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## 18 Yr. Old Vote Optimistic

by John Beckler  
Associated Press Writer

House leaders switched plans late Thursday and put off until next Tuesday a vote on a proposed constitutional amendment that would lower the voting age in all elections to 18.

The amendment, which is expected to pass overwhelmingly was scheduled to be brought up as soon as the House completed work on a bill for funding of the supersonic transport.

However, as soon as the vote killing funds for the huge aircraft was announced, the Democratic leadership cancelled the rest of the week's legislative program and the House began its usual Thursday weekend.

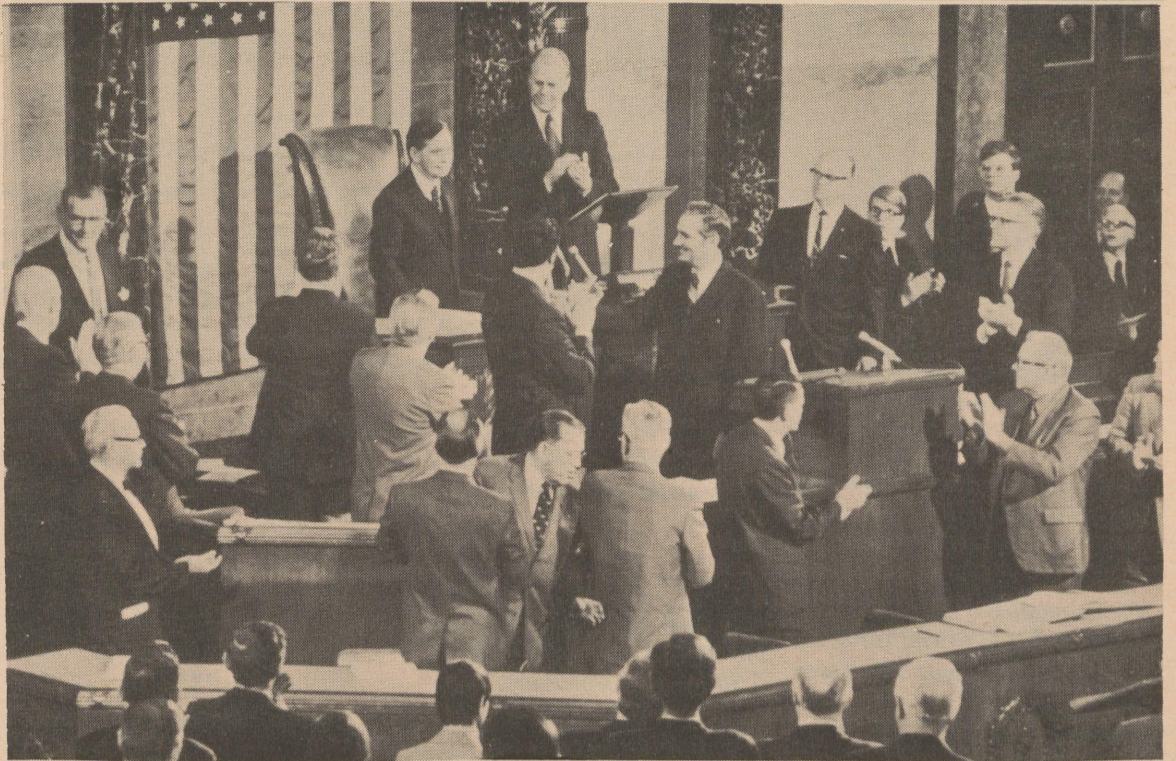
The unexpected development took by surprise several state legislatures that had been standing by in hopes of being the first state to ratify the amendment.

Ratification by 38 states is required to write the proposal into the Constitution.

Under a law passed last year by Congress, a voting age of 18 has been set for federal elections, but the Supreme Court ruled last December that provisions of the same law applying to state and local elections were invalid.

Unless the proposed amendment is ratified, many states face the prospect of having to set up special procedures for younger voters who would be eligible only to vote in federal elections.

Only three states have already reduced their voting age to 18, Georgia, Kentucky and Alaska. Six others lowered the age limits to 19 or 20.



The House will vote Tuesday on a constitutional amendment that would lower the voting age in all elections to 18. The amendment is expected to pass overwhelmingly.

[AP Wirephoto]

### SST Would be Affected

## Stein Proposes Bill To Cut Noise Pollution

by Maida Oringer

"Environmental pollution must not be an issue of the year; if it is we will not be able to survive in the next few decades." With this remark, Assemblyman Andrew Stein began his speech to a sparse audience in Page Hall last Tuesday evening.

Stein, a 26-year old Manhattan Democrat, introduced a bill in Albany that would close all New York State airports to any airplane with a sound level of above 108 "epndb" or "effective perceived noise in decibels"—this would include annoyance factors as well as basic volume. The noise level which Stein's bill would mandate is that recommended as safe maximum by the federal government. The Concorde, the American Supersonic Transport plane, the Boeing 707, and the DC 8 would all be affected by the bill. According to a statement issued, "the only big jet that would meet Stein's standards would be the jumbo Boeing 747 with its four noise-smothering engines."

"If the proposed 400 SST's are allowed to fly," Stein said, "the environmental effects would be disastrous." "Four hundred tons per day of extra water vapor will be deposited in the atmosphere causing an increase in humidity, a decline in the ozone content, and 10,000 additional cases of skin cancer."

When asked about a possible rise in unemployment due to the passage of his bill, Stein said "at some point we must recycle industry to provide better transportation, better housing, and better schools. We should put people to work on projects that would benefit the majority of the people not the wealthy minority."

Stein believes that the major opposition to his bill rests upon the AFL-CIO, the Nixon administration and the Boeing Corporation. Previously, he accused Assembly Speaker Perry B. Duryea, Jr. of ordering ten Republicans to withdraw their support from his bill. Duryea and the six Assemblymen denied the charge. Duryea said the "melting away of support might be because the bill would ban present jets and because the matter was a question for federal jurisdiction." The six Republican legislators called Stein's charges "an insult to the speaker and a contemptible blatant lie."

When asked about the future of his bill, Stein did not appear very optimistic. "Chances are not so great because there is great pressure from the well-financed labor organizations against it. Republicans completely control what happens in the Assembly—if the speaker is against the bill, he has enough power to kill it." Stein believes that the issue is a political one. "No one is opposed to the environmental issue, but party loyalty is involved—against SST, against administration."

### SST KILLED

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House voted today to cripple if not kill U.S. supersonic transport SST development by halting federal money for the plane as of March 30.

It voted 218 to 204 to cut all \$290 million President Nixon asked this year for development of two SST prototypes. A second and final vote on the same question taken by roll call, was 215 to 204.



It is scenes like this that Assemblyman Andrew Stein hopes to keep intact with his proposed bill to limit noise pollution.

---potskowski

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The estimated cost, including SUNY tuition and fees, insurance, round trip air fare and board in Singapore, is about \$2,292.50 for New York State and \$2,992.50 for Out-of State Residents. Nanyang University tuition and dormitory fees will be remitted a scholarship to accepted students. Scholar Incentive Awards and Regents Scholarships may be applied towards payment of SUNY tuition.

For further information and application forms see Asst. Dean for International Studies, William Derrick, 457-7624.

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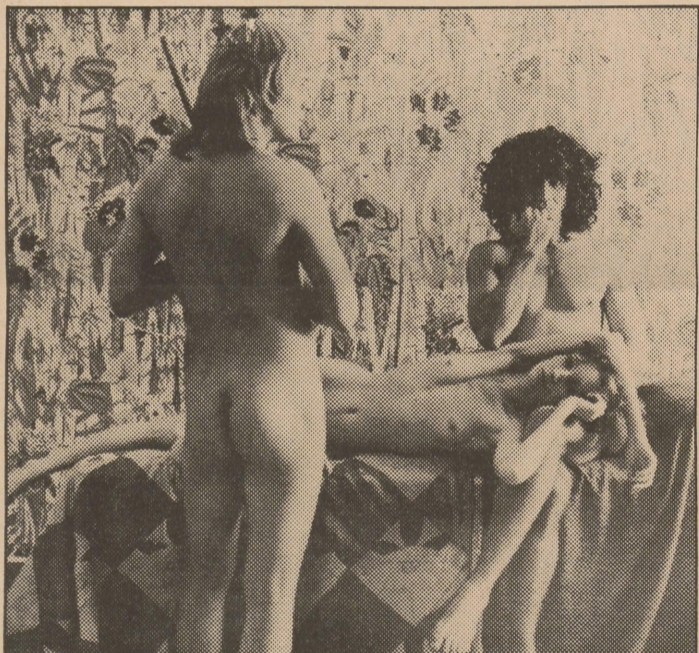
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# Lions Love

Agnes Varda came to America with her husband, Jacques Demy (THE UMBRELLAS OF CHERBOURG). She fell in love with Los Angeles and decided to make a film about her feelings for the city. Enlisting the aid of the writers of HAIR, Jim Rado and Jerome Ragni, plus the Andy Warhol superstar, Viva, the project took shape. One of the nicest things about this collaboration is that LIONS LOVE cannot be categorized. It is about the movies, life in America, being a superstar, and a vision of the American Dream through the eyes of contemporary youth. The film and the characters in it live through the assassination of Senator Robert Kennedy and the attempt on the life of Andy Warhol. The beauty of the film is that it never imposes an arbitrary form on these and other events. Their vitality remains intact as Miss Varda weaves them into her narrative, creating the kind of spontaneous flow that has identified her as one of the most sensitive and intelligent film-makers of our time.

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# Benezet Cites Effect Of State Budget Cut

by Tracy Egan

President Benezet discussed the effect of Governor Rockefeller's budget cut on the State University system at his bi-monthly press conference Tuesday.

At his forum, Benezet said that approximately \$3.4 million is being cut from the appropriations for State Universities. A large percentage of the new budget will be used just to make up mandated salary increases for the staff. Due to the current budget freeze, positions vacated by faculty and staff will often remain unfilled. Therefore the size of the average class will be notably increased. The Educational Opportunity Program will also be hurt by the cut. Next year the EOP was slated for a growth of 30-40% from its present size. Currently it is not scheduled for growth.

Benezet predicts a re-thinking of the projected enrollment for the University. Because of a general freeze of educational funds it will be virtually impossible to meet the demands of projected growth and still maintain a high quality of education. Benezet, recalling the budget cuts, said "There is a curious illusion in the public that everybody has a right to higher education." And yet "we cannot administer to more and more people for less and less money."

Several departments will be having classes off the Podium next year. Due to over-crowded conditions, the University is going to rent the Picotte building. The Computer Science and Economics departments, and the Schools of Criminal Justice and Library Science are all slated for the move.

An impromptu discussion of the S-U grading system was part of the President's Forum. The general consensus of the students present was that the pass-fail system provides little incentive and makes it virtually impossible to transfer to other schools. Although a pass-fail system may be idealistically preferable, a return to the letter grade system is desired by many.

## Laverne Speaks:

### School 12 Months a Yr.?

by J. Stephen Flavin

The Chairman of the Education Committee, Thomas Laverne, has introduced a bill in the New York State Senate which would allow New York school districts to remain in session all year.

Laverne, Republican-Rochester, said, "I'm not dealing with the problems of changing curricula; this bill is a new concept to get rid of the stereotype of the present school year."

"Most children are afraid of hell of it!" Lavern exclaimed, "but kids will love it when they realize they will have a two to four week vacation after every nine or ten weeks of school. Take my word for it."

Laverne emphasized that the proposed bill, if made law, would not compel school districts to adopt the Continuous Learning Year program if they didn't need it. "Schools that have adequate room can remain of the present school schedule."

Utilizing CYL, 20-25% of each school's students are on vacation at one time during the school year. This allows more students to be accommodated in less space, thus, fewer buildings have to be built and maintained. The present requirement that each child receive a minimum of 180 days of instruction would be retained.

Besides economic savings, Laverne, a former school teacher, cited educational advantages. "Shorter, more frequent vacations will mean less learning loss and less pupil fatigue resulting from ten straight months of classroom attendance. The long summer vacation is a particularly serious handicap for the children whose family and neighborhood is not conducive to learning."

Under the present school year system, a whole year must be repeated if the student fails. With CLY, a failure means only a ten week period must be made up.

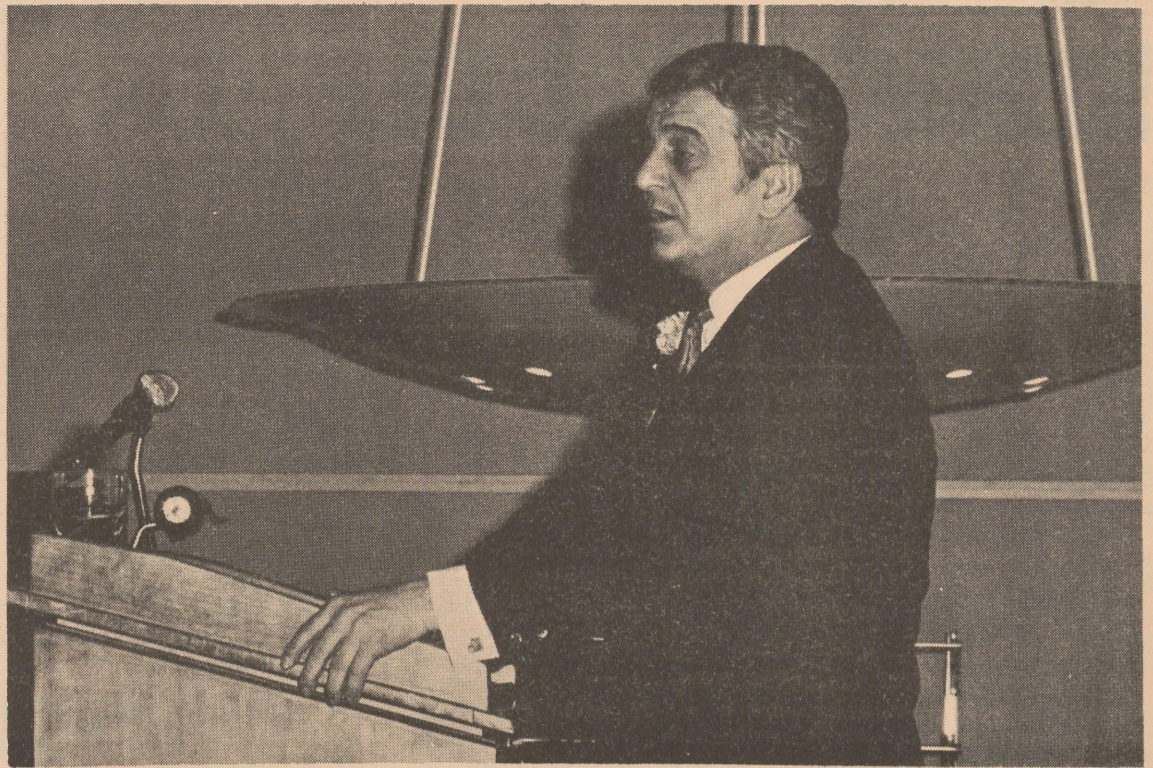
"Will this bill improve the quality of education?" one student questioned.

Laverne responded, saying, "My bill will enable school districts to make scheduling more flexible, making it possible to uplift the quality of education."

"How?"

"It will," Laverne countered, "take my word for it."

Laverne noted that most of the criticism to the CLY bill was coming from resort operators and summer camps. They fear the continuous school year will compete with their enterprises. Laverne remarked that "it isn't necessarily so. Families will still be able to spend time together. Only the small minority who spend the entire summer off together will be affected. Take my word for it."



State Senator Thomas Laverne has introduced a bill which would allow New York school districts to remain in session all year.

---solomon

**4+2=**

## Community Responsibility

"Community," "Co-operation," "Concern," "Communication," "Relevance," and "Responsibility," --just a list of words? Yes, but they can become a living reality for residence students next year. These are the fundamental concepts of 4+2, a newly approved residence program for next fall.

Within this residence community, it is hoped that students who wish to take a more active role in determining their own life styles will find a supportive setting in which to do so, while learning to respect and have consideration for those with whom they are living. In concept, each resident will share with staff and fellow residents some part of the responsibility for the functioning of this community. This is an opportunity to help create a living-learning environment which has relevance for the individual.

4+2 is scheduled to begin fall semester 1971. Approximately 200 students (100 men; 100 women) will be accepted for this program and will be assigned to Oneida and Onandoga Halls (Indian Quad) in a coed arrangement of alternating floors. This program is closed to freshmen; interested students who will be sophomores, juniors, or seniors next fall are invited to attend one of the interest meetings to learn more about the concepts and expectations of 4+2. The meetings are scheduled as follows; interested students may attend any one of these sessions regardless of location:

March 22, 8:30 p.m. at Indian Quad, Lounge

March 23, 7:30 p.m. at Colonial Quad, U-Lounge

March 24, 7:30 p.m. at Alumni Quad, Cafeteria

March 29, 7:30 p.m. at Dutch Quad, Flagroom

March 30, 8:00 p.m. at State Quad, Flagroom

Although attendance at these interest meetings is not required, preference will be given to those

who do participate. Unlike other halls on campus, preference will be given first to sophomores, then juniors, and then seniors. Interested students are asked to apply in units of two (2) or singly rather than in suite groups.

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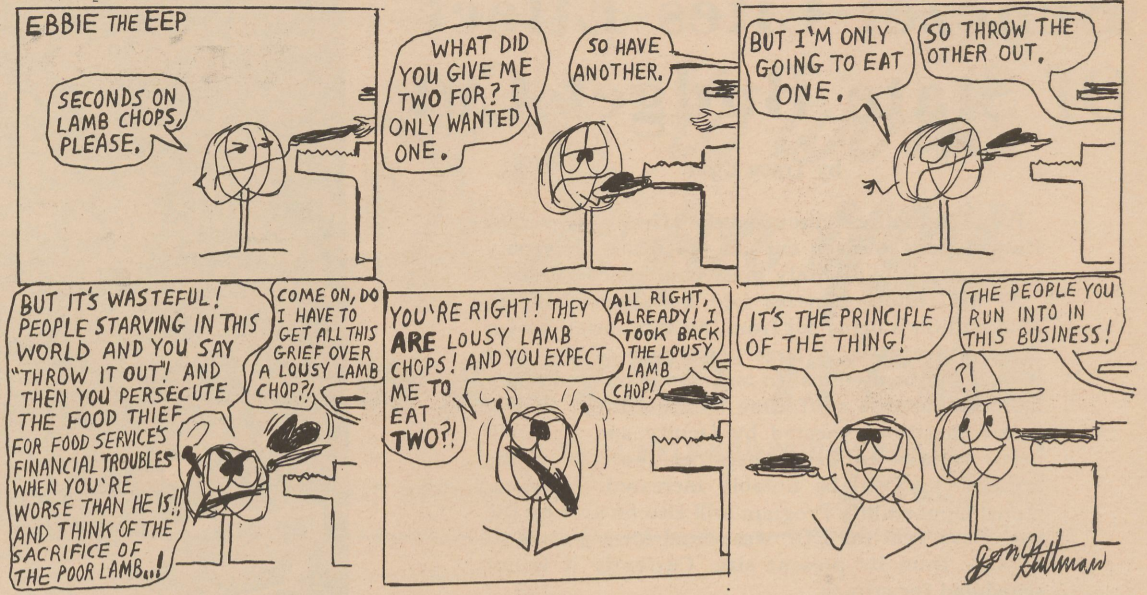
Action to save the earth from humanity has been unbelievably slow, despite the increasing ecological disasters. People are eternally optimistic—no one seems to realize the immediacy of the problem.

The last—the very last—to comprehend our problems seem to be our elected representatives in Albany and Washington. At last, however, the House of Representatives has denied further funding to the SST, the ultimate folly of our age. At last, the State Assembly (or at least one of its committees) is considering a bill to force the use of recycled papers. These incredibly late measures are still not law, however, and neither body seems to be in any rush to deal with them.

The University Community can, in some ways, act every bit as deaf as the legislators. Requests to write to lawmakers are ignored, recycling drives fail (though usually due to lack of a market for what's recycled), and people still waste incredible amounts of paper cups, napkins, water, electricity, and other items.

"Life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness" stops short of allowing one to shout "Fire!" in a crowded theatre. It is time people started considering the overuse of "disposables" as a private criminal act. The Bill of Rights does not include the Freedom to Pollute. Remember that the next time you eat dinner.

And for your own sake, do something to awaken the rest of the world to man's last and greatest threat: himself.



## Student Struggle

Open Letter to the University Community:

Thursday, March 11 there was bloodshed at the university of Puerto Rico in Rio Piedras.

The events at Rio Piedras which involved the issue of R.O.T.C. ON CAMPUS, have been a long time in coming. In the last few years the Puerto Rican University students have struggled with all methods possible, against the existence of a branch of the United States armed forces, the R.O.T.C., on Puerto Rican University campuses.

Below are the events of the past few days:

—Wednesday, March 10: A group of R.O.T.C. cadets assaulted a Pro-Independence student in the University Cafeteria.

—Thursday, March 11: A group of R.O.T.C. cadets armed with pipes and torches, entered the University Campus Center, assaulted several Pro-Independence students, one of which was wounded by a bullet. After having committed the criminal act they sought refuge in the R.O.T.C. building. The R.O.T.C. building was immediately surrounded by protesters. Various incidents occurred, and the University chancellor gave riot police permission to enter the University, with the knowledge that on numerous previous occasions these forces have brutally attacked Pro-Independence students. As expected, the students defended themselves. The results: two police officers and one R.O.T.C. cadet dead, between 30 and 40 students wounded, many of them critically.

Police did not respect the lawyers representing those students arrested, and brutally assaulted them [lawyers]. Police injustice reached the point where one lawyer, from the Istituto Legal, was beaten severely upon arriving at police headquarters to interview his clients.

The Albany Campus Center lobby will have a table with petitions supporting the civil rights of the Puerto Rican students, and contributions for legal aid will also be requested.

Puerto Rican Students & Faculty at S.U.N.Y.A.

## Act For Ecology

To the Editor:

A genuine concern for the environment involves a genuine willingness to back up words with action. In New York State a Department of Environmental Conservation was established last year. It is the only government agency available for action on environmental problems in the state.

Rockefeller's budget severely reduced the budget of the DEC. The Ways and Means Committee of the NYS Assembly is now propos-

ing an effective further cut of \$4.7 million after mandated increases are removed. These cuts, if allowed to remain, will severely inhibit the enforcement capability of the DEC. Legal action by the DEC against polluters will be greatly curtailed by disallowing the eight new attorney positions urgently needed. Environmental field services such as testing and detection will be curtailed. Ongoing projects on solid waste problems will be set back by eliminating \$100,000 to develop model regional sanitary landfill projects.

In the area of management, the number of conservation officers in the field will be reduced by 20 percent. The Forest Practice Act program will be eliminated.

The Ways and Means Committee

Vietnam, who knows what is going to happen this May? The Residence Staff, now faced with all these new responsibilities, and with no evidence to show that the situation will improve next year, is hit with a pay cut. Somehow, the logic of this maneuver eludes me.

The editor of this paper claims that the money taken from Residence staff will help relieve FSA's deficit. Isn't this avoiding the real problem? Isn't FSA merely following the path of least resistance? Sure, who's going to bitch now—the one hundred or so R.A.'s who have jobs for next year? In a university of 10 or 12 thousand, that's not too many people. But, we are avoiding the actual reason for FSA's deficit.

Now let's take a look at FSA's Bookstore. This store has a monopoly on this campus, and its prices are as high as if not higher than most stores off-campus, yet, it consistently operates at a deficit. It seems to me that there is a problem of gross mismanagement here. What is needed is obviously not a cut in Residence staff salaries, but a complete overhauling of the operation and management of the Bookstore and FSA itself. Until this is accepted, more people working in the university will see money and services which they normally receive from FSA cut. Who's next?

Russell Cheek, R.A., Dutch Quad

## Communications

proposed, for example, to cut a \$150,000 item and abolish the Pure Waters Basin Development Program which develops proposals for federal funds totaling \$1.053 billion for 171 projects will not come to NYS. Other proposed cuts are equally ill-considered.

It is time the legislators stopped using "environment" as a campaign issue without obligation. At this time the NYS Assembly has to set some priorities straight. Write, call or visit your assemblyman or senator and ask for a reversal of eco-pornography created by all talk and little action.

Sue Cypert Representative, Congress of March 13, Wolf Road

## Unjust FSA

To the Editor:

This is a reply to the editorial of March 5, dealing with the dis allotment of board as payment to Residence Staff. I would have replied to the editor's comments earlier but I knew FSA was deliberating on this issue, and I decided to wait for their decision. Maybe this wasn't too wise. On Friday, March 12, all Resident Assistants were informed that next year their board will be cut down from 20 meals/wk to 7 meals/wk.

This cut in salary is not just. Ever since last May, when R.A.'s and Directors had to take shifts for the last 2 weeks of the year to keep the Quads safe from fire bombers, the responsibilities of the job have increased. Thefts have doubled, bomb scares are becoming popular, and vandalism (especially to vending machines and elevators) has increased. With the situation the way it is now in

## Overdue Books

To the Editor:

The two recent letters critical of the library seem to require some comment, specifically on the point of circulation policy. It is indeed frustrating; I too have sometimes been unable to get hold of a book that was urgently needed at the time. Certainly better control should be possible: some system to prompt the return of books by persons who are forgetful or just lazy but without penalizing those who have a continuing need for a book. The people who insist that one week or two weeks or whatever limit is time enough simply do not know what they are talking about. They may know their own needs but they should not pretend to know the needs of others. In my graduate courses a student often must use a book for a couple of months or so while researching and delivering an oral report. As a matter of fact the present time limit is grossly inadequate for such courses.

For my own part I have had certain books in my office since last fall (and have not yet had a call for any of them). I still use them, not every day (I wish I had the time), but several times a week. I look forward to the time when I can return all of them, but I do not yet know when that will be.

John C. Overbeck Associate Professor

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1d, 2c, 3b, 4e, 5a, 6f, 7g. Give yourself a point for each correct answer. If you scored over ten points, you must be a senior. Note to Bullwinkle Moose: I don't care what came out of the hat! That trick never works!...Rocket J. Squirrel.



An entry in this year's Film Festival. --gold

# Madness Makes McCloud

by Tom Quigley

BREWSTER McCLOUD is sheer compounded madness from the makers of M\*A\*S\*H that continues the tradition of verbal and visual assault made popular by the landmark war satire. Director Robert Altman, writer Doran William Canon and practically the entire cast and crew from M\*A\*S\*H\* have combined to ferociously attack everything from ecology, kinky sex, moral and physical pollution, to modern unorthodox police methods and "glamorous" Hollywood films.

Canon's scatological script is basically concerned with the freedom of spirit that man futilely attempts to achieve, symbolized by Brewster's final flight. The corruption and compromise of the innocent, who attempts to "rise above" earthly woes and human corruptions, is the ambitious theme and the tragedy of BREWSTER McCLOUD.

Brewster, a pasty-face, goggle-eyed Icarus, entertains the idea of making a solo flight with a pair of mechanical wings. He hatches his schemes in the bomb shelter of the Houston Astrodome with the aid and protection of Louise, an erotic guardian angel gone bad.

Brewster is pursued and ultimately brutalized by the forces of insensitivity and opportunism but not before he is able to make his ill-fated flight. The metaphor, of the Astrodome acting like a cage, confines our hero to an earth-bound existence. Man was not built to fly and the message is poignantly illustrated in this brilliant and heartbreaking cinematic moment.

Those who front for morality and goodness (social and political), and who usually know nothing about either, have stamped the stigma of social taboo upon that mode of self-expression and love. Therefore Brewster, the eternal innocent is doomed by this ambivalent innocent-corruption syndrome from the beginning.

He becomes the avenger of social justice by destroying the pow-

erful ecology disrupting anti-humanistic types after having them marked for murder by bird droppings from the sky. His final corruption takes place at the hands of an incredible looking, eternal teeny-bopper who introduces him into the pleasures of human "flight" and ultimately uses that moment of trust to betray him.

Altman and Canon have packed this film with so much visual and oral detail that it might take the average viewer two showings to sort it all out. This entire collage of madness somehow knits together into a pungent and merciless satire on the self-destructive tendencies of the human animal.

Bud Cort is just as limp and emaciated as he was in M\*A\*S\*H but does a fine job as the bewildered Brewster. Sally Kellerman does the best she can with a do-nothing role as Louise. It is Michael Murphy as super-cop Frank Shaft, John Schuck as his bumbling assistant, and Stacy Keach as dastardly old, Abraham Wright who turn in the superb comic performances. BREWSTER McCLOUD is both subtle and blunt in its implications as to the fate of the human race. It is, in the greatest sense, an anti-pollution film that not only questions the dubious exploitation of our natural resources but, indeed, gives a sharp and painful look at the pollution of human values and the degradation of the human spirit.

## Ear to the Thunder

by Arlene Scheurer

It's always fun to discover a good new group and I can make that claim with *Jericho* (Ampex A-10112). This group is really tight, really mean.

Guitarist Fred Keeler, who has worked with David Clayton-Thomas, is occasionally given over to cliches, but otherwise he plays with savage fury and fertile originality.

Denny Gerrard is a wizard on

bass. His playing is clear and there doesn't seem to be a thing he can't pull off. Organist Gord Fleming complements Keeler perfectly, especially in the wild, contrapuntal, "Can't Seem to Make it Happen." Drummer Frank De Felice is strong and forceful.

My favorite song is Keeler's "Baby's Gone Now" - swirling organ and guitar lines, repeating bass, good singing, and a stinging guitar solo. Keeler also wrote the light hearted "Goin' to the Coun-

try" and it too is an excellent performance, as is Mose Allison's expressive "Fool Killer." This Canadian group should go places.

Another group from the north is *The Bells*. Their album *Fly Little White Dove Fly* (Polydor 24-4510) is a dull affair. Their harmonies are common and their songs sound better as played by their original performers - "Proud Mary," "Rain," etc.

The Amboy Dukes play some very satisfying and inspired music on *Survival of the Fittest* (Polydor 24-4035). Ted Nugent is all over his guitar, spitting out notes like flames from a red hot furnace. The 21 minute "Prodigal Man" is well sustained throughout the whole performance. Organist Andy Solomon begins with a quote from the MJQ song "Bag's Groove" and builds to a strong crescendo. The sound leaves a bit to be desired, but the music itself more than makes up for that fault.

Mountain has the capability of taking a listenable tune like "Don't Look Around" spice it with the juices of emotion and end up with a highly potent product. This is certainly what happens on their *Nantucket Sleighride* (Windfall 5500) album. The lead singer has a strong husky voice, and the guitar is full, the bass appropriately responsive to all moods. And the moods are varied, so that dull moments are rare. The drummer gets a nice sound out of his traps, but is not all that inventive. On the whole a very good album.

Fever Tree's *For Sale* (Ampex A-10113) is so typical of rock in general that it offers no new experiences at all. All the musicians are competent. "Hey Joe" takes up all of side two and this is too much for the musical talents involved. As a result even the strength of the melody dwindles and then it is mostly a case study in repetition.

Melting Pot's *Fire burn, Cauldron Bubble* (Ampex 10111) is another one of those rock with brass albums. The uptempo "Kool and the Gang" sounds like a Buddy Rich Chart...crackling, punchy trombone-trumpet attack, gratuitous tenor solo. All charts are interesting. Trumpeter Paul Hmurovich gets off a good solo on "As I Lay Dying" and Steve Nichols has a good time with "Feeling Alright" on trombone. Except for the wretched vocals this group matches up to BS&T standards.

It might be of interest to all those who liked the play *Hair* that an album with some previously unreleased songs from it has been produced called *Fresh Hair* (Polydor 24-5501). The performances are uniformly good. My only complaint is that "Let the Sunshine In" isn't a little longer. The music is highly rhythmic and the words biting satirical.

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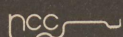
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## The Jazz Scene

by Bob Rosenblum

Pepper Adams- *Encounter!*  
(Prestige 7677)

A look at the personnel (Zoot Sims, tenor; Adams, baritone; Elvin Jones, drums; Ron Carter,

## GRAMMY AWARDS

**HOLLYWOOD (AP)**- Simon and Garfunkel's "Bridge Over Troubled Water", has won six Grammy awards-the recording industry's counterpart of the movies' Oscars and television's Emmys.

The Carpenters, brother and sister ballad singers, were honored in two categories-as best new artists of the year and for best contemporary vocal performance by a duo, group or chorus. The second Grammy was for their recording of "Close To You".

Flip Wilson's "The Devil Made Me Buy This Dress" was judged the best comedy recording.

The 13th annual Grammy awards for the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences honor creative achievement in recording during 1970.

The presentation ceremony was televised live nationally for the first time.

Andy Williams was master of ceremonies at the Palladium ballroom.

For Beatles fans, Paul McCartney attended and was pursued by shrieking camera flashers as he ran to his car in the parking lot with his wife Linda after the awards. He told newsmen he had been here three weeks to work on an album.

McCartney had collected the Grammy for himself and Beatles John Lennon and George Harrison as composers of "Let It Be". The song was honored as best original score written for a motion picture or TV special.

bass; Tommy Flannagan piano) might make one think this is an ordinary blowing session. The results, however, are anything but ordinary.

An album with Zoot Sims has been long in coming, but this effort was worth the wait. Sims is in an unusual setting here; although standard tunes have often been his forte his adaptability is very evident here - I have rarely heard him in better form. His timing is as magical as ever and his beautiful tone is well projected, although slightly thicker than usual.

Although Adams is highly respected I have never realized his true ability before hearing this album. His ballads are played skillfully and the contrast between his rough sound and the pretty songs is often touching. His forceful uptempo playing is packed with ideas as well as being technically difficult.

Elvin Jones rarely fails and he plays as well as ever here. His approach to time keeping is the most individual of all drummers, but his personal stamp is most obvious during the exchanges of "Inanout" and his solo in "Verandi" - a complicated malange of drum crescendos, bass drum accents, and cymbal splashes - all furious and energetic.

Solos by Flannagan and Carter are good, but not terribly noteworthy. Their rhythm section work, however, is what keeps this fine album going from beginning to end.

All the songs are in a modern vein, and they contain a great deal of variety both in mood and tempo, putting the finishing touches on a work of art par excellence.

Zoot Sims is a great musician who has produced superior, and often great music for over 20 years. Perhaps the time is ripe for an album of his own. But in the meantime all Simsophiles should hear this as well as all other jazz fans.

**SORRY** —Passes for "Harry, Noon and Night" are all gone but there will be a limited amount to standing room available at 8:15 p.m. for both performances, Friday and Saturday.  
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Auditions will be held soon for a production based on Camus' *Caligula* with adaptation and innovation a la Brech and Genet. Directed by Michael Reynolds.  
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# ON CAMPUS



WITH MAX SHULMAN

(By the author of Rally Round the Flag, Boys... Dobie Gillis... etc.)

## Roommates; or Know Your Enemy

You'd think that with all the progress we've made in the education game, somebody would have found a cure for roommates by now. But no. Roommates remain as big a problem today as they were when Ethan Mather founded the first American college.

(Incidentally, despite what you've heard, Harvard was *not* the first American college. Mr. Mather started his institution almost 100 years earlier. And it was quite an institution, let me tell you! Mr. Mather built schools of liberal arts, fine arts, animal dentistry and flintlock repair. He built a covered stadium for lacrosse that seated 200,000. Everywhere on campus was emblazoned the stirring Latin motto *CAVE MUSSI*—"Watch out for moose." The student union contained four bowling alleys, 21 horoscope machines and a 97-chair barbershop.

(It was the barbershop, alas, that brought Mr. Mather's college to an early and total end. The student body, alas, then as now, considered haircuts an Establishment hangup, and nobody set foot in the barbershop. The chief barber, Truscott Follicle by name, grew so depressed staring at 97 empty chairs that one day his mind finally gave way. Seizing his vibrator, he ran outside and shook the entire campus until it crumpled to dust. This later became known as "Pickett's Charge.")

But I digress. We were exploring ways for you and your roommate to stop hating each other. This is admittedly no easy task, and yet it is not impossible if you will both bend a bit, give a little.

I remember, for example, my own college days (Berlitz, '08). My roommate was, I think you will allow, even less agreeable than most. He was a Tibetan named Ringading whose native customs, while indisputably colorful, were not entirely endearing. Mark you, I didn't mind so much the gong he struck on the hour or the string of firecrackers he ignited on the half-hour. I didn't even mind that he singed chicken feathers during his prayers at dawn and dusk. What I *did* mind was that he singed them in *my* hat.



To be fair, he was not totally taken with some of my habits either—especially my hobby. (I collect airplane tires and had, at that time, nearly 400,000 of them in our room.)

Well sir, things grew steadily cooler between Ringading and me, and they might actually have reached the breaking point had not we each happened to receive a package from home one day. Ringading opened his package first, smiled shyly at me and offered me a gift.

"Thank you," I said. "What is it?"  
"Yak butter," he said. "You put it in your hair. In Tibet we call it *gree see kidstuff*."

"Well now, that's mighty friendly," I said and offered him a gift from my package.

"Thank you," he said. "What is it?"  
"A can of Miller High Life Beer," I said.

"I will try it at once," he said and did.  
"Not bad," he said.

"It is even better when you open the can," I said and showed him how.

He consumed it forthwith. "Wowdow!" he cried. "Never have I known such mellowness, smoothness, ambersness and generalized euphoria!"

"Have another," I said.  
"Oh, I must not!" he cried. "Obviously a beverage of such splendor is made only for rare occasions and is therefore difficult to obtain and costly beyond the reckoning of it."

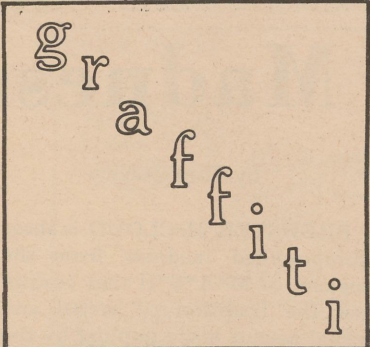
"Ha, ha, the joke is on you," I said. "Miller High Life is brewed every single day by plain decent folks just like you and me and is available everywhere at a price well within the most modest of budgets."

"Golly," he said. "Sort of makes a man feel humble."  
"Yes, don't it?" I said.

Then silently we clasped hands, friends at last. I am proud to say we remain friends to this day. We exchange cards each Christmas and each Fourth of July, firecrackers.

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We, the plain decent folks who brew Miller High Life Beer for plain decent folks like you, also bring you this plain decent column every week through the school year.



Interested in forming a *Jewish Congregation* on campus? Contact Dr. B. Johnpoll.  
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**Graduate students!** Watch for questionnaire on graduate education in Campus Center lobby, Monday thru Wednesday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. and in Library lounge, Wednesday evening. Sponsored by New University conference.  
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See Brubacher Hall transformed into a greek "*Taverna*" with Greek food, ouzo, red and retsina wine and a Bouzouki band. Get your tickets for March 21, 7 p.m., in the campus center or call 472-4243 or 472-2829. Students- \$1.50, others-\$2.00.  
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Contribute to the *March of Dimes* Monday, March 15 through Friday, March 19 in the Campus Center Lobby.  
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A Contemporary Service is being presented at *United Fourth Presbyterian Church* this Sunday at 9:30. United Fourth is across from the State Office Building Campus on Western Ave. Everyone is welcome.  
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On Tuesday, March 30, 1971, the *University Library* will sponsor an open forum on Library policies and procedures in the Campus Center Patroon Lounge at 2 p.m. Interim Director Jonathan R. Ashton and some of his staff members will be available for discussion and to allow the students and faculty to openly voice their opinions on problems of the Library, as they see them. Any and all interested parties are encouraged to attend. It is hoped that campus cooperation will help to make it successful and fruitful in clarifying criticisms of the Library. For further information, contact: Miss Christine Kirby, University Library, Room 205, Ph.: 457-8565.  
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Students and faculty interested in the *SUNY study in Singapore* at Nanyang University are invited for an informal evening on Wednesday, March 24 at 7:30 in PH 129. Professors Ellinwood and Kalish will report on their experiences as exchange professors, show slides and answer questions about the study program as well as about their experiences.  
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Registration for the *Community Service Program* will be held March 22-26 in the office ULB 35-1. Seniors (Spring 71 Juniors) register Mon. and Tues., Juniors (Spring 71 Sophs) Wed. and Thurs., Sophs (you know) Fri. The course is now listed as Social Welfare 390 and is limited to 550 enrollment.  
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Joe Pachman will give a talk on "*The Fundamentals of Good Growth Habits*." on March 19 at the Alden Hall Rec. Room 8:00 p.m.  
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### Colonial Quad Bus Trip to Boston:

For downtown campus: Bus leaves Western and Partridge Ave. at 7:45 a.m. to meet other buses uptown. This bus will drop you off at the downtown campus when you get back to Albany.

For uptown campus: Bus will pick you up at 7:45 a.m. at the traffic circle and leave you off there after the trip. Buses will let off at Boston commons and leave from there at 12 midnight for the return trip.

Bring your receipt-it is your ticket for the trip. If you have any questions, call 7-6896.  
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The deadline to apply for 1971 fall semester at *Gradalajara or CIDOC*, Cuernavaca, Mexico, is Wednesday, April 21. Interested students may file applications through the Center for Inter-American Studies, 179 Richardson Hall (downtown campus) or the Office of International Studies, SS111.  
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Three spring Instructor courses in the field of aquatics will be sponsored by the Albany Area chapter of the *American Red Cross* beginning with a Water Safety Instructor Course at the Shaker High School pool in Latham on Monday evening, March 22, 1971. The second Water Safety Instructor course will open at the Bethlehem Central Sr. High School pool in Delmar on Thursday evening, April 8, 1971. Both classes will run from 7:00 until 10:00.

The Third Instructor course will be for Canoeing and Boating enthusiasts, and will meet at the Albany Area Chapter House, Hackett Blvd. and Clara Barton Dr., on Saturday morning, March 27. This class will run from 9:00 until 1:00 p.m. convening at the Weare C. Memorial Park, Little's Lake, Menands following the opening session. All three classes are designed for men and women, at least 17 years of age, who have completed the Senior Life Saving course or who are Water Safety Instructors.

The instruction in all American Red Cross classes is free but a small fee will be charged for textbooks. register by calling the Water Safety Department of the Albany Area Chapter of the American Red Cross, 462-7461.  
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### Correction

In last Wednesday's ASP it was incorrectly stated that EOP stands for Economic Opportunity Program. The correct title is Educational Opportunity Program.

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# THE ASP SPORTS

## John Quattrochi To Captain 71-72 Squad

# Jack Jordan Voted MVP; Alan Reid, MIP

Senior co-captains Jack Jordan and Alan Reid were honored as Albany's Most Valuable and Most Improved players, respectively, for 1970-71. In winning the MVP award for the second straight year, Jordan led the team in scoring (15.8) and rebounding (9.7).

Reid improved offensively and defensively, and, according to his coach, "none of my players ever had as many clean steals." Reid upped his scoring average from 10.0 to 11.7 and his field goal

accuracy from 35.3% to 47.7%. He was a strong contender for both the MVP and 100% awards. John Quattrochi has been selected captain of the 1971-72 State University at Albany basketball team. He will be only the second junior to serve in that capacity in Coach Dick Sauers' 16 years at Albany. The first was Jim Constantino, who captained the 1965-66 and 1966-67 teams.

Quattrochi, who averaged 13.7 points a game for the 17-5 Great Danes, won the team's Free Throw Award for the 84.1% accuracy (74-88). He also received Sauers' 100% Award, which the coach presents annually to "my kind of player." The trophy winner is determined by a point system giving credit throughout the season for such things as loose ball recoveries, offensive rebounds, steals, defense, and play execution.

Harry Johnson was named Most Valuable Player on the 7-10 Albany frosh. The 6-3 center, who didn't play high school ball, led the freshmen with an 18.8 scoring average and 12.4 rebounds a game. He had one-game highs of 35 points against Junior College of Albany and 22 rebounds at New Paltz.

Varsity basketball letter winners: Jack Jordan Third letter, Don Joss First letter, Werner Kolln First letter, Jim Masterson Second letter, Tim Minnehan First letter, John Quattrochi First letter, Alan Reid Second letter, Steve Sheehan Second letter, Dave Welchons First letter, Rich Rini(Mgr') Third letter.

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## Sauersmen Select Toughest Opponent

Gene "The Machine" Mumford, whose 34 points were the most scored against the Great Danes this season, is a unanimous selection of the State University at Albany basketball players to their 1970-71 All-Opponent Team. Joining the 6-3 University of Scranton star on the squad are 6-3 Randy Smith and 6-6 Durie Burns of Buffalo State, Hartwick's 6-1 Willie Rackley, and 6-2 Fred Shear of Siena. Burns, a junior, and Shear, a sophomore, are the only underclassmen.

Burns had led Buffalo State to a 60-53 comeback triumph to knock the Danes into the consolation bracket. Smith, a pro prospect at guard, scored 17 and Burns added 13, while controlling the boards.

Rackley tallied 21 against Albany, but the Danes handed Hartwick its only home loss of the season, 70-66. Shear's 17 points were the only bright spot for Siena, an 85-70 victim in the annual rivalry. The soph star set a season scoring record this year at Siena, as did Rackley at Hartwick. Mumford and Smith already hold their schools' mark.

Mumford's point explosion wasn't enough to prevent a 72-69 Albany victory over Scranton for third place in the Pocono Classic in early January. The previous evening, however, Smith and

None of this year's selections is a repeater from last season's team.

## Synch Swim Tourney Here

The SUNYA Women's Synchronized Swim Club will host the Third Annual Eastern Intercollegiate Synchronized Swimming Conference Routine Competition, tomorrow, March 20 at the SUNYA Pool. Schools participating in the event will include: Brandeis University, Hunter College, SUC Brockport, SUC Buffalo, SUC Plattsburg, SUC Geneseo, SUNY at Stony Brook, Penn State University, University of Vermont, Skidmore College, and Albany State.

From 1-4 p.m. competition will be held in the Beginning Groups (three or more), Intermediate Duets, and Intermediate Groups (three or more). Competition in the Advanced Solos and Advanced Groups (two or more) from 7-9 p.m.

Albany's Synchronized Swim Club is hoping for a good showing. At the EISSC Stunt Competition held at Mount Holyoke this past November the team came home with the first place trophy, and so they should certainly be counted in the running for the top prize on Saturday. Albany will be entering four groups; a Beginner Group (Denny Goldberg, Judy Johnson, Irene Skidmore, Bev Schmidt, Peggy Dalheim, Gloria Neward, Margaret Reiley, and Carol Mann (sub)); two Intermediate Duets (Jackie Levy and Debby Swalm; Meg Hahne and Sandy Graff); and an Advanced Solo (Marueen Melling). At the Stunt Competition in November, Denny Goldberg took a first in the Beginning Group and Marueen Melling swam home with the first prize trophy in the Advanced Group.

The Advanced Solo competition should be a most interesting event, as Maureen will be competing against her former AAU duet partner Sue Smeder, winner of the Advanced Competition last year.

## Matmen Fall In Nationals

The four State University at Albany wrestlers who competed in the NCAA College Division Championships at North Dakota State University all lost first round matches. Coach Joe Garcia noted that there was a two and one-half week lay-off between Albany's last dual match and the tournament. The team was scheduled to take part in the New York State Championships in Rochester the previous weekend, but a snowstorm prevented it from making the trip.

The Albany entrants in the 350-man NCAA field were sophomore 142 pounder Jeff Albrecht, 9-3 in dual matches this season; junior 150 pounder Jim Nightingale, 6-3; sophomore 158 pounder Phil Mims, 9-0-2; and senior 190 pounder Tim Coon, 10-1. The Danes enjoyed a 9-2 season, their best ever.

## State Mermaid In NIISD

A member of the SUNYA Women's Swim Team, Miss Marni Gillard, will travel to Tempe, Arizona on March 25 to compete in the Division of Girl's and Women's Sports National Intercollegiate Invitational Swimming and Diving Championships.

Miss Gillard, a sophomore diver will be competing in this event for the second time. Last year, the championships were held in Indiana and Miss Gillard narrowly missed making the finals as a freshman. She has improved tremendously this year, winning all but one of the diving competitions at the women's meets this season.

## Sport Shorts

Softball rosters must be in the Intramural Office by 12 noon next Monday, March 22. No late entries will be accepted.

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Director's Cup Point Standings:

EFP	822.5
APA	796.0
STB	741.0
TXO	435.0
GDX	422.0
KB	369.0
UFS	313.0
BPS	151.0
DSP	121.0
ALC	120.0

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There will be a softball Official's Meeting on Monday, March 22, in PE 125 at 4 p.m.

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The AMIA Swim Meet will be held on March 27 and March 28 from 1-3 p.m.

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Badminton and Volleyball Schedules should be picked up at the Intramural Office.

### AMIA BASKETBALL CHAMPIONS:

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League I	EOP
League II	Saul Hurlles
League III	EOP
League IV	EOP

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The AMIA Wrestling Tournament will be held on March 24th and 25th. The first two records will be held on the 24th from 7-10 p.m. Finals and consolation matches will be held on the 25th, also at 7-10. Spectators are most welcome.

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Pre-registration deadline is May 8 for the sports shorts workshop for junior and senior high school girls scheduled August 9-13 and 16-20 at State University at Albany. The August 9-13 workshop will feature field hockey, while the second week will offer basketball and gymnastics. The fee is \$16.50 for the week, and a \$2. pre-registration fee should accompany each application. For more information, write Sports Workshop, Physical Education Building, Room 242, State University at Albany, 1400 Washington Avenue, Albany, New York 12203.

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# Library Improvement Unlikely

by Bonnie Brauth

Recently, there has been much criticism of Albany State's library. Canvassing the campus in order to discover the more prominent complaints, it was found that there are four main problems. During an interview with Mr. Jonathan Ashton, director of the library, he disclosed what is being done about these issues.

The Albany State library presently consists of 650,000 books. There are plans for the library to be extended to 1,750,000 books by 1980, which, according to Mr. Ashton, is probable. He noted that considering the amount of money that has been appropriated to the library each year thus far, the plans are likely to be fulfilled. The library's present stock is supplemented through the Inter-Library Loan program as a result of the State Library Act. By means of this program one can take advantage of books at other libraries. After filling out a card in our library, the book is picked up and delivered in one day.

## Disorganization

Much criticism has been made about the disorder in the library. According to Mr. Ashton, when the stacks are read, about 50% of the books are out of place. However, no inventory has been taken this year at all. There is not enough staff at the library to keep it organized. When asked about enlarging the number of staff

members, Mr. Ashton explained that the library funds have been cut, eliminating any chances of staff expansion. In addition, to cut down on library spending, open positions in cases where people have left their jobs, are left vacant. Presently there are 58 librarians.

Mr. Ashton blames the students for most of the library's disorder, claiming that "when students return the books to the shelves, they hardly ever put them back where they belong." He added that the open-stack policy, where students have free access to the stacks, promotes a disorganized library as well.

## Damage To Books And Theft

Another widely agreed upon problem of Albany State's library is the extensive damage to books, pamphlets, and magazines, as well as theft. As far as damage to the book supply goes, Mr. Ashton said that there is no way he can think of to put an end to it except through the students' more careful use of books. He continued to say that in order to efficiently relieve this problem, he would "have to have a staff member for every person using the library," which would, of course, be impossible.

In striving to find a solution to control the theft of books, plans for a separate area in the basement of the library in which to keep the bound and current periodicals are under serious consid-

eration. As far as further deterrence of theft goes, Mr. Ashton explained that this building was probably not constructed with the idea of it being used as a library. "It was constructed just like all of the other buildings on campus, and it has far too many doors and emergency exits for it to be a secure library." He added that he will just have to depend upon the honor system.

## Length Of Time To Borrow Books

Presently a student is permitted to borrow a book from the library for a month, and the faculty members are allowed an unlimited amount of time to keep books taken from the library. Mr. Ashton agreed with the popular complaint that this is an overly extensive period of time for books to be held by a single user. A faster turn-over of books would enable students and faculty to make better use of the library's stock. The Senate Library Council, for which Dr. Frank, (from the Language Department), is chairman, is working on a suggestion for shortening the time allowed for borrowing books from the library, and will present this sug-



Jonathan Ashton, Library director, blamed students for much of the disorder.

--solomon

gestion in a meeting with Mr. Ashton sometime this month.

## Penalty For Overdue Books

The penalty for overdue books at the Albany State library is two cents per day. Mr. Ashton noted that if a book is returned four days after it is due, it is not even feasible to spend six cents postage on a notice to the borrower, or to supply the staff in order to write

out and mail these notices, with the possible result of collecting eight cents. From the point of view of many students, a higher penalty for overdue books would hasten irresponsible borrowers, and make more of the library's books available to a larger number of people. The Senate Library Council is also working on a suggestion for a raise in the penalty for the late return of books.

## The 'Wyoming Project'

# Striving for a Model Society

STONY BROOK, N.Y. (CPS)—Imagine, there are really people who think they can actually reorder one of the 50 states in order to set up a responsive, free society. The meeting for recruits for the Wyoming Project was attended by about 20 people, ranging from leaders of the Free Community to Gay Lib. And they were ready to go. Right now.

Some had come expecting to be presented with the grand plans of "How to Restructure Society." Instead, a small prospectus was presented which sounded more like "Sail the Mayflower to the New Land and Survive," than a revolutionary, utopian, immediate take-over by the Woodstock Nation of the Free State of Wyoming. The recommended course was the slow assimilation of natives into the Beautiful Life—free from ecological worry, educationally in-

novative, with total justice for all. Above all, the new state of Wyoming was to permit the freedom to be an individual without harassment. But recruits were reminded, the plan must go slowly—infiltrate—turn the natives around—don't rip off and no trashing.

The idea for a large scale alternative to the mode of living that straight take for granted and call "the way of life" began about six months ago at the Stony Brook branch of the State University of New York on Long Island. After graduate student Vince Arbor brought up the idea, his friends mentioned it around. After a few months rumination, the idea didn't seem so far out; the Stony Brook people gave the idea a name, "The Wyoming Project," and began to move.

First they had to find something

out about Wyoming. There were already communes and free schools in Colorado and Montana, but nothing much was happening in Wyoming. Last summer three Easterners went West to have a look—and they liked what they saw. The state had lots of room and only 330,000 people, or about 3 people for every square mile of land. Of those 330,000 people, only about 190,000 were registered voters. Wyoming has beautiful country—mountains, deserts, farming lands—and the air is clean. The U.S. government owns 30 percent of the land, but every year it sells several thousand acres at reasonable prices.

The rationale for the Wyoming project is "that if you can find a pretty area of the country that a lot of people would be interested in going to, and if you have a state which has a relatively small population...and if you can find that kind of state and you get people to move to it...Who knows, it might take about 200,000 people in order to swing the majority of voters...(and that's if none of the current Wyomingians will have anything to do with the new settlers), then with a relatively small proportion of the current disenfranchised citizens of America you could set up a model political, economic and social entity within the United States which just might rediscover those old cliches of freedom and justice for all."

Right now the Wyoming project is concerned with such problems as publicity, gathering information on bread and board, setting up communications, and analyzing the reactions of the state and a large influx of non-straight immigrants. A center is being established in Laramie. Write to Wyoming Project, Room 207 Stony Brook Union, SUNY, Stony Brook, N.Y. 11790.

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