The Year Reviewed

It was a quiet year. From the roar of Spring 1970, came a different reaction in the academic year 1970-71. While discontent rumbled beneath the surface of Albany events, the mass movement of "the strike" did not present themselves, whether from fear, discouragement, or depolitization.

Student activities primarily directed themselves on local issues. The year began with a demonstration led by Women's Liberation members and concerned parents for a SUNYA Day Care Center. Their success, however, now seems jeopardized by financial problems threatening the center's existence. Others worked for an Environmental Studies Program, a Puerto Rican Studies Project, and even a School of Communications at Albany State. Concern for updating present facilities, most notable, the Library, manifested itself frequently at President Louis Benezet's biweekly forum and in the pages of the Albany Student Press.

However, broader concerns were not wholly lacking on campus. Many students took a very active role in the elections of the fall; candidates representing youthful ideals were supported through volunteer campaign work. A march and all-night vigil at the State Capitol for Soviet Jewry, however, drew sharp comments from its organizers, who chastized the apathy of Albany's response.

Violence flared for the first time in the streets of Albany in a large demonstration aimed at an area bank. Students marched to "Settle Accounts" with First Trust, a bank claimed to have actively invested in the Vietnam war. A confrontation with Albany police occurred in which some demonstrators were beaten and four arrested.

Widest support came for the April 24th march on Washington. Busloads of students joined the peaceful assembly once again demanding peace. A smaller contingent participated in the more militant May Day actions in the Capitol.

Students faced many different obstacles to airing their views this year. Increased academic pressures due to an abridged calendar, placed studying for exams at the same time as the national Spring anti-war activities, prohibiting many from participating. The year also began in the midst of a suit against the Student Association which questioned the allotment of student money for such things as Free School, Buses to Washington, and Black Cultural Weekend. The legal hassles included a freeze on all student group expenditures with the final outcome of a SUNY Board of Trustees decision to have all money of construction controversy. Scheduled for total completion by contract in July, 1970, the quad is now running a year or so behind schedule. The actual construction was slated to begin in spring, 1971.

The academic facilities on this campus are also under construction. The West End extension has not been formalized as of yet. The East End extension has been another nebulous concept. Originally, plans for this extension was to be built on Fuller Road. Last spring, a sizable tract of land was cleared on the eastern portion of Perimeter Road for the expressed purpose of constructing a field house. Due to severe construction budget cuts, the completion of this building has been postponed indefinitely.

The academic facilities on this campus are also scheduled for expansion. Ideally, the Podium will be expanded by adding three additional buildings to either end. The East End extension has not been formalized as of yet. The West End extension has been another nebulous concept. Originally, funds for planning this project were appropriated in the 1970-71 academic year. The actual construction was slated to begin in spring, 1971. However, due to the elimination of capital construction funds, this project has been indefinitely postponed. There is a possibility of building only a portion of this extension is also being investigated if full funds are not available.

The lack of construction funds has also curtailed plans for married student housing, scheduled to be built on Fuller Road.
University Tunnels Useful For Travel and Exploration

Many rumors exist about Albany State’s famed tunnels. The best way to find out the truth is to explore, but the University doesn’t like that very much. Actually there are three types of tunnels. Those under the podium are large and unofficially open to the public (9 to 5). All buildings except the Library and Performing Arts Center are accessible through them and during the cold season (or when it rains) they’re nice to have around. Connections also exist between the tunnels and the Lecture Center; these come in handy when they close the outside staircases in December.

The second type of tunnel connects three of the four quadrangles with the podium and heating plant. Indian Quad does not have a tunnel of this type—it would have been too expensive. These tunnels are not publicly accessible. There are good reasons for this: the heating pipes make the constant temperature about 125 degrees Fahrenheit; space is limited (tunnels are about 4 feet wide); and they do not really connect to the podium (the pipes run through a crawlway at the podium end of the tunnel). The last type of tunnel runs under the residence quadrangles. Each upper foreign has one, and they run from the loading dock near the kitchen, around under all the lowrisers, and back toward the dining hall. There are connections to the tower and to the heating tunnel. Students are not allowed use of these tunnels. Now used for moving, storage, and garbage collection, they were originally designed during the heat of the cold war for access to fallout shelters. The shelters themselves are now used for storage.

Theater Program
Still Alive and Well

by Linda Waters

Welcome to the wonderful world of SUNYAarts. When it comes to theater, Albany State isn’t the vast wasteland you might expect from a state school.

The theater program at Albany is twofold. Besides the normally scheduled major productions (there are five), there is a weekly Experimental Theater program. The Experimental shows are directed, produced and run by the students themselves. This past year, shows done in this series included “A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum,” “Celebration,” and “Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are Dead.”

The major productions are directed by the faculty, but the students do a major part of the work involved in production. The past year’s offerings included “Camino Real,” “Harry, Noon, and Night” (a finalist in the National Theater Competition held in Washington, D.C.), “A Scent of Flowers,” “Peter Pan,” and a double bill featuring “The Bald Soprano” and “The Meursaults.

Open auditions are held for every theater production and everyone is encouraged to participate. Notices for auditions are generally posted during the first week of school.

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Albany Student Press: Information to the Community

Reading the Albany Student Press may be the only way you’ll know what’s going on at Albany State. Published twice weekly and funded by mandatory student tax, the ASP covers all areas of campus activity as well as many off campus events.

The newspaper department of the paper covers campus events ranging from an Arthur Schlesinger lecture to a student sit-in. While the department’s first responsibility is to report campus events, it does cover off-campus activities, augmented by the growing city news department. Legislative decisions that effect the SUNY system, the draft laws, the voting decisions that effect the SUNY Albany South Mall Project. Hopefully, more articles on this and other city-related topics will come this year with a larger staff.

Programs that service the campus, events taking place in the city, the weather—these are all important news to many readers. The Campus Center Governing Board. Funded by mandatory student tax, both the ASP and WSUA have gone on to professional employment in the Albany area.

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Electoral Day is always hectic at the station. WSUA has covered headquarters in Albany and New York City with an emphasis on races not covered by other media in the Capital District. Members of WSUA are looking forward to the 1972 Presidential election. Despite the enormous amount of planning and hard work the experience is most rewarding and also a lot of fun.

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During your summer planning conference, feel free to drop by the WSUA studios (on the third floor of the Campus Center), if you think you may be interested in joining WSUA when you return this fall, the station would be interested in hearing from you. The staff is very large, but there is always a need for new people with hard working talents to come aboard.

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Communications

Workshops Set

Albany State has no courses in journalism. For the university’s students who are interested in journalism this could also prove to be quite a hinderance. In an attempt to overcome this hurdle a series of workshops, seminars and lectures in journalism are being put together this summer.

Area newspaper and radio personnel are scheduled to conduct the sessions that hopefully will be given this fall. Attendance at the sessions will be voluntary for all those on campus interested in the field of journalism. Topics to be covered will range from pointers on news writing to advertising and the actual physical makeup of a newspaper. Students interested in working on the ASP and WSUA are particularly urged to attend.

Members of the Albany faculty and staff, and members of local media, including the Associated Press Bureaus in Albany, have expressed an interest to help structure and conduct the sessions that might prove to be a precursor to an actual accredited course in journalism in the near future.

Uptown Operation for WSUA Radio

by Joel Lustig

For the first time in its nine year history, WSUA, SUNYA’s radio station, will broadcast to all dormitory buildings on both campuses. This feat will become possible with the addition of Indian Quad to the carrier current system. After eight years of operating from the downtown campus, the entire operation will be located in the Campus Center.

Complete student owned and operated, WSUA has given hundreds of Albany students an opportunity to learn all facets of broadcasting; news reporting, engineering, announcing, advertising, and radio station operations. Numerous alumni and current members have gone on to professional employment in the Albany area and elsewhere.

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Editorial Comment

Communication—Your Right

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No one censors any ASP article; our main limitation is space. However, we do aim for integrity, honesty, and fairness in reporting. A real commitment has been made in presenting an objective reporting of the news to the university community, and of informing the community of all the facts.

All our writing is done by students. Our technical staff and even our secretary are student personnel. Members of the Student Association are, in short, everything. Without them, there would be no ASP, if you think that you can help, in any way, from writing to tech work to selling advertising space, come on up to the Campus Center and make yourself known. It is your paper, and only what you make it.

The Right to Communicate is no privilege; it is a necessity. This newspaper is your medium of communication.

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Editorial policy is determined by the Editor-in-Chief. Communications are limited to 300 words and are subject to editing.

Welcome to Vanilla U. I was asked to write this because the ASP wants to show that it can tolerate a few uncensored opinions, once in a while. During orientation, new students are told that here at State one learns how to "think for himself," "find the truth," and "learn how to deal with the great problems facing society." You probably don't believe it either; if you do, you won't by the end of the year. The university is here to make all of you into passive, conforming cogs in America's death machines. Look at the courses offered; very few will give a critical view of this country, and none will be geared to teaching you how to act on the power structure of America in any meaningful way. The Board of Trustees are bankers and real estate people— they certainly aren't going to allow free and critical thought that will lead to attacks on the real causes of pollution, poverty, war, and repression, because they're the cause! The Administration even pulled the date of a number of community service days, which are subject to editing.

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The Arab Students Club (ASC) is a voluntary organization which is formed by the students from American universities and colleges. Although the club's constitution does not restrict membership to those who speak Arabic, the present membership happens to be so. The club is not committed to certain political ideology; and, although its members participate in many political debates, the club conceives of itself as a social-cultural organization.

The aims and purposes of the (ASC) relate to its members, the Arab community in the area, fellow students, and the American community at large. To the Arab students, the club serves as a framework for cooperation and cultural exchange with the host country as well as a means of personal adaptation. To the Arab community in the area, the club serves as a channel of recreation and as an aid in preserving the elements of Arab culture among the American community. To fellow students and the host community, the club serves as a bridge between the Arab peoples on the one hand and the students and the community on the other. In this latter aspect the club aims at the honest portrayal of Arab civilization in general and the dynamics and problems of modern Arab society in particular. It is the club's major concern with this latter aspect that created a misconception in the minds of some quarters that the club is a "political" organization. Recognizing that being political is by no means a curse, it is to be noted that the main reason for such misconception, among others, is the prominence of the Palestinian—Israeli problem in world affairs and the consequent obligation on the club to clarify the Palestinian Arab point of view.

All this is to say that the activities of the club are not mainly "political" such as the lectures and debates on the Palestinian question but also they include such social and cultural activities as the annual reception, the Arabian dinner, and the Arabian night, in addition to participation in some social and cultural activities at the International Center and the International Student Association, Rutgers University. In the area for the International dinner and the International dance.

Finally, the ASC is one of the many Arab clubs all over the U.S. and it cooperates with them as well as with the Organization for Arab Students in the U.S. and Canada to achieve more cooperation and understanding.

Arab Students Club

Social Political Cultural Group

By David Surowitz

Am Yisrael

Jewish Awareness

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Young People's Socialist League

Answers Through Socialism

by David Koplow

The Young People's Socialist League is the youth arm of the democratic party of Eugene Debs, Norman Thomas, Bayard Rustin, and Michael Harrington. We are the Albany chapter of a national organization dedicated to building a society at the service of human needs. We believe that a great step toward the realization of human potential can be made through the social ownership of the means of production and distribution. Consequently, the YPSL rejects all concepts of minority role such as capitalism and communism, and believes that the voluntary, conscious participation of the people is the only way to freedom for all people. The YPSL works to build a majority movement of the democratic left in which young people join with trade-unionists, minority group members, and liberals in building a new America. In chapters throughout the country, YPSLs are working to build this movement. Throughout activities such as Frontline, a non-partisan voter registration project which registered over 100,000 people in California alone. In the Youth Committee for Peace and Democracy in the Middle East, and organisation that is mobilizing student support for a Mideast peace settlement that will preserve Israel's sovereignty and provide a foundation for the social and economic transformation of the entire region. In organizing support for union struggles for economic and social justice in the Mennonite Committee and Negotiation! Now! where YPSLs have worked to maximize chances for a speedy end to the war in Southeast Asia. In demonstrations against the Soviet Union's invasion of Czechoslovakia and the brutal oppression of Soviet Jews.

In opposition to capitalism and communism, and in support of all those struggling for democracy and self-determination. We work to radically transform American foreign policy, making principled anti-communism compatible with support of democratic forces struggling for freedom against right-wing and left-wing oppression.

In support of the International Socialist movement, best exemplified by the mass, labor based Social-Democratic parties of Sweden, West Germany, and Great Britain. The YPSL works to build a majority movement of the democratic left in which young people join with trade-unionists, minority group members, and liberals in building a new America. In chapters throughout the country, YPSLs are working to build this movement. Throughout activities such as Frontline, a non-partisan voter registration project which registered over 100,000 people in California alone. In the Youth Committee for Peace and Democracy in the Middle East, and organisation that is mobilizing student support for a Mideast peace settlement that will preserve Israel's sovereignty and provide a foundation for the social and economic transformation of the entire region. In organizing support for union struggles for economic and social justice in the Mennonite Committee and Negotiation! Now! where YPSLs have worked to maximize chances for a speedy end to the war in Southeast Asia. In demonstrations against the Soviet Union's invasion of Czechoslovakia and the brutal oppression of Soviet Jews.

As we enter the seventies, a decade of enormous challenges and opportunities, we urge all young people committed to social justice to join the YPSL.

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The State University of New
York at Albany received between
nine and ten thousand freshman
applications, and admitted into
the class of 1975 some 1500
students. This year’s freshman
admissions were up over 11% from last year.

Although an exact profile of
this year’s freshman class was not
available at press time, Thomas
Flemming, Assistant Director of
Freshman Admissions, stated that
this year’s class would probably be
academically comparable to
last year’s entering class.

Resident students in the class
of 1974 had a high school aver-
age of 90.6, and were in the top
7% of their graduating class.
These students had a 91.2 Re-
gents average and scored on the
average, about 226 on the Re-
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There will be fewer commut-
ing students in this year’s fresh-
man class, about 200, which is a
decrease of close to 100 stu-
dents. Commuters in last year’s
entering class had a high school
average of 85 and were in the
top 14% of their high school
graduating class. These students
had a 84.5 Regents average and
usually scored 204 out of a pos-
sible 300 on the Regents Scholar-
ship Exam.

At press time, admission to
special programs like the Educa-
tional Opportunity Program
(EOP) were still uncertain due to
the budgetary situation of the
State University system. Appli-
cations for EOP were closed in
March after the university had
received more than one thousand
applications for the tentative
quota Of 300 students.

More than 4,000 students
applied for transfer admission to
Albany. Applications from stu-
dents attending other SUNY in-
stitutions rose by 52% this year.
The transfer class will contain
800 students with the majority
of those admitted coming from
two year community colleges
within the state. The mean cum-
al average of the admitted
transfers was about 2.0.

Due to a lack of staff and the
present large enrollments in the
Psychology and Sociology depart-
ments, no transfer students were
admitted to either of them this
year.

Overall, the number of appli-
cations to Albany State reflects
an increase of 14.3 % over last
year.
Co-op Offers Low Price Albums

by Tony Haul

It seems many students have and some are getting together to try and get a non-profit record co-op going on campus. Think it's impossible? Well it might be, but arrangements have been made and the "People's Record Store" has emerged in the basement of Anthony Hall on State Quad.

Although there are definitely many problems involved, the Anthony Hall "Conspiracy for the People" is selling many albums for a mere $1.55. All "Co-ops" in the area should be able to do it. Albums that would normally sell for $5.57 in the bookstore will go for $3.00 and "Es" for $2.50.

The Co-op people stressed that although they still had to deal with Capitalist companies and distributors they were starting at the lowest level to cut out profits and serve the people. "If students would get together and organize their resources and potential they would realize that without that much effort they could cut prices on all items they blindly buy from stores making absurd profits."

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Sports at Albany State

by Bob Zaremba

Albany State University prides itself in an excellent inter-collegiate and intra-collegiate sports program. The Albany sportspersons bear the nickname, "Great Danes," and represent the school in colors of purple and gold. The athletic affiliations of Albany State include NCAA, ECAC, and IC4A.

As far as athletic facilities are concerned, the physical education building provides seating for 2,600 in the main gymnasium and also houses an enormous indoor swimming pool, with 240 mounted chairs in the balcony. Other facilities include handball and squash courts, auxiliary gymnasiums, a dance studio, exercise rooms, class rooms, offices, space, and locker areas.

Surrounding the building are 24 tennis courts, an all-weather quarter-mile track, a football field, two baseball diamonds, and several fields for soccer, lacrosse, field hockey and softball.

During this past academic year, State University at Albany's 10 varsity teams posted a cumulative 1970-71 record of 84-39-2, by far the best in the school's athletic history. Previously, the most wins had been 65, achieved in each of the past two years.

Only two teams suffered losing seasons, while winning (9-2), track and field (10-0), and increase (9-2) had their best records ever. Cross-country (10-3) had its ninth straight winning campaign and basketball (17.5) stretched its 505 or better string to 16 years. Track, with its second successive unbeaten spring, now has won 34 in a row, while tennis finished 8-1 for a three-year mark of 26-2.

The five spring teams lost just 10 contests while winning 43 and tying one.

Of course the big sports attraction of the 1970-71 season at Albany State was the inauguration of a football club last fall. The Dane gridders, coached by Robert Ford, chalked up a 2-4 record in their maiden season, and will soon be in preparation for their sophomore campaign. An eight game schedule has been announced for the 1971 squad who will open at home this year against Utica college on September 25th.

In addition to the highly successful Varsity sports program, the University boasts a vast and highly successful intramural program, involving 22 activities, and close to 4,000 active participants.

The sports world at Albany is an exciting and ever expanding one. The ASP SPORTS urges you to become a part of it. Let's go Danes!!

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Contrary to popular belief, not all of SUNY at Albany is white, nor is it all concrete, nor, as a matter of fact, is it all at Albany. About ten miles north, just off route 87, sits Mohawk Campus, 284 acres of SUNYA with not a pillar in sight.

The tract, purchased in 1965, includes three homes, four barns, an olympic size pool, and a 40 acre lagoon. Charelle House, the central structure, includes a snack bar, dining area for 45 people, and a fireplace lounge.

Mohawk Campus provides for canoeing, boating, volleyball, football, hayrides, horseback riding, softball and swimming in warm weather; plus tobogganing, sleigh riding and skating in winter.

Swimming at Mohawk pool, open during June, July and August, costs $0.50 per day for a person with University ID. The fee entitles that person to bring one guest at no additional cost. For any additional guests, the cost is $1.00 per person. Season tickets are available to members of the University Community.

The charge for horseback riding is $2.00 per hour per person with ID. The cost is the same for each guest. An hour of group instruction costs $5.00 per person and individual instruction costs $5.00 per hour. All horseback riding is by reservation only.

Boats and canoes are available at $7.50 per hour per craft, and $2.00 per day to take a craft off the property (by reservation only). Sailboats and tobgoggans are available at $1.75 per hour. During the school year, however, sailboats are available only to sailing Club members.

On Friday, Saturday and Sunday during the school year, Mohawk Campus is open during the day for general use. At night, groups may book the facility for social functions.

All reservations for Mohawk facilities and equipment are handled by Fred Cook, Campus Center 137, 457-7690.

Conference Picnics

Three-day freshman conferences will have a picnic at Mohawk on the second day of the conference. This function will serve to acquaint students more fully with the facility. At press time, buses were to be scheduled to leave for Mohawk at 3:15, 3:30, 4:15 and sometime shortly after 5. They are scheduled to return a 9:30 and 10 p.m.

Faculty will attend the picnics and group discussions will form one part of the event.

Other Off-Campus Facilities

Other off campus facilities include Camp Dippikill, a 748 acre tract of land with a 24 acre lake, located 75 miles north of Albany, and Goodman Park, a large sweet home adjacent to Dippikill. For more details, refer to Viewpoint or contact Fred Cook, 457-7690.

 Tradition Present at Changing University

by Tom Clingan

Any school founded 177 years ago has tradition. The important question is, how much has persisted until the present? Surprisingly much, though not as much as at private schools. Albany State in the last decade has grown tenfold, which lessens any sense of tradition among both students and faculty, most of whom are new to the school. Alumni, who are normally the backbone of college tradition, are generally inactive on this campus. Though the Administration contains many long residents of Albany State, the men generally running things are not old SUNYA graduates, and as such are not familiar with the schools traditions. Nor are they going to force tradition on anyone. The average student displays the attitude that he couldn't care less about tradition, anyway. Tradition survives in the guise of tradition, peculiar ways. One is through institutions, such as MYSKANIA, a group of about 15 members of the Junior class elected by the students. Now only an honorary, it started in 1917 as the student government. This traditional group now has official functions only in other traditions, such as Torch Night.

Torch Night is a ceremony at Graduation in which the graduate, during the processional, is taken to posterity. It's the logical conclusion of the candlelight ceremony that the freshman go through soon after their arrival at Albany to be, but then, Albany State is not what it used to be.
The State Capitol Building, home of the New York Legislature, in the heart of downtown Albany.

The area between the Capitol and Washington Park houses many people attempting to keep up these houses as private homes rather than as apartments.

A tranquil winter spot in Albany's Washington Park, near Draper Hall. The park is used primarily by college students living in nearby apartments, older people, and some children. The snow is also a constant sight.

Despite recent controversy (including Grand Jury investigation), the South Mall Project is still under construction, with an anticipated completion now set for 1975 (8 years late). It is the largest—and most expensive—construction project in the world.

Buses are the major method of transportation to and from Albany. Every student rides them at one stage or another in his or her college career; in Albany, the worst part of the journey is the hike from the bus station to the dormitories.