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Farewell

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CEP Phys Ed Evaluation Results In Three Proposals

An evaluation of the effectiveness of the men's and women's physical education programs by the Council on Educational Policy has resulted in three proposals for modification—one from each P.E. Department and a third from certain members of the CEP Subcommittee on the P.E. Requirement.

The P.E. Department proposals call for flexibility within the two-year requirement. Three hours of physical activity per week would still be mandatory, with the present cut system applying. During Freshman Orientation the student would still be required to undergo swimming and physical fitness tests based on cardio-vascular, recovery, and respiration rates, and a posture evaluation.

According to their scores in the physical fitness test, freshman men would then be placed in one of three categories. Those classified in Category I would be free to sign up for

an activity of their choice for the fall term. If after one term he displays sufficient proficiency, he has the option of fulfilling the requirement under an honor system. After he has spent four satisfactory quarters in Category I, he may be exempt from the program if he wishes.

If, at the end of spring quarter, a man in Category I failed to meet the minimum proficiency tests for that level, he would then be required to take classes at that level the fall quarter of his sophomore year. If he passes his proficiency test after the fall quarter he may be exempt from the remaining three quarters; if not, he remains in Category II for the Winter I term, automatically moving up to Category I at the end and becoming exempt.

ONE PERIOD

Those initially classified in Category II would be assigned one period of a fitness class and be permitted to sign up for two additional classes of their choice. A man in Category II would spend a maximum of two quarters at that level, being eligible for promotion after the fall semester if he passed the proficiency test.

Men classified in Category III would be assigned three periods of fitness class for the fall term. The program, a maximum of two quarters, in these classes would be aimed toward fulfillment of the physical fitness requirement.

It is possible for a student individually in Category I to move up to Category II for the Winter I term and to Category I for the Winter II term, enabling him to fulfill the P.E. requirement in five terms.

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Mass Enthusiasm for Strike Evaporates; Long-Term Activities Receive Emphasis

News Analysis by Gil Kemp

For a few days last week Swarthmore College appeared to have been jarred out of its normal state of political apathy. About half of the student body and a large percentage of the faculty suspended business as usual to deal with what appeared to be a national crisis. Enthusiasm lasted about a week. For Swarthmore, the crisis seemed to begin Saturday night when the rock festival was interrupted and ended with a resumption of festivities at the dance on Sharples patio a week later.

Business is not as usual yet. People are still canvassing, stuffing envelopes, discussing alternative educational and political structures,

going to workshops, or doing whatever appears meaningful. But involvement is less than before.

As exams draw close, only the deeply committed can resist traditional activities. Some individuals have devised "alternative evaluative procedures" and continued their strike activities and others have abandoned the academic world completely, but most striking students appear to be doing much of their work now and postponing the rest until summer.

The revolutionary fervor of a week ago could not last at such a fever pitch for very long. The movement at Swarthmore seemed to demand an all or nothing type of involvement: either one was intensely in-

involved emotionally or not at all. A large number of students found themselves let down at the end of last week after the Friday rally in Philadelphia and the activities in Washington.

Lacking both emotional involvement and strong administration-faculty support, many Swarthmoreans abandoned the practical, if not the ideological, basis of the strike.

One cannot easily assess the extent of the strike at Swarthmore. All along there has been no effort to quantify involvement. Various signposts exist, however. The mass meetings which began as a nightly ritual filling Tarbles with half a thousand activists have evolved to a much smaller and quieter gathering on alternate nights. The daily schedule once crammed with too many things to do has become all too manageable.

There is plenty left to do, but people are not so eager to do it. Instead of spending an entire day hustling from meeting to workshop to canvassing to rally, people are spending an hour at a workshop and a few minutes stuffing envelopes for Norval Reece.

The strike was fun while it was rolling. When it became routinized and bureaucratized and people believed that there wasn't going to be an immediate cure for the na-

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Admissions Decrease Slightly; Class Includes 34 - 40 Blacks

Neither draft laws, nor crises, nor mailstrikes can halt the Admissions Office from its appointed job of finding three hundred people to fill up empty one-room doubles in Wharton and Willets. The new freshman class, slightly smaller than the present one, continues last year's success in recruiting blacks — there are at least 34 coming next year.

Dean of Admissions William Quesenberry characterized the newest freshmen as qualitatively "no different from previous ones."

While all acceptances have not yet been received, Quesenberry said that

it was apparent that 170 men and 140 coeds would be entering Swarthmore next fall. This compares with the 180 men and 150 women in the class of 1973. The smaller class size is due to the fact that this year's graduating class is smaller than in previous years.

The total number of applications rose slightly over last year to 2911. For the first time "since anyone can remember," Quesenberry reported that more men applied for admissions than women.

BLACK ADMISSIONS UP

Admissions of black students were slightly higher this year. No fewer than 34 black students, and possibly as many as 40, will be coming to Swarthmore next fall. Included in the group will be 10 unconventionally qualified students.

Quesenberry noted that while some difficulties were encountered in obtaining complete files on a number of black applicants, the overall quality of the black candidates was impressive.

Although no detailed profile of the new freshman class has as yet been made, Quesenberry noted that the group is typically diverse. Thirty-four states and 11 foreign countries will be represented in the fall, as well as a wide range of extra-curricular interests.

Quesenberry pointed out that this year the acceptance rate among Swarthmore National Scholars, the top 20 people in the freshman class, was unusually high. While he was not certain to what he should attribute this, the admissions chief indicated that these awards might have been slightly less selectively granted this year.

Honors Applications Jump, Swing to Social Sciences

This year Swarthmore sophomores submitted 24 more honors applications than the 96 submitted in 1969, while the number of applications to course remained the same (148). The psychology department experienced the most significant increase in both course and honors applications, reflecting a swing to the social sciences. It received ten more applications to honors than in 1969-70, and 12 more to course.

LITTLE DIFFERENCE

Registrar John Moore noted that the actual percentage of students applying to course and honors in 1970 is little different from past years. "Normally, close to 40 per cent of the sophomore class is accepted into honors," he said. This year, that trend seems to be continuing, though the figures are as yet incomplete and some 30 deferred decisions remain to be acted upon in honors and another 11 in course. As a result of the strike, many of these decisions may have to be postponed until September, since in most cases the faculty is awaiting spring semester's grades before deciding on deferred applications.

POLITICAL CLIMATE

The class of 1972 expressed a definite preference for the Division of Social Sciences, which received 109 applications in honors and course, as compared to 89 last year. The humanities received 96 course and honors applications, the same number as in 1969, but last year it was the most popular division. Mr. Moore attributed this switch to a change in the political climate.

So far in the social sciences 35 of those applying to honors have been accepted, 18 deferred, and 2 rejected primarily because their minor selections were unacceptable to the division. In course, 53 students have had their major in the social sciences accepted, four have been deferred, and none rejected. Like psychology, the department of history has exhibited a marked increase in applications. It received 20

honors majors applications (8 in 1969), 19 for honors minors (14 last year), and 10 as compared to 9 applications to course for 1969-70.

The Division of the Humanities at this point has accepted 36 students into honors, deferred 11, and rejected 5. Of those applying to course, 41 have been accepted, 1 deferred, and 2 rejected. Harold Pagliaro, chairman of the division, explained that the most common reason for deferring students was the lack of sufficient grades on which to base a decision.

The English literature department continues to be the most popular department in the humanities. This year 15 sophomores, of the 22 who applied, have been accepted as English honors majors. Two students

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Schmidt Descends to Editorship, Promises 'Amorphous' Semester

By a narrow margin, the TAO-Jewish conspiracy was snuffed out Wednesday with the election of Greg Schmidt as the 181st editor of *The Phoenix*. In a hotly contested run-off against freshman upstart Robert Keelan, cries of "racism" and "anti-Semitism" were leveled at both candidates along with those of "freak" and "bode." The tense staff meeting conducted five ballots before granting a majority to Schmidt, rumored to be the illegitimate son of former SS chief Wolfgang von Beer-undpretzel.

Schmidt's background is suspiciously cloudy. Swarthmore legend has it that after being orphaned at an early age by World War II, he was set afloat in the Atlantic in a small boat. Washing ashore on Pike's Peak, he was discovered by an old Bavarian immigrant who made his living raising sheep in the high Rockies and selling pornography to the young townspeople.

He grew tall from this life of milk

and cheese but the high altitude unfortunately prevented any oxygen from reaching his brain. In order to relieve this unhappily long lasting deprivation he moved to Washington, D.C., a southern swamp known for its hot moist winds.

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Michener to Donate Money to Ameliorate Interracial Relations

James Michener '29 has offered the College \$100,000 over a five-year period for black studies and race relation programs. Michener has left the specific uses for the money up to the College's discretion, but hopes that some of it will be used "to develop an adequate program for a black cultural center that will encourage people of all races to participate."

Michener also urged an exploration of various kinds of pre- and post-enrollment support programs.

A Pulitzer prize-winning novelist, Michener has written a number of books on race relationships — such as *Tales of the South Pacific* and *Hawaii*. In a letter to Vice President Joseph Shane offering the grant, he indicated that the encouragement of his wife, who has worked in the



JAMES MICHENER

field of race relations for most of her life, was another factor behind his offer.

"With blacks representing one-eighth of our human potential," wrote Michener in the letter, "it would be simple stupidity for us to retain any educational practices which did not encourage them to develop and use their abilities to the full. It is in the interest of all of us that constructive solutions to present difficulties be found."

Thus, the grant will allow the College to "be free to explore various aspects of the movement to liberate and educate the capacities of the black members of our society."

Michener expressed gratitude that the College has handled confrontations arising from black-white relationships in the traditional Quaker manner. While not always agreeing with the solutions, he consoled himself "with the idea that the College people on the scene knew a lot more about this problem than I did. I continue to feel that way."

PHEAA

The College has been granted an extension on its deadline for signing an agreement with the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency until June 15. This extension was requested when the Board of Managers informed President Cross that it would like to consider what action the College should take on this matter before the full Board at its meeting on June 5. The faculty will also consider the College's position with regards to PHEAA in the near future.

CEP Agrees to Discuss Regular Agenda, Broader Concerns Facing College

Discussion of both the regular agenda and of broader issues concerned with the "role of the institution" will occupy the remainder of this year's meetings of the Council on Educational Policy.

Tuesday's CEP meeting found members differing on whether to discuss the pass-fail proposals and the six-paper Honors program, which constituted the regular agenda; or to devote a large part of the remaining meetings to discussion of the issues brought out by the recent strike, such as the function of the College and the purpose of the Swarthmore degree.

COMPROMISE

Reaching a compromise, the Council agreed to hold an extra meeting next Monday devoted solely to consideration of the broader issues. The regular meeting to be held the following day would continue with the regular agenda.

Mike Basseches, a student CEP member, is planning the agenda for the Monday meeting. He plans to distribute to Council members a proposal dealing with the broad issue, and sees this proposal as a basis for discussion for the Monday meeting. There is a possibility of further meetings of this nature if the Monday meeting proves productive.

In other action in Tuesday's meeting the Council began organization for choosing new Council members and briefly went over some of its earlier considerations such as the five-year study plan and small-unit instruction.



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UB Renovates Summer Session; Program Joins Class, Counseling

A revitalized Upward Bound Program will hold a seven week session this summer on the College campus to help 71 black high school students and recent graduates prepare for college. Ten Swarthmore undergraduates along with post graduate students will be counselors and instructors in the program, living with the students in College dorms and helping them with their studies and personal problems.

Swarthmore Upward Bound started four years ago under a federal grant to help black students with potential get into college. Since then it has expanded and, despite tightening federal funds, it has kept the grant because of its success in getting students into college, said Edward Collins, Director of Upward Bound.

MATH PROGRAM

The program emphasizes basic math and literature and composition. Students have classes every day taught by qualified instructors. There are also interest groups that help students develop skills needed for college.

Math instruction will last 2½ hours every morning. The first half hour instructors will go over arithmetic and any aspects of math students are unclear about. The rest of the time will be spent with more advanced math helping students pick up what they didn't get in high schools and getting them ready for college boards and college level math. Courses are not rigidly structured. Students set the pace for classes. Students are placed in classes according to how much math they know — not by grade level — and if they are more advanced in one area than another they can shuttle between classes. Math is taught at levels up to calculus. There are no textbooks. Teachers develop their own material.

TERM PAPERS

A new addition to the English program this year is that all students will do a term paper. A professor from the Philadelphia City Community College will give instructions about writing the papers. Then he will read the papers closely to help students with paraphrasing and picking worthwhile sources. Besides the paper some instructors will help students who are weak in grammar. Students will also read and discuss paperbacks.

An important part of the program will be interest groups which give students a chance to work on projects they choose. Some of the areas open are biology, engineering, Shakespeare, black literature, black poetry and crafts. Students will have access to the biology labs where they can experiment with such projects as growing seeds and dissection, experiments which many of them don't

get a chance to do since their schools don't have enough equipment. The engineering group may build cement playground equipment for a church.

Other projects will give students a chance to look into career opportunities. A boy thinking about being a lawyer will work in the Chester courts. Another boy thinking about going into computer work will spend time working with IBM to get the feeling of working for a large corporation.

There is also a mandatory typing class for all juniors, seniors and graduates, a course in black history given to the whole group, and a course in assassinations, discussing how they come about and tying them in with other social conditions. Danny Nussbaum, a Swarthmore alumnus who has spent this year in Israel, will give a course in Israeli-Arab relations.

During the hottest hours in the afternoon students are given free time when they can go swimming, play baseball or tennis or work on their projects. Mr. Collins said that he hopes the group will take at least three trips to places such as Williamsburg, Va. and New York City where students will be given a chance to explore on their own. The choice of where to go is largely up to the students. The group will also go to several plays in the area.

Faculty Loses 9 Members; Most Will Teach Elsewhere

Nine full-time faculty members will be leaving Swarthmore next fall, most for teaching assignments at other institutions.

Long-time professors who will not be back include Chairman of the English Department George Becker, and Professor of Music Claudio Spies, in addition to three professors who are retiring.

BACK TO WOMB

Looking forward to retirement in a few years, Mr. Becker wants to go "back to where I began," and plans to teach at West Washington State College in Bellingham, Washington. "I've had a remarkable 25 years at Swarthmore," he said, "but I don't want to spend the rest of my life in the East." He spent both his undergraduate and graduate years at the University of Washington. Professor Harold Pagliaro will become chairman of the English Department.

Mr. Spies plans to teach at Princeton next year.

The three professors who are retiring are Robert Enders, Professor of Biology; Edward Faulkner, Professor of Physical Education; and Professor of History and Director of the Friends Historical Library Fred-

McGinniss Sees the 'New' Nixon Irrational After Carswell Defeat

by Gil Kemp and Martha Shirk

Joe McGinniss has written a book which reveals Nixon the man and analyzes the selling mechanism which so successfully concealed his actual character. In 1968, Nixon was an image — not a candidate.

You might tend to label Joe McGinniss a member of the Establishment. With a book on the best-seller list for half a year, a plush new home in suburbia, two kids and a station wagon, he has the trappings of a potential Middle American. Until you meet him.

He wouldn't look out of place on the Swarthmore campus with his shaggy hair and jeans. On the other hand, he's conventional enough to mingle comfortably with the Nixon kind of man whom he attacks.

TAILED NIXON

McGinniss, a 26-year-old journalist who aroused Philadelphians for two years with his controversial political column, tailed Nixon for the last six months of his campaign. His book focuses on the contrast between the Nixon image, so insidiously contrived by television and Madison Avenue, and the Nixon who has been stripped of his cool by the crises of the past few weeks.

Joe McGinniss claims it was the mechanics of the television campaign that disguised Nixon's decision-making process, which can now be seen as "totally irrational." The make-up artists, ad men, and television technicians of the 1968 campaign foisted a new, seemingly capable Nixon on the American voter, but there was no new Nixon.

One of Nixon's top aides admitted during the campaign that Nixon's "a bore, a pain in the ass. They (the people) look at him as the kind of kid who always carried a bookbag. Who was forty-two years old the day he was born." But more significantly, says McGinniss, "Ever since Carswell he's been totally irrational. All the things that people who liked him liked him for are dissolving. He's had a terrible year and he's making the country pay for it."

When two college students visited him at his home in Swarthmore and the conversation turned to the President, McGinniss politely covered Nixon's portrait on the cover of *Time*. He casually remarked that an analyst would have something significant to say about Nixon's oscillations on Southeast Asian policy and domestic problems. And perhaps that's why Nixon refuses even to be in the same room with a psychiatrist.

Now, pressured at home and abroad, Nixon is losing the fabled composure of the consummate politician. "He's going out of his way to antagonize everyone," McGinniss says. "He heaps abuse on top of his opponents, when the first rule of a politician is to be conciliatory. He has usurped Agnew's role as a bromide to the Silent Majority, renaming the vice president's tomentose degenerates bums for the benefit of his kind of American "who thought

Marshall McLuhan starred in *Guns, Smoke*." The other 50 million Americans, McGinniss says, "he'd be happy to send out to sea in a leaky boat."

How could a man like this become President?

Back in the fall of '67, his top campaign advisers made a conscious effort to isolate him from the public. Without television, they knew Nixon was lost. Careful control of TV would avoid a mismatch like the Kennedy-Nixon debates of 1960, and would fool the American public into thinking there was a new Nixon.

His advisers admitted there was no new Nixon, and they felt he had yet to "work out firmly in his own mind that vision of the nation's future that he wanted to be identified with."

The campaign would focus on two main selling techniques; a phalanx of intentionally trite commercials — montages animated by Nixon's piped-in platitudes — and regionally televised panel shows. Supplemented, of course, by endorsements from Connie Francis, Bud Wilkinson, and other American folk heroes.

The panel shows were probably the most shameless of all the merchandising gimmicks. Purported to be a confrontation between Nixon and the people, they were actually carefully staged with token ethnic, professional, and racial representatives, culled from the ranks of Republican supporters. His associates slipped up, however, when arranging the Philadelphia panel show by allowing two articulate panelists, recommended by McGinniss, to intelligently question Nixon. Nixon was visibly shaken and his promoters saw to it that he wouldn't be challenged again.

To most of his associates, promoting Nixon was merely a job. They sold their talents, but not their politics. Gene Jones, the man who created the commercials, left the country permanently after the campaign. "... I really don't see any choice," he said. "I mean, I don't want my kids growing up in an atmosphere

like this."

After reading the book and talking with Joe McGinniss, it is easy to see how a man like Nixon was elected, and how the same frightening thing could happen again. Even the Children's Crusade of the McCarthy campaign grew out of Madison Avenue. According to McGinniss, McCarthy approached an advertising agency to determine the most effective platform on which to run. It was an interest poll of the American public that influenced McCarthy to push for peace, not merely a strong personal commitment.

The Nixon debacle can happen again.

The power of TV is incalculable and must be controlled. To protect the American public from a totally contrived campaign, McGinniss suggests limiting a candidate's network TV time to six hours. Hopefully, this would prevent abuse of the American psyche and avoid another snow job like the '68 campaign.

"The American political situation doesn't look good. It gets worse every day," says McGinniss. Part of McGinniss seems to have rejected the whole American system, the frustrated part of him that wants to throw a rock at a cop. But he will continue going to peace rallies, writing to his Congressman, talking with people, and working for an America that he won't have to leave.

Winner

Dan Abbott has received a \$10 prize for his winning slogan in the population contest sponsored by *The Phoenix* and the Hugh Moore Fund.

Embers

Embers, a one-act play by Samuel Beckett, with Phil Davies and Jo Francis, will be presented in the Rat tomorrow night at 9:00. An open dress rehearsal is scheduled tonight at 7:30 in the Rat.

PE Proposals Urge Change

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At least one quarter in an individual and in a team sport would still be required. Individual activities will still meet for one hour three times a week. Team sports will meet 1½ hours twice a week.

The swimming requirement for both departments remains the same, with students failing the test being required to take three hours a week until the test is passed, or a maximum of two quarters of instruction.

The honor system permits a student deemed qualified by his instructor, after a quarter of instruction to fulfill the requirement by participating in that activity independently. He is required only to report the days and hours when he has participated in that activity to the instructors. The men's requirement can be fulfilled within one year, or up to two, if a student does not exempt himself through the tests.

The Women's P. E. Department proposal calls for all freshman women to sign up for three periods of the activity of their choice the fall and winter I quarters, regardless of their results on the physical fitness test. Any freshman woman wishing to be exempt from the required program after the second term may apply to the P. E. Department chairman.

In order to be exempt, a student must pass the physical fitness test, the swimming survival test, the postural evaluation and written and practical tests in two of three categories. These tests may be taken in either folk or modern dance, and individual sport offered by the department, or any team sport offered by the department. This same exemption test will be offered to all women who wish at various times in later semesters.

All sophomore women not exempt will take three hours of required activity per week. Two periods must be taken in classes; however, the third may be taken in either a class or a free activity. Independent work will also be permitted — either by means of an honor system or involving instruction under a professional not connected to the Department.

Expecting the P. E. Department to provide additional P. E. activity by the development of a strong intra-

mural program, a minority of the CEP subcommittee has proposed a one-year program urging many of the present requirements. The swimming requirement would remain the same and at least one quarter of the year encouraged to be spent in both an individual and a team sport.

Volleyball would be included in the latter category. Students participating in an intercollegiate sport for two quarters would be given credit for two quarters of the requirement.

The minority report suggested that there should be greater encouragement for student-initiated courses, e.g. ice hockey, and that there should be greater collaboration between the Men's and Women's Departments in order to expand and diversify their programs.

'Phoenix' Elects Schmidt

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A man of diverse interests, Schmidt is currently writing the lyrics for a little-known Wagnerian score of the anti-semitic musical "Herr." He is making waves in the Swarthmore academic community with his application for an honors in Amorphous Studies. When asked about the subject matter to be included in such a program he mumbled, "I don't really know yet, I can't seem to get my hands on it." In line with this concept of emphasizing the inter-relationship of curriculum and "real life" he is organizing a student run colloquium on "Night Vision in Troglodytes" under the auspices of the Philosophy Department.

Concerning next semester's *Phoenix*, Schmidt has adopted the rather cautious approach of "let's first see if there is a next semester." Taking this weighty assumption in hand he does have what he calls "contingency plans." "The main thing of course is the staff. Past semesters have shown that the task of getting *The Phoenix* out twice a week overwhelms any competence, initiative or creativity that is present in even the most brilliant of staffs. So next year I have chosen a staff from myself on down that exhibits none of these qualities. We may get a paper that rivals Cohen's but we won't feel so bad about it."

At Semester's End: National, Not Provincial, Concerns Prevail

by Don Alexander

Some semesters seemingly contain nothing of lasting consequence; some semesters contain one event of such overriding importance that all that has gone before seems trivial. Fall semester was one of the first type. This semester approaches the second.

Important things did happen on the immediate College level — the greatest advance was most likely the institution of co-ed housing. But the most important issue was not an internal one. Many at the College were concerned with the seemingly related diseases of society today — oppression of blacks and political dissenters, a war-dominated economy, and

a Budget Overview Committee ("Money is where it's at," Frank declared), to require open recruiter forums, and to finance an eclipse-watching excursion.

Council co-sponsored the first Dialogue of Truth and Understanding, but that's a story in itself, and attempted to rent refrigerators, which isn't much of a story at all. Council's most concrete accomplishment was probably its proposal for a College Council (its own "Z" Plan), the only detailed proposal which seems to have appeared in the two months since the Wise Report's release. President Cross told SC, "I don't want to start next fall without a College Council," but he may have

self in favor of "multi-racialism" in his Collection speech, so it wasn't a Crisis yet. And even three days later, when the offer of Robinson House was rejected and SASS members began their "vigil" in the President's outer office — well, it just didn't bring the tension of The Crisis. Swarthmore had grown up, or was tired, and spring vacation was approaching instead of exams. The upshot of the controversy was the acceptance by SASS of Robinson House some control by the College.

JARGON BARGAIN

The number of Swarthmore black faculty members and administrators continued to grow, slowly, with the appointment of David Closson as black counselor and Clement Cottingham as director of black studies. The new freshman class will again contain a significant black segment.

The controversy had repercussions beyond the cultural center, however, as sessions for reorganizing Swarthmore education to make it more "meaningful" began in Tarbles, led by the NUC professors. Thus began the particularist-holist jargon which has plagued conversation since.

HAVERFORD ALONE

April 22 was Earth Day, and the week before was Earth Week, but the ecofreaks had begun months before. In February the Conservation Club transformed itself into Ecology Action; after all, ecology was the new movement. Cynicism aside, though, the ecology movement did bring (is bringing?) problems into view which needed airing. A number of speakers came on Earth Week, decrying pollution and over-population and Swarthmore gave some thought to environmental problems. Perhaps as a result, the proposed Springfield Shopping Mall project has been abandoned. And the Scott Foundation no longer uses DDT.

Another more immediate concern reared its ugly head in April.

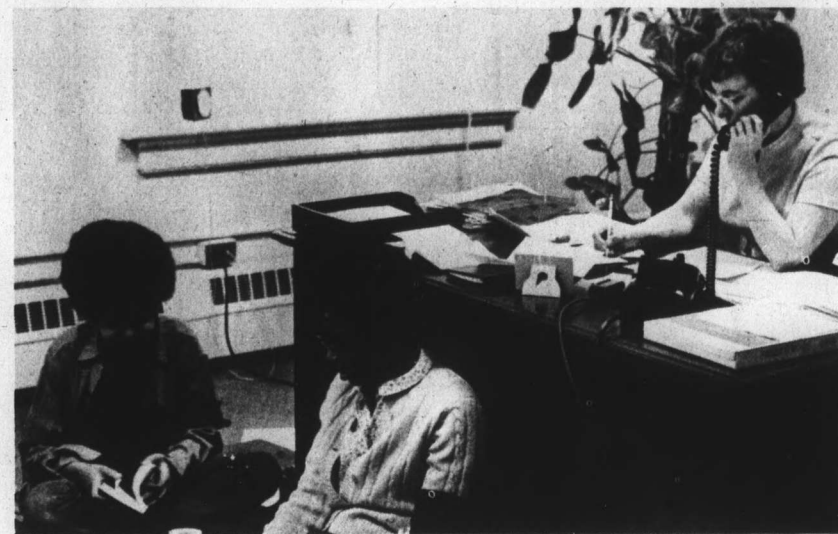


PHEAA. The Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Act was going into effect, raising the threat of state intrusion into College and individual affairs. Colleges refusing to cooperate would forfeit thousands of dollars worth of scholarships. Only Haverford has refused to comply; Swarthmore requested an extension for its decision. Then Swarthmore requested another extension. Last week Swarthmore — yes, another extension. A new mode of decision-making has been achieved. But then, other things have been happening which overshadow even PHEAA.

"Sports? We won the Hood, but then Haverford wasn't very good either." Last year's summary applies also to this year, though maybe not as strongly. The basketball team broke an 18-year tradition with a winning season — a suitable welcome to Ace's successor, Ernie Prudente. The Motherpuckers went undefeated again, despite the loss of Lou Heavenrich.

Gil Kemp repeatedly broke records as he doubled in the mile and two

mile; Dave Follett broke the shot put record five times in one afternoon, and Gary Dell added another two and a half feet to his triple jump record. The tennis team won, naturally, but next year may be dif-



ferent since Mr. Faulkner is retiring after 41 years at Swarthmore. West Point is sending a replacement; he will also teach squash, Swarthmore's newest sport since the courts opened in early February.

The Keely-Larrimore Social Committee promised us a "revival" (revival?) of the Rat and big-name entertainment on campus this spring. The student body obliged by passing a proposal to charge for big-name concerts, and plans were laid for a 10-hour marathon with the Rock Festival Committee. But the best-laid plans of mice and men go astray, and Social Committee was reduced to staging its Sadie Hawkins Week farce. Meanwhile, back at the Rat, changes in the liquor rule got stalled somewhere along the line (SC claimed power to make all changes, but Dean Barr dissented) and the Rat was not "revived." Presumably it died.

But the first annual Crum Regatta

There is also the political side of this semester. The fall was dominated by Moratoria, but it seemed this semester would be different. Environment had largely replaced the war as a national issue, and at

Swarthmore, similarly, antiwar sentiment seemed spent. Of course, there were the now-annual recruiter protests and some flurry about the Tincum Township payroll tax, and some Swarthmoreans protested in Philadelphia against the Chicago Trial, and more were concerned about it. But such things happen every semester.

THE BLACK DOT

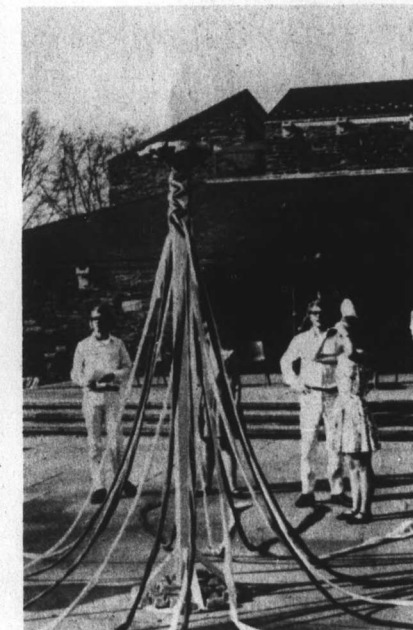
This semester was the first of the lottery system and it quickly became apparent that some of those with numbers of 220 did have cause for worry. But troops were being withdrawn, we were reminded.

There was a Moratorium in April, you may remember, when many of us participated in the traditional Saga fast and some took it more seriously. PHEAA inspired concern, and *The Phoenix* and SC protested; some parallels appeared to exist with the fight against the NDEA in the fifties. But there were no petitions or meetings.

CATTLE PROD

Swarthmore does not seem to be a radical campus compared to some of its counterparts. And what political concern Swarthmoreans have more often than not finds its outlet through talk rather than action — in this regard we may be different than many schools. But the most passive campus can react when sufficiently prodded. The prod came this spring.

Semester reviews hopefully inspire some nostalgia but one can't be nostalgic about a strike that continues and has every intention of succeeding in its objective. The strike is Swarthmorean in flavor; no



thought of violence has appeared; workshops rather than rhetoric set the tone. Swarthmore went on strike before the Kent State students were killed — this disgusted and sickened us but was not the object of primary concern.

That object was the war in Vietnam, or Cambodia, or Indochina — wherever it is now — and for many it was just as much the domestic situation which seems to reflect a system that allows ideals to be distorted beyond recognition.

The semester is ending; for some the strike continues. Exams are approaching; papers due, and the war goes on. The strike goes on.



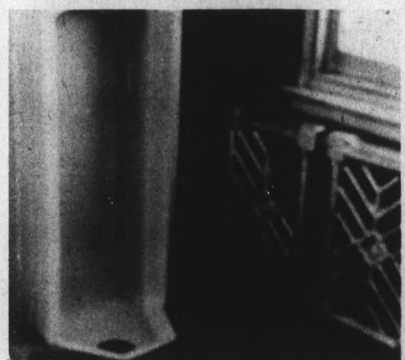
the war itself. The catalyst for action was the invasion of Cambodia and the resumption of the bombing of North Vietnam. The strike resulted.

The strike continues; and thus this semester combines the further consideration and conclusion of some long-standing provincial concerns (open house, signouts and curfews) with a re-examination of the state of the country.

First, however, consider the provincial concerns.

President Cross, in his last important act of first semester, vetoed the small-scale co-ed housing experiment which had been proposed — his "criteria for insuring appropriate privacy and enthusiasm" had not been met. Most people were appalled and "enthusiasm" was forthcoming at the semester's first Collection.

Strangely Mr. Cross' "criteria" had become sufficiently flexible by April 15 to welcome another vastly larger "experiment." This plan seemed, to an untrained eye, to contain the same objectionable features as the earlier offending plan, but then, time can work wonders. Whatever the cause for change, the Board has given its blessing and next year will see (official) ML women and (official) male Worthites. Willets Hall retains (?) its maidenhood.



Even women who have not made the big move to co-ed housing have shed some of their shackles. A February proposal to abolish curfews and mandatory signouts received virtually unanimous support in a referendum. Women had a day of their own April 11 as Margaret Mead and alumnae galore talked on career opportunities for women and how to expand them. Talk of a College gynecologist was heard at various levels, reaching even the august heights of Student Council, though no action was taken. And who can forget Jane Alpert and Cathy Wilkerson, who put Swarthmore on the front page? WLF can be proud.

VACUUM AT THE TOP

More than gynecologists occupied the attention of Student Council, and for most of the semester SC at least appeared to be trying to accomplish something. In fact, a number of things. Declaring that "things are different now," President Frank Easterbrook led Council to establish

to. College governance is less pressing than national governance when the latter becomes too obnoxious to swallow.

Governance, however, is yet another story.

Among other things, this was the semester of the ripoff. Only half of the jazz festival appeared; Sun Ra gave a fine concert while Archie Shepp ripped off the College. Shepp has yet to return his \$1500 fee. On a more academic level, there was the noted Machlup-Sweezy ripoff — in sharp contrast to the excellent Deutsch-Morgenthau talks the following weekend. Collections maintained the Deutsch-Morgenthau caliber, with Mr. Cross, Kenneth Clark, and Harrison Salisbury. This year's reforms in Collection have improved the quality considerably, though 10 a.m. Thursday morning still seems an odd time for a speech.

MATERIELISM

February could have been called the Month of the Recruiters. IBM was coming, and they were immoral, and then they weren't coming. GE was coming and they finally came, spawning a mini-protest in Parrish. Student Council by this time had by this time required open forums (for next year).

The Army Materiel Command had planned to come, but no one wanted to see them, so the first (voluntary) forum had to wait for Westinghouse. Few felt much was gained by the session; wait 'til next year.

UNDERSTANDING

March was not without its discord, or "controversy" as *The Phoenix* christened the black cultural center hassle. The issue had risen first in December (*Phoenix*: You mean we're going to have a cultural center and you didn't even tell us? Cross: Yep.) Mr. Cross' commitment wasn't so apparent to SASS, however.

The "Dialogue for Truth and Understanding" brought inevitable recollections of January 1969 — black students seated at a table in Commons; white students listening. But no office had been occupied, and Mr. Cross had publicly declared him-



Garnet Netmen, Thinclads Strike Emphasis Shifts to Long-Term Activities Garner MASCAC Honors

A long-standing tradition has it that individual-performance sports at Swarthmore are more successful, more winning, than team sports. Throughout Swarthmore athletics, the teams which consistently come up victorious are cross-country, track, and tennis, and 1970 proved no exception. Garnet athletes captured the highest Middle Atlantic Conference College Division honor in singles tennis, while notching five gold medals in the track championships, both last Saturday.

Duffy Burns, capping a remarkable comeback, defeated Upsala freshman Joe Kolkowitz in an exciting 6-2, 7-5 final match to net the MAC singles tennis crown. Burns, who was forced to miss the entire football season as well as the basketball season due to a severe knee injury, shook off the past troubles and stormed by four opponents in straight sets to merit the championship slot. Although the Duff had not even started the tennis campaign in top shape, he became the fourth Swarthmore player in the past five years to win the MAC honors.

Doubles team Marshall Levin and Walt Idol, an undefeated pair throughout the season, earned a third-place finish in the same championships. After being extended to three sets in their first match, the duo successfully battled their way into the quarterfinals, where they were subsequently defeated by the eventual winners, a team from Philadelphia Textile. Levin still possesses an enviable string of fifteen consecutive MAC victories in his singles slot.

Had the Garnet been afforded more depth in the track championships at Dickinson, they could very possibly have run off with the team title. Thirty of the Garnet's 41 points came on five gold-medal finishes, which tied Swarthmore with Ursinus for third place, behind winner Sus-

quehanna and host Dickinson. Coach Lew Elverson was rightfully pleased with the thinclads' showing, especially since Ursinus had meted out the Garnet's sole defeat in the dual meet season.

Leading the way for Swarthmore tracksters was Gary Dell, who captured gold medals in the long jump and the triple jump, while setting an MAC meet record in the latter event. Dell's leap of 45'11" eclipsed the old mark set by F&M's Eric Kranije in 1967 by seven inches. A 22'2 1/2" mark in the long jump came within eleven inches of another standard, and Dell was one of only two double winners on the meet.

CAPTAIN GRAVES

Captain Jake Graves added crucial points to the Swarthmore effort with third-place finishes behind Dell in the jumping events, while turning in a fifth-place showing in the 120-yard high hurdles. Graves' ability to excel in both track and field events will be sorely missed next season.

Swarthmore distance runners, continuing the success of the cross-country season, posted first-place finishes in the mile and two-mile events. Gil Kemp turned in a blistering 4:15.8 for the mile, while Rich Schultz captured the two-mile in 9:30.8, with Kemp running a strong third behind him. Garnet runners again shut out Ursinus star Bruce Albert, who had been favored in both races. Kemp and Schultz alternated in holding the Swarthmore two-mile record this spring, with Kemp winning out with a 9:22.0 time to complement his mile mark of 4:15.2.

Dave Follett, who joined the squad in mid-season, heaved the shot put 49'1" to equal his two-week old school record and round out Swarthmore scoring in the championships. Follett's mark won out over sixteen other candidates, including last year's winner from Susquehanna.

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tion's ills, it was natural to fall back to traditional behavior. Without the force of a revitalization movement, the pressure of a non-academic role in an academic world became too powerful for many to withstand.

As the mass support for the strike has dimmed, the hard-core activities with high schools and labor unions have been gathering more and more momentum. In the Philadelphia high schools, organizing is going well with a good number of high schoolers working regularly out of the Penn office.

The Black Panthers have planned a strike for next Tuesday. Centered around the "freeing Bobby" type of platform, the day may also encompass other ideas to elicit white support.

The strike hopefully will extend to the suburbs. Suburban high schools are being organized; one Swarthmorean feels that the high school movement may be the one concrete thing to come out of the strike.

Twenty-five high schools have been contacted with a core group of 10-30 students at each. Each individual school is encouraged to deal with its specific problems, for initial attempts at mass organizing had to combat very parochial interests. A general repression exists in high schools and college students are

trying to help win a general student bill of rights.

This summer there will be workshops with students, faculty, and parents working together and thinking about the problems confronting high schools.

INFECTIOUS ENTHUSIASM

The same enthusiasm that infects the high school movement has reached the labor movement, as work continues with the construction workers and hospital workers. Individuals feel they are learning more and more about how to organize and feel that things are getting better and better.

The desire to continue working has led about 25 or 30 Swarthmore students to try to keep the College open this summer. They hope to live in a dorm and guarantee the continuation of present programs. A number of other students interested in doing something but not necessarily in a revolutionary fashion have gravitated to programs such as working for the elections of Reece and Sherwin in the primaries on May 19. Eighty people at one time or another have canvassed or phoned or stuffed envelopes.

One of the leaders of the project is pleased with the job being done; he believes it will have a beneficial result. He sees the workers as those who want to get involved in ways other than mass

meetings. He commented that they have "a nice spirit, but they're talking about room choosing, and not the candidates."

Those working with churches have been motivated by reasons similar to those of the political activists. Starting spontaneously, the church movement has grown into a loosely organized network of people talking in churches and using churches to reach people in their homes. At least one participant feels the church work will continue and will center around a "living room dialogue" program with area church members at their homes.

Another focal point of activity has been workshops sponsored by segments of the faculty. The Psychology Department has been notable in organizing a large number of workshops open to all members of the community. A wide range of topics has included analysis of journalism and its relation to events like the strike and a session of psychodrama planned to help students relate to and communicate with people outside the academic community.

PSYCH-IN

One of the most successful workshops was an interdisciplinary one held last weekend in a jammed Bond Hall. The workshop grew out of an economics seminar on national priorities and included history, sociology, political science, as well as economics.

Various other classes deemed relevant to the issues of the strike have been opened to everyone in several departments, but it appears that the Psychology Department will be alone in continuing to offer a strong program as part of the educational experience of the strike.

Honors Applications Rise

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were deferred, and 5 rejected because, according to Mr. Pagliaro, they simply had not satisfied the requirements for an English major. Of 14 who applied to the English department for honors minors, 11 were accepted, 3 deferred, and 1 rejected.

No one who applied to the Division of the Natural Sciences and Engineering has thus far been rejected, noted chairman of the division Peter Thompson. Fifteen students who applied to honors in the natural sciences have been accepted and 1 deferred because his minor was not approved. The departments in the division also accepted 31 sophomores in course and deferred decisions on another 6. The engineering department has received 10 course applications.

The Biology-Zoology department remains the most favored in the natural sciences. All 7 of those who applied to honors in that department were accepted, though another student was deferred because the faculty did not approve his social science minor. Of the 26 students who applied to course in Biology-Zoology, 3 were deferred.

Letter to the Editor

Contradiction

To the Editor:

This letter is in response to the arrangements passed by the faculty concerning the strike. In Section I the faculty overwhelmingly endorsed the reasons for and the activities of the strike. In Section II they also "encouraged" the students who want to continue normal academic work.

We agree with this resolution as highly appropriate to the wishes of many members of the community. However, in arguments over exams and deadlines and exact procedures, the question of how best to have an institutional strike was completely lost. The importance of procedural matters is in the way they translate theory into practice.

Sections III and IV create procedures which effectively contradict the spirit of Section I. All but the totally committed students and faculty have been discouraged from participating in the strike. For the totally committed students whatever the faculty decided about exams is irrelevant because they will continue with the strike whatever the consequences for their degrees and credits.

Many of them will be here this summer following through on the

present activities. For those of us not as committed, there is a real conflict. Although unwilling to reject degrees and credits, we feel the strike is valid in itself and as a personal and group educational experience. For those of us who do not have a free summer, the choice now is either to strike or to resume business as usual.

The faculty's decision has discouraged those who wish to strike. We resent this intrusion into what should be an individual matter. We also resent the faculty's almost complete lack of consideration of the resolution passed by the seniors.

Their decision concerning postponements is in practice a refutation of their encouragement of "the innovative and constructive activities of members of the college community." In this way the procedure works against the spirit of their commitment in Section I.

There is another way in which Section I is undermined. Because students have always been able to take incompletes and finish their work later, the faculty's response is not appropriate to an extraordinary situation that raises "grave moral, political, and educational issues." We resent the bias in favor of business as usual. Making academic work optional would have been more suitable. In concentrating on procedural matters the faculty has not only undermined its own sentiments as expressed in Section I, but has ignored the original idea of an institutional strike.

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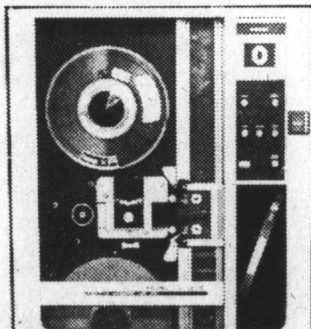
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