columbia, President Nixon appoints the Mayor-Commissioner and the City Council. These officials are answerable to the President, not to the District citizens.

The District of Columbia has no Representatives in Congress, even though its population is greater than that of ten states. Our Congressman, Carleton King, who has other important duties, must be concerned with local district affairs such as determining the registration fee for dogs in D.C. or deciding whether kites may be flown there.

It will take a bill by Congress

to provide locally elected officials and control of local taxes and affairs. A Constitutional Amendment must be passed by 2/3 of the members of both houses of Congress and by 3/4 of the State Legislatures to allow D.C. to have representation in Congress.

We believe that if voters of this nation realize the great unfairness of imposing all duties of citizenship on the residents of Washington while denying them the rights of every U.S. voter living elsewhere, they will ask their Congressman to support home rule and Congressional Representation for the District of Columbia.

Among the 50 other national organizations who are members of the National Coalition for Self-Determination for D.C. are the American Federation of Teachers, the American Association of University Women, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Association of Student Governments,

Opinion:

A Curt Smith Defense

Opinion by Barry Davis

Fellow students I am fed up with what we mean to this university. For most of us the reason we are here is to learn. Outstanding teaching in my "naive" opinion facilitates learning. I say naive because that is not the position of many administration figures at this institution.

It seems to me if we meant something to this university the prime goal here would be to educate us and to find the best people to help us become learned. This university behaves contrary to this.

I am leading up to the tenure situation of Curt Smith. I feel the Curt Smith problem is a statement by the university that excellent teaching means nothing. Well, IT MEANS SOMETHING TO ME. Curt Smith is a finalist for an outstanding teaching

award. I feel having had him for two courses I am a capable judge of his ability to facilitate learning and even more important thinking. This matters nothing to the likes of I. Moyer Hunsberger.

Curt, we are told, is not a good enough scholar. His Marxist criticism isn't good Marxist criticism. He hasn't published enough and he hasn't published in the right places the story goes. I SAY BULLSHIT! I say there is no one who has sat on judgement in the Curt Smith case who would know Marxist criticism if they fell over it. I have read letters by eminent Marxist critics and Science Fiction people holding Curt's scholarship now to be excellent and his potential to be amazing.

Central Council has called for a public hearing of the University Community into the continuing appointment process. Invited and advised to attend are President Benezet, Vice-President Sirotkin, and Dean Hunsberger as well as many other people involved in the process. All students and faculty are invited. Maybe I'll find out I was wrong and good teaching does hold meaning to this university. In the case of Hunsberger of course we already know he believes the better your teaching evaluation the worse your teaching.

The only real hope for Curt Smith is the involvement of many many students and faculty alike. Refuse to allow this mockery to take place. This column involves a call to action.

I feel Curt would be an

attack on good teaching at this institution. He stands in distinguished company as far as this situation goes. There is Joe Balfior, Dennis Helmrich and many more. This is a bad year for the good teacher, the popular teacher, the student-oriented teacher.

It seems it is undesirable to have students and teachers relate to each other as human beings. Faculty, it seems, are supposed to remain aloof from students and students are supposed to be in awe of them. I'm not afraid of faculty. Faculty aren't much better than students. In some ways they are only junior faculty at best.

I might add that I am at the moment a decision on a committee vote taken on a date affected should be about it. Uncertainty facilitates good teaching. I like faculty being string. The string tends to concentrate on students. When Curt string so am I. Really of a tenure decision on new faculty. I candidates is that see the election on. How is the to have new. I don't know what denices?

I recommend Benezet has given a coordinator of the Science Fiction. It would be something and in the situation. You don't even get for the title.

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Pablo Picasso Dead at 91

MOUGINS, FRANCE
 Heavy rain fell on the Riviera home of Pablo Picasso all day Monday as his family met in seclusion to discuss funeral arrangements for the century's most influential artist.
 His son Paulo, appearing at the gate of the villa to let in members of the family, told newsmen nothing had been decided.
 "There is nothing definite yet," said Paulo. "You know, the death of my father causes problems."

He refused to speak at length with newsmen at the closely guarded gate. But authoritative sources confirmed earlier reports filtering out of the villa that the family wanted a private funeral, perhaps away from the Cannes area.
 Paulo, son of Picasso's first wife, Olga, refused to explain what he meant by problems surrounding Picasso's death.
 The painter died Sunday at age 91 from a heart attack and fluid in the lungs. His body lay in a

bedroom on his hilltop home surrounded by white flowers.
 Armand Antebay, Picasso's business manager and an attorney, indicated to newsmen that Picasso had left no will directing the disposal of thousands of paintings, worth perhaps millions of dollars, stored in various rooms in the villa.
 Son Paulo, 52, arrived at the villa late Sunday. He joined the painter's widow Jacqueline, 47, and her daughter Catherine by a previous marriage.

Picasso's three illegitimate children, known to have been on uneasy terms with Jacqueline, did not come to Mougins. They were his daughter Maya, born of his liaison with Marie Therese Walter, and a son, Claude, and a second daughter, Paloms, born of his liaison with French artist Francoise Gilot.
 The villa "contains a greater wealth in modern paintings than most of the world's museums," said one friend of the family. "Picasso collected not only his own paintings but those of his greatest contemporaries, including Matisse, Modigliani, and Braque. The house is an artistic gold mine."

Jobs For Grads Looking Better

Job prospects for students graduating from college this spring are better than at any time in the last four years.
 According to a report released April 3 by the Carnegie Commission on Higher Education, the job market for college graduates in both 1972 and 1973 indicates that the poor job prospects facing college graduates in 1970 and 1971 were in large part associated with the economic recession of those years.

The report warns, however, that it is still difficult to find jobs for school teachers and college faculty members. However, all market for college graduates, therefore, is reported to be as favorable as it was in the 1960s, when graduates had to pick and choose among a number of attractive job offers.

The report revealed that the sharpest increases in the number of job offers this spring are in the engineering field and the shortages are beginning to appear in certain specialties.

"Prospects are bright for persons entering health care occupations and professions. The Commission warns against a reduction in federal support of training and allied health professions. Significant shortages in these areas have disappeared."

"Prospects are also bright for accounting and in other general positions. However, in the past few years, the master of business administration with several years experience has had a distinct advantage in the job market, one without experience."

Communications Report Cites Isolation

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When asked who would be responsible if both the President and Executive VP were absent, those interviewed expressed inconsistent answers or none at all. The writers noted that the situation can be "relatively simple to correct," going on to mention that Dr. Tompkins, who was involved in a similar study at Kent State prior to the May 1970 crisis, "had observed unfortunate effects of such confusion during a time of crisis."

The second problem facing the administration and its effect in "slowing, delaying, and confusing" members of the SUNYA community was described as "layerism." More than a third of those talked to in the administration felt that, "The system suggests procrastination to people, because there are so many steps you wonder how anything gets done."

The final most frequently mentioned communication problem was the "absence of clearly articulated organizational goals." The bulk of this criticism rests on the shoulders of President Louis Benezet. One Vice-President said, "There is no common set of goals articulated by the President or anyone else." An assistant to the President remarked, "If there are clearly defined goals, they have not been spelled out for me. There aren't any clear goals. That is one of the real communication problems of the University."

The group involved in the report, in response to repeated grievances concerning university goals, requested from President Benezet a list of goals he believed he should promote as the chief administrator of SUNYA. They were as follows:

"To become more manifestly of service to the community in educational programs, cultural resources, and applied knowledge.
 To set the University's commitments in relation to optimum enrollment size and extent of program, within the expectations of financial support and other parameters during the decade ahead.
 To provide appropriate interdisciplinary as well as pre-professional programs for undergraduate students.
 To provide a meaningful education for the full range of abil-

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ity and interests of students who are admitted to the State University at Albany.
 To establish and reconcile our missions as a university center of top quality in undergraduate education, graduate education, and research."

The interviewers threw in an additional five fictional goals and questioned those interviewed as to which they interpreted to be Benezet's. Among the five fictional goals were, "to encourage the faculty at SUNYA to spend more time and effort on research and publication." Another one was, "to raise admission standards to the point where only the ablest students in the state will be admitted to the university."

Only 13% of all the people questioned selected Benezet's five goals perfectly. Only 3% of the students identified the goals accurately. This indicates a clear failure on the part of the President to make known his ideas and hopes to members outside the Administration building.

When those questioned were informed as to Benezet's five original goals, the team discovered that there existed wide acceptance supporting the President. The report cites, "were these goals of President Benezet

frequently and widely" circulated, a better understanding of the administration and greater cohesiveness in this university would occur. That initiative, the report noted, "must be taken by the President."

When members of the administration were questioned as to what were the least credible sources of communication on this campus, *The Albany Student Press* won hands down.

Out of the twelve deans that were involved in the study, one half felt that an administrative manual describing procedures and routine instructions was lacking, a third felt that they were not being sufficiently consulted before significant decisions were made. When the deans were questioned as to what were the credible sources of communication on this campus, the *Albany Student Press* once again surfaced as the least credible. It may be important to note that the first criticism concerning an administrative manual, may in large part be due to the relatively short time several deans had to familiarize themselves with their new jobs. Seven of them had been in their job for less than a year and a half.

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of them claimed to be isolated from the administration. Again, the lack of university goals was frequently criticized and over half felt that there was too little face to face communication on campus.

The report also noted that there was dissatisfaction with the Bookstore, the registrars office, and the library although only a minority of faculty mentioned all three as problem areas. When faculty members were asked what they considered to be the least credible sources of communication at SUNYA, the ASP was again heading the list.

to be complacency on the student's part, the study still proved to reveal some problems. It found that students had little knowledge of the procedures involved and people delegated to handle specific problems. They did find that 57% felt isolated from the administration (some students preferring it that way.) There was one noteworthy finding that illustrated differences between students and the rest of the university. The report says, "Administrators may be surprised to learn that their least credible source is the students' most credible source--the *Albany Student Press*."

What does the study say? It says that the bulk of this university's members feel alienated from their administration. That certain problems will always remain but some can be corrected and should be corrected. It calls on the President to acknowledge his responsibility to, not just administration members, but all members of this community. And perhaps most important, it

"The system suggests procrastination to people, because there are so many steps you wonder how anything gets done."

Students asks that we as an academic community fully understand the value of constructive communication. In regards to feelings of isolationism from the administration, the study notes, "were the authors of this report members of the administration, this condition would cause us to have considerable concern."

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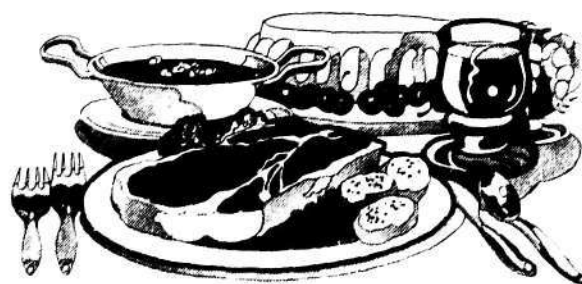
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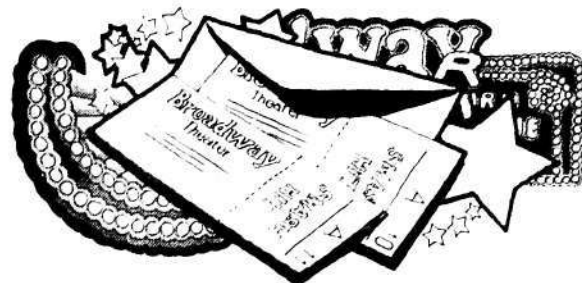
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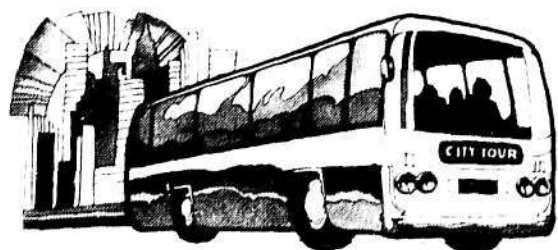
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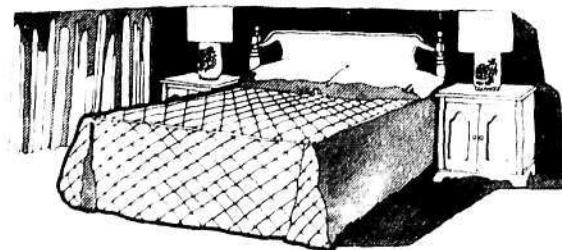
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"We all know that art is not truth. Art is the life that makes us realize truth - at least the truth that is given us to understand."

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A Sick University

Increasingly it seems to us that our university's administration is making a concerted effort to eliminate from teaching posts those instructors who have shown the greatest interest in their work, and the greatest dedication to their students.

The most recent example of this rather unfortunate trend is the decision by the Council on Promotions and Continuing Appointment against granting tenure to English instructor Curt Smith. As those who have regularly read these pages know, Smith is considered one of the most popular teachers in his department.

One of the potentially most damaging losses to this University would be Louis Ismay. As leader of the Environmental Forum, he is one of the most popular personalities on campus, and was a recipient of an environmental award only last week. He is the sort of man who spends seven days a week working for his students. His Environmental Forum has received excellent reviews from serious professionals in the field, and his students have served as consultants. Some of their papers have even been published.

Yet the administration seeks to release Ismay because he does not have "the proper credentials".

In the art department, there was Mary Raddant, a person whom Art Department Chairman Cowley called "amazing" and "irreplaceable".

We could go on, citing others like Carol Waterman, Dennis Helmrich and Joseph Balfior whom the administration attempted to dismiss. Indeed, it begins to appear that there is some sort of conspiracy developing on this campus aimed at the gradual but certain elimination of excellent teaching. Although we fully realize that impeccable academic credentials are entirely necessary and that research is an extremely important function of the university, the emphasis all too often seems to be on the "almighty Ph.D." and "publish or perish." The factors that make a university truly excellent are often overlooked.

This negative attitude is epitomized in the functioning of our College of Arts and Sciences, headed by Dean I. Moyer Hunsberger. The recent articles on these pages concerning the strong dislike for his tactics and philosophy, as well as the explanations of his often questionable activities while Dean at the University of Massachusetts illustrate the degree to which this trend has developed. It is a trend of rigidity and a preoccupation with administration, forms, and the "correct procedure". Real academic enquiry is stifled, and programs such as the Environmental Forum, in which experts from many fields work closely together, are discouraged.

We cannot stress too much how pervasive this trend has become. It threatens the entire University with stagnation. As one professor recently remarked, "The atmosphere has gone from relative confidence and calm" to a situation in which "everyone is suspicious of everyone else and confidence has been destroyed."

The University is being run like an impersonalized business firm, rather than a community of scholars, and the result of this has been serious. Not only are the best teachers being released, but two noted professors - both department chairmen - have resigned.

In the final analysis, it is Dean Hunsberger who is largely responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Arts and Sciences College. They are his daily edicts, memos, instructions, and general outlook which set the tone for the college, a tone which more and more people are coming to despise. Professors have called Hunsberger "intimidating", "uncompromising" and "domineering" and most students who have dealings with the Dean agree. When we view a situation where professors with true dedication and imagination are fired, and where personal initiative from people like Louis Ismay and Carol Waterman is discouraged, it seems reasonable to say that our University is becoming very sick. It is no longer a community of scholars working together for a common goal. Such activity is discouraged.

We do not criticize merely for the sake of criticism. We do not print stories about a dean's background merely to sound scandalous. We don't sell our newspaper.

We only want to alert the University Community to the dangers that exist.

In sum, we support any efforts which are aimed at reversing this destructive trend, whether they be "oust Hunsberger" movements, faculty protest committees, or whatever. The time has come for positive change.



A Study in Bureaucratic Sloth

by Chairman Nostri

Another vacation fast approaches, and by Friday afternoon the campus could be nearly deserted. Getting away from Albany is easy enough, but getting back may be a little more difficult than usual this time.

The problem is that classes are scheduled to resume promptly at 8:00 a.m. on April 23rd, meaning that the nearly 6000 resident students will have to do their traveling on the Easter Holiday.

It seems that this schedule was determined several years ago by the University Senate, who apparently did not foresee the ensuing conflict. But trying to change the schedule appears to be a problem of major proportions.

Student members of the University Senate introduced a bill calling for the suspension of classes on the 23rd so that students would have time to return to Albany, and Student Association's Central Council recently passed a strongly worded resolution backing the senate bill. Although it was approved unanimously, the Central Council resolution was apparently not considered weighty enough, since the Senate bill was soundly defeated by a coalition of faculty and administration. The bill's opponents argued that we cannot afford to lose any more school days since SUNY Central Offices have mandated a certain number of instructional days per year.

When students argued that an extra day could be tacked on later in the year, the opponents countered that this was extremely difficult to do. There would be problems with the computer as well as with rescheduling final examinations. In other words, they argued that it was too late to change. This upset many students, who began to wonder whether we are actually controlled by machines after all. But that wasn't the main issue at stake.

More important was the feeling among students that they were once again denied a right, their independence and personal power. Perhaps there was some solidarity to the administration's argument, but many students thought that the duplications in changing the schedule were being overlooked. If an important public official had suddenly died, they argued, the University would not hesitate to cancel classes if a national day of mourning were declared.

By and large the student situation saw the main issue as being their independence in policy formation. Of the approximately 100 senators, only 22 are undergraduate students, a minority which is almost invariably outvoted. And in this instance, they argued that what was at stake was an issue that affected only the students directly. Faculty and administrators will not have to do the holiday driving.

The result of this seeming powerlessness has been an unfortunate lack of interest among students in the affairs of the Senate. According to Central Council Chairman Ken Stokem, most student senators show up to meetings "only because they feel obligated since they were elected" and that most student senators "feel totally worthless." And the graduate students are even worse off. A number of their eleven positions are still vacant, and the remaining senators rarely come to meetings.

President Benezet has urged professors to be lenient on Monday, and to try to avoid giving tests. This is all well and good, but the fact remains that thousands of students are going to miss classes - and the subject matter that will be discussed in those classes - if they decide to travel on the Easter holiday.

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Letters to the Editor

Dramatic Letter

To the Editor:

We, the members of Theatre Council—an organization of theatre students who are responsible for funding, organizing, and conducting theatre activities on this campus—would like to express our deep concern over an important matter.

As responsible theatre students, we wish to make our feelings known regarding the failure to renew Joe Balfiori's contract. We believe that the primary goal of the University and the Theatre Department is not contingent on the number or level of degrees he has obtained. Unfortunately, in recent years, this University has chosen to ignore student opinion and student need by dismissing the services of outstanding teachers. This is not unique to the Theatre Department.

All of us in Theatre Council have worked in some capacity with Mr. Balfiori. We have known Mr. Balfiori as teacher, director, advisor, and friend. He is the ideal first acting teacher. He has unselfishly given of his time and extended his talent to reach every student involved in theatre. His primary concern is to provide a learning experience for every student. His productions are an extension of this goal. As a director, his main objective is to give the student the best learning activity, rather than creating a showcase for his own unique talent as a director.

We need teachers whose first duty is to students and student learning. Therefore, we call on you to reconsider the circumstances which have precipitated Mr. Balfiori's dismissal.

Theatre Council

Count Your Blessings

To the Editor:

In last Friday's ASP (March 30) you had the comic irony to print a piece of responsible conservative analysis by someone calling himself "Doug LeComte" (French for "the Count.") In his attempt to mimic the anti-human, crypto-clever non-style of a man whose father dealt oil to the Nazis (William Buckley), "LeComte" leveled his critical pea-shooter at the events surrounding the Campus Coalition's attempt to secure funds for the aid of Bach Mai hospital and the Attica defense committee. It will be remembered that after promising funds to the Coalition, the student bureau then took these funds and misappropriated them as part of the money to pay the Allman Brothers for their recent concert here.

In a pathetic and at times grotesquely boring attempt to "poke fun" at the mutilated victims of American policies at home and abroad, the Count this sphylytic pretender to nobility has assessed the situation thusly, punctuating his interpretation with a stunningly mediocre wit:

- a. the new left wants funds for their commie causes.
 - b. the dumb masses of students want funds for their mindless rock music.
 - c. rather than fight amongst each other, they should recognize their mutual lack of class.
 - d. they should collaborate on a rock festival with a commie message. An example of the music might be such laughable compositions as, "I left my heart at Wounded Knee."
- Ha Ha, Ha! Hee-hee-haw haw! Ha! Yuck! Giggie, giggie!
Brilliant!
Take a bow!
LeComte, old chap, you've done it again. What a pair of shoulders you've got on your head.
Brilliant juxtaposition! How nimble a mind to see that what it's all about is the misplaced antagonism between "Mickey Mouse Marxists" and rock 'n roll. Once again, in this your latest intellectual drooping, you've betrayed all the imagination of a stove and the sensitivity of a sloth.

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One only hopes that the student body's minds have not been so dulled by rock music that they can still appreciate the half-witted Hitlerian and the gregarious inquisitorial humor with which you combat "Mickey Mouse Marxism." One only hopes that the students are clever enough to understand that the massacres which have punctuated American history (Wounded Knee, Vietnam, Attica, to name a few) are but the "various idiosyncrasies" spun in the brains of the "three demented acid-heads" who make up the Coalition. One only hopes that sounds and sights of the massacre can still evoke a chuckle.

One only hopes that your readers haven't lost their sense of humor. In anticipation we await your next gem. Reading your article was truly an experience, comparable only to stepping in shit.

The Campus Coalition

Poor Marx

To the Editor:

On Tuesday night, April 3, I presented my case for tenure before the Council on Promotions and Continuing Appointments. I summarized my credentials for 15 minutes, and then responded to questions, most of which were related to the "divisive force" charge: was I divisive, was the department divided, why did so many in the department vote against me? Am I dogmatic in the classroom? I responded to these questions as carefully and fully as I could, pointing out that my teaching is question-centered and this implies openness rather than dogmatism.

There were also a few questions about Marxist literary criticism—at most, a third of the questions asked. How is Marxist literary criticism different from other criticism, why is it difficult to become trained in it, who are the emerging American Marxist critics? I considered these questions reasonable, and again I responded to them as fully as I could, consistent with the general expectation in the Council that presentations and answers should be brief. Who, then, are the emerging Marxist critics in France and Germany, and in the Spanish language? (Not Sartre or Lukacs—the new people.) Offhand I couldn't think of any, and I said so; the question seemed unimportant anyway, since I was simultaneously, and ominously, being pressed about divisiveness. (The opening question was "I'm not going to ask you a hostile question because you're in enough trouble already.")

I certainly was in trouble—but not, it seems, about divisiveness. I'm told that the issue that tipped the balance was "scholarship"—namely, those few questions about Marxism. On the basis of them alone, people who knew nothing about Marxism overturned the judgment of several outside evaluators and decided that I'm not a good enough Marxist to stay here.

They're right. I'm not a good enough Marxist—if I were a good enough Marxist I would have acted before now to end the rule of ideologically biased, middle-aged white men at this university. But maybe it's not too late to begin the action.

Curt Smith

So That Explains It

To the Editor:

In the April 6 issue of the ASP, the column "Another Fan Speaks" was devoted to a letter written by Wayne Halper dealing with the girls and AMIA. In his letter, Mr. Halper set out to clarify the AMIA's position and policy on an issue which "...the girls have blown way out of proportion..."

It was strange seeing an entire column in the ASP devoted to an issue which was totally unfamiliar. After consulting back issues of the ASP, I still was in the dark as to why and how this issue was a problem. A few quick telephone calls promptly made me see the light. In reality Mr. Halper was responding to a letter to the editor written by Ms. Terry Weisblatt. Her letter was to have appeared in the

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Cod for the Cads

by Mike McGuire

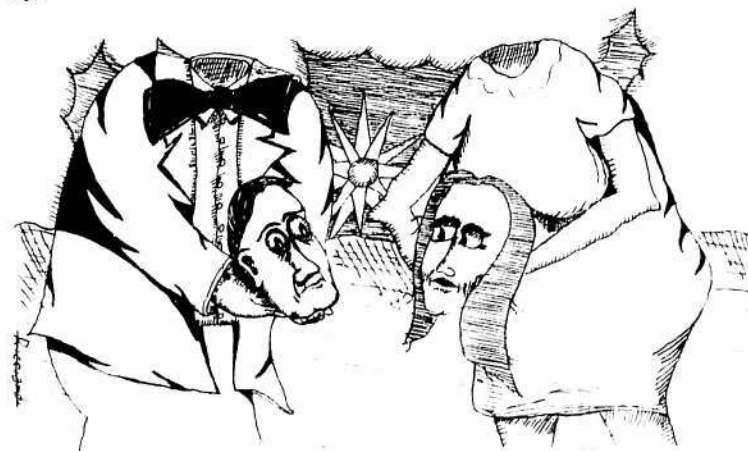
(Washington, April 5) - Investigators here, stymied in attempts to find godless Communism behind the national meat boycott, are now focusing their efforts on another, older, group of international subversionists.

The Roman Catholic Church, with its headquarters in The Vatican district of that ancient city, has long been using its vast army of agents and dupes to boycott meat on Fridays, say investigators for the House Internal Security Society (HISS). According to HISS, the Church suggested that the "faithful" eat fish instead. This substitute is believed to be inspired by the close ties the group's founder had with the fishing industry.

Several years ago, the Church abandoned its Friday boycott law. While many observers thought that the Church was giving up on its efforts to collapse the American economy, it is now clear that it was only preparing for more ambitious schemes.

Even as this column is being written, over one million agents and six hundred million (that's right - 600,000,000) dupes are feverishly preparing for a showdown with the forces of decency in this country. The "Six Hundred And One Million" are ruled by a Big Father, or Pontiff, who is assumed to be infallible. His orders filter down through cells, or dioceses, in most susceptible areas of the Western world.

In Rome, close lieutenants of Pope Paul (as they call Big Father there) hotly denied the charges. "They've been saying the Pope's taking over the U.S. ever since they laid the Transatlantic Cable," said Father John DeLord with a twinkle in his eye.



Why the Liberals Were Defeated

by Al Thompson

The liberal politics and sentiments that swept America during the '60's have vanished. Today a moderate, "pleasing" Middle American Administration has but silenced the voice and influence of the liberal. The liberal media and liberal politics have come under heavy attacks for its promotion of liberalism and permissiveness. The huge defeat of Senator George McGovern in the past Presidential Election was a defeat of liberalism. This could be laid to the fact that white Middle America in general rejected the liberal ideologies of McGovern that lacked any realism.

One of the reasons why the liberal image is losing its ground is because liberals in America never had a real program of genuine solutions to solve the problems of the masses. It is certainly not my point to imply that the moderate conservatives have any real solutions to the ills of this land, but liberal legislation and money hasn't yet touched the root of this cancer in America. The liberal thought and attitude that by pacifying "give'em cake," Urban (Removal) Renewal, busing students to suburbs, building hundreds of basketball courts and pools in the ghettos, the institutionalized racism and poverty would disappear overnight into some white satin, was certainly a total failure. By giving token jobs to blacks and minorities and thus producing a feeling of "Great Expectation" among the natives of the so-called advancement of fellow minority celebrities, the white liberal has been a great

obstacle in the paths of minority groups struggling to set into socio-economic structure of American life. Those liberal programs supposedly designed to provide skills and meaningful career jobs have achieved no overall success except a vast waste of manpower and money.

The white liberal in America has not granted the minorities in America Freedom with Dignity, but rather a limited equality which is the same racist, imperialist connotation that for minorities in America to achieve anything notable besides being an athlete, a singer, or a dancer, they have to come up to the white liberal of equality. The number one problem in America is not blacks or Nixon, but the mixed-up liberal who can't make up his mind about what he stands for and why. These anxieties may be caused by the fact that he does not have, in reality, any revolutions or battles to fight so he tries to get into everybody else's struggles half heartedly. Liberals like talking about the injustices done blacks by society, the HEW grant vetoed by Nixon, the racism in the South, and the forced school integration created by the busing situation, but when blacks try to find decent housing he must be a Dr. Jones or Reverend James to get into the neighborhood. The "Forest Hills Liberal" who adored the Rev. Martin Luther King, who once went on Freedom Rides and gave money to the N.A.A.C.P., reacted violently when a proposed lower middle class complex was to be built in their neighborhood. Yet these same liberals call

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same issue as Mr. Halper's letter but due to unethical practices by the ASP, not only did her letter not appear, but a response to her unprinted letter did appear. The ethics behind making a letter to the editor available to the party at which it is directed remain questionable at best. Allowing a response to appear before printing Ms. Weisblatt's letter was totally irresponsible.

Turning my attention to Mr. Halper's letter itself, I feel it is important to make clear a few basic facts. The AMIA Council voted 8-0-1 to allow the girl's team in question, the Jockettes, to play. Mr. Halper was the long absentee.

Mr. Halper made many allegations about the Jockettes ability to compete in League I Softball. This is a point that I see as totally irrelevant. I have never heard of any team ever being questioned as to their ability to make the grade in any league, but then again, all other teams are male. Is that the real problem Mr. Halper, are you afraid of having your male ego punctured by females armed with bats and gloves? For what its worth, Mr. Halper, the Jockettes have won their first game. I hope you don't feel castrated.

The main issue then is this: AMIA has set up the league system so that participants of similar ability can compete on the same level. Who is to be the judge of a team's or individual's ability? In the past the individual or team made the decision and AMIA never questioned it. All of a sudden a female team, the Jockettes, came on the scene and their abilities became suspect. It is to AMIA's credit that eight members of the Council were unbiased enough to make an equitable decision. It is to their detriment, however, to have people like Mr. Halper, who still feel a need to display their machismo, on the AMIA Council.

Seth Ugelow
Commuter Representative
Central Council

Editorial Note: We have been informed that Ms. Weisblatt requested that her letter be withdrawn immediately before publication.

Everybody's Column A Tenure Solution

by Nicholas S. Argyros

I am compelled to comment on some of the issues of faculty tenure and promotion raised by "news" articles and columns which have appeared recently in the ASP. As a former student member of this university's Council on Promotion and Continuing Appointment, I feel qualified to add these comments to the continuing fray and fracas.

The "problem" of faculty tenure and promotion is endemic to the university structure which now exists as a product of centuries of evolution. Even the prestigious Princeton Institute of Advanced Studies is not immune to the problem, as evidenced by a recent widely publicized controversy. Although committees of various sorts exist at many universities to examine the traditions of tenure and promotion, it seems evident that no widely adopted alternatives have been found acceptable at this time.

Tenure and promotion considerations remain grounded in the "publish-or-perish" game of academe. I am of the opinion that a relatively just and democratic structure exists at this university to operate on cases of faculty tenure and promotion. However, one serious gap in this structure is egregiously evident. This gap makes the process less just and representative, and seems to be fundamental to the student, and sometimes faculty, consternation expressed previously on these very pages.

The gap I refer to is the total absence of coherent and cohesive input of student opinion to the tenure and promotion considerations. Marches and demonstrations having been given up as ineffectual (justifiably so), all that remains as a forum for opinion are these pages. Although the ASP may wish to credit itself with having been effective in certain cases, this forum can best be considered as therapeutic after-the-fact expressions about the injustices of the "machinery".

Let us be overcome with the disestablishmentarian cynicism that abounds, there is a partial solution available that may rectify some of the ills of the system.

The input of student opinion must be made consistent and reliable in order to be valid and effective.

The format for student opinion must be established university-wide in the form of a uniform, but brief questionnaire on teaching effectiveness, to be administered by students to students in every class, for every faculty member in each semester of every course. Although the magnitude of the task seems formidable, other universities have adopted this procedure. A standardized collection of student opinion can be used not only in tenure-promotion decisions, but also as feedback to the faculty member on a continuing basis.

Such a university-wide evaluation procedure had already undergone several fledgling attempts here. All have succumbed to apathy. The effort must be renewed.

Critics of such a procedure will point out the following problems.

Question: Who will devise and administer the questionnaire?
Answer: Student government could establish (yet another) committee to appoint a team composed in part of sociology, psychology, and/or educational psychology students with appropriate graduate student or faculty advisors backed with whatever funding may be necessary.

Question: What about such courses as physical education which are not amenable to such evaluation?

Answer: Depending on the nature of the questionnaire, some exceptions may be required.

Question: What about those departments which already have teaching or course evaluation questionnaires uniquely devised for the characteristics of the subject matter?

Answer: These may be either incorporated into the university-wide survey or retained as a supplement for the particular department.

Question: Isn't student opinion only a charade, a popularity poll?
Answer: Only if the student respondents view it as such.

Liberals Only

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their brothers down South "racists." In playing this double standard game, the white liberal as long as he is not affected by crimes, muggings, robberies, and rapes, is 100% pro-minority, but when faced with such crime and violence, the liberal becomes a raging reactionary.

Some white liberals think that with their so-called hipness and coolness, they can imitate black singing, dancing, and wearing baggies, but they fail to note that this cultural rip-off is only a small fragment of the struggle and that blackness is a state of mind, not a product that can be bought on the market. These misguided liberals seek the mystique of soulness, but they want to use it for their own gain. They don't respect or look at the graces, such as art form, or expression, but rather some animalism, ("look at him move"). They have no mind, just the body.

This type of admiration is a sick racism that sees no intellect, no mind, no art—just animal, physical passions. The subconscious thinking in this case rests on the premise that the liberal has to debase himself to experience his own body. The Liberal does not actually feel the natural flow of the person he is badly trying to imitate.

The liberal in America must come to grips with reality. The liberal he has exposed is becoming rhetorical and obsolete. Middle America has proven it can tolerate minority goals and aspirations, but is increasingly turning off to the liberal. Liberals are fast becoming a new minority, since the vast majority of Americans are middle-of-the-roads. Many liberals feel they have been betrayed by minorities who no longer accept their money, advice, or leadership, but the liberal must see the fact that the day of the big white Father image is over. Blacks and minorities are very sincere in their goals and are looking for realistic solutions. This is not to close the liberal out of the picture, but to test his sincerity and to weed out those that would sell black and minority aspirations down the river for their own personal gain. The white liberal's prostitution of blacks and minorities and its rip-off of the culture must cease. Only then will the liberal be trusted and respected.

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The Best and the Brightest

By Phineas Israeli/AFS

The Best and the Brightest, David Halberstam's highly-touted study of the men who planned and executed the war in Vietnam, is sadly a case of the book which could have been. It is sadly so, for Halberstam apparently did the legwork but not the soul-searching requisite for the task. As a result he produced a best-seller but blew his opportunity to educate the American public about the true depravity of our government.

The flaws in this book can be diagrammed as a set of contradictions, beginning with the title itself, by which Halberstam promises to convey the monstrous irony of the war, that this genocidal policy was produced by the so-called cream of American society. Yet it is this very irony with which Halberstam never fully comes to grips. He opens the door and moves to the edge of the abyss, exposing McNamara, Rusk, Bundy, etc. as a paranoid, schizophrenic and super-machismo lot (the evidence which Halberstam has compiled for this portrait is well-nigh massive, but for a sample there is the spectacle of Lyndon Johnson dismissing a war critic as a man who "has to squat to piss," and telling an associate after the Gulf of Tonkin Resolution and air strikes, "I didn't just screw Ho Chi Minh, I cut his pecker off.")

But then, as if unable to bear the truth of the American system, Halberstam turns away from history and from the stark-

ness of his own revelations, and ascribes the war to the "mistakes" of the decision-makers, leaving in the wake of his lurid disclosures the ludicrously pale impression that these men were indeed so bright and so successful that they could not conceive of failure, and therefore made a foolish war, but if they'd only known!

To understand how Halberstam entangles his title and his theme in such a web of liberal ambiguity, it is necessary to consider the contradiction of his method which is that of attempting to simultaneously write an "inside" account of Washington decision-making vis a vis the war, and a definitive history of those decisions. The revelations which Halberstam makes are indeed fascinating to read (for sheer callousness it is hard to beat Dean Rusk agreeing to the bombing of North Vietnam with the remark, "In for a dime, in for a dollar.") Yet the contradiction between writing an "inside" and a definitive account ultimately leaves the book high and dry, good in the parts for which the author got people to talk, weak in the parts for which he has no juicy quotes or special information, but insists on writing as if he did have them.

The distorting effects which such a method can produce are underscored in the details of the book. Daniel Ellsberg, for example, is mentioned in the narrative sixteen different times, thus giving an exaggerated view

of Ellsberg's role in events, whereas the entire Council on Foreign Relations, that institution through which the needs and designs of Wall Street are translated into the substance of American foreign policy, is mentioned only seven times (David Rockefeller, probably the most powerful man in the American Establishment, and the closest approximation of an American Caesar, is not mentioned once).

To fully account for the failure of this book, however, it is most important to note how the contradiction in method becomes a contradiction in content. Halberstam's great strength as a political journalist is his feel for the way in which the grid of a bureaucracy lights up to make decisions—the way individuals "handle" each other, suspect, maneuver and ultimately despise each other, acting all the while to protect their own positions and prestige on the "inside" of power. This feel for what Halberstam calls "the Play" in tandem with his revelations of the statements of "the Players" themselves, is potentially a kind of

goldmine for informing the American people about what our government is really like.

The vagueness and inadequacy of Halberstam's analysis of the war is eloquently demonstrated by the conspicuous lack of eloquence and explanation with which he concludes the book. Discussing Nixon's continuation and expansion of the war in Southeast Asia as a "step by step repetition of the mistakes of the past," the author concludes, "There was, Americans were finding, no light at the end of the tunnel, only darkness." But without probing the deeper why's and wherefores, the facts of American political economy, the resources and strategic position of Southeast Asia, etc., Halberstam looks through the telescope backwards, mistaking the way in which the Washington bureaucracy operates for the meaning and purposes of its operations. It is as if the author gave no reflection to the inherent difficulties of writing "inside" accounts— that they ultimately accept the ideological assumptions of the edifice being pene-

trated—and hence the distortion ensues, the war emerges as a set of "mistakes" of the players, whereas the structure of the American system, in which and for which the "principles" are "playing," remains essentially invisible.

Thus, the ironies of the title are finally paid off at the expense of the book, the joke is on Halberstam himself. Setting out to explain how the "finest" male representatives of the American elite could not perceive the futility and the evil of their war policy, Halberstam becomes immersed in his own quagmire of vagueness, ambiguity and unreality. For once conceding the leaders of the Kennedy and Johnson Administrations their "brilliance" and their "qualities," he can explain neither their "failure" to forego the war, nor Nixon's perpetuation of the same. Halberstam's flaw is, at the bottom, his basic inability to perceive or accept the nature of the American system, which produces and is subservient to such men as the subjects of *The Best and the Brightest*.

New album by Kottke

by Bill Brina

Leo Kottke has been touring with John McLaughlin quite a bit lately, which is kind of fitting, because they actually share a good deal in common. They are both brilliant, totally unique guitarists and they are both original personalities. Most importantly, both of them exist independently of the standard categories of the music business, and so both are forced to create their own markets. John has done this quite spectacularly of late, and now it looks like Leo may finally be ready to make his.

Kottke has been a legend for years; a strange, introverted performer with magnificent technique, an offbeat sense of humor, and a strangely compelling way with a mournful ballad. All of this has been captured on his last two studio releases for Capitol Records.

Now it has been captured on a live album *My Feet Are Smiling* (Capitol ST11164) that should put Leo over the top. I'd be hard pressed to think of another musician who could generate this much musical excitement alone: un-

accompanied, live, single-tracked; his guitar flows, rambles, and darts about in a dazzling display of both ability and feeling, while his occasional vocals are oddly moving. Two elements have impeded Kottke in the past: his record company didn't know what to do with him, and the performer himself was subject to embarrassing lapses that put off much of his potential audience. To judge from this album (and from recent performances), both of these problems have been remedied. Leo Kottke is ready to happen.

Albany Library's Big Week

An entire week of activities with programs for people of all ages has been scheduled for Albany Public Library for National Library Week, April 8-14.

Harpist actor Corkey Christman will open the week with a family program, "The Harp and the Veise" to be presented at Harmanus Bleecker Library on Sunday, April 8, at 3 p.m. Mr. Christman will introduce the concert grand and troubadour harps, then play them as musical backgrounds for such readings as Shakespeare's "The Seven Ages of Man," James Weldon John-

son's "The Creation," and poems by Robert Louis Stevenson and A. A. Milne. The program is part of the Library's new Artists in Action series supported by a grant from the New York State Council on the Arts. The Noon Book Review for that week on Tuesday, April 10, at 12:15 p.m. will focus on one of the most popular topics today: dieting. Home economist Martha S. Brown will review the most controversial diet book of all, "Dr. Atkins Diet Revolution," described as "the high calorie way to stay thin for

ever." The diet has been denounced by nutrition experts and a \$1,000,000 suit has been filed against the author and publisher. Mrs. Brown is the Albany County Cooperative Extension Agent in charge of the Home Economics Division.

On Wednesday evening, April 11, the Friends of the Library will present a talk by David F. Powers, long time friend and associate of President John F. Kennedy, co-author of "Johnny, We Hardly Knew Ye," and now Acting Museum Curator of the John F. Kennedy Memorial Library. He will speak at the Albany Institute of History and Art at 8 p.m. A reception will follow.

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Psychokinesis and the Press

by Saul-Paul Sirag

Alternative Features Service There is a fantastic tug-of-war going on between *Time* magazine and Stanford Research Institute about psychokinesis, of all things. Don't think it's a small war. The struggle is over Uri Geller, the man "who can make clocks run backward," and the foundations of the powerful are shaking.

Uri Geller, a 26-year old Israeli linguist, has under closely controlled laboratory conditions demonstrated his ability to change matter in scientifically inexplicable ways—such as: bending metal, disappearing metal, creating fractures in metal, repairing fractures in metal, repairing torn-up leaves—all in a matter of seconds. This was the bombshell that Andrija Puharich, an M.D. who has studied psychics for 25 years, and Geller for the past 18 months, threw to a large audience at a para-psychology symposium at U.C. Berkeley on March 4th.

Two days later *Time* Magazine came out on the stands with an article accusing Geller of fraud. They also bitterly attacked the Stanford Research Institute and smeared the physicists, Harold Puthoff and Russell Targ, who checked out Uri Geller and found him genuine. I say "smeared" because *Time* does not have much of a scientific leg to stand on.

The Department of Defense, which funds most of SRI research, brought in two psychologists to give opinions about the methodology of the Geller research. One equivocated, and the other said he detected flagrant errors. Puharich said that the Department of Defense official who came out to SRI because a computer was going haywire. And if a man could mess with a computer as easily as Geller could, well... So the DOD official charged the researchers with incompetence and brought in the psychologists to do a hatchet job.

Meanwhile *Time's* editors had Geller put on a private show for them. They called in some magicians who said any competent magician could do what Geller does. *Time* claims one magician dupliated Geller's feats. Puharich says, "Just let them try!" Just like Moses and the magicians of Egypt in a Cecil B. DeMille spectacular. That's how strange it's getting to be.

In the case of the SRI experiments, preliminary tests were done with Geller with astounding results. The procedures, and results were taken to many distinguished parapsychologists and specialists in scientific method for evaluation. They approved of the soundness of the methodology and made further

suggestions. Then further research was carried out. Puthoff and Targ will present their results to the public on March 9th at Columbia.

Time really jumped the gun. And if anyone was sloppy it was *Time* because they were overly impressed with Geller's resemblance to a stage magician. True, Geller is a showman, and has demonstrated his abilities on many stages, especially in Israel and Germany (where he stopped a huge escalator, and a new "fail-safe" cable car system.)

But Geller, in these shows, can make a silver dollar disappear, and come back a few minutes later bent in half. Sure, he has the coin in a tightly-closed fist when it disappears, but you can hold his hand with yours, and you can provide your own coin and check the serial number before and after. No magician lets you do all that. He can fix a watch (with the main spring lusted, say) by putting his hand around the watch for a few minutes. (He fixed a small, solid-state electronic calculator for Werner Von Braun this way.) He can change the temperature of objects at a distance, change the mass of objects, levitate objects, move them from one continent to another.

Puharich once asked him to go out of the body to a particular location in Brazil and bring back a particular object. "Back" in this instance was Israel, where his body was, with Puharich standing by. He was able to do it. This is getting pretty far out, I admit, but Puharich says that he has been very hard put to find anything Geller can't do. He does telepathy very easily, but precognition is his weakest point, so far. He could develop it tomorrow. It seems likely that Geller can interfere with every known "law" of physics.

Time is a very elemental thing and a test is planned to pin down just how much Geller can affect time. The problem is that it is hard to isolate pure "time" from other effects. Geller can make a clock disappear and come back showing a different time from control clocks. But how do we know he didn't just affect the mechanics of the clock? Radioactivity is the most accurate clock we know, and plans are afoot to have Geller make a radioactive sample change its rate of activity. Of course, the same problem will crop up in the eductivity sample, but on a deeper physical level. Just how many magicians try their hands at topping radio-active time!

Once we understand the "laws" governing Geller's abilities, Puharich foresees the time when these abilities will be shared by everyone. Ideas of the mind might be immediately read

in matter. Manufacturing, marketing, educating, practically every institution as we know it will be done away. The Establishment could fall like a house of cards. But, Puharich warns, this can happen only if the information about these phenomena are widely disseminated. This is no time for groups hoarding secret knowledge, or Big Brother will result.

It could go either way, but the powermongers are trembling. Perhaps *Time* really believes more than it is letting on. *Time* has clearly tried to create news rather than report it, for *Time* knew that the public disclosure of the details of the SRI research was to be on March 9 at Columbia. *Time* has tried to preempt any response to that disclosure. But, what Geller can really do, only time will tell.

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Crawling Arnold

by Andy Rafkin

Crawling Arnold presented in Experimental Theatre's closing weekend, was an interesting Jules Feiffer satire ending with a successfully exciting twist. Cleverly introduced in a jazz era format the audience is reminded of America's morally decadent twenties. But *Crawling Arnold* occurs in the near future with its own type of decadence. It is a time of government ordered safety drills, and of mass conformity.

Mr. and Mrs. Enterprise's son Arnold, portrayed by Steve Aminoff, can not follow the roads his friends and parents have formed. He must find his own way and so to be conspicuously an individual he crawls. But Arnold is thirty-five years old. The social worker, Miss Sympathy, called in by the Enterprise's to cure Arnold eventually succumbs to Arnold's answer to the straight laced bureaucratic world that Miss Sympathy represents.

Crawling Arnold is a dark comedy. Overall, Joe Ritter's direction got this across, but portions of the script's lighter laughs and energetic moments were conveyed as a tight panic rather than loose comedy. During the air raid drill the cast

ran mindlessly around the stage thus losing the essential delight these characters derive from panic. Some of Mrs. Enterprise's lines could easily have been Edith Bunker's, but we only saw starched lace and so lost the essential comedy that the script demands. The satire of the American family inherent in Mrs. Enterprise was buried under her over-postured formality. However, this point was not totally buried. Molain Gilmore's loud, shuffling souciant portrayal of the house servant was set just right. Her characterization slid perfectly into the script's having her reverse the American social order by locking Mr. and Mrs. Enterprise out of their own bombshelter.


The focal point of the play's action is Arnold. Steve Aminoff did an admirable job depicting with natural ease and sincerity. However, until Arnold's entrance there was some confusion due to misdirection. In the opening scene the Enterprise family talk over their family's past while viewing slides. The function served by the slides could better have been filled by the family looking over a family album. The arena theatre is a poor place for a slide show, and the showing of slides forced the




opening scene to be played in darkness which I think is a mistake for a play taking place in unknown place in another time period. We are disoriented for a while trying to figure out who is who and where they are. The scene is an outdoor patio but this is not conveyed in the script

for sometime and an ankle-high charcoal broiler in a shadowed corner of the stage was not sufficient. In fact, the lighting itself seemed a bit musty for a comedy, especially one occurring outdoors. Nevertheless, Arnold's victory over Miss Sympathy and the

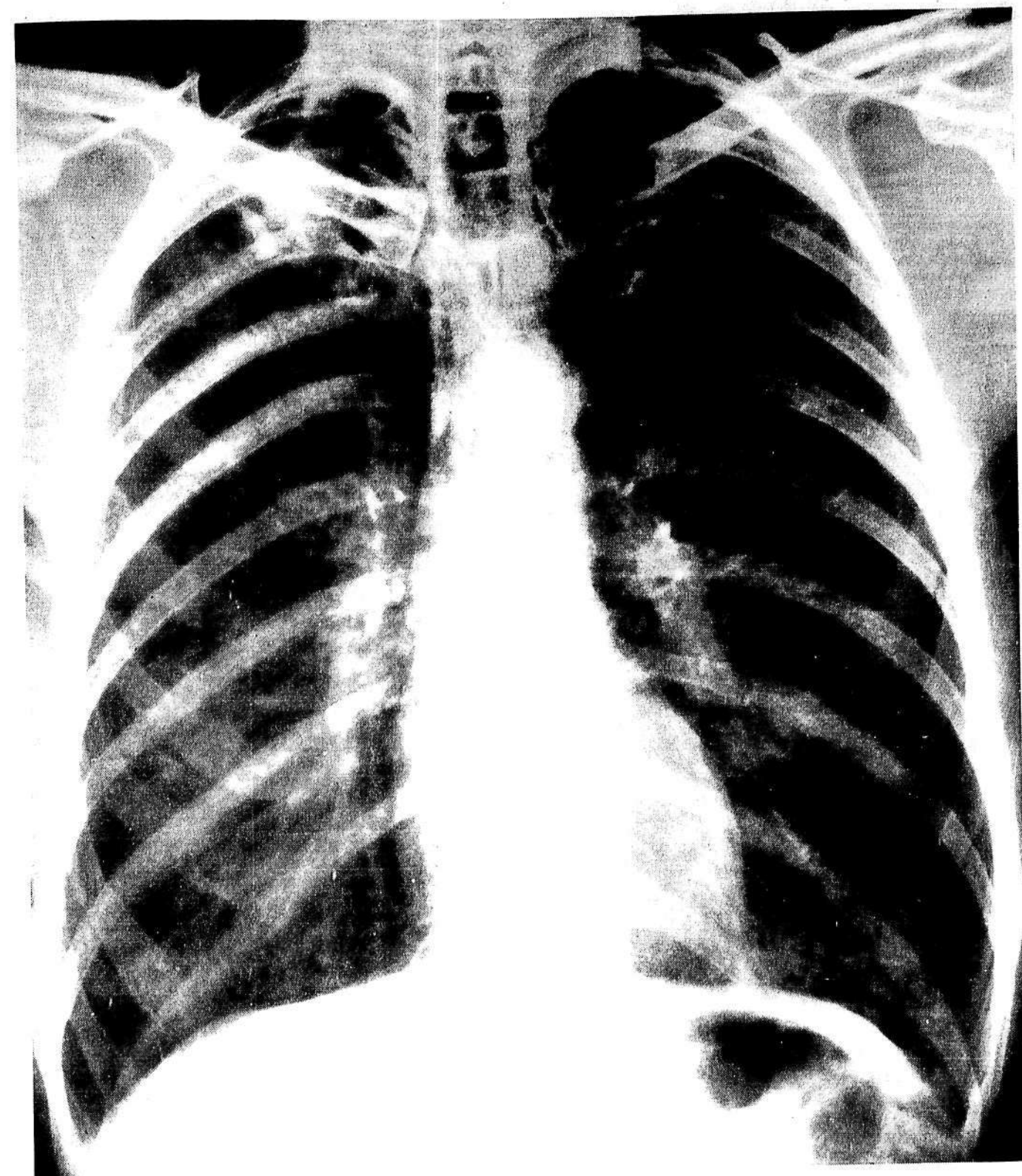
ending punch line really pulled the show together. *Crawling Arnold* as a short satiric sketch could have been done a bit clearer and lighter in order to make the satire cut deeper, but was definitely worth seeing—especially for the price.



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Track Team Wins; McCarg & Shrader Star

by John Koch

"Close ones are always good ones to win"—Coach Munsey.

Clutch performances were the key in the track team's double victory over Oneonta and host New Paltz in the season opener last Saturday. The contest was as close as the 84½-78½-18 final score, with Oneonta garnering second place.

When a team can come up with ten personal bests and two school records in an opening meet, you are looking at a squad of classy, clutch performers. In their brief existence, the tracksters have compiled an impressive overall record of 38-6, and have beaten 35 of their last 36 opponents. The 1973 squad certainly has their work cut out for

them if they are to extend the present seven meet win streak, as injuries have taken their toll early in the season. Saturday's win, however, makes the next few weeks a little brighter.

Coach Munsey had made several estimates which predicted Oneonta as a one point victor. Twenty-eight men, led by co-captains Sal Rodriguez, Cliff McCarg, and Rudy Vido, proved that Munsey is a poor bookie (which is OK in this case).

McCarg, in the coach's words, was the "superman of the day." In the trials of the 100 yard dash, he led all qualifiers in tying the school record of 9.7 seconds. Cliff later won the finals in 9.9. In between, the Albany senior anchored the 440 relay team to

a second place finish by making up a 15 yard deficit in 110 yards and won the long jump, an event he rarely practices. As if that wasn't enough, McCarg led the 220 dash to personally match New Paltz's team score. Harvey Sobel placed in both sprints and showed signs of regaining last year's form.

Rodriguez, the school record holder in the quarter, and frosh Tim Bilash ran into tough competition in that event and placed second and third. Both ran fine early season times and the Dane coach has pegged the duo as the new "goldust twins". Both Bilash and frosh half-miler Tom Crowley were robbed of better performances by tactical mistakes due to inexperience.

Steady field events performers came through once again with needed points. Senior Dave Reynolds did his usual scoring by placing in the high jump and winning the triple jump. John Streeter placed behind Hound in the triple and also took second to an impressive Oneonta freshman in the intermediate hurdles. Streeter, the defending SUNY-AC champ, was close to his own school record, and Coach Munsey feels that he can run well below this mark by the end of the season.

Rudy Vido led the shot men as

they took three of the first four spots; Paul Guttman and "Tiny" Holloway finished second and fourth. Guttman also won the discus throw and was the recipient of the team's "fickle feather" award for an excellent Dane debut. Bob Malone picked up points in the high hurdles and high jump; also scoring in the jumps were Jan Giga and Mike Okurily. Lee Kardas and Tom Moore finished third in the hurdles and javelin respectively, while Tom Horn took fourth in the pole vault.

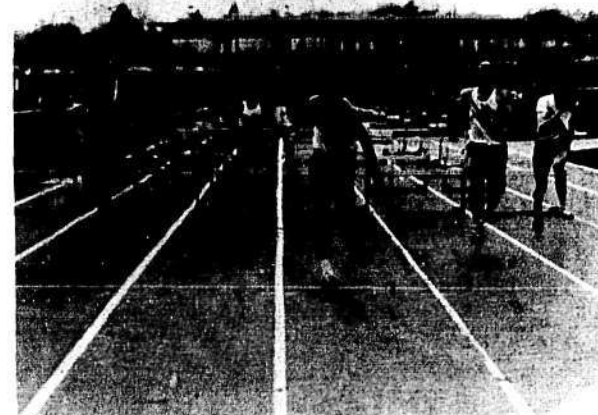
In this observer's opinion, the distance men stole the show. The months of practice out in the Albany winter weather paid off as each man recorded personal bests. The Dane milers took second, third, and fourth in their event with Bill Sorel (4:26.5) leading Jim Shrader (4:27.2) and Rich Hower (4:28.6) across the line. These times are all within six seconds of the school standard. Sorel came back an hour later to take third in the half mile, narrowly missing the two minute barrier with a 2:00.7 clocking.

A perfect end to the distance machine's performance came in the two mile. Nick DeMarco, who joined the squad last week, replacing injured freshman Carlo Cherubino, surprised just about

everybody with a 9:45 second place finish. He was closely followed by Curt Woodcock, who clipped 30 seconds off his previous best in a fourth place 9:51 effort. Coach Munsey was impressed with both performances, which are among the top six times by Albany runners in this event.

Jim Shrader, however, was definitely the star. In talking to him before the meet, Jim had hoped to better his personal best, but was unsure of the strength he would have left after the mile. As far as I could see, there was plenty of juice left in the Middleburg junior as Shrader broke Brian Quinn's 9:35 school record by 24 seconds with a 9:11.4 clocking. Coach Munsey called this the classiest Dane performance ever, and when questioned as to how fast Shrader might be able to go when he is pressed by stiffer competition, Munsey commented "after today, who knows."

Tomorrow the tracksters host RPI at 3 pm. The natural rivalry between the two schools, especially in the two running sports, prompted an RPI captain to comment two years ago: "When we get together, it will always be a good meet, because we hate State's guts." Be there.

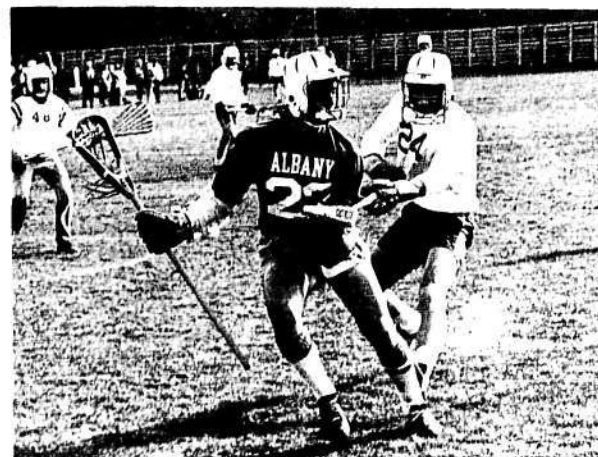


Stickmen Crushed 15-2

By Bruce Maggin

Last year the Albany State Lacrosse team lost only one league encounter on their way to a share of the Northern New York Intercollegiate League La-

crosse Crown. That was to Brockport College. Last Saturday the Danes entertained their rival and were completely outclassed, as Brockport clobbered the stickmen, 15-2.



Midfield action of the Danes-Brockport lacrosse game.

This basically was not the same team that faced Brockport last year. The Danes greatly missed last year's All Conference goaltender Tom Heuster who had graduated. Also gone were starting attackman Jimmy Miller and middleman Arnie Will and Barry Sadorf.

Cardon Scores Fifth

Albany was never really in the game as Brockport got off to an early lead, scoring five unanswered goals in the first period. Albany's two goals both came in the second period; Orson Cardon, who tallied four times against Oswego last Wednesday, scored his fifth goal of the season. Jules Schneider scored Albany's second goal when he intercepted a Brockport pass. Brockport was led by Ron Ellis, who had six goals and assisted on another.

Bob Wulkiewicz turned away 13 shots for the Danes.

Danes at FDU

The Danes, who are 1-1 now travel to New Jersey this afternoon to face FDU, a team Albany beat last year.



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Is Albany's Present Gym Sufficient?

by Nathan Salant

Have you ever visited the Phys. Ed. building during the year, and found the basketball courts empty? If you have, you were quite lucky.

Have you ever wanted to go down and play tennis, only to have your plans ruined by the weather? Have you ever tried using the numerous outdoor basketball courts during the winter (November to April)? Have you ever wanted to get a good running workout in, only to find the track off limits, or snow covered?

Have you been "fortunate" enough to take a tennis course and hit the ball off the gym walls for 50 minutes, two days a week? Isn't jogging around the auxiliary gym a wonderful workout, and the "best" place to hold our jogging classes? Don't you enjoy being stuck inside and doing nothing in your outdoor activity classes when the weather does not cooperate?

Have you ever been fortunate enough to visit Potsdam College, a college of approximately 4,000 students? Have you seen their Phys. Ed. complex with its: Hockey arena seating several thousand; swimming arena seating 1,500; numerous basketball courts, and main varsity court seating double the school's total enrollment; indoor softball fields; indoor

tracks, etc? If not, perhaps you have seen Cortland, another small school, or Plattsburgh, which is even smaller, yet hosted the Collegiate Olympics.

Have you ever asked the question: Why don't we have those facilities? After all, we only have 10,000 more students than Potsdam, and a fraction of its facilities.

Naturally, your next question is: Why didn't the gentlemen who planned this university allow for more areas for activities? The fact is that they did. Are you aware of the fact that the plans for this university called for a multi-purpose field house, seating several thousand more people than our gym?

Now you ask, where is this field house I speak of? Perhaps you will become upset when I tell you that it is still in the plans, still on the drawing board. Perhaps you will become even more upset when I tell you that what well over \$1,000,000.00 has been spent, and apparently wasted, on clearing and preparing land for that non-existent field house.

Now that I have hopefully gotten you upset, let me aggravate you even more by reminding you of the night of the Allman Brothers Concert, which was held at great financial loss, thanks to the

relatively tiny seating capacity of the Palace Theater. If we had that field house, with estimated capacity for 10,000 people for concerts, at least 7,000 more students or outsiders could have seen that concert, which may very well have at least broken even financially.

I ask you: How long can the university community tolerate this ludicrous situation? When will people begin taking action to provide us with the necessary facilities for the many activities I have mentioned?

Just think of the many uses we could make for that field house.

Phys. Ed. courses would have a place to work in. Varsity teams would have a place to practice when it rains or snows. Albany State could easily afford to have many more speakers like Ralph Nader with the largest indoor structure in the Tri-city area. There could be more concerts, thanks to the money we might make on renting out the field house to local high schools for their basketball championships and other admission activities. If an activity filled the field house, and the university got 10% of the gate, student association would have the funds

to become more responsive to student activities, and perhaps their budgets would be increased, thanks to the new revenues. Who knows — maybe, since it would be state funded, we could attract an ABA or WHA club to play here. We could definitely increase the number of intramural sports being played, thanks to the areas this filled house would provide, and such things as intramural tennis would not be rained out. The possible uses, as you can see, are huge.

The time has come for action, and a proposal is on the desk of the proper authority for the formation of a Phys. Ed. based Activity Facility Development Committee. This committee hopes to receive official status within the very near future, and to begin drawing up plans for that field house which we are owed! However, the committee will need support, and plenty of it. If the university community does not bolster the efforts of this group, it may fail, and we will remain in the disgraceful situation we now suffer with.

If your Phys. Ed. courses are being ruined by the monsoons, and you want to prevent this from re-occurring next year, the committee needs your

help. If you are one of the thousands who play intramural sports, and you want to play more games, a field house, which will increase the number of available courts, is just what you want, and should fight for. The committee needs the complete support of the concert board, so that we can have more, and financially successful, concerts. Support is essential from all cultural groups who seek space for visiting lecturers and speakers, and who find themselves hopelessly crammed into the lecture halls.

To all of those Great Dane fans who supported our team this winter, how would you like a seat for the big games, like the one versus Brockport? If so, the committee must hear from you.

If you share my feelings on any of the above issues, the committee desperately needs you to: call, write, or visit Mr. Merin Hathaway on the third floor of the Phys. Ed. building; write to myself, care of the ASP sports department, or letters to the editor; call, visit, or write to Lloyd Fishman, President of AMIA, the AMIA Office, and AMIA Council members. The committee will do the work — if you show your support!!!!!!

Batmen Split Pair

By Bruce Maggin

Led by catcher Jack Leahy's five for five, the Albany State baseball team was able to gain a split of a double header against Binghamton here last Saturday.

In the opener the Danes dropped a 7-2 decision. Nick Ascenzo was hit hard and had to be relieved in the third inning by Ken LaRoe when Binghamton pushed home two of their seven runs. Albany could only manage two hits in the game, both by Leahy.

In the nightcap, it was all Jack

Leahy as he had three hits including a homerun. Bill Lapp also hit a four bagger for the Danes. The Danes, who got off to an early two run lead in the first inning, took a 1-3 lead into the top of the seventh but Binghamton was able to push across the tying run.

The Danes rallied in the bottom half of the inning. Dave Castaldo got the rally started when he drew a walk. Starting quarterback of the football team, John Bertuzzi, came in to run for Castaldo. Bertuzzi took


third on a pass ball and that set it up for Mr. Leahy. Leahy promptly responded with his fifth hit of the day to give Albany a 5-4 victory and a split for the afternoon. Kevin Quinn got the win for Albany, going all seven innings.

Albany, who was also beaten by R.P.I. on Friday, is now 1-2 this spring and 10-6 overall. The Danes start SUNYAC play this Saturday when they entertain Cortland in a twinbill. Game time is 2 o'clock.




Albany batting in the second game.


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Elkin & Fishman Discuss AMIA's Situation

by Bruce Maggin

Recently the budget Committee at SUNYA recommended that AMIA's submitted budget be cut by more than \$3,000. With this in mind, last Friday I talked with AMIA advisor Denny Elkin and AMIA president Lloyd Fishman to get an overview of AMIA and find out why they felt that the budget cuts were drastic.

ASP: What is the basic appeal of AMIA?

Fishman: We try to appeal to the average student to come out and recreate.

ASP: How many people participate in AMIA?

Elkin: Last year 4,120 athletes took part in AMIA activities. We have no way of knowing how many individual students take part in AMIA. This year we estimate that approximately 5,000 athletes will participate in AMIA sports. This does not include spectators and officials involved in each activity.

ASP: How many sports does AMIA have?

Elkin: There are 19 sports that a student at Albany can take part in including Flag football, Soccer, Cross-Country, Bowling, Golf, Wrestling, Basketball, Handball, Squash, Swimming, Volleyball and Softball.

ASP: What sport is most popular?

Elkin: Team-wise basketball with 110. Softball has the most students involved with 1,306 taking part last year.

ASP: Can anyone participate in AMIA?

Elkin: Anyone who pays student tax can compete. We don't require anyone to take a physical. According to AMIA's constitution, which was printed in 1947, this organization is for men only. Last year, the AMIA council recommended that it might be a good idea to allow girls to compete. Right now girls are participating in volleyball, bowling, swimming, and softball. They are not permitted to compete in contact sports. In the case of the Jockettes (women's AMIA softball team) we were not trying to discourage them from competing in AMIA. We only felt that the Jockettes would rather compete in League III but just missed the meeting. Right now they are competing in League I.

ASP: Who really runs AMIA?

Elkin: This is sort of a tricky question. It's really a combination of the AMIA Council and myself. I don't make any of the decisions. I just advise the council. I am the University's representative. The AMIA Council is composed of 14 members with one of these spots left open for incoming freshmen. They determine all policies. The three most important members on the council are the chairman of the officials committee, treasurer and Lloyd, the president.

ASP: Why did the budget for AMIA get cut?

Fishman: The big reason is the people on the budget committee and Central Council on the whole are not AMIA participants and do not know how we operate.

Elkin: It's all part of the idea of mass programming.

ASP: Where were the cuts?

Elkin: The toughest cut came in the area of our Student Assistants. Next year the budget committee recommended that the total salaries of our four assistants should be cut from \$4,000 to \$1,600 or 80 cents an hour. These four student assistants must cover a vast area because there are so many games going on at the same time on many different fields. All of these students must be mature, responsible and people you can trust. To pay them 80 cents an hour would be ridiculous.

Fishman: The budget committee and Central Council are jealous of the salaries that the student assistants make. They complain that the assistants make more money (\$800) than SA president Mike Lampert (\$700). They don't say anything about the power and prestige that they have.

The other big cut in the budget is that of the referees. The budget committee feels that we are paying our officials too much. Right now we are paying our referees in basketball and softball \$2.50 and \$2.00 a game and in football \$2.75 and \$2.25 a game. I don't feel that we are really overpaying our officials. Over the summer I umpire games in the Stan Musial baseball League and I get \$13 a game. The budget committee feels that our refs should want to do it for the enjoyment but who wants to ref a game on a Saturday morning in the rain.

Elkin: I think we pay our refs a fair dollar and even then they don't always show up. We can't function without refs. We have to make the salary appealing enough so people will want to show up.

The salaries for the student assistants and for referees comprise \$9,500 of our budget of \$10,400. The money we pay goes right back into the hands of students.

ASP: What is the future of AMIA?

Elkin: If we had the money we can expand. One sport which would definitely be implemented is three-on-three basketball. Other sports that I like to see are one-on-one basketball, indoor floor hockey, water polo, bike rallies, and even a boxing tournament. But the big key is money.

The money and the facilities we have no way compares to many other schools. I went to an intramural convention and it's depressing when you compare budgets and facilities. We couldn't even publish our freshmen handbook and a school like Buffalo University is able to publish four separate books. To give an example of how far intramurals have progressed at some schools: Nassau County Community College even has intramural sky diving.

ASP: What about the facilities here?

Elkin: During the winter, we are working with 110 basketball teams and only two courts. The only free time in the gym in the winter is before 3 o'clock and Gym C. Between P.E. classes, the varsity teams and the intramural basketball teams, the gym is used all of the time.

Compared to other schools we are behind again in facilities. Smaller schools like Potsdam, Cortland and Plattsburgh have their own field house. Many school intramural associations have been able to build their own facilities.

ASP: What about the student who just wants to shoot baskets on a Friday night?

Elkin: There is no place for people like that. At the beginning of the year they couldn't even get equipment. What this school needs is a person to coordinate a recreation program.

ASP: How did AMIA do in the student association poll?

Fishman: We fared pretty poorly. Basically the people who voted are student association oriented.

ASP: Any final comments?

Elkin: There is a demand on campus for an organized athletic program for the average student. AMIA is that program.

We submitted a budget that is not padded. We need every cent listed for equipment, student assistants and referees.

Analysis of the AMIA situation: The purpose of the new budget submitted is mass programming (cuts in smaller clubs). This in itself can be questioned but if AMIA is not a mass activity of this university, I don't know what is. One can just look at the athletic fields each day to realize the great extent of this program. The budget cut is uncalled for and completely ridiculous. The budget committee is completely insensitive to the needs of many Albany students. If anything, more money should be appropriated to make the program on par with most universities.

It might not be too late to stop this slash in the budget. Central Council still has to approve the budget. If AMIA can go into Central Council with the names of as many students as possible requesting that the budget cuts be restored, maybe our representatives will see that AMIA is a vital part of this university. But you as a student must become involved. The best way is to send your letters to me or the AMIA office. If you don't have time to write a letter, I am enclosing a form at the bottom of this article. Just fill in your name and your ID number and check that you want the budget cuts restored. Please bring all your forms or letter to the ASP office or the AMIA office.

If you just sit back and let the other guy fill out the form and you do nothing, then maybe next year there won't be any intramurals to play.

AMIA Form

Name _____

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I request that AMIA's budget be restored _____



The Jockettes, a girls' softball team (pictured above), made their debut, losing to EEP 15-0.



Denny Elkin, Adviser of AMIA.

For Hunsberger: New Problems Same as Old

by Glenn von Nostitz
Special to the ASP

I. Moyer Hunsberger, Dean of SUNYA's College of Arts and Sciences, seems to be a man unable to escape his problems.

Formerly Dean of the Arts and Sciences College at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, Hunsberger is encountering many of the same kinds of antagonisms, misunderstandings, and poor departmental relations that plagued him while at the Massachusetts college:

—There are the numerous resig-

nations among faculty who find it difficult to work with him. During the past two years three department chairmen have stepped down, an associate dean has left, and several other professors have been forced out.

—There are the critics, both vocal and publicly silent, who are raising many of the same criticisms here as were raised against the Dean at U Mass. They say that he is "unresponsive," "repressive," "uncompromising," and "unfair."

—There is an "Oust Hunsberger"

movement forming on this campus, much like the student-faculty committee formed at U Mass aimed at attaining the same goal.

—And there are the poor relations with many departments in the Arts and Sciences College. At U Mass, Hunsberger encountered problems mainly with the art and history departments. The professor there claimed that as many as one third of the department heads had resigned on account of Hunsberger.

Here at SUNY Albany, the

problems seem to be centered around the art, geology, and biology departments, although antagonisms are found elsewhere as well.

In recent weeks, considerable information has been unearthed concerning the Dean's activities while at U Mass — information which has considerable bearing on how he operates the Arts and Sciences College here. There was news concerning how the Dean closed an art exhibit because it was "obscene," a move which caused considerable furor on

campus, with charges of censorship being leveled at the U Mass administration. There was the firing of popular professors at U Mass, most notably Richard Della Grotte, who complained that "good teaching not only does not count, but may actually work against you," Hunsberger had called him "irresponsible."

Most important, however, were Hunsberger's problems with the history department at Amherst — problems which led to his resignation, and problems which many faculty members say are

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Tenure Confrontation Underscores SUNYA Faults

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News Analysis

The students, the faculty and the administration squared off the thorny issue of promotion and tenure Wednesday afternoon at an open meeting called by students in the Campus Center Ballroom. While the meeting was sparsely attended and accomplished little of consequence, it was significant in two ways.

It pointed out many of the shortcomings mass student movement traditionally exhibit on the campus.

It may signal the beginning of the end of the honeymoon the Benezet administration has enjoyed with campus apathy.

The Wednesday meeting was an uncommon one because the confrontation student organizers had hoped for never materialized. The students who attended were few in number and mostly connected with specific tenure cases, the student government, the campus media or with the ever-present, politically dogmatic campus Marxist organization.

The faculty in the audience were predominantly those who have run the tenure gauntlet—Waterman, Goodman, Howard, Smith, Pelton.

And characteristically, the SUNYA administration—represented by Vice President for Academic Affairs Philip Sirotkin—maintained a low profile, talking of structural, rather than moral, shortcomings and shying away from definite answers or solid commitments on specific tenure cases.

And so, the meeting gained its significance from the unaided, the unanswered and the absent.

President Benezet, a key man in the tenure process, was out of town. So was Vice President Louis Welch, who was fulfilling a military commitment. And I. Moyer Hunsberger, the Arts and Sciences Dean, who has through abrasive manner and arrogant behavior managed to give the tenure reform movement a symbol around which to build, was holed up in his office in a corner of the third floor of the Social Sciences Building. He was meeting with his Faculty Personnel Committee to mull over the merits of potential faculty.

Yes, Hunsberger admitted, he had received notice of the meeting. But no, he would be unable to attend because of a previous commitment. His excuse was not a lame one because organizers of the meeting had committed a fatal tactical blunder—they never bothered to check the calendars

of invited administrators to see if they were scheduled to be in town.

This was so, student organizer Barry Davis explained because of the pressing "urgency" of the issue.

It was an urgency campus activists had never bothered to communicate to the vast numbers of the students who were out stanning themselves on the academic podium.

And so it fell to Vice President Sirotkin, the Executive Vice President, the man clearly recognized as "second-in-command" during the frequent absences of

the university president, to field the harsh questions, the suspicious queries, the occasional obscenity.

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Sirotkin "Actually I think the turnover rate in my office has been higher than many faculty."

Student "That's because your office is an office of social control and you and your predecessors have failed in that function."

Sirotkin's smile gradually faded as the afternoon wore on and the nervous cigarette

became more evident.

Student "What do you think of the oust Hunsberger movement?"

Sirotkin "I don't have any response to that."

Student "What do you think of the way Hunsberger is doing his job?"

Sirotkin "I'm not going to discuss the merits or demerits of any individual. You can do all the booing you want but I'm not going to do that."

And the verbal sparring between Sirotkin, the faculty and the angry, frustrated and confused students droned on as speaker after speaker, each with his own personal axe to grind, each with his own personal tale of woe to recount, trooped to the stage, grabbed the microphone, and hitched to the audience.

There was the student complaining of racial discrimination. There were faculty members complaining of the injustices of their individual cases. And there was the student who spent 20 minutes debating the merits of teacher evaluation forms with Sirotkin.

There were complaints about Hunsberger. Complaints about Sirotkin. Complaints about SPA, the faculty bargaining agent. Complaints that Marxist teachers

were being eliminated. Complaints that no blacks or women were on the University Council on Promotion and Continuing Appointment.

But there was no one to tie the issue together, to bring it beyond the personal, petty concerns, to break through the structural questions and into the moral questions that the tenure controversy raises for the university.

And, of course, there was no one who could translate the complexities of the issue into terms the average student could understand.

Which is unfortunate, because the tenure issue has real potential.

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