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SGA Elects New Officers *Brennan Speaks*

At the student council meeting of May 17, 1965, Patrick Brennan was elected President of the Student Government Association. Jon Brower was elected to the post of Vice-President, Paul Stein was re-elected to the post of Treasurer, and Michael Sullivan was elected to the post of Secretary. It was also announced at this time that the SGA faculty advisor, Prof. Dennison, is leaving PMC at the end of the year. His loss will be deeply felt by the SGA, as he has been a dedicated advisor, devoting a great deal of his valuable time to assisting the SGA.

With regard to the coming year, Brennan said, "I definitely think the last election has shown the need for political parties on campus. I intend to see that rules are formulated for the chartering of political parties; I hope to see another party on campus in the fall, and I believe that the evolution of a two-party system will be of great benefit to student government at PMC.

President's Plan Cited

"The Student Government Association is going to try and have four major entertainment evenings in the coming year—Homecoming, Military Weekend, Copper Beach, and Spring Festival. If we can get four good acts ahead of time, we will attempt to sell seasonal tickets. If we can get the students to back us we will be able to bring big names to PMC.

"Finally," Brennan said, "Dr. Moll's idea of having a student committee to facilitate communications between administration and students will be worked out. This would be an extension of the President's Board. The basic requirement will be to publicize these meetings properly so that everyone can be available to express their opinion."

Cultural Affairs

Snow, Katzenbach, Scranton, Baltimore Symphony, '65-'66

Last week, Dr. S. M. Sophocles disclosed that the Cultural Affairs Program for next year is beginning to take shape with many leaders in government, the arts and sciences highlighting the tentative program. While many dates are yet undecided, it is known that Lord C. P. Snow will visit the campus early next fall. Dr. Sophocles also stated that he has received confirmation from Attorney-General Nicholas Katzenbach who will speak, provided an emergency does not occur when the appointed day arrives.

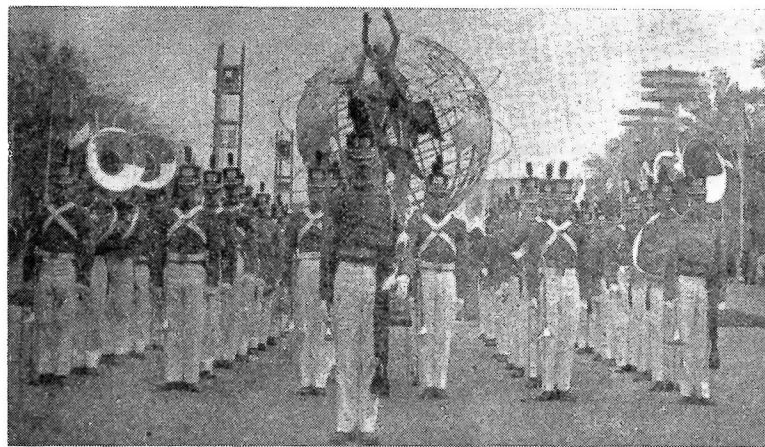
Elsewhere in the field of government, acceptances have been received from Governor Scranton and Senator Wayne Morse. Vice President Hubert Humphrey has indicated his desire to visit the PMC campus, but has refrained from setting a date since national business could alter his schedule at any time.

Baltimore Symphony Here

In the area of the arts, the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra has been signed for a performance in MacMorland Center in December. Various other musical and choral groups will also be heard with the Swarthmore College Chorus and Symphony heading the group. The works of approximately fifteen artists will be on display throughout the year in the Alumni Auditorium and the lobby of MacMorland Center. Continuing in the high tradition of this past year, the collections will include oils, watercolors, gouaches, sculpture, ceramics and tapestries. Some of the artists will be I. Sankowsky, Blanche Hunter Nelson, Frederic Gill, Boris Blai, Martin Zippin, Robert McGovern, and Robert and Marge Stafford.

The Turkish and Cypriot Ambassa-

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PMC's Marching Band in formation in front of World's Fair Unisphere.

PMC Band Takes National Marching Championship

by William R. Moller

The PMC Band was awarded the first place trophy for marching and maneuvering and the second place trophy for overall performance at the Fourth Annual National ROTC Band Competition held at the Snyder High School, Jersey City, N. J. and the Singer Bowl at The New York World's Fair on May 7 and 8.

Concert Phase

The competition was divided into two phases—concert and marching. On the first night, the band played in the concert phase at the Snyder High School. The band was required to perform one concert march and another piece of its own choice. This portion, which represented 70% of the aggregate score was completed with renditions of "The Nutmeggers" by Osterling and "The Streets of Athens" by Cacavas.

Marching Phase—Award Created

The following day, the competition moved to the Singer Bowl on Flushing Meadows where the marching phase was held. The Cadets performed a trick show featuring many intricate moves and included the full

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Summer School Plans Workshops

Afternoon workshops in language and the performing arts will be featured in Summer Sessions 1965, during the first Six-Week Session.

The Workshop in Theatre Arts will include the theoretical as well as the practical aspects of theatre. During the six weeks the student will be made familiar not only with the principles of posture and speech in acting, but also with methods of lighting, set-making, etc. The course will conclude with a public presentation of a production by the workshop class.

The Workshop in Theatre Arts will be conducted by Professor Edwin W. Kubach, liberal arts faculty. A graduate of Rutgers University, Mr. Kubach received his Master of Fine Arts degree from Yale University, which has one of the nations outstanding university theatre departments. He has been a professional actor with the Post Road Players of Connecticut and a Director of Community Theatre in New York, and has also directed many college productions, his latest being the recent production of "The Glass Menagerie" on the PMC campus this spring.

The Workshop in Modern Dance will begin three meetings each week with a complete dance lesson, including "warmup" exercises and dance techniques, and will familiarize the student with methods of choreography and dance production as well as with some ballet fundamentals. The two remaining meetings each week will be concerned, respectively, with dance history and with the development of original compositions by each member of the group.

The Workshop in Modern Dance will be conducted by Miss Lida Nelson, who received her Master's degree in Dance from Sarah Lawrence

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Africans Visit PMC

*Skurnik Chairs
Far-Ranging Discussion*

**Positive Neutrality
Interpreted**

by Brian Kates

On Thursday evening, May 30, a group of students gathered with Professor Walter Skurnik in the president's dining room of MacMorland Center for an informal conference on the present state of Africa. Guest speakers were Emanuel Hyde of Ghana and Victor Uffen from Nigeria. Both men are graduates of the University of Pennsylvania and both are working toward their doctorate degrees.

Speaking on the feasibility of a United States of Africa, both men felt that such a move would do more harm than good. Although colonial partitioning of Africa made no effort to keep similar ethnic groups within the same boundaries, the countries have since developed deep national feeling, and it is doubtful whether the leaders of these states would be willing to sacrifice their identity for a United States of Africa. In addition, they said, it must be remembered that Africans actually have little in common. "Language is the biggest drawback," Mr. Uffen stated. "There are about 250 different languages in my country alone. With such problems a union would not be viable."

However, through trade agreements, Africans have been able to move more freely from one country to another. Such travel on the part of the Africans may foster greater understanding among the African people, making possible the creation of a continental union of states in the distant future.

Death of The African Mystique

The question was then raised, "After so many years of European domination, to what extent has western influence threatened the survival of African culture?" Mr. Uffen responded, "In the colonial days we were taught that African culture was bad. We sometimes tended to look down upon our own culture. Many have come to think that wearing a three piece suit is the mark of the gentleman. And smoking a cigarette—that's great. Which is kind of funny, because today the white man in Africa wears khaki shorts and a white short sleeve shirt to fight the heat. Believe me, a three piece suit is no joke in the heat of Africa!"

"When I came to America, I was asked to do African dances," Mr. Hyde added. "I was embarrassed because I know no native dances. When I lived in Africa I looked down on the native dances. I wanted to learn the waltz and the fox trot so that I could be a gentleman. Western influence has given the African the false

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Africans Visit PMC Campus

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impression that his culture is bad and that western culture is necessarily good."

The Intellectual in Africa

When asked about the role of the intellectual in a growing Africa, Mr. Hyde answered that the educated have a definite contribution to make. "If I go among my people and wash before eating, eat with utensils and then wash them when I've finished eating, the people will have learned something. They will follow my example and become more healthy. That is good, is it not?"

"It has been said," Professor Skurnik interjected, "that it is easier to get white men to go into the 'bush' than educated Africans. What is your opinion on this matter?"

Mr. Hyde continued, "It is hard to convince some people that your education can help them directly. I want to return to my home to help my people. But they consider this demeaning. They expect you to go to the city and be a white collar worker. This is where the money is. They expect only indirect help."

Positive Neutrality and Foreign Aid

As Africa grows, she must seek aid from more prosperous nations. Many African nations have been criticized for working both ends toward the middle. By taking aid from both Eastern and Western blocks, it is argued, Africans are playing both sides for fools.

"Nigeria has a policy of positive neutrality," Mr. Uffen explained. Positive neutrality, as contrasted with negative neutrality, means that Nigeria will negotiate through the United Nations to help avert war. "It is in our best interest to be this way," he continued. "We must think of ourselves. This is the duty of sovereign nations."

At this point Mr. Hyde added that during World War II, Ghana suffered the pains of war even though she was not directly involved in the conflict. "Today it does not matter if a bomb is exploded in Russia or in the United States. The fall-out will reach us just the same and ruin our crops and kill us. It is as if two boys were fighting around me. If I were negatively neutral I would turn my back and let them fight. They would continue to box, and a stray punch might strike me and break my neck. But by our positive neutrality, I would say, 'Stop fighting, boys. This is silly,' and save my neck."

Both men agreed that, because their countries are sovereign nations, Nigeria and Ghana and similar independent states in Africa have the right to choose their own friends. "Because we receive aid from the Communists and also from the West does not mean that we are playing both sides for fools. We are have-nots receiving help from those who have. There is a saying in Africa that a hungry man is an angry man. He can take food from any hand."

However, they emphasized that foreign aid to Africa may not be as one sided as it seems to appear. Many African nations, after receiving aid, have opened their countries to outside industry. Africa is a continent of fantastic wealth. It is willing to share with those who have helped her in her ascent.

Democracy in Africa

One student asked, "After the investment of millions of American dollars in Africa, what are the chances of

seeing democracy transplanted there?"

"First of all, few Africans know what democracy is," Mr. Hyde answered. "In Africa, where the majority is illiterate, only a very few can understand the principles of democracy. Modern American democracy calls for such things as capitalism and free speech, which have been made possible by time and tradition. We have neither the time or background to have democracy now. We have to develop our own forms of government; borrowing from others and adding our own ideas. The only suitable government will be the one

which the majority can adopt. For that reason it is impossible, at the present time, to transplant American democracy in Africa."

Today Ghana is a socialist state. Mr. Hyde warned those present not to make the common American error of equating this with communism. Americans seem to think socialism is a dirty word, and yet he pointed out that the United States (through such things as the GI Bill, Social Security, and Medicare) has adapted many aspects of socialism. So, he feels, the government of Ghana will probably become more democratic as it ap-

proaches an increasingly socialistic America.

Socialism is necessary in Ghana today, according to Mr. Hyde. "In Ghana we have no great capitalists as you do in America. Only the government has the manpower, the know-how, and the money."

Mr. Hyde concluded, "We are trying hard and we know what we want . . . We are young and bound to make mistakes, but we will learn from them. We are trying the best means to achieve these things. It has to be this way. We like it that way and believe that it will help us."



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ARMY ROTC

Iiams Discloses Plans for Year's Leave of Absence

Gives Views on Faculty-Admin. Relations

by Brinley Hall

Dr. Thomas M. Iiams, Associate Professor of History, has recently announced his plans to spend the next year on leave of absence from PMC to work on a book, and study in Brazil. Professor Iiams is planning to spend this summer in Washington lecturing on colonial Brazil at the Brazilian-U. S. Institute. This fall he will devote most of his time to research on a new book, *A Century of French Foreign Policy — 1815-1914*, to be published by Lippincott.

In January of 1966, he will go to Brazil on a project sponsored by the Organization of American States (OAS) where he will develop a college level course in Portuguese-American history. In describing the project more fully, Dr. Iiams stated that while the Spanish (Latin) American field has been taught in American college curricula for some time, the Portuguese heritage found in Brazil has been neglected. It will be his task to study Brazilian history and to outline and organize a format for a college course in this area.

Examines academic scene

Having been here two years, Dr. Iiams has had an opportunity to examine PMC with a relatively unjaded eye.

He was asked for his comments on the academic scene at PMC, especially with respect to the status of faculty academic freedom. Professor Iiams said, "One of the things I find objectionable in the liberal arts program is that the historians have been virtually ignored in working out the history curriculum. In effect, the history staff has been hamstrung by the division chairman, and a number of the professors are definitely unhappy with the division's administration."

Asked for specifics in the history department, he said, "Well, specifically, we are very upset about the way the new Asian history course has been merchandised with minimal consultation."

"This new course will cause considerable strain on our slim resources and the efficient utilization of our present staff."

"Gimmick" approach to education

"This may prove to be a very fine course, but the initial steps do not indicate that this will be the case. I think the approach to this thing is a reflection of the 'gimmick' approach to education. The philanthropic foundations are supporting non-western studies and perhaps we should get aboard, too — but with our present personnel and facilities can we really do a good job at this time?"

"The President is making this sound as though there is merit in being first in the field — but the question is, first with what? Since the history faculty has the primary responsibility for teaching these courses, logically speaking, shouldn't they be constructed around us, as opposed to creating a curriculum framework and then trying to fit faculty members into it? Our American history course offerings are another example of what I mean."

Queried on his views of the present history seminar, Iiams said, "Well, for example, I see I am scheduled to teach a seminar next September, but the first time I learned of this was when I picked up the course schedule earlier this month. This is one of the problems we've had with the division chairman whose communications with us have been in the nature of presenting us with *faits accomplis*."

"The rationale for all this is that a trained historian should be able to teach any sort of history. One can



Dr. Thomas Iiams, Prof. of Hist.

understand the philosophy, but this is a rather cavalier method of handling the problem. That is, these things ought to be worked out ahead, and very carefully. This is fundamentally a question of professional courtesy."

Paternalistic Administration

Asked for his views on the relations between the faculty and the Administration, Iiams stated, "Despite some progress in this area, the PMC Administration maintains an essentially paternalistic attitude towards the faculty, as well as the student body. I believe the Administration would welcome the faculty's assuming a larger responsibility in policy matters. President Moll seems to be encouraging the American Association of University Professors (AAUP) in their study of how the faculty can take on a more meaningful role in the decision-making process."

Doubts Value of Independent Study

Asked to comment on the PMC student and his intellectual attitude, Professor Iiams mentioned that there is under consideration a plan to create an independent study period in January. He felt that for such a program to succeed, "It would require a higher calibre of student than we have here now." Implying that the Administration was being unrealistic, Iiams continued, "Dr. Moll has the idea that the PMC student is capable of handling independent research projects, but this is open to question. At the root of our disagreement is an unrealistic assessment of the average student at PMC. As an administrator he should dream, but those of us who work directly with the students have every right to examine his dream."

Offers solutions

In concluding his comments, Dr. Iiams offered some proposals for solutions to the problems which he feels exist at PMC. He believes that a departmentalization of all subjects would afford more control over the curriculum by the men who will teach their respective curriculum. This would also eliminate the control that a handful of men have over all the courses and the faculty.

CULTURAL AFFAIRS

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dors are expected to provide a lively debate early in the fall. Also, in foreign affairs, the Consul-General of Italy, G. P. Nuti, will be heard. Presidents Farley and C. S. Cameron of Wilkes College and Hanneman Medical School, respectively, are prominent educators set for the coming year. On the lighter side, Professor George-William Smith's "An Evening with Mark Twain" is expected to be highly entertaining and enlightening.

Discusses Past Year

In analyzing the past year's Cultural program, Director Sophocles expressed disappointment at the light turnout for many of the events, but admitted that student apathy would not be completely changed overnight. He decried the enforced attendance at certain events stating that he "would not tolerate the ordering of students, usually cadets, to be marched into any event of the program."

Continuing, Professor Sophocles said, "if only ten sincerely interested students appear, this is better than a large group who merely sit with textbooks in their laps doing homework." In an effort to stimulate all students at some point during the year, he said, he has attempted to provide as diversified a program as possible for the coming year.

Watkins and "Butterfly" Remain

Completing the current year's program, the Suburban Opera Society will give a benefit performance of "Madame Butterfly" in the Alumni Auditorium on May 23, at 8:00 P.M. This benefit will be for the PMC chapter of TKE fraternity which is gathering funds for a new chapter residence.

An exhibition of the paintings of Franklin Watkins will be held in MacMorland Center during the Commencement Weekend, June 4 to 6. A former Fulbright scholar and nationally known artist, Watkins is presently teaching at the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts.

PMC BAND CHAMPS

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band's performance of blackout.

As the marching portion counted only 30% of the total score, the committee had planned not to award any trophy to the winner, but because the performance of the PMC Band was so superior to that of the other competitors, they decided to create a special award of a first place trophy especially to honor the Cadets.

Radio Honors Bandsmen

The Band returned to the campus the following day to play for the Mother's Day parade and to give a repeat performance of their National Championship show. The tapes of the program were heard within minutes of the end of the repeat show on WEEZ Radio, Chester, in an hour-long special on the PMC Band.

The World's Fair was quite a success for the Band, but was just another great moment in its proud history.

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MILITARY INTELLIGENCE

COMMISSIONING OF 2ND LTS.

On 5 June 1965, seventy-eight (78) Senior ROTC Cadets will be tendered Commissions as Second Lieutenants in the United States Army.

The College is once again honored in that General Creighton W. Abrams, Jr., Vice Chief of Staff, U. S. Army, will make these awards on commissioning day.

Of the seventy-eight future Officers, one is expected to be commissioned in the Regular Marine Corps; thirteen (13) in the Regular Army; the remainder in the Army of the United States as Reserve Officers.

SUMMER CAMP

The annual Reserve Officers' Training Corps Summer Camp will be conducted this year, as in the past, at Indiantown Gap Military Reservation, Annville, Pennsylvania, during the period 19 June — 31 July, 1965.

PMC will be sending 62 2nd Classmen and 9 1st Classmen to the camp this year, and the following 1st Classmen will receive their commissions as 2nd Lieutenants, U.S. Army, upon completion of the training period:

- Charles D. Alter
- Walter J. Clayton
- Frederick H. Duncan
- Charles S. Fennimore
- Ernesto A. Pinero
- William H. Stevens III
- Alan K. Ward

FAREWELL, COL. PHILLIPS

On Sunday, 16 May 1965, the ROTC sponsored extracurricular activities held a farewell party for Lt. Colonel and Mrs. Phillips who, in a matter of weeks, will be departing PMC for a new assignment at Department of the Army in Washington, D. C.

The festivities were held at historic Fort Mifflin; a revolutionary war era fort located in Philadelphia.

The day began with all of the cadet organization, representing the five Combat Arms, participating in a combined arms demonstration. The demonstration was designed to show the capabilities of the combat arms and the training received by the cadets through an assault on the fort.

The activities then shifted to the inside of the fort where Company Q-5, Pershing Rifles, recreated the changing of the guard ceremony as performed at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, followed by a formal retreat ceremony.

Everyone then enjoyed a charcoal broiled steak dinner and later attended the "Dungeon Dance" which was conducted in a room off one of the many mysterious tunnels hollowed out of the walls of the fort.

PRE-CAMP

62 Juniors, 9 Seniors and selected Seniors for Cadre will depart campus on Saturday, 29 May, for 5 days of training at Fort Dix, N. J. Under supervision of members of the ROTC Detachment, the cadets will receive training in many subjects, to include one day on the rifle range. This pre-summer camp training is designed to assist the cadets who will be attending summer camp at IGMR, Pa. later this year. The cadets will return from Fort Dix, N. J. on 2 June, 1965.

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From the Commandant

**Military Ceremonies
At Commencement**

During coming weeks, colleges and universities all over the land will be terminating their academic years with commencement activities. Pennsylvania Military College will be one of these, but its activities will be unique by virtue of the military ceremonies involving the Corps of Cadets which will take place.

The first such event is to occur at 10:00 A.M., on Saturday, 5 June, in the form of an Honor Guard Ceremony for General Creighton W. Abrams, Jr., Vice Chief of Staff, U.S. Army. General Abrams, you will recall, was our Guest of Honor last November during the Military Weekend. Now he is returning, to receive from the College the honorary degree of Doctor of Law, at Commencement on Sunday, 6 June; to present commissions to newly commissioned officers on Saturday, 5 June; and to participate in other ceremonies on that day.

The first of these will be the Awards Review, so commencing at 10:30 A.M. At this ceremony, those military awards which were not presented on Mothers' Day will be given out, some of them by General Abrams himself.

Saturday afternoon will be a full one. At 1:30 P.M., the Corps of Cadets stages a review for Honored Guests, Trustees, members of the Administration, and Alumni. A notable feature of this affair is an imposing Trooping of the Line, in which all Alumni present normally take part. Immediately thereafter, the Alumni performs their traditional and unique Broom Drill.

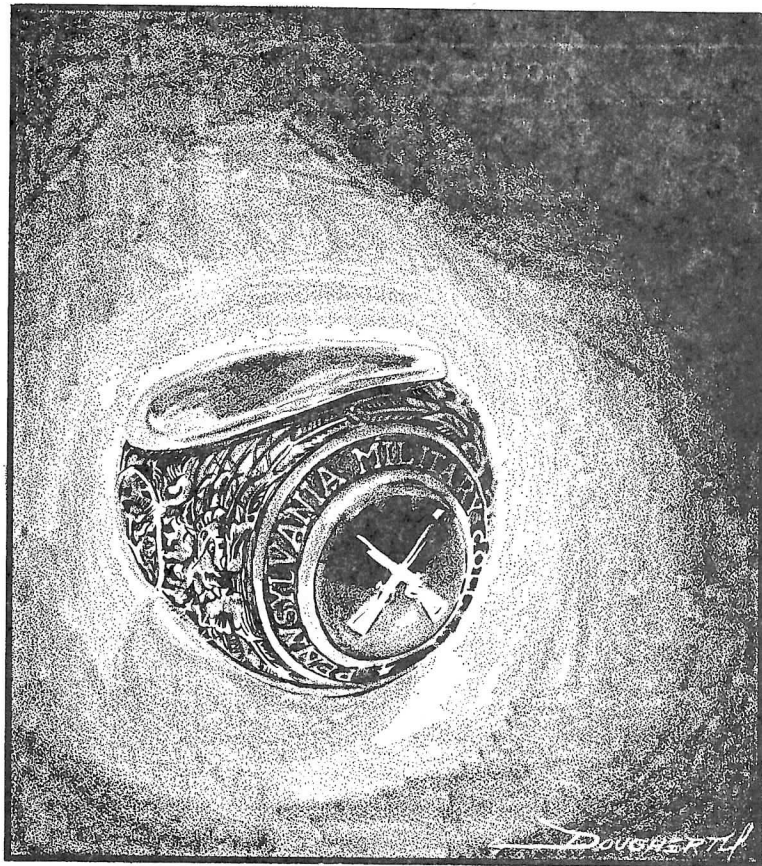
The Corps then forms a hollow square, and Alumni Exercises are held. Included is the transfer of the Presentation Saber from the Brigade Commander to the ranking Second Classman.

The Corps next marches off the field, and there is a delay while First Classmen to be commissioned are changing into their Army Uniforms. Filling this gap will be the Band, and Company Q-5 Pershing Rifles.

The Corps then returns to the field, for the Commissioning Exercises and Graduation Parade. At the proper time, cadets to be commissioned, massed behind the colors, move front and center as a group, hear a short talk by General Abrams, and then receive from him individually their commissions as officers. Finally, all graduating cadets take the final review of the Corps, in a colorful and stirring ceremony.

I will not dwell on the remaining events of the Commencement Period, since they are not primarily military in nature. Certainly, though, the Band Concert at 8:00 P.M. at the Flag Pole has a unique charm; and the President's Reception and Dance at 9:00 P.M. are notable. Held for the first time in the spaciousness of MacMormand Center, these events should be particularly impressive and enjoyable.

**New Star In The Firmament
Class of 1965**



Apologia

In the terminal issue of THE DOME for the 1963-64 academic year we indicated in a statement of editorial policy that we considered it the newspaper's responsibility "to create concern among the students." In no small measure we have failed in meeting this responsibility.

We make this judgement on the basis of the poor student participation in cultural events; on the basis of the 60% vote in the recent student elections; on the basis of poor student participation in social events such as the Spring Festival, and similar manifestations of student apathy.

Yet we flatter ourselves that we have not failed entirely. We flatter ourselves that we have served as a catalyst to cause some modicum of student interest, and we believe that in time the small glow created can be fanned into a genuine flame.

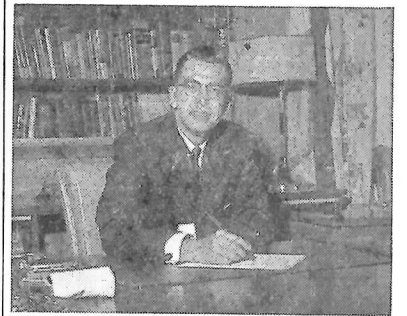
In the attempt to create concern we have served as a vehicle for some outspoken attacks on various campus institutions; we have tread, editorially, on certain sensitivities hitherto held sacred, and we have incurred some degree of wrath from elements in the student body, among the faculty, in the administration, and in the city itself.

We have taken as a point of departure the idea that PMC is a fine educational institution presently a few steps from excellence. It is a fundamental truth that a mediocre entity, whatever its nature, can take great strides toward excellence; these strides will be relatively easy to take, and at the same time may be quite noteworthy. But as any entity comes near to excellence, the last steps are arduous and comparatively unspectacular. It is at this point that circumstances test the mettle of all involved with that entity. It is at this point that loyalty and the will to prevail are revealed. These last few steps place the harshest demands upon all involved with the entity in question. It was President Ngo Dinh Diem who said: "It is only in winter that one can tell which trees are evergreen."

It is our intention to take these last few steps with PMC; to do all that we can to compel excellence. We welcome the responsibilities inherent in this effort. We welcome the risks that we must take to achieve the goal of excellence. We welcome the wrath that we must inevitably incur in the pursuit of our responsibilities as we see them.

We recognize that we have not walked alone in our endeavors. We are grateful to the students who have supported our journalistic efforts, and we are more grateful to the students who have opposed them, for they have provided antithesis — an essential for progress. We are grateful for the support of the faculty and most specifically for the support of our advisor, Professor Fairweather, whose faith in us has provided constant inspiration.

Most of all, we are grateful for the support of the administration. It is no secret that there are those who are astonished to see THE DOME staff still intact despite the editorial policy we have pursued. It is no secret to THE DOME staff that pressure has been brought on the administration, both from within its own ranks, as well as without, to dismiss the staff for the stand it has taken on certain matters and the manner in which it has articulated these stands. Beginning with the first DOME issue, which carried the notorious "Goldwater editorial," down through the year, this pressure has been resisted by the one man vested with final authority in this matter — President Moll. To President Moll, then, goes our most profound gratitude for supporting the doctrine that free inquiry, freedom of the press, and freedom to be critical within the framework of right as we are given to see the right, is essential to the good health of an academic institution.



From the President

PMC over the last half decade has moved forward in education, faculty, and curriculum, but it still hasn't made it.

There are too many students who are looking for a "sheepskin" instead of a diploma. Constantly the faculty has worked to improve the situation, so as to generate a "tone" that would spell "college." Their efforts have met with many successes, but there remains much to be accomplished. The objectives of the faculty and the administration are to bring PMC to a level of educational superiority that will place it among the best of the small colleges in America. But there can be no educational excellence at PMC unless you students have the capabilities, the desire, and the determination to do your part to achieve this end; for, in the ultimate, a college is measured by its end product, the student.

PMC's future rests in your hands, as well as it does in ours. Yet if either the student body or the faculty is to make this college the kind of institution of which each of us can be fully proud, we must work together for the achievement of this goal.

There is considerable evidence that we aren't successfully communicating with each other. The cause may be that we have grown larger; the cause may be that some of us have become too involved in physical and fiscal developments of the College to relate ourselves effectively with the student body. Regardless of the cause, it remains for us at PMC to find the answer together.

I should like the student council, the cadet board, and the civilian board to appoint a small subcommittee to sit with a representative of the faculty and administration in order to structure a procedure for making every voice, constructively interested in the furtherance of PMC, heard; and further, to develop channels of communication that will keep everyone abreast of the path that PMC is taking.

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"Of U.S. Military activity in Vietnam and the Dominican Republic?"

by C. C. Sisson

"I think that it is a good thing. It gives the impression to others that the U.S. will not allow communist domination in other countries. These two areas are strategic to the U.S., especially the Dominican Republic."

— Michael Hernandez '66

"I think that the U.S. should give more aid in the form of military assistance to the Vietnamese in order to halt the communist movement and possibly give Vietnam a democratic form of government. In other situations such as the one occurring now in Vietnam, democracy has never defeated communism; we have only been able to halt them and accept defeat. Communism has always gained and democracy has always lost."

— Ed Scheib '66

"I think that it's too late. The action that they've taken should have come a lot sooner, and it should have been stronger."

— Chick Goebel '66

"It's all right for training, but U.S. troops should not participate in the battles. They should be advisors—that's all. The only time we should fight is when we're attacked."

— Thomas Smith '66

"We have a commitment, which, in order to keep our world prestige, we must fulfill. It is in our national interest to oppose, violently if necessary, further communist expansion."

— William Bengel '66

"I believe that we have blown the Vietnam issue out of proportion. I do not believe that the Vietnamese appreciate U.S. help."

— Michael Bolinski '66

"The government is acting wisely in the Dominican Republic and in the best interest of all the Americas. In Vietnam I guess that they're doing all that's possible short of all out war . . . The marines should play a more active role in Vietnam."

— Joe Rubino '66

"I think that civilians should support the effort in Vietnam wholeheartedly. We have a right to be there."

— James O'Doherty '66

"I think that we ought to get in or get out. Why get guys shot up for nothing?"

— Claude Davis '67

"I approve of the action in the Dominican Republic, and I think that we ought to get out of Vietnam and into Red China."

— Mark Ristau '66

"I'm positively behind the President because I think there are very valid reasons behind sending troops to both places."

— Bob MacMinn '67

"I think that we have to stop them somewhere. We might as well stop them over there before they're on our doorstep."

— Frank Platt '66

"I don't see where Johnson had any choice. The only way the problem will be solved will be by increasing our military strength in Vietnam. Same thing for the Dominican Republic."

— Mike Zeimann '66

"Either they're going to have to go all out, or leave it alone and let the communists take over."

— Larry Hudson '66

"I'm in favor of the present activities of the United States, and I feel that more effort should be made in ideological warfare in South East Asia."

— Stan Faryna '66

Letters to the Editor

Sir:

The sudden appearance of SPIRE posters on campus seemed to point to lively student activity on campus. Then came the article in THE DOME by Cadet Drupa, explaining SPIRE's aims. To say the least, I was shocked by the personal reference to Mrs. Olver and the Hanna family. Other members of the faculty were also upset and much of the respect which might have been given to SPIRE as a reform group was largely negated.

THE DOME should share some blame for printing these remarks in its April 29 issue, and their inclusion does not represent responsible editing. I am against any form of censorship of a student publication; however there is such a thing as self-policing—the difference between The New York Times and a tabloid.

The incident was especially unfortunate because these two student institutions, THE DOME and SPIRE, represent a spirit which long has been absent from our apathetic campus. In my nine years at PMC, only in the past two years has THE DOME risen to the level of a college publication, and its improvement this year has been exhilarating. And how we have needed such student movements as SPIRE, to serve as vehicles for students' gripes along with positive suggestions for improvement.

SPIRE's complaints of some campus conditions may be valid, and in any case it is good to have them aired. But aside from the unfortunate remarks cited above, Cadet Drupa's article seems to make "The Administration" into some sort of monolithic monster intent on persecuting students at all levels. Actually, PMC has a capable Administration whose individual officials work very hard and attempt to satisfy the many diverse interests that make up a college—including not only students but also faculty, trustees, parents, alumni, and relations with the community. In case students were not aware of it, all these groups make their own demands, and to please all at all times would challenge Solomon himself.

Perhaps SPIRE should also take a look at the students. Why has the Student Government been weak? Because students have been unwilling to support it and have been too apathetic to push for reforms.

Indeed, the *APATHY OF PMC STUDENTS* has become a legend, to which I can attest as a result of attempting to promote extracurricular activities. As an example, this spring the Young Democrats, of which I am Faculty Advisor, sponsored three meetings led by opposing leaders from the Democratic Party of Delaware County. If a student had attended these well-publicized meetings, he would have gained a keen insight into real politics on the local level. The student attendance at the three meetings was so pathetic that the few who did attend had to offer blushing apologies to the speakers who had given their time so freely.

The same pattern of student apathy is repeated in other clubs, in professional conferences off campus, the splendid cultural programs, concerts, the opera series on campus, and even with plays, which students themselves work hard to put on. Year after year the same picture is repeated: a very few students do the work, while the vast majority baa-baa their way through their college years like woolly sheep, content to graze in their pas-

ture, eating their way to the well-named "sheepskin".

If SPIRE can help in any way to shake up the sheep, I wish it my hearty congratulations. But in the process, I hope it does not jeopardize its own future by making irresponsible accusations against individuals, and by developing a self-righteous attitude that students are being persecuted. The "Administration" are not ogres; they're just over-worked—and until recently, student response has been ovine.

William M. Rolofson,
Asst. Professor, Political Science

PARK BENCHES

Sir:

It is Bruce Kristol that students have to thank for the procurement of the park benches that now adorn the campus. To acquire these beautiful benches, Mr. Kristol spent innumerable hours collecting money and organizing the operation. He tenaciously refused to be side-tracked and finally, early this year, PMC received the benches. It is essential for all students to realize that the benches did not appear on campus by divine miracle, but through the singular efforts of a dedicated student.

Paul Ezust
Class of '65

SUMMER WORKSHOPS

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College.

The Workshop in Conversational French will develop authentic and accurate pronunciation, intonation and inflection, and will rapidly familiarize the student with a broad range of vocabulary, including idioms. Tapes and films will be used for illustration, although the Workshop sessions will consist primarily of informal conversation directed by the Workshop leader, on a variety of interesting subjects.

The Workshop in Conversational French will be conducted by Mrs. Muriel Santmyers. Mrs. Santmyers obtained her Bachelor's degree from Adelphi College, and recently earned the Master of Arts degree at the University of Pennsylvania.

All workshops will be conducted in air-conditioned facilities, and are scheduled so as not to conflict with morning classes. The student carrying a full (six-hour) academic summer schedule may participate in these, since no outside preparation or credit is involved. The workshops are designed to be recreational as well as self-improving.

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Keys Given To Student Leaders

On May 13th, the annual student convocation for the presentation of activity keys to student leaders was held at MacMorland Center. Present at the ceremony were Mr. Dennis H. Taylor, President of the Student Government Association, who presided; and Dr. Clarence R. Moll, who made the presentation of awards.

In his address to students in attendance, Dr. Moll pointed out that those who received awards should recognize those students who, although they were not formally rewarded; had worked untiringly under their leadership.

Campus to Expand

Speaking of the college's future, President Moll outlined further developments in its planned growth. He said it was certain now that the campus would extend west to Providence Avenue and that new athletic facilities would be located in the Ridley Creek area. Dr. Moll also explained that in the next two years an emphasis would be placed on the construction of dormitories, that 1967 would mark the beginning of a coed program, and that a new library and a \$4½ million gymnasium would be begun in 1968.

The President further announced that studies were being made of the school's curricula to determine any possible deficiencies.

Prior to his address President Moll presented gold and silver keys to officers of the various classes; staff members of the *Sabre & Sash* and THE DOME; officers and members of the Student Government Association; and to Walter J. Clayton, President of the Cadet Board and to Richard J. Laube, President of the Civilian Board.

In addition to the student awards presentation, "very surprised but deserving," Dr. Russell Erb, PMC professor of chemistry, was bestowed with the Circle K Man-of-the-Year Award.

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French Leads Frosh

PMC's Freshman track team completed their season undefeated. This is a hopeful sign for next year's varsity. The Frosh were led this year by a swift young runner, Charlie French, who accounted for two new records.

The Plebes scored over Stevens Tech, F&M, and the Haverford JV. In all three meets French was the top scorer, winning the 100, 220, and 440. In the Haverford meet, French fell coming out of the blocks at the start of the 100. He recovered, and won by three yards, setting a new record of 10.2. The old record was 10.3, set in 1963 by Vince Peterson. In the 440 that followed, French again fell flat on his face at the start, but again recovered to win this event. Before the start of the 220 yard dash, Coach Dougherty was wondering what French would do this time at the start. Surprisingly, French got off to a good start and won going away in 22.5, another new record. The old 220 record was set in 1960 by the late Albie Filoreto.

Backing up French this year were many other fine performers. Bill Craemer came within a second of Kormanicki's record in the 880 as he posted a 2:03 for that event. Bill also took firsts in the 880 against Stevens and F&M. Pat Quinn, a very loquacious distance runner, picked up valuable points in the mile and 2-mile runs, posting a 4:57 in the mile against Haverford for his best time of the season. Another runner who will be a big asset to the Varsity next season is hurdler Gary Klemek. Against Haverford he copped two first places and against Stevens Tech, narrowly missed the record in the 220 low hurdles by a tenth of a second.

Rounding out the well-balanced team are the field events men. Jim Carroll copped second against Haverford with a leap of 5'6" in the high jump, Rowles took the broad jump with a 19'3" effort, Mike Steinetz a second in the javelin with a 148' throw, and Ed Strazala and Jeff Feiser placed first-second in the shot put. Strazala also took a second in the discus.

Pentathlon Team Champs

The newly-formed Modern Pentathlon team at PMC scored an impressive and unexpected victory in the first National Inter-Collegiate Modern Pentathlon. The team of Tom Whitesell, Steve Tocherman, Harry Lutz and Chuck Pendlyshok travelled to the University of Virginia for the competition and returned with a National title.

The Pentathlon consists of five events: fencing, pistol, swimming, cross-country, and riding. This year, only the first four events were held. PMC's only competition came at the hands of U. Va. The host team got off to an early lead, defeating the Cadets in fencing, 3048-2097. Chuck Pendlyshok led PMC in this event with a fourth place. U. Va. increased its lead in pistol firing by shutting out PMC, 900-0. Harry Lutz was high man for the Cadets with a third.

PMC showed its real power in the running and swimming events as they swept both the swimming, (4055-2560), and cross-country (5250-3696). Lutz placed first in the swimming event and Whitesell first in the 2.3 mile run.

Top individual scorer for the Pentathlon was Tom Whitesell, with Tocherman, Pendlyshok, and Lutz placing third through fifth. The final overall score was PMC, 11,402 to their nearest opponent, U. Va. 10,204.

Baseball Team Improves

With seven games played in MAC competition, PMC's Varsity baseball team has posted a 4-3 record, with victories over F&M, Washington, Swarthmore, and Dickinson. In overall standings they are 6-5.

Leading the team in batting this year is Senior Dave Allen who is hitting at a .423 clip for seven games. Following Allen is Ted Baynes with a .375 average, and Larry Cox with a .308 average.

In pitching, Allen leads PMC with a 3-1 record. He has started in five games and completed three. In the 35 innings that he has pitched, Allen has allowed 24 hits, 24 walks, and has struck out 38. His 38 strike outs is tops in the MAC Southern Division. He is also rated 10th in the MACSD in pitching with a 2.06 ERA.

Hitting has been a major factor in the Cadet's successful season. The team is ranked fifth over-all with a .209 batting average. They are also third in runs scored (43) and third in total RBI's (35).

Through Graduation the team will lose several fine players, but with the continuing improvement of the Sophomores and Juniors, plus the addition of several talented Freshmen, the outlook for next season is very promising.

Frosh Brighten Baseball Outlook

The freshman baseball team began a successful season with the first day of practice and ended it with an impromptu water fight. What happened in between was four victories and only one loss. The sole blemish happened in their first game against Williamson Trade. The Plebes could not get over the opening day jitters and went down to an 8-4 defeat. From then on, losing was unheard of.

They topped Drexel in their second game, 8-1, and it was Dick Lam-lugh going the distance for the cadets. Next the fired-up team downed a very aggressive Swarthmore with another fine Freshman pitcher, Ned Rogovoy, going the entire route for PMC. The St. Joseph game see-sawed for several innings on the scoreboard. Once again it was Lam-lugh pitching. He was relieved in the fourth by the team captain for the PMC Frosh, Pete Parsels. For the next five innings Pete pitched no-hit ball and the Frosh triumphed, 12-5.

For the finale to the season, Coach Freedman's charges came up against Valley Forge, who was enjoying its finest season in many years. Rogovoy pitched the entire game, getting into trouble only once in the late stages of the game. However, Ned proved himself an able pitcher by working his way out of the situation in a masterful way.

In hitting, the team was paced by Pete Parsels and Charlie Miller. Coach Freedman cited Arnold Borsetti as an outstanding fielder and Bob Walsh, a catcher, as a fine field general.

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Track Team MAC Champs

Several days before the MAC Championships at Lehigh, track Coach George Hansell commented on PMC's chances for winning. "We are a long-shot favorite, and it will take a combined team effort. We need first places, yes, but the seconds, thirds, and fourths will be a big factor also."

PMC lived up to expectations. In the 15 events run, the Cadets picked up four firsts, one second, one third, two fourths, and a fifth place to come out on top with 33 points. What made the victory even more remarkable was the fact the PMC did not even score points in seven of the fifteen events.

In Friday's competition, the Cadets qualified for the finals in six events, Schlosbon (220, 440), Kormanicki (880), Evans (880), Joyce (440), and Driscoll (120 high hurdles).

On Saturday, all signs pointed towards Ursinus College walking away with the crown. PMC failed to score in the broad jump and high jump. In other field events, John McTaggart got off a throw of 195 feet in the javelin to give the Cadets their first points of the day. Then Carmen Casciato and Bob Gorsuch placed third and fourth in the shot put to pick up the only other points in the field events.

In the running events, PMC began to pick up points. Beginning with the mile run Dave Irons placed fifth. Then Bob Schlosbon came on strong in the 440, but was unable to overtake Dunn of Ursinus at the finish and placed second, breaking the college record in this event for the third time this year. Schlosbon came back in the 220 to place first in a 22.0 clocking, a tenth of a second off the college record. Tim Joyce also added to PMC's point accumulation with a fifth in the 440.

Mike Kormanicki was PMC's third gold medal winner of the afternoon as he took the lead from the start in the 880 and was never challenged seriously, coming across the line in 1:57.2, which equalled PMC's college record.

Up until this time, no one had been keeping track of the scoring. Half-way through the two-mile run, Coach Dougherty's figures placed us in contention for the title. A fourth place or better in the two-mile would keep us in contention. Greg Allen responded to shouts from the sidelines, and kicked through with the needed pace, running a 10:05, his best personal time.

It was then up to the mile relay team of Joyce, Evans, Kormanicki, and Bob Schlosbon to bring home PMC's first MAC Championship. Using an unorthodox two-handed baton pass, Kormanicki handed off to Schlosbon for the anchor leg, and Bob kicked on in to the finish with another first place and the MAC Championship. The relay time was 3:20.4, a new college record.

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