Twenty Seniors Feted
By Phi Beta Kappa
The Connecticut College chapter of Phi Beta Kappa initiated twenty seniors into membership in the national honor society on March 9. Dr. Ernest C. Schlesinger, president of the Connecticut chapter, presented the gold keys that denote academic excellence to 13 seniors who were elected last week and to seven Winthrop scholars who were named to Phi Beta Kappa last September on the basis of exceptional scholarship during their first three college years.

Seven Winthrop scholars who were notified during January that it had been decided to recommend them for election to Phi Beta Kappa were given their keys at a meeting of the Academic Policy Committee on April 1. Gaye Egger, a senior, was announced that the office had two sessions designed to study the Spanish-American art show. These will be held on campus sometime before Spring vacation to make plans for both academic and local participation and to express appreciation to the National Welfare Rights Organization and clarify the link between social injustice and the war effort. The purpose will be to stress the need for new national priorities and to prepare for massive action in May.

The committee required a definition of a college course which for Boston University study department daily presented: A course deals with a body of knowledge and a theoretical which, coherent in itself, reaches across existing departmental barriers.

The committee was in favor of the proposed course and of a college course. The time defined to decide the content of the curricula and to discuss the agreement of the faculty was too great for Marxism to be offered as a college course next semester. The Academic Policy Committee suggested: It is in the interest of the students, the course be offered under the auspices of the Russian Studies department.

The administration of the College, although it has given the course no financial support, has encouraged its establishment.

According to Mrs. Reeve, "The course is very important in seeing that course at trial."

The professors teaching the course will be giving their own time, but Mr. M. S. Slapetsky, the professor, who would be interested in the course that course as a part of his teaching load.

One of the most unique aspects of the Marxism course is the involvement of seven different departments: history, Russian, Chinese, government, economics, and philosophy.

Currently eight or ten faculty members from these departments are interested in teaching. The group of people and resources of the community must be pooled. It is clear that as much as possible must be spent on instructors included in the course.

Marxism Course Announced
For Coming Academic Year

by Wendy Dillier
"A course on Marxism thought and its subsequent development. Prerequisite, one semester of European history or government" reads the description of Russian Studies 119, Marxism, which will be offered to seniors next semester.

According to Mrs. Reeve, the idea for the course came from a discussion in the Russian Studies department that it need to deal with Russia in the European context," said Mrs. Reeve. "The College had no course on Marx, who is considered the father of the nineteen century."

After some research it was discovered that no department was planning to offer a course on Marxism in the near future. Because of the interest of Marxism philosophy, it was agreed that a course be encountered in assigning Marxism to a particular department.

The course was first presented to the Academic Policy Committee as a college course, the type of course first suggested in the Summer Study Commission Report. The

Coalition For Peace Plans Spring Action

by Sharon Oconnor
The Peace Action Center for Peace and Justice (formerly the National Coalition Against War, Racism, and Repression) is preparing a Spring agenda for national wide action. A meeting will be held on campus sometime before Spring vacation to make plans for both local action and participation through the National Welfare Rights Organization and clarify the link between social injustice and the war effort. The purpose will be to stress the need for new national priorities and to prepare for massive action in May.

The Coalition is assuming wide circulation of the Peace Treaty today March and April and has designated its "Seven Days in May," program for enforcement. This will be a call to action, a call to the campuses on May 1, with students from all over the country gathering in Washington, D.C.

A mass rally, involving no direct action but preparing for the "People's Lobby" on May 2, will provide a chance for those who cannot come to Washington to demonstrate their support.

May 3 and 4 will constitute a "Peoples' Lobby" with those remaining in Washington roaming through the Capitol, State Department, Pentagon, etc., urging government employees to sign the Peace Petition.

May 5 will call for "No Business as Usual" in Washington, demonstrating that the Congress is in session and it has acted (cont'd on page 4, Col. 5).

Writing Campaign
Aids Congressional Bill
by Monique Beaudet
On Thursday, March 4, a group of students and faculty concerned about the Indo-China issue decided to determine what sort of action could be taken to end American support of aggression in Southeast Asia.

It was decided to center activity on the McGovern-Halfteld bill, which is the Vietnam Disengagement Act of 1971. The bill sets a goal of 224,000 U.S. troops by May 1, 1971, and after that date funds authorized and appropriated may be used for the following:

1) To bring about the orderly termination of military operations there and the safe and systematic withdrawal of remaining U.S. troops by August 31, 1971;

2) To insure the release to prisoners of war;

3) To arrange asylum or other means to insure the safety of Vietnamese refugees; or physical protection by American forces. The bill was handled by the Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Pacific Affairs, February 24, 1971.

Information Concerning Off-Campus Housing
For 1971-1972

Juniors and seniors may petition to live off-campus for the year 1971-1972. This petition must be accompanied by written parental approval. The forms are available at Dean Watson's Office (Fanning 210a). They must be completed and returned to Dean Watson no later than Wednesday, April 14, 1971.

Students filing these petitions, and receiving approval, will NOT participate in the on-campus housing procedures this spring. The forms, as outlined above, are necessary to live off-campus next year. It is suggested, therefore, that you secure housing before returning your petition.

Late requests will be subject to the approval of the Off-Campus Housing Committee.

ALL students are reminded that the $150 Reservation Payment is due on April 1, 1971 according to the rule that you plan to be a Day or a Residential student for that year.
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CONTRIVED PLOT MARS "RYAN’S DAUGHTER"

By Lynn Corsey

Ryan’s Daughter is David Lean’s latest attempt to transpose D.H. Lawrence’s story into the medium of film. Though it is noton, so why not again? Need- less to say, however, it doesn’t quite come off. There are moments of excellent photography, contrived symbolism, occasional acting, and a plot as thick as the proverbial Irish stew, the bewildered viewer is per- mitted to leave the theater.

The basic premise of the film is the story of an Irish village and its inhabitants in the years just after World War Two. The heavy voice of the März Ryan (Sarah Miles), a lovely, young woman who has a crush on the local school- teacher, Charles Shaughnessy (Robert Mitchum) and in the true tradition of cinematic love stories, they are married in her father’s pub. The happy couple sets up house-keeping in the schoolhouse and Rosie is quickly bored by their dull existence. It just so happens that all the characters involved are being considered for the job of teaching in the neighboring school. A British hero suffers from shell shock. Their adulterous affair seems to be the story of Rosie’s primrose past, the bewildered viewer can only wish the non-existent future they really needn’t be there at all but since they are, one might as well consider what they do while they are in the movie anyway.

Comic relief is offered by the local village idiot, Michael. Doesn’t every village have its idiot? Who always seems to be on the verge of acciden- tally disclosing poor Rosie’s secret, but in reality he never does. The scriptwriter seemed to be suffering from the clichés of Shakespeare at this point and the character of Michael is not funny, necessary, or even comprehensible.

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Satyagraha Goes Top Secret

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