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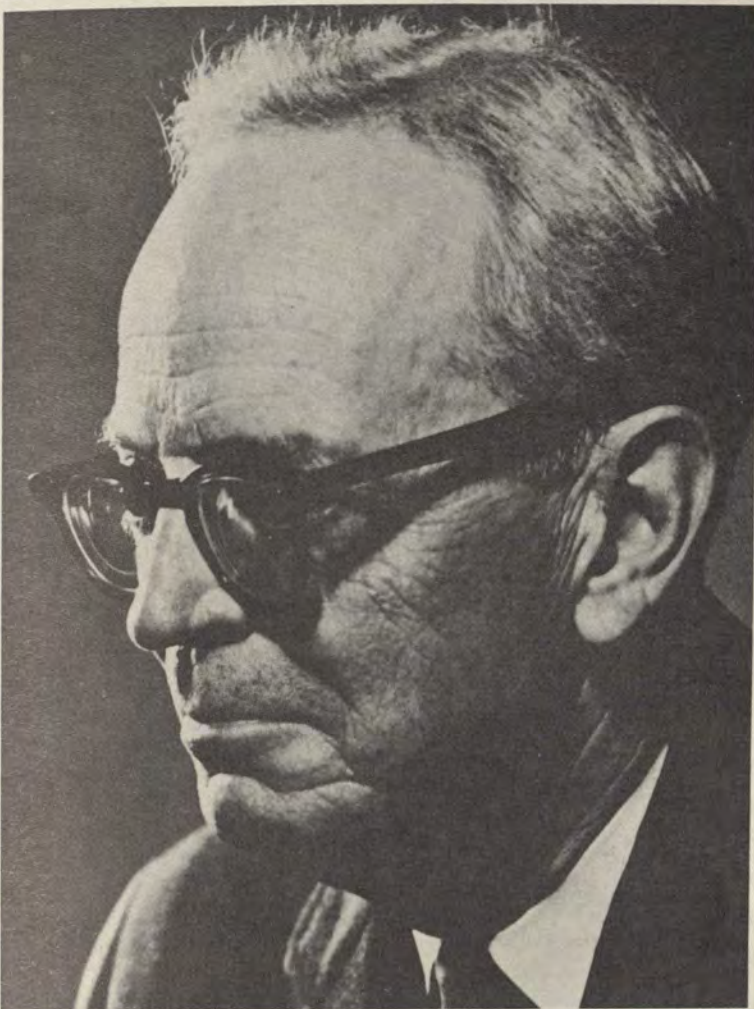
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## Yale's Robert Palmer Slated for CC Lecture

"The Century of the American College 1870-1970" will be the topic for the annual Lawrence Lecture on September 30 at 7:30 P.M. in Palmer Auditorium. The lecture, sponsored by the history department, will be given by Professor Robert R. Palmer, Professor of History at Yale University.

Professor Palmer, a distinguished authority on European history, has received degrees from the Universities of Chicago and Toulouse, Washington University, Kenyon College, and Cornell University. He has been a professor

of History at Washington and Princeton Universities and has served in the American Historical Association, the Editorial Board of "American Historical Review", the Councils of the American Philosophical Society, the Institute of Early American History, Williamsburg, and the Society for French Historical Studies.

He is the author of several books, among them *A History of the Modern World* and *The Age of Democratic Revolution: A Political History of Europe and America, 1760-1800*.

## Coffee House Shuts Down

The College Coffee House, located in the basement of Winthrop Hall, was forced to close after a Fire Marshal declared it a fire and safety hazard. According to George Stevens, co-manager of the Coffee House, the nightspot will remain closed until "a staff can be formed to help maintain minimum fire safety standards." Major complaints of the Fire Marshal included cigarette butts on the floor as well as too many people occupying the basement. The legal limit is 75 persons.

In an effort to replace the Coffee House and make it an integral part of campus life, an Ad Hoc Committee to Save the Coffee House has been formed. The Committee, headed by George Stevens, Box 1222, will seek to provide an adequate staff that will help the Coffee House with minimum fire safety standards. Proposals already received by the Committee include moving the Coffee House from the basement of Winthrop to a more centrally located part of the campus. Redesigning the student lounge with a Coffee House atmosphere is another suggestion.

Up until its closing, the Coffee House was opened three and four nights weekly. Live entertainment and refreshments were an integral part of the Coffee House's existence. George Stevens and Tommy Hauer, co-managers of the Coffee House, sought "to make it a community center for all students, day and night."

The Coffee House will man a table at this evening's Club Night at Crozier-Williams. They will be looking for people to help them comply with the safety standards, and seek new alternatives for the use and function of a Coffee House on campus.

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Chief of College Security

## Fund Shortage Eliminates Wilson Fellowships

PRINCETON, N.J. — This fall, for the first time in more than twenty years, there will be no Woodrow Wilson Fellowship competition. Among college professors, and those college seniors who are thinking of becoming professors, this annual competition has become as much a part of the fall term as football.

In announcing that the fellowship program would be temporarily suspended, H. Ronald Rouse, National Director of the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation, said, "Funds currently available to the Foundation for first year graduate fellowships are being used to support over 200 Fellows during the 1971-72 academic year. Prospects for securing new funds are uncertain. During the coming year, trustees and officers of the Foundation in cooperation with representatives of the academic world, will design a new fellowship program taking into account recent developments in graduate education and in the teaching profession, and seek funds for this new program."

A total of 213 Woodrow Wilson Fellows will be supported this year at 69 graduate schools. Fellowships are being held in reserve for 25 others who have had to postpone graduate study because of military or alternative service.

Other foundation programs will be continued during 1971-72 and 1972-73. These include the Dissertation Fellowships, the Martin Luther King, Jr. Fellowships and the Graduate Information and Counseling Service for Black Veterans, the Teaching and Administrative Internships, and the National Humanities Series. To support its programs, the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation receives grants from other foundations and contributions from individuals, including over 2,000 former Woodrow Wilson Fellows.

The Wilson Fellowships are only one of a number of programs throughout the country which have suffered from the recent decline in fellowship support, Mr. Rouse said. The U.S. government, which in 1967 supported nearly 11,000 fellowships for beginning graduate students, has reduced or eliminated several programs. It will provide only about 1,500 new fellowships for 1972-73. At the same time many state governments have similarly reduced the amount of support they provide, and a number of programs financed by corporations and private foundations have been discontinued.

As a result of rapid growth of graduate schools, more Ph.D.'s have been produced this year than can be placed, Mr. Rouse added. The economic recession and the recent wave of anti-academic sentiment across the country have combined to reduce drastically the amount of money available for college faculty salaries. As a result of these two factors the demand for college teachers has dropped just at the time when the supply is increasing.

While the country may have overreacted to the college teacher shortage of a decade ago, there is now the danger that it will similarly

overreact to the current problems of higher education by discouraging outstanding students from considering academic careers.

Mr. Rouse continued: "Today's undergraduates who are considering academic careers must look to the job market of 1980. By that time the present economic and political climate will be history."

However, young people planning for academic careers should make flexible plans, Dr. Rouse advised. It is unlikely that they can expect to step onto the fellowship escalator and be carried smoothly up through the Ph.D. and into an academic post. Many may wish to secure certification for secondary school teaching to provide an alternative, either temporary or permanent, to doctoral work. The M.A. is still the accepted preparation for teaching in

most junior and community colleges, and students headed for graduate school should consider careers in this rapidly expanding sector. The new Doctor of Arts degrees, now being offered at a number of universities, provide another alternative to the traditional Ph.D.

"The officers and trustees of the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation are convinced that there is not, and never will be, an oversupply of truly outstanding teachers, combining dedication to scholarship with a sensitivity to people and their needs. They are determined to find some means of continuing to identify, encourage and assist young people with these qualities in preparing for careers appropriate to their talents and society's needs," Dr. Rouse concluded.

## Unlimited Potential For College's Computer

by Peter Paris

An IBM 1130 computer system and its related equipment has recently been installed in the basement of Bill Hall. Because of the system's versatility and adaptability to technological advances, its possible uses on campus are innumerable. Presently, the computer is being used for the Computer Methods class.

The system will, in time, take over various clerical duties. Work such as storing records, avoiding class conflicts, and keeping track of students' grades are some of the duties that will eventually be assigned to the computer system. Jerry C. Lamb, director of the Computer Center, claims that the computer and its memory banks, which each handle over two million words, will be especially useful for the Accounting Office and the Office of the Registrar, in that it would speed up routine paperwork.

Funds for the computer system were made possible through a gift by an alumna's father. The gift, made last February, reached maturity last spring. With the Board of Trustees approval, stock sales equaling the gift's value were sold, leaving the original value of the gift intact.

Mr. Lamb feels that the system will be especially useful to the Psychology and Economics Departments, due to the great amount of statistical work involved. Harvey Mosely states that the equipment can be easily adapted to aid students and teachers of the Chemistry and

Physics Departments. The IBM 1130 is available to help students in many areas needing statistical and analytical work.

An outgrowth of the computer's presence is the formation of a Computer Center staff which will aid in the systems programming and operation. Although two members have been appointed, the staff is still incomplete. Mr. Jerry Lamb is the Center's Director, and is responsible for all phases of the center's operation. Mr. Alan Clearwaters will teach the College's Computer Methods course. Mr. Lamb previously taught Computer Application (Psychology 400) and Advanced Psychological Statistics. Both men are employed by the Naval Underwater Systems Center. In anticipation of a greater workload, a full time programmer is being sought to handle clerical work.

The computer rooms are open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and are available for inspection and use by students and faculty. "People can actually operate the computer under supervision of the staff," states Harvey Mosely. The computer has already been programmed to play Craps and other simple games with the operator. Students interested in using the computer as part of a school project can discuss the feasibility of the computer's use with those students attending the machines. Short seminars on the computer's operation will be held during the year.

WCNI will hold an important organizational meeting on Thursday, September 23, at 6:30 p.m. in the living room of Elizabeth Wright House. At a meeting last May, some of the voting rules were suspended in order to delay the voting for certain offices until this semester. Consequently, several positions of responsibility must be filled, and elections will occur at this meeting. Also on the agenda will be the question of expansion to FM to go along with the present carrier-current AM service. All freshmen and transfers are especially welcome to attend, as well as returning students who have a new or continuing interest in the station. Training programs will be set up, along with a beginning programming schedule. There are openings for many people, and WCNI does not discriminate by sex.

## REVOLUTIONARY FEVER

Talking to student government president Jay Levin can be nearly as harrowing as being subjected to a Jay Levin speech. He bombards his listeners with loud, long statements about such things as "coalitions" and "getting off our asses".

A number of people have been turned off by Jay's overbearing manner, to the point where they no longer listen to what he has to say. This is obviously unfortunate, because under the catch phrases and rhetoric are a number of good ideas and a very genuine desire to improve Connecticut College—and Lord knows Connecticut College could use some improvements.

In his convocation speech, Jay stated, "for the community within the college to remain in isolation serves no purpose for anyone, except for those who seek to prevent social change". This rather ambiguous statement betrays Jay's apparent over-estimation of the interest and willingness of students to participate in political activities. Jay often seems to be unable to realize that students frequently get caught up in their own interests, and that this tendency is not particularly evil or consciously selfish.

Yet Jay has a point—in withdrawing into our little collegiate utopias, we may not only be depriving ourselves of an important aspect of our education, but also depriving the college of needed academic reforms, and the community of valuable service.

In the same speech, Jay pointed out that Connecticut College was founded on a premise that was "revolutionary" in its time: "that women had the same right to attain an education as did men."

Thus, revolutionary change (to use one of Jay's phrases) at Connecticut College is nothing new; it is a tradition that has apparently begun to fade as a result of nearly two years of relative stagnation. We can't afford to stagnate any longer.

## THE LAST RESORT

The loss of the coffee house is one that should not be taken lightly by students. Its loss means that all campus social life officially ends at 11 o'clock and that another social activity in a socially-devoid school has disappeared.

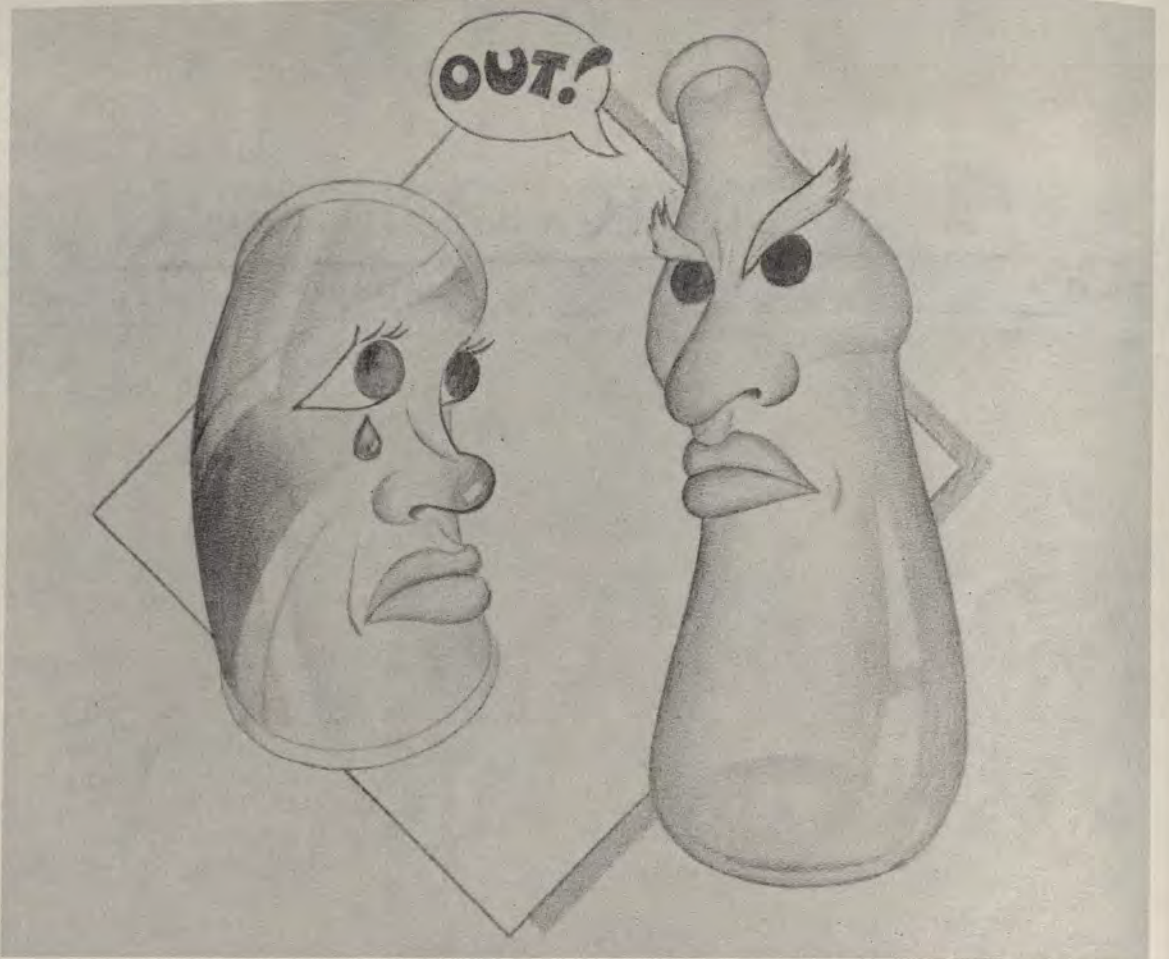
Some have suggested as a viable alternative the conversion of the main lounge of Crozier-Williams Center into a coffee house. We feel this should be used only as a last resort. Since Cro is generally felt to be one of the most poorly designed buildings in southeastern Connecticut, it would be extremely difficult to duplicate the intimate atmosphere of Winthrop basement in the cold tile-and-cinder-block main lounge.

The possibility still exists of modifying the present facilities in Winthrop Hall to comply with fire regulations. If the fire inspector can't be satisfied, and if no other locations can be found, Cro is better than nothing.

We hope that Crozier-Williams is destroyed in the next earthquake.

## TRY PUNDIT AND SEE

We would like to involve the entire College in the creation of each week's **Pundit**. We ask you, the Reader, to feel free to offer suggestions for any type of article, and to submit stories, articles, letters, reviews, poems, photographs, graphics and cartoons. We particularly appeal to department chairmen and all club officers to alert us to all developments in their respective areas of concern. Opinions may be expressed not only in letters to the Editor, but also in a more lengthy fashion in a Controversy column. We may be easily contacted through Box 1351, or call Mary Ann Sill (Ext. 506) or Allen Carroll (Ext. 505). If all else fails, just slide it under the door to our office in Cro 113.



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## Letters to the Editor

### To the Editors:

I am a resident of the famous "complex", and thus take my meals in Harris Refectory. In spite of the fact that dining in the complex is usually a very pleasant gastronomic experience, I feel that one small complaint is justified.

As an habitual tea drinker, I was quite perturbed to discover that "hot" water for tea is put out to quickly cool in metal pitchers, while cold water is kept in thermos containers. It would seem logical to put the cold water in the pitchers with a few ice cubes, and to leave the thermoses free to contain nice piping hot water for us tea freaks.

Quick action upon this simple request would quickly renew my wavering faith in the Connecticut College food service.

Sincerely,  
Anita Defrantz '74

### To the Editors:

Along with my very welcome scholarship notification this summer, I received the unpleasant news that cars are now held to be "expensive luxuries" and therefore grounds for withdrawal of financial aid.

I hope I speak for other scholarship holders in protesting the unfairness of this decision. The logic of choosing cars as the target seems to be calculated in the initial expenditure and subsequent service costs germane to automobiles. Many other goods, a new stereo and records purchased throughout the year, for example, also constitute "luxury" items, and it naturally seems ridiculous to imagine controls upon consumer acquisition of this sort.

The Financial Aid Office fails to credit the car owner on scholarship with the ability to budget funds, and to realize that car prices begin in the free fix-it-yourself range. Will the next step be monitored bank accounts for scholarship holders?

The car in my case was a necessity last summer, in view of the diversely located and scheduled jobs held by the members of my family. Since we are nowhere near public transportation, a brother and I managed a hundred dollars apiece out of our summer earnings for a car that can in no way be considered luxurious. As a result of the Financial Aid manifesto, I have two alternatives: sell the car at a loss, or leave it at

home to rot in the driveway.

The complexity of the requisite College Scholarship Service Forms must be trusted to preclude cheating on a family annual income, and to provide an accurate picture of a family's financial situation. I believe that this information should be the determining factor in the granting of financial aid, not an arbitrary campaign against any random object that superficially indicates affluence.

For obvious reasons, I remain anonymous, but I hope the Financial Aid office will see fit to reply.

*ed. note: Although in this case an exception has been made, the editors ask that all letters submitted to Pundit be signed.*

### To the Editors:

It seemed to be a picnic. I walked over and sat with a group of friends slightly apart from the crowd. Other small clusters formed around us. Sometimes talking, sometimes eating or drinking, and sometimes doing nothing in particular, the time passed quickly. Gradually more people drifted into the area and filled the space around us. I relaxed and admired man at his leisure.

At once, as if by some telepathic sensation, individuals around me began to fumble and clutch at their belongings. Panic spread silently through the crowd. Wild-eyed people stood and rushed past. Grabbing what I could and standing, I tried to make out what was happening. Some who were not quick enough to stand were kicked and stepped on by feet rushing past. It was a mob, now pressing me to move also, pressing me towards the wall and ever more tightly against the people beside me. But then, as suddenly as it had begun, everything ceased to move. I just stood there, packed immovably against everyone else who was just standing there, waiting, while the late-comers went into registration before us.

They tell me that I won't have to go through it again. Registration from here on is simpler and less physical. Well that's fine. But I pity the freshmen next year. Whoever is in charge of freshman registration ought to be able to come up with a less physically damaging, if not fairer, system.

Noel Coletti '75

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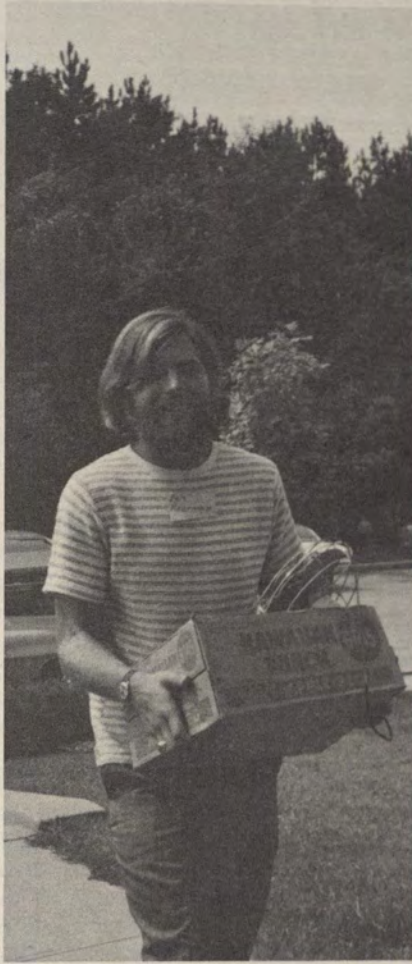
The Educational Testing Service has announced that the first testing date for the Graduate Record Examination will be October 23, 1971. Applications for this examination must be made by October 5 after which a \$3.50 late registration fee will be charged.

The other five test dates are December 11, 1971, January 15, February 26, April 22, and June 17, 1972. Scores are usually reported to graduate schools five weeks after the test date. Choice of test dates should be made according to the requirements of the graduate schools or the fellowships to which the student is applying.

The Graduate Record Examinations include an Aptitude Test of general scholastic ability and Advanced Tests measuring achievement in 19 major fields of study. The GRE Information Bulletin contains full details and registration forms for the GRE. This booklet may be ordered from the Educational Testing Service, Box 955, Princeton, New Jersey 08540.



*Boldly they rode and well  
 Into the jaws of Seath  
 Into the mouth of hell  
 Rode the fifteen hundred . . .*



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*. . . They that had fought so well  
 Came thro' the jaws of Death  
 Back from the mouth of hell  
 All that was left of them  
 Left of fifteen hundred.*

# School Welcomes 519 Students, Figures Stand at "72 in '71"

by Susan Black

Last week, Connecticut College welcomed 519 new students. Numerically and statistically, who are they?

Among the freshman class are 319 women and 111 men, placing the male-female ratio at roughly 1 to 3. Students admitted as sophomore and junior transfers number 46 women and 43 men.

Figures supplied by Mrs. Vera Snow of the Admissions Office indicate that there are now 72 black students enrolled at Connecticut College, with the distribution as follows: 10 seniors (all women), 14 juniors (4 men, 10 women), 14 sophomores (3 men, 11 women), 30 freshmen (4 men, 26 women), and 4 Return to College. Thus the black

students' "Spirit of '71" demand—that at least 71 black students be enrolled by the first semester of 1971—has just barely been answered, one semester late. Also according to this demand, Mr. James Jones has been named as a black admissions officer.

As for minority students, there are 8 Puerto Rican students enrolled as follows: 1 senior, 2 juniors, 4 freshmen, and 1 transfer. No information is presently available on the numbers of Japanese—and Chinese-American Students.

Mrs. Marcia Pond of the Financial Aid Office supplied some tentative information about the financial aid which has been awarded to the new students.

In the freshman class, 129

students received some form of financial aid. This amounts to \$220,155 in scholarship money, \$26,500 in Educational Opportunity Grants (100% federal money), \$57,100 in National Defense Student Loans (90% federal, 10% college), and \$12,600 College Work Study Funds (80% federal, 20% college). Also, 23 freshmen have been placed in co-op houses, with a savings for them of \$15,180. Other campus jobs amount to \$5,600 worth of aid.

Of the transfers, 23 receive some form of aid. This includes \$23,220 in scholarship money, and \$13,950 National Defense Student Loans. In addition, campus jobs amount to \$1,800 and 3 have been placed in co-op houses.

# Youthful Tidal Wave Seeks Campus Housing

by Allen Carroll

*(In a special issue last spring this paper proposed a student housing plan whereby students would line up along Benham Avenue and upon the firing of a cannon, race to their college dormitories. Claims would be staked to rooms by the first students to arrive and would be filed in Crozier-Williams. The following is an imaginary report on the events that might have transpired had such a plan been put into effect.)*

The first students appeared near the north entrance of the campus at about 6:30 A.M. and occupied the most advantageous positions. The bulk of the student body did not assemble until about 10:30. By 11:00, as a few late-comers straggled in, the tension electrified the air. Large groups were assembled at the west side of Mohegan Avenue, the north entrance, a gate north of the rifle range, and Williams Street. A hush fell on the nervous crowd at 11:45. A few students wearing jockey shorts and track shoes were doing warm-up exercises.

At exactly 12:00 noon, Dean Watson set a torch to the antiquated cannon on loan from the Coast Guard Academy. It failed to fire. At

12:01 P.M. a resounding boom set the youthful tidal wave in motion. 1500 frenzied students sprinted southwards. Only one badly trampled freshman from Long Island remained behind. She was later found recuperating in her room on the third floor of Marshall.

From what could be pieced together afterwards, it appears that most of the unusual incidents occurred in the quad. The Afro-American Society, which had linked arms to form two flying-wedge formations, outflanked all but the fastest students in a brilliant pincher maneuver through which they successfully staked claim to the entire dorm of Blackstone.

The greatest battles raged in Plant and Branford. At one point, barricades had been set up on the second floor of Branford as two illegal cliques were vying for control of several of the rooms there.

Fortunately, a first aid station set up between Plant and Blackstone provided prompt treatment to many wounded. A number of badly cut students refused treatment until they had claimed a room.

A secondary wave of students surged back toward the complex as central and south-campus dorms rapidly filled. At 2:00, students, many with cuts and bruises, were still entering the complex searching out the last available rooms.

Meanwhile, at Crozier-Williams, a number of battle-weary individuals fainted in the crush as fifteen

file their claims.

The ordeal had ended by 6:00. Considerable damage had been done, but surprisingly, most students were satisfied.

"I think it was perfectly fair," stated a 225-pounder from his large single in Plant.

Mr. Engersoll was pleased. "We expected more than just \$25,000 dollars in damage, which is our current estimate."

"We're low on morphine, but things seem to be going well here," stated a confident Dr. Hall. "The moaning can be a distraction though."

Dean Johnson, who actively opposed the plan from the start, complained that her lawn was "utterly annihilated" as the horde stampeded by.

Dean Watson said that, in spite of the fact that several lawsuits had been filed, and that the attorney-general was investigating multiple violations of the cohabitation laws, "everything should be cleared up by next September." Visibly shaken by the day's activities, she hinted at an early retirement.

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# O'Neill Theatre Center Offers Guest Artists

The first guest artist in a series of discussions to be offered this Fall by the National Theatre Institute (NTI) at the O'Neill Theatre Center, was actress-producer Haila Stoddard.

Miss Stoddard, who made her debut as an actress in New York in 1935 as the daughter in Mark Reed's YES, MY DARLING DAUGHTER, is well known to television, film and theatre audiences for her numerous performances, including starring roles on Broadway in BLITHE SPIRIT, DREAM GIRL, VOICE OF THE TURTLE and WHO'S AFRAID OF VIRGINIA WOOLF? In television she has played the leading role in the daily drama THE SECRET STORM.

As a Broadway producer, she has given us A THURBER CARNIVAL, LEMON SKY and THE SURVIVAL OF ST. JOAN. Off-Broadway productions include THE LAST SWEET DAYS OF ISAAC, which recently concluded two successful seasons.

The discussion series, of which there will be five, is directed by Gilbert Parker, writers' and directors' representative and Vice President of Curtis Brown, Ltd., one of the leading literary agencies in the country. Mr. Parker is new this year on the staff at NTI.

The series forms part of the Institute's regular resident semester program, which offers work in acting, directing, design, mime, movement, speech, playwriting and puppetry.

Now entering its second year, the Institute is an experimental theatre project, fully accredited by Connecticut College and serving as a resource to the over 25 leading colleges and universities currently participating in the program. These are Amherst, Bennington, Bowdoin, Brandeis, Connecticut, Dartmouth, Drake, Gallaudet, Goddard, Grinnell, Lawrence, Manhattanville, Montclair, Mount Holyoke, Rochester Institute of Technology (NTID), Smith, Trinity, University of Hartford, University of Massachusetts (Boston), University of Rhode Island, Vassar, Wabash, Wellesley, Wesleyan, Wheaton and Williams.

This semester, four Conn College students are attending the Eugene O'Neill Theatre Institute: Donna Cartwright '74, Nina Davit '73, Joanne M. Lucey '73 and Lillah McCarthy '72.

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