Office of Community Affairs to Be Abolished?

By Kathy McGlynn

On February 20, President Charles Shain informed Mrs. Thelma Waterman — Director of the Office of Community Affairs — that it appeared that the doors of the Office of Community Affairs would be closed by the end of this academic year. Upon receiving word of this action, varied concerned members of the college community and the outside community decided to indicate their disapproval of this action by holding an open hearing. An ad hoc committee was quickly set up and arrangements were made. On the evening of February 20, a week from yesterday, the opening hearing was held in the upper lounge of Crosier-Williams.

The attendance at the hearing was quite impressive. Well over 200 people came to show their support of the Office of Community Affairs and their respect for Mrs. Thelma Waterman. The assembly was a motley of students, faculty, administrators, and citizens from surrounding communities. Lewis Cornellius and Mrs. Elizabeth Hamilton of the Drop-In Learning Center along with Wayne Gibbons — a student here at Conn — acted as coordinators for the hearing that ensued. All persons invited to air their views for the sake of convenience all speeches were limited to three minutes.

Mrs. Hamilton began by describing the events leading up to the actual hearing. The meeting of President Shain and with President Waterman on the 20th of February; a general meeting called on the 21st by Mrs. Hamilton attended by 45-50 representatives of area social service agencies to discuss the action taken by President Shain and finally the formation of an ad hoc committee made up of black students from Conn to make plans for the hearing. She ended her speech with an emotional charge question — "Will You Allow The Office Of Community Affairs To Be Abolished?"

Wayne Gibbons, followed a discussion of the format for the hearing by Lewis Cornellius proceeded to make a few preliminary remarks. Gibbons proceeded to emphasize the implications of the closing of the Community Affairs office, "we have to face a whole policy of social cutbacks," "today the Office of Community Affairs and tomorrow maybe your social agencies." The first speaker from the floor was Jim Jones of the Model Cities Program. Jones expressed his opinion that the office of Community Affairs was a vital link between the community of New London and the college that had helped break own the "school on the hill" image. He reminded the college of its responsibility to the community and the danger of closing down such an agency as the Office of Community Affairs.

The next speaker following Jones was Mr. Bill Cibes, the Director of the Urban Studies Program, who proceeded to indicate the "academic function" fulfilled by the Office of Community Affairs. The Office serves the function of channeling students from Conn into various community programs related to their fields of interest. Mr. Cibes concluded by pointing out that if the Office was shut down the students of this college would be greatly disadvantaged.

Anita Seibert the Director of SACC, the Spanish-American Cultural Organization, presented the views of community. In her estimation the office functioned as a "light in the dark." It offered a practical means of communication between the community and the college. The shutdown of the agency would only succeed in isolating the student from the community wherein "classroom lectures could be reinforced with active participation in a vehicle of life." Kim Hawley, an Urban Studies major at Conn offered her opinion of the value of the Office of Community Affairs to the students of Conn College. She proceeded to describe her personal experience with the Office and the fact that Waterman had aided her in obtaining a position in a community agency. Miss Hawley indicated that not only was the office of great help to urban studies majors or sociology majors but was "beneficial to anyone who wants to do something for somebody else."

Jay Levin also made a few remarks to the crowd. He offered the comment that "Governor Meskill and the State of Connecticut is never going to deal with the problems of the community." He suggested that the members of the Connecticut College community "should not feel that they should forget the problems of community affairs."

Many other concerned persons spoke out — members of AFRO-AM, as well as heads of various community agencies — and they reiterated the views expressed by the above-mentioned speakers. They indicated the importance of the office and of Mrs. Waterman and criticized the actions taken by the college. In all they urged that President Shain reconsider his decision.

The final speaker of the evening was none other than President Shain himself, who proceeded to reverse his original decision. The President began by quoting the following, "I don’t make many mistakes but when I make them, they’re huge!" He proceeded to outline the reasons for his initial decision. He indicated that the major reason for the decision was the loss of revenues supporting the office that had been derived from

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On irrationality

In the most recent segment of "All in the Family" Archie and Mike argued over their personal summation of an event which had happened in the evening. Previously both interpretations were well distorted by the personal bias of both Archie and Mike—so distorted by irrationality and emotiveness that the viewing audience could not determine what really had happened.

A week ago yesterday this same sort of irrationality and emotiveness pervaded the upper lounge of Crozier-Williams during an open hearing concerning the closure of the Office of Community Affairs. The crowd that gathered there were obviously greatly upset by the action taken by the President of this college. They were justified in their frustration. Community Affairs they felt, had to be very beneficial to the community and to the college suddenly faced extinction. However, their emotionalism was carried too far—to such a degree that issues were distorted. In fact, the open hearing to determine the reasons why the office of Community Affairs should survive became an open field day to launch vituperative attacks against President Charles Shain and the college he represents.

The members of the community of New London who volunteered to express their views in public proceedings to indicate their belief that this college "on the hill" is an independent wealthy corporation well capable of disseminating more capital than it presently does into the area beyond the walls. They further proffered the view that Connecticut College was solely responsible for any isolation that might have previously existed before the office of Community Affairs was opened and that might exist if the office is closed.

In a like manner, the members of Afro-Am, obviously upset over the dismissal of Thelma Waterman, proceeded to denounce President Shain as a covert racist unresponsive to the plight of the black community on this campus. They further proceeded to consider the closing of the office of Community Affairs as an indication of a deep-rooted racism enveloping this campus.

Anyone who was not a member of the black community of Connecticut College or a citizen of the community beyond the walls of this college might have wondered what the purpose of the meeting was. Issues such as the Nixon administration's cut of federal funds supporting such social agencies as the Office of Community Affairs and the projected $144,000 overall budget deficit of this college for this fiscal year were lightly dealt with. The actual value of the agency to the community and to the college in concrete terms was often obscured by the campaign to denounce Conn. College—Charles Shain that ensued.

Although the cause supported by the gathered assembly was a desirable and worthy one, the tactics employed to indicate the support of the agency were unjustified and unnecessary. The participants for the most part were over-reacting and simply venting their anger on the most convenient object available namely Shain. Although at the end of the meeting, President Shain announced the establishment of an Office of Community Affairs and Mrs. Waterman for at least another year, the participants in the hearing should not consider the hearing a victory. It is unfortunate that perhaps in the future some other group with a grievance will use this as a precedent and resort to misdirected attacks to achieve their personal aims.

All the justifiable grievances in the world can only be tayned by an irrationality and emotiveness that only serve to alienate potential supporters and most regretfully of all only succeed in dishonoring the cause itself.

Kane out

Newspapers, as people, are transitional objects and pawns of time. PUNDIT is no exception to this edict of existence. Circumstances, whether controllable or not, have forced PUNDIT to become a subject of fate and to greatly reorganize its structure.

As a result of this organizational revamping, Donald Kane has resigned as editor-in-chief. The request of his resignation is meant to reflect journalistic, not personal feelings of this newspaper towards him.

PUNDIT, as an instrument of consequences is also an instrument of the students. When the above instruments collide, it is the duty of the newspaper as the only student publication of its type to side with the students. In doing so, sacrifices must be made. PUNDIT sacrificed by losing a good writer. Hopefully, it was not in vain.

PUNDIT will continue to strive for excellence and to maintain the principles of accurate and proper journalism.

To the Editor:

In recent weeks, the Admissions Office has made reports to the Development Committee, the Admissions Committee, and to the Board of Trustees, and this seems an appropriate time to report to our entire college community.

Applications from both men and women have increased over the past year, despite a reverse trend in many colleges in the northeast and in other parts of the country. We view this as both a favorable and necessary increase, as there are now more spaces for freshmen in the colleges of this area and at Connecticut College. We are striving to have more choices when admission decisions are announced. To fill next year's class of approximately 450 freshmen, offers will have to be extended to more candidates than last year, so the additional numbers are important. Concurrent with the increase in applicants is a decrease in the number of campus visitors — about 900 more student interviews than last year, a total of 2500.

We look for a balanced freshman class next fall, with approximately an equal number of men and women. Equally important to the academic and social atmosphere at Conn is a diversity of backgrounds, interests, talents and goals. To achieve this, the Admissions Committee must consider more than just College Board scores and class rank, and applicants must apply to both men and women. But, contrary to some recent comments, our male students' profiles are not any different than those of our female students. The median SAT scores of the Class of '76 are: men, 565 M, 580 S; women, 535 M, 565 S. More than 45% of both the men and the women admitted ranked in the top fifth of their high schools.

There are rumors on campus and off that Conn College discriminates against female students. Improved methods of recruiting have improved our "quotas" on them, and is turning down vast numbers of qualified women is not to be considered discrimination. This is absolutely unfounded and incorrect. Offers of admission last year and the year before were extended to the same percentage of women applicants as to men. The yield from men was higher than from women.

Because there are many new chairs in the women's colleges in New England: Williams, Visitation, Vassar, Smith, Bowdoin, Dartmouth, Williams, etc., the competition for highly qualified women candidates is intense. In the past, the number of admissions staff, Conn's decision to become coed was timely, and only because Conn is a "niche" in the market do we have been able to continue to admit freshman classes of the same size and quality as in the past.

PUNDIT recently printed two other misconceptions; the first, that a majority of the men enrolled at Conn were last-minute admits; the second, that Conn is a predominately frathouse school. This faculty, in September, 1969, all "nice" applicants, as the announcement to become coeducational was not made until after the deadline for applications, in January of that year. In the intervening years, we have indeed received some late applications from qualified students, but each year a greater proportion of our male candidates follows the normal application procedure. Last year more than 80% of the admitted men had filed applications before the deadline. Our goal in becoming coeducational was to enroll equal numbers of men and women. Since last year the proportion of men in the college will be approximately 40-45 per cent. It would be consideredConn could no longer be considered predominantly female.

There is a strong feeling of optimism in the Admissions Office regarding our success in becoming coeducational. We are impressed by the increasingly strong interest in applying and entering each year.

 Minority student recruitment comes to be a top priority in the admissions program. Applications from Spanish speaking students have increased this year, and applicants from other minority groups continue to arrive in growing numbers. The staff members are working to achieve a more proportional representation of minority peoples in the student body.
No grade distributions in course guide

By Bernale Zeltich

The student course guide committee has dropped its press for last semester's grade distributions, Pat Whittaker disclosed this week. The co-chairman said the issue had come to be a "sensitive" area and "one the administration's suggestion, we decided not to ask for it.

Last week, College Registrar Robert L. Shyne told FUNDIT that his office would withhold course grade distributions, and that the administrative staff "supported" his view. "I interpret such a release as a violation of the privacy of the faculty concerned," he said.

The Princeton critique, which is said to be the model for the proposed Conni College critique, lists the number of students receiving each letter grade for the previous session of every course.

In discussing her committee's decision, Ms. Whittaker said, "The purpose of the book isn't to point out the easy graders and the hard graders. It's to find out about the course before you sign up for it." She added that it was unfair to judge a professor's grading policy from one grade distribution.

The co-chairman also announced that questionnaires would be distributed to students and faculty shortly after vacation. The student form, she said, "will probably be somewhere under ten questions, which will ask the student to rate different aspects of the course - as far as how it contributed to their learning."

The faculty form will be involved, she said, covering the course's themes and goals, work assignments, reading lists, numbers of tests and papers and grading policy. "If a teacher doesn't want to answer any or all of the questions, it won't be in the book," she said.

Dean of the Faculty Philip H. Jordan Jr. Monday felt that "It supports" his view. "I believe in the educational system and are here to provide a "sensitive" area.

Letters to the Editor continued

We want to express our continued appreciation to all the Conn students and faculty who have been so positive in their representation of Conn to friends and to campus visitors, and hope many of you will have a chance to visit your former high school to talk with students and counselors about Conn during the forthcoming vacation.

Director of Admissions
Jean Hersey

To the editor:

One point of good journalism includes the signature on all letters to the editor. Names may be withheld on request, but this fact must be noted on the end of the letter. The letter beginning "I have come to my attention" ends with no signature nor notation.

Who is C. S. '76 who wrote the letter beginning, "It is really too bad certain candidates...? I suggest C. S. have the courage to sign his/her name.

Laura daCosta '73

TO THE EDITOR:

A public forum was held in Crotzer-Williams on the evening of February 28. The purpose of the forum was two-fold: 1) to demand the continuation the services the Office of Community Affairs and its director Mrs. Thelma Waterman provide, and 2) to help bring "the college on the hill" and the New London community into a systematic mutually beneficial working relationship.

Thanks to the Black Student Union, concerned students and townpeople, and President Shain whose responsiveness to, and care for the community was exhibited in this final decision and acknowledgement of his blunder, the first goal of the forum was attained.

However, the results of the forum's pursuit of the second goal points to TOTAL FAILURE. The blame for this failure rests squarely on the shoulders of the moderators of the discussion. The rudeness and antagonistic behavior displayed by Mr. Cornelius in particular was not only directly insulting to President Shain and Student Government President Jay Levin, but was alienating to a large section of the forum who came to support both purposes of that forum.

The moderator acted irresponsibly and to the detriment of community-college relations. If we are really to make some progress in this area both parties must trust the other. Antagonism and bitchery are completely out of place. Now is the time for hard honest work - and it is a job for all of us.

To the Editor:

Art Ferrari's half-baked sociological analysis of the trend toward pornography in America today ("Reflecting on Deep Throat") was saved from being a shallow, cheap tract by Mr. Ferrari's support of pornography in upper middle-class American society.

The willingness to publicly declare that one is a sexual creature does not find its normal or inevitable expression in pornography. Sexuality is the kind of filth that the preceding generations supposed just plain sex to be.

This country has failed to make a mature transition between a Victorian pathological repression of normal human sexuality and hard core pornography. If pornography is the first phase of an intellectual, adult attitude toward sex, then America is going about their liberation the wrong way. People say they want to publicize the naturalness, the beauty, the sacred humaness of sex, but instead, they produce endless displays of perverted sexual molestations, chronicles of mutually adjusted sexual deviation, and downright cruel and inhuman exploitation.

It may be said that current pornography is a natural reaction of a generation of individuals who have been so warped by the past 'norms' regulating sexual behavior they are simply incapable of a sensitive, responsible adjustment to more natural sexual expression. That may be true, but the middle-aged generation's sexual neurases are not going to help the next generations to a healthier approach to sexuality if they are fed nothing but pornography.

Ferrari states that "the demand is there!" for pornography. If the demand is not due to this extremist reaction against the puritan ethic that I mentioned, then it is an artificial demand created by those responsible for the mass media communications. There is no tangible need for forms of expression such as "Last Tango in Paris." People are being brainwashed by the members of this decadent capitalist system that have worked themselves so far beyond the level of healthy, necessary labor and occupation that they must now turn to the destruction of one of the most beautiful, intensely personal aspects of human life in order to fill their alienated, denying existences.

Ferrari claims that middle-class people adapting to their boring bureaucratic jobs and new affluence looking for diversion necessarily and automatically crave pornography. In the Renaissance did the affluent intelligentsia with increased leisure time on their hands turn to the abuse of natural human functions? No. They turned their energies to the edification of society by contributing to the arts and sciences. What is the matter with the adults in this country that they feel they must fill their void in their lives by spending time, money and intelligence on things such as "Deep Throat?"

Unfortunately, they are for the most part ignorant that it is the capitalist system that has determined the abuse of its workers and directed them toward the more baser pursuits. I say that Ferrari's excuses for the immature and depraved interpretation of sex in America today are poor excuses indeed. The bored bureaucrat should devote his energies toward either 1) fostering more healthier forms of sexual expression, or 2) increasing his capacity, to 2) artistic and intellectual creativity, or 3) the furthering of revolution in a society that is, contrary to Ferrari's opinion, very definitely "falling apart."

Sincerely, Nina M. George (76)

Jr. internship program put to test

Spring semester vacation for 19 juniors at Connecticut College will be used to test a new work experience program that has been inaugurated this year by the Connecticut College Alumni Association and the Officer of Career Counseling and Placement.

Through the Junior Career Internship Program, 17 women and two men will be placed for one or two weeks in career fields of their choice in Boston, Hartford, New York, or Washington, D.C.

Newly appointed Secretary
Pat Whittaker

Parliamentarian
Warren Erikson

Letters to the Editor continued

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Rheingold

Sunday, February 9th, at Harkness Chapel, the Madrigal Group, under the direction of Paul Althouse gave a concert of religious choral music.

The program started with "Missa Ich Stand an Einem Morgen," by Jacobus Gallus, alias Händel (1685-1781). It was a good opener and had the effect of putting the listener in a mood of expectation. The choir seemed somewhat hesitant in the Kyrie, but the Gloria was well executed.

"Rejoice in the Lamb" by Benjamin Britten, was the most modern work on the program, and in many ways the most exciting. Its rapid tempo and changing meter made it difficult to perform. For the most part the performance was excellent. Featured were soprano, alto, tenor, and bass solos. All were good but nothing to rave about.

The most memorable aspects of the piece were the sections which employed the full chorus, and of course John Anthony's organ playing which is always excellent. He was also excellent in the Bach piece which followed on harpsichord.

The most impressive aspect of the Cantata 78 "Jesu der du meine Seele" by Bach, was the combination of a small orchestra with the choir. While the orchestra was somewhat too quiet in the strings, its inclusion in the program was refreshing and should be continued in the future.

The weakest part of this piece seemed to be the soloists who, taken collectively did not measure up to the whole. The duet was nice but it seemed sad that the Alto should be so sad. The background of the Alto was not. The tenor and Bass soloists each sang a recitative and an aria. In each case the sustained long phrases which required excellent breath control which the bass did not have. Following these solos we were treated to an all too short closing employing the full chorus and orchestra.

Looking back on the concert as a whole, I have two complaints. I found the moving around between each piece distracting and unsettling. I realize that the order of the program was designed to produce a certain effect, but it seems that whatever effect might have been gained was destroyed by the motion between each piece. It would have been better, it seems, to arrange the program so that there is an easy settling motion as possible.

I was also somewhat disappointed by the heavy emphasis on solo material. I was glad to see the Britten because it was contemporary. The solo passages were not out of balance with the rest of the piece, and in an age when we are bombarded with the past, it is good to hear music of our present. Of all the material at Bach, why one which is so heavily weighted on the soloist's side? It must surely have been a bore for the chorus.

It seems sad that there were many empty seats for even if the musical quality isn't the same as the Mormon Tabernacle Choir, or the Philadelphia Philharmonic which we here on the plastic disk, the very fact that it is live and being created adds an element of excitement which is hard to achieve, even in the best recording.

No Place To Be Somebody premiers

Tonight, Thursday, March 9, the Afro-Am Society and the College Theater Group will sponsor Charles Gordon's 1970 Pulitzer Prize play No Place To Be Somebody. The play, presented at Palmer Aud. at 8:00 p.m. will be performed by members of the original Broadway cast.

Call the Palmer Box Office today between 9:00 and 4:00 to reserve tickets, or stop in at Crofoot between 11:30 and 1:00. Tickets are $3.00, $2.50 and $2.00, and there is a student discount.

The Afro-Am Society has worked very hard to bring this production to Conn. A play with a Broadway cast is an impressive presentation on a college campus. It should be well worth seeing. So, buy a ticket today.

Strings symphonically resound

By Jane Ingram

A pleasant evening of music was presented last Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock by violinists Lynn LeLoup and Naomi Stein and assisted by pianists Lisa Goodman, Julia Crofoot and Mindy Fink. The event, sponsored by the Department of Music, drew an enthusiastic audience, which, about half filled Great Hall.

The recital proceeded without interruption through works by Telemann, Grieg, J.S. Bach, Beethoven, and Martinu.

Miss LeLoup, Miss Stein and Miss Goodman performed the Sonatas No. 4 in F Major by Georg Philipp Telemann, 1681-1767, a noted and prolific German composer and the Trio Sonata in C Major by Johann Sebastian Bach, 1685-1750, who needs no introduction. The Telemann Sonata was written in a lighter mood, characteristic of Telemann, was performed well and was a good opening selection for the recital.

The first movement, the Sonata No. 1, Op. 8 in F Major by Edvard Hagerup Grieg, 1843-1907, a Norwegian composer, is not his greatest, exciting violin and piano sonata, but it is a major work and can be performed with great breadth. Miss Stein and Miss Fink played the first movement and gave it a solid reading.

The first movement of the Sonata No. 5 (Spring) by Ludwig Van Beethoven, 1770-1827, we performed by Miss LeLoup and Miss Crofoot. Aptly named, this sonata flows along in a sunny and carefree manner and is shadowed by few dark passages. The Allegro was performed most joyfully.

The recital closed with the last movement of Sonatine by Bohuslav Martinu, b. 1890, Czech composer, is not his best, exciting violin and piano sonata, but it is a major work and can be performed with great breadth. Miss Stein and Miss Crofoot. This lively, rhythmic movement in a style reminiscent of Bartok was well executed.

Those who attended the recital were no doubt well pleased with what they heard. Participation in student recitals provides excellent experiences for both the performer and the audience. As the department of music continues to increase in size, we can expect more and more of these fine events.

New Haven Spring Dance Festival

The New Haven Dance Festival will present a Spring Festival of Dance this month. The first performance will be the Dan Wagoner Dancers, who will give their concert at the New Haven Jewish Community Center, 116 Chapel Street on Saturday, March 10 at 8:00 p.m. Two other performances will be presented by Indrani: Classical Dance of India, and the New Haven Dance Ensemble. The time and place will be announced shortly.

Tickets for each concert will be $3.00 and student rush tickets will be available until fifteen minutes before curtain time for $2.00. To reserve tickets, please call 77-5950.

Welcome Home Pooh

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Campus column

In an interview last Friday with Mr. Cibes of the government department, he expressed his thoughts about the Wednesday night meeting of the fete of the Office of Community Affairs. He also spoke of the consequences that any decision would have on the college's Urban Studies Program. At the meeting itself, Mr. Cibes had spoken on behalf of those who wanted Ms. Thelma Waterman to stay as the head of the organization.

As for his general reaction to the resolution of the meeting, he said, "I am very happy that the Office of Community Affairs will be able to continue." He commented on Ms. Waterman's dynamic effort to establish constructive contacts with various city agencies, such as the Youth Service Bureau and the Spanish-American Cultural Forum. In order for such contacts to survive, however, Mr. Cibes stressed the necessity for a local fund to be established to keep the program on an even keel. In the meantime, he stated that the students will have to carry on the work of strengthening ties between the college and the community organization leaders.

Richard Kirkpatrick was present to present the decision to the editorial board of the PUNDIT. The new Student Government officers were introduced to the council. These officers are Laurie Lesser, President; Michael Lederman, Board Chairman, and Rich Leichtenstein, Vice President who was unable to attend.

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.
Ruth Antell
Secretary

Ramiinations of RAM

By Cynthia Zahorulko

Detect a new political party on campus perhaps somewhat reminiscent of the mood of the political excitement of the sixties in the United States? Or, as organizers of RAM wish to point out, the only political emulation on campus? If you've been reading the posters that have been placed around, you've surely come across the slogan, "STRIKE OUT AT INDIFFERENCES." This is a small but important fraction of an indication of what RAM, the Radical Alternatives Movement, hopes to accomplish as it pushes forward the realm of MARS Hall.

Sounds almost like a football team, doesn't it? RAM... Don't let that detour you. About as closely as RAM resembles a football team is in its quick decisive actions and well-planned out strategy. RAM is not game in violence. Rather it is an attempt to put Connecticut College back into the political mainstream by reinitiating a political consciousness and by educating CC students about the "collective apolitical apathy" and presenting them with a radical alternative viewpoint toward presently proposed policies. As three of the organizers of RAM, an outspoken Jason Frank, an ally of Richard Tovian, and a spirited Bruce Hoffman believe, that is a serious trend on this campus toward conservativeness but towards an altogether apolitical attitude.

Frank, Tovian, and Hoffman, as true co-chairmen of a group advocating views, practices, and policies of extreme change, hope to present an organization that aims to "politicize the campus" They wish to act as a "troublemaker group with a majority" and hope to be "sensitive to all problems on campus and they are willing to go out of their way to prove that the college is not a place to ignore other than the established ways to change. Yes, they are willing to take on the role of a "troublemaker" and to act as a "troublemaker group with a majority." As Jason Frank commented, "There is more to radicalism than the Vietnam War."

Included in their policies is an attempt to present an alternative to the existing proposed budget. Also, they wish to further rafa and change the current academic moving toward more independent study, a work-study program, and more pass-fail classes. They also wish to wake up people on this campus eventually moving into a community sphere by educating them in the realization that there is a radical alternative. Sometimes in their attempt to realize this, RAM hopes to initiate a radical forum bringing in speakers with radical opinions on controversial topics at a national or international level to ignite people to see the radical scene of things.

When asked what they would compare their party to on the American or International Political scene, all three simultaneously retorted that there could be no comparisons.

RAM is a new, unique party. All they could say, with any kind of comparison in mind, was that RAM is trying to consolidate some power towards a coalition of the left, and therefore they believe they can't agree with any existing ideologies. All other such organizations like SDS, the Progressive Labor Party, and the Socialist party have all failed. This party does not plan to fail, and therefore dislikes comparisons. At best, if there could be a such a thing, RAM could be described as an "ideology of the left."

Frank, Tovian, and Hoffman all believe that working within the system would be fine too, they plan to see if they can seat themselves from RAM on all academic committees; and if a good policy exists, they will undoubtedly support it. As of now, however, because they believe working within the system doesn't always work and that there are no "good" policies, RAM exists to present the alternatives.

Secondary to "politicizing" the campus is RAM's desire to gain support for their party amid apathy. Numerous faculty members have already shown interest in the beliefs that RAM have put forth, and if they are willing to be members they are at least willing to lend them their support. The three organizers of RAM have stated they need at least 2 per cent of the campus population to make RAM a political entity of any influence at all. Can RAM succeed in becoming a viable, political party amid what they believe to be "collective apolitical apathy"? If not, perhaps it is because what they believe is true; and if not, perhaps then RAM will lead to new organizations or to a more revealing activism on the part of competing parties to prove the organizers of RAM that Connecticut College is more politically aware and alive than they seem to want to believe.
This is to publicly state to the students of Connecticut College my resignation as Editor-in-Chief of PUNDIT, effective March 1, 1973. It has been both my pleasure and disillusionment to serve as a Student Officer since December last, with neither attribute held in ascendency; I am uncertain, on the whole, of how to account the last ten weeks; without doubt, they have been an educational experience.

My reasons for shucking this burden of twenty to forty hours work each week can be adequately summed in one ugly word: censorship.

Oh! not the kind of blatant repression where the government locks the doors of the printers or picks up the pen in his stead but rather the clandestine and chimerical activities of an invidious, conscious elite and its inveiglement or emasculation. Its cadres comfortably ensconced in Fanning Hall and jealous of any autonomy was violated without its being confused as an ideal assumption: that the free press is the most effective confidence of its citizens. The powers to lift.

This cabal, for the most part, is comfortably ensconced in Fanning Hall and jealous of any autonomy was violated without its being confused with the latter.

My appointment was opposed at the outset; the operating assumption was that I was the Editor-designate, and a challenge to the delegation of power within PUNDIT was initiated.

It was claimed that the Editor had too much authority and that this was anti-democratic and incidentally, since I was to become the new Editor, not in the best interests of the student body. This arrangement was in the best interests of the student body for thirty-five years, or why the democratic structure of other clubs or classes was not examined is a rhetorical question.

At the start of this semester PUNDIT was called before College Council a third time in virtually as many school weeks, and in effect, told to disclose its format, printing schedule, and number of pages per issue—all under the guise of potential violation of constitutional and inappropriate earmarking of funds.

With so fine a record, could I not next expect my academic history or my social and personal affairs to be brought to public attention, and then used as fuel to further impede the activities of any paper? By this line of reasoning I was already difficult for me to say anything as a private student without being confused as a newspaper position and visa-versa; this situation was intolerable.

I leave with some good cheer, though, I have the self-satisfaction of knowing that in five issues I have advanced the paper some five years, that projects and trends that I personally fought to initiate will carry on without my darkened banner in the lead, and that I have at least made it a little more difficult for the paper to slip so far back into the self-serving, rigid, milk-toast style which predominated to many years of its operation.

My thoughts about the personnel currently making up the Editorial Board are somewhat less lucid at this time so close to detachment. Many of the members are plainly too conservative, and I told them and others just that. Some are excellent or promising in their field, but far too parochial in concern for the general nature of the paper. I never hid that feeling, either: A couple or more are just plain ambitious, and that never had to be premeditated because it was obvious.

Any leader that is too far out of step with his constituency—in this case ideologically left and innovative—will not long survive. My only regrets and apologies to the student community are that I acquired to a gradual change in PUNDIT rather than insisting on a fresh, thoroughly creative start; that I was not more lucid in my intentions and reined toward my detractors; and that personally and journalistically I failed to enlighten the students to the truth about this college community as I perceived it.

I’m not sure I’m the very same idealist who shouldered the responsibility of PUNDIT in December; I’m certainly not the same journalist. I’m tired of fighting illiberal monsters, and suddenly, my “self-righteous sword” has become too heavy to lift. These free minutes are contemplative ones: time to lick the sores of battle and, perhaps, plan anew.

The Class of 1975 requires an active stewardship and the cause of justice, in an institutional framework on campus, must forever be served. My hand will not soon be lifted again to write for PUNDIT, but used rather to catch up and be reacquainted with friends whose absence I’ve sorely felt.

I expect that the reception for this statement will range from derisive or reinterpretations of facts as I’ve seen them, declarations that this exercise was self-serving, and, of course, “Good Riddance!” I am very sorry that I could not wade through the politics, chauvinism, personality conflicts, and illusionary panic to finish the task I began.

I wish PUNDIT the best of luck and my only caution to its guardians is to keep a steadfast watch against censorship. Thomas Jefferson said, “Wers it left to me to decide whether we should have government, I should not hesitate a moment to prefer the latter.”

And to those multi-headed monsters of my paranoia, I promise you further battle as I look for a rock worthy enough to crush you, yet within my modest powers to lift.
I. By Rebecca Rosenbaum

1973 and there is no perfect means of birth control. Approxi-
ately 10 million women use the pill (according to the
Montreal Birth Control Handbook). Each academic year about
200 women here at Connecticut are new users through the
infirmary. The pill is effective but then again, with no cer-
tain possibility of death... only one-fifteenth of the
women are now in a chronic state of depression. That
depression might not be physically found. One
Harvard medical school doctor believed the pill's risks with
the not atypical male attitude: "Well, I might get
headaches, they will get headaches." (p. 41, "Our Bodies,
Our Selves")

II. By Andi Schecter

Women are met by a great number of regulations and
discrimination due to her sex. In
New Jersey and Massachusetts have
no women who will die in 1970 from
the blood clotting caused by the
pill. (p. 40, "Our Bodies, Our
Selves")

III. Handicapped and profit-oriented.

The birth control pill has been called "a revolution in
feminism" because it is "the first drug to weaken male society's control
over women. Women with control over their bodies are in a better
position to demand and obtain control over, their own bodies." (p. 26, Montreal B.C.
Handbook). But does the pill really give women control over their
bodies?

Drug companies (along with most of our economy) are male-
dominated and profit-oriented. The information which is disclose
bluntly is bound to be scant. Much of the information which
is not available from companies. Through the Senate
hearings in 1963, "it was learned that the entire basis for the
FDA's decision on Enovid and the pill, was data collected on
132 women who had been taking the pill for only one to three
years. It has been estimated that 132 is fewer than the number of
women who die in 1970 from the blood clotting caused by the
pill." (p. 40, "Our Bodies, Our
Selves")

20 per cent of all doctors are male. Doctors are notoriously
conservative; they supported the "right to life" amendment 41.5 per
cent of all gynecologists are male. Dr. Robert Gould,
associate director of psychiatry at NYU-Bellevue psychiatric
institutions (NYU-Bellevue and director of adolescent
psychiatry at NYU-Bellevue Medical Center (and a man)

remembers his medical school
training, along with the realization that "over the next
few years it became fairly clear that the mostastic and sexist
attitudes of all doctors were gynecologists.

They were also the ones who told the most "dirty jokes." (p. 27,
"Our Bodies, Our Selves")

Any lay person who attempts to have an abortion by
their body, examined or repaired by any kind of
doctor, or who has part of
their house or car checked out by
untrained or untrained, or
mechanic, can easily conclude that it's an asset
to arrive informed. When the
problem is gynecological, the
absence of the individual's real
control over the situation seems
especially obvious. Women
are making the angry realization that they are literally and
figuratively in the hands of the
(mostly male) doctors. It's nice if
the male in a heterosexual
relationship, or the man in a
relationship with the
woman's male partners are all
vasectomized—chances are
that's his problem.

III. Self-control

One encouraging instance of advance in feminism and in
general layperson paramedical
knowledge is the concept of obstetrician.
self help clinic. Lorraine Roth-
man and Carol Downer, from the
Los Angeles Feminist Women's
Health Center, toured the entire
last year in order to demonstrate
self examination and to en-
courage women to set up clinics.

Self examination involves the insertion of a plastic speculum
supported by the ring of a
miracle, one's own cervix can be observed. The
idea is not to eliminate medical care entirely, but through self
examination early pregnancy and other problems can be detected. If a woman
not only the happy in its normal health state, an abnormal
condition can be readily recognized.

The two women have also been demonstrating and practicing on
themselves—the process of endometrial aspiration.

A syringe is connected to a four
millimeter pipe that, while in
the cervix; suction removes blood at the start of one's period. Possible
hazards include: perforation of the cervix, which can cause death; and
infection.

Endometrial aspiration is effective in inducing men-
struation when performed on a
woman whose period is up to ten
days late. It is believed to be considered an early and inex-
pensive form of abortion. (It costs $50 per minute.) If it is considered
abortive, the process becomes subject to abortion regulations and
the state's approval.

The Eastern Women's Center, 16 E 80 St. NYC (212-832-0035) is

by Andi Schecter

A woman in the state of Connecticut
faces an amazing amount of legal and illegal
discrimination due to her sex. In
employment, public housing and
finance, women are met by a
great number of regulations and
discrimination against them.

As a part of research which I
did for the Connecticut Civil
Liberties Union this past summer
and fall, I discovered that some
discrimination is directly con-
tradictory to federal law. At-
itudes of the state General
Assembly and a lack of lobbying
for women's rights may have had a
great deal to do with the situation. For example, the 1972
General Assembly voted not to
ratify the proposed Federal
Equal Rights Amendment, becoming the second state to do
so. (To date, 33 states have voted
to ratify, 5 against.) Of the 18
female members of the House of Representatives, 10 voted against
ratification.

This attitude is also seen in
temporary local housing and
accommodations. The present law forbids racial discrimination in public
accommodations but not in
housing, restaurants or hotels yet
does not forbid discrimination due to sex. New York, New
Jersey and Massachusetts all voted to include sex as a
category of forbidden
discrimination in their public
accommodations statutes. As an
example of legislative attitudes,
last year's General Assembly
continued to bar women from

Women's rights and the law

by Rebecca Rosenbaum

The major women's rights issues facing the state are in
various stages at this point. According to at least one ad-
vocate of the E.R.A., William
Olds, Executive Director of the
Connecticut E.R.A. Foundation,
that the amendment will be ratified in
the state this time. Ratification by a total of 38 states
will guarantee the E.R.A. and
tackle women's rights, to
state the dilemma. A challenge by Women vs.
Connecticut, a New Haven based
group, last year brought a
decision by three judge federal
Court that the state's anti-abortion
law was constitutional. The
court then enacted by the state legislature
altered nothing, except to add a preface relating
to their concern for the
health and well-being of the mother.
This measure was strongly supported by
eanguage. One justice, Judge
Peck, who is vehemently op-
posed to abortion, termed it
"maddening." The law was
challenged as well, and is now up
before the United States Supreme
Court. The recent Supreme Court
decision does not ban abortion, but
will have an effect on Connecticut, much to the
distress of Governor Mehlis.
According to reports concerning
the decision, no state will be
permitted to legislate anti-abortion
laws, (the state retirement act is
strongly discriminatory against
men, requiring longer years of
service to be eligible for the same
benefits as the state female
employees), and a number of
other important issues: credit,
which is difficult for low
women, especially divorced
widowed, to obtain, 
marriage laws, and
widowed and leaving for
leaves of absence, fairness in
alimony, child support and
custody and military service. As
 noe
the issue is not yet
exists, the issue is not
women will be
"drafted?"
"is the right of
women to be accepted as
volunteers in the armed forces
under the same requirements
as men?" The E.R.A. has support
from state groups including the
CCLU, Common Cause,
Connecticut Citizens' Action
Group, the UAW, Connecticut Women's
Parent Caucus and, of course,

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one place where endometrial aspiration is now offered. Dr. Edward Stiwnun (212-298-071 or 212-969-5325), a gynecologist on the staff of Albert Einstein Medical College, performs and has researched the procedure.

Dr. Hall, here at the infirmary, was unfamiliar with endometrial aspiration and self-help clinics. She was impressed by the possibility of individual mail-in pamphlets. Her attitude towards abortion and medical care in general is that an individual should work through a professional or an organization. Therefore, in interview she did not wish to disclose the places to which Connecticut College women are referred for abortions. The concern of a doctor that a patient make decisions based on the doctor's advice is understandable. The problem of a layperson who wishes to assume responsibility and make decisions with open eyes is also understandable. This article does not attempt to present a solution, but to bring some information to the surface and to ask questions.

About 25 Connecticut women per year are referred to abortion clinics or to hospitals through the infirmary. The specific place is dependent upon the individual, the duration of her pregnancy, and her financial situation. If the pregnancy is under ten weeks the woman is sent to a free standing clinic which operates on an outpatient basis and costs $100 to $150. Pregnancies over 12 weeks necessitate a hospital and $350 to $400. All referrals are to New York.

Dr. Hall tries to get feedback from students who have had infirmary referred abortions. She encourages the women to spend the night in the infirmary after the abortion and to come in for a post abortion checkup. Although she recommends that students come to the infirmary for abortion referral, Dr. Hall suggests that women who must seek their own place for abortion check for adequate lab facilities (including blood, urine, and rh tests), and board certified gynecologists. Free standing clinics should have hospital affiliations in case of emergency. Dr. Hall's personal reaction to advertised abortion clinics is negative; she feels that advertising is unethical and would not pursue an advertised clinic. When asked how one could reconcile advertising with informing the public, Dr. Hall restated her belief that an individual obtain personal advice through a professional or an organization.

Type of treatment is difficult to check for except by word of mouth. One woman, for example, was subjected to the unnecessary negative experience of con-
Women's History Taught

By Diane Pike

In keeping with the fascinating and long overdue interest in women's rights now popularizing many circles of American society, Connecticut College offered for the first time this semester, a course in women's history. Women in Industrial Europe, is being taught by Ms. Ross and Ms. Thomases. The course deals with changes in women and their roles since 1789. Despite the title, the course also covers some aspects of American women's history.

The format of the course is interesting and new. Due to the nature of the subject, there is no textbook available, so the reading list includes many primary sources and articles. The readings include The Female Eunuch by Germaine Greer, A Vindication of the Rights of Woman, written in the late 1700's by Mary Wollstonecraft, On the Subjection of Women by John Stuart Mill, and Women Under Socialism by August Bebel which was published in 1883.

Ms. Ross and Ms. Thomases are both feminists and feel that the course offers another way of viewing oneself and one's concept of women in society. There is new, interesting, and serious work being done in the field of women's history, which both instructors feel is important.

Out of the class of thirty students, three are male. In addition to the readings and discussions, the students will be doing group projects. This technique illustrates the fact that class work can be done in ways other than the traditional, individual, competitive manner.

In general, the students are pleased with the course. As one student put it, for her the course continues, and Connecticut College will see more courses like this one.

Liberation Crossword

By Jeelle Desloovere and Amy Zehnder

Across

1. Author of On the Subjection of Women
5. Erikson's theory of inner — —
10. Elizabeth Cady — —
15. The test of a true princess
17. "I'm too — —
18. Tenth President of the United States
19. "It's — — story."
20. Spread
21. Soup (sp.)
22. Baby, it's — —
23. Feminist author of A Vindication of the Rights of Women
28. Direction
29. Exclusive men's club
30. Symbol for Tellurium
31. An emancipated woman
33. Kind of mate
35. Kind of mate
38. Swerve
39. Symbol for Tellurium
40. Diminish
41. Prominent feminist
42. Prefix with more
43. Needles and — —
44. Pen name
45. — — Maria
46. 42-acre's first name
47. Statement of belief
48. Treehouse
49. Order to a secretary
50. One of the family
51. Musical note
52. Herself (Latin)
53. Lord's wife
54. Wife of the former prime minister of Israel, 1963-1969
55. To an egg
56. Mental capacity (abb.)
57. Sex
58. Wife of the former
59. Almost (abb.)
60. Prefix with more
61. Connect (Abb.)
62. Child development (Abb.)
63. Ireland
64. Lord's wife
65. Female (Abb.)
66. Body
67. Prince of Shakespeare
68. Biblical brother
69. United Arab Republic (Abb.)
70. Wife of the former
71. "Left in the lurch in the — — of the church."
72. Fjord
73. Where WCNI hopes to go.
74. Biblical brother
75. Where WCNI hopes to go.

Down

1. Southern Mrs.
2. Herself (Latin)
3. King of Shakespeare
4. Lord's wife
5. Bend
6. Oral contraceptive
7. One of the family
8. A cycladic island
9. Corn. — — (Abb.)
10. Lucy — — she married but kept her own name.
11. Order to a secretary
12. Atlas
13. Compass direction
14. "Little, you might like it."
15. Eunuchs
16. Eunuchs
17. Conjuction
18. Almost always
19. Sausage
20. Lisomne
21. Answer requested (Abb.)
22. Ye — shoppe
23. Associations
24. Heading towards rising sun
25. Bright
26. Nautical term
27. Traditional exclamaion upon seeing a moose
28. Ireland
29. Young frog
30. Era
31. Body
32. Chase by Apollo, she turned into a laurel
33. Roman numeral "60."
34. Wooded
35. Level
36. Blow up
37. Loosely, anything evoking masculinity
38. Movement to create a feminine Stilacross
39. 1858
40. Kind of paint
41. Child development (Abb.)
42. Southeast (Abb.)
43. Recede
44. Boring
45. Spanish article
46. Exclusive
47. Falls Declaration
48. Chauvinist pig.
49. Body
50. Roman numeral "60."
51. Bend
52. Lord's wife
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Mrs. Levi Eshkol
wife of the former prime minister of Israel, 1963-1969
will speak on campus March 29
Time and place to be announced.
The Connecticut Department of Transportation developed a Master Traffic Plan recommending suggested and alternate by-pass routes in New London and Waterford in order to avoid traffic congestion and delays resulting from roadway construction. This plan also includes redevelopment construction activities presently being undertaken in the Central Business District.

It is the Department's intent to direct motorists destined to points north and south on Interstate Route 95 to more suitable access points. At the present time, construction activities in the Hodges Square area have and will continue to produce traffic congestion and delays. The implementation of the Williams Street detour will also add to congestion and delays, particularly during the peak hours. With the reassignment of I-95 traffic from the Hodges Square interchange to other immediate access points such as Briggs Street, Vauxhall Street and the Route 95 interchange, it should improve overall traffic conditions in the Hodges Square area, especially for local and cross-town trips. However, suggested and alternate by-pass routes including a hospital route are also available to circumvent possible local congestion and delays along Route 32 (Williams Street), the primary north-south route. Various signs and pavement markings will be installed to guide motorists along these routes.

The Department of Transportation is coordinating its activities with city officials, the Southeastern Chamber of Commerce and all concerned parties.
Campus column

By Bill Levin

At the present time, with the financial position of Connecticut College appearing to be somewhat precarious, it is vitally important to eliminate any unnecessary overhead expenses, and still not lower the school's standards (that is, not impairing upon the quality of our education).

With these conditions in mind, I would like to propose a careful examination of the "bell system" presently in use as the communication network of the school. To begin with, the importance of an effective, practical, and relatively cheap communication network cannot be overestimated. The function and significance (as commonly held) of communication in our modern world do not have to be elaborated or explained. Connecticut College, as in the case of any flourishing community, definitely needs communication to thrive. Yet our present system of communication (via telephone) does not seem to be particularly effective, nor is it economically sound.

Each of the twenty-one dorms on campus (with the possible exception of the co-operative housing) has students monitoring its bells for six hours each Friday, Saturday and Sunday, during the week, by use of the bell system. The students are paid $1.25 per hour—usually in three-hour shifts—and earn this with the understanding that they are doing their homework, talking with friends, possibly playing ping-pong or listening to music, and possibly answering several phone calls. This is the average night, not the busy one.

As one of the students thus earning upwards of $22 each month, I should be the last to question the wisdom of this arrangement. Even though the school needs all the funds that it can get for more important things, like keeping the student-faculty ratio at a constant low number! But by comparing the total amount of needed money spent under this system (hours X pay per hour X number of dorms), it becomes clear that the school is spending $700 each weekend to pay for our telephone system, and if school is in session for a minimum of twenty-five weeks each year, then the amazing sum of almost $18,000 is being spent, without even accounting for any repair bills or the cost of the outside line to each dorm. Is this cheap?

Despite this high cost, there is much evidence to confirm the ineffectiveness of the system. With the exception of the eighteen hours each week which are adequately covering phone calls, the remaining 150 hours in the week are allegedly manned by students in their respective dorms, under the guidance of the house residence chairman, who is responsible for informing the students in his [her?] dorm to answer the bells one hour or possibly more each week. Even so, the telephone is generally unheard from the wee hours of the night until the first of the night. Unfortunately, in many dorms, it is almost impossible to contact anyone in that dorm at any hour, unless by fluke someone happens to be walking by the phone when it rings. This fact is caused by a lack of the proper number of students to fulfill their bell duties. The residence chairman is not responsible for coercing anyone to assume this bell duty. Many individuals have chosen not to "serve" at the bell desk ever, and they hope that some "sucker" will do his bells and thus take off the burden of speaking phone calls and messages. However, if some students refuse to do bells, it usually happens that many, if not all, of the other students, seeing that their peers are not being inconvenienced by any bell duty, quite likely will not do their bells either. Even if a few students continue to do bell duty, these select few cannot possibly receive any calls or messages during the times when others are not doing bells.

As a result of the argument that students who do not do their bell duty must suffer the consequences, it is obvious that those students who do their bells must also suffer from the neglect of the other people. There must be an answer. At present, many important phone calls are never received, because no one answered the phone. Multiple important calls are received too late to be of any use, and when this happens to YOU, you realize the importance of an effective communication network.

Often important messages for people who are not in their rooms are not received by these individuals, since they are never written down. The person answering the phone must really not bother trying to locate a pencil, since he is not on bell duty and it's not his responsibility. Most Conn. students know the frustration of trying to reach a friend or relative who is not answering or reaching them, as the phone just kept ringing or the message was too involved in order to be done in the present ineffective system.

Many solutions and alternative communication systems present themselves to my mind, but it is not possible to disclose these here, as the feasibility and cost of such solutions is something which I vow not to investigate. If people are interested, these plans could be investigated and described.

The main point is that the present bell system does not seem to be the best possible way, and it must be carefully examined. Each student (those who care) should try to find a feasible and effective way to do the bell system, and let the rest of us sufferers know about it. The effort will be worth the reward, both in terms of record keeping and expense will have been eliminated.

For Sale: Standard receiver 15w and 15w rms, AM and FM Stereo-lyser old cost $200 asking $75 or Box and tape recorder. Sono-sound with sand, built-in amp and speakers-heavy $40 Contact George Thomas, Box 1725, JA.

Women's rights

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I am grateful to the CCLU for providing most of the above information. Those interested in keeping up with the flow of information may join the CCLU, at $5 per year. Currently student membership is $5. The current citizens' lobby of the CCLU urges citizen participation in all areas of civil liberties, and sends out through bulletins on issues coming before the legislature. The monthly paper, CCLU News is also a good source of reporting on women's rights and other civil liberties issues. Another good source of information about women's rights is the recently created newspaper, Alert. Women's Legislative Review which costs $4 per year is located at Box 347, Middletown, 06457. The legislature is facing many issues of concern to supporters of women's rights, and it is good to keep track of recent developments. Writing to state senators and representatives is urged by many E.R.A. proponents, for letters will be referred to me, Andi Schechter, Box 1090, Plant or 447-6197.

Junior Interns

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forms giving their career goals, reasons for applying for the internship, and what they hoped to gain from it. This information was then utilized in the work settings or internships offered by college alumni.

The program is designed to give students some kind of working experience to get them thinking about future career goals and to offer experience in a particular working setting. Alumni have provided the Placement Office with coordinators in each city who have helped to arrange internship experiences based on the students' interests.

Even if the student has a negative experience during his internship experiment, it is still valuable in his teaching experience, the Placement Officer said.
Community Affairs

By Carol Bowman

For all those who were interested, an informal slide presentation and talk on the plans for the new library were given by President Shain last Monday afternoon. Also present but not formally speaking were Mrs. McKenzie, Head Librarian; Mr. John Detmold, Director of Development; and Mr. Leroy Knight, Treasurer. Briefly President Shain summarized the past developments of the Library. Beginning in 1968 the first stage of that of studying the needs of Connecticut College as projected as far as the year 1970. In 1970 Kilham, Beder and Chu were selected designers and in the fall of that very same year they presented the trustees with a detailed study from which three choices could be made. The alternatives were to expand Palmer, to connect Palmer with an additional building or to build a completely new Library of which the latter was chosen. It was felt by the trustees that all the advantages lay with this choice. In any case as the plans stand now, Palmer will be converted into a place of other college use.

The sketches of the new library were on display last semester in the library as well as a detailed copy of the plans in closed reserve. As President Shain explained the various slides it became very apparent that the new library would resemble the library of the Librarian's hands. By Diane Pike

Sweet Spring has sprung

By Katie Paine

It was a typical grey New London day when Connecticut College became Lollipop Land. It was like Christmas, only better because it was a surprise. Imagine the joy of being greeted on the way to a class that you really didn't want to get out of bed for by hundreds of lollipops. Green ones, red ones, purple ones, orange and yellow ones. It was like something out of a fairy tale. It wasn't Tinkerbell, or the Good Witch of the West or even Gandalf of Rivendell, but the Recreation Committee, who performed the magic. In the dead of night Conn's very own elves planted 1600 lollipop seeds and by morning they'd all come up. (I'm wondering if they're annuals or perennials?) At classes throughout the day, serious students with weary faces sat in class with funny white sticks coming out of their mouths. The crinkling of lollipop wrappers resounded in the halls. By lunch only Larrabee green remained covered but here and there behind Branford and in front of Bill Hall a brave lone lollipop stood firmly in the muddy ground. Dear Elves, thank you for filling a gloomy day with magic and sunshine.
Female b-ballers end season with fast pace

By Les Revlock

The last games of the women's basketball season were three of the most exciting, fast-paced and intense contests that Conn women's basketball fans have seen in a long time. The Conn women's basketball team finished their season in style, playing with a high level of intensity and determination. They ended their season with a victory over Western Connecticut State University, winning by a score of 51-43. The game was a hard-fought battle, with the lead changing hands multiple times. The Conn women's basketball team showed great resilience and teamwork throughout the game, ultimately emerging victorious. The Conn women's basketball team had a successful season, and their hard work and dedication paid off in the end. They finished the season with a record of 12-10 and secured their place in the NCAA playoffs. The Conn basketball fans were thrilled to see their team perform so well and look forward to seeing what the future holds for the Conn women's basketball team. They are a talented and skilled group of players who are sure to make a name for themselves in the coming years. The Conn women's basketball team is a shining example of the dedication and hard work that it takes to succeed in sports.

Birth Control

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bleeding, perforation, infection, and expulsion.) After a full term pregnancy, Dr. Hall feels that an IUD can be safely inserted. Dr. Hall does not feel that an annual gynecological examination and pap smear is necessary for women who are on the pill unless the woman is on the pill. She states that there is no apparent correlation between cervical cancer and use of the pill.

Contraceptive clinics are held at the infirmary on Tuesdays at noon; b.c. pill clinics predominate over diaphragm clinics at this time.

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Owen Pragke

The Connecticut Hockey Team finished the regular season with a 3-0 victory over Western Connecticut State University, securing their place in the NCAA playoffs. The team's success in the regular season set them up for a strong performance in the postseason. The Connecticut Hockey Team has been working hard throughout the season, practicing and competing to reach their goals. Their dedication paid off with a win in their last regular season game, giving them the motivation to perform well in the upcoming tournament.

Camels sink Coasties

By Sta Meyers

The Conn Camels defeated the Coasties 80-71 on Saturday, with a strong performance by the Conn team in the final quarter. The Conn Camels took control of the game and ran away with it in the final quarter, scoring 21 points to secure the victory. The Conn Camels showed great teamwork and collaboration throughout the game, with each member of the team playing a crucial role. This victory was a testament to the Conn Camels' hard work and dedication throughout the season.

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Splash in the pond

By STUART MEYERS

The crew team works hard, right? Right. They've been training for countless hours — in the morning and one in the afternoon, and it's still very cold here in the morning.

There is some financial assistance involved (about $100 dollars) but the team is shelling out (no pun intended) for the trip themselves.

All this preparation leads to the spring intercollegiate competition starting Saturday March 3 at Wesleyan against Middletown High School. The schedule then breaks down as follows:

April 7: URI and Williams at U.R.I.
April 14: Davenport Cup for men in Worcester.
April 15: Home race for women vs. Princeton and Wellesley.
April 23: Open men's competition.

Women's competition: MIT and Wesleyan at Middletown.

April 28: Parents Weekend.
University of Buffalo and Clark for men on Thursdays. W.F.J. and Yale for girls.

Mr. Bart Gultong, crew coach extraordinary, offered no divine predictions because the tough schedule's due to the improvement in Conn. Crew performance, but he did smile a bit. Anyone is invited to watch crew practice daily and the bus leaves Crotier-Williams at 3:30 p.m. You can ask them about their fun in the southern sun after vacation.

Conn badminton soar

A Conn College badminton duo, Linda Havens and Janet Lawler, became the state intercollegiate champions March 3 in a tournament held at Mitchell College where over fifty college players participated. In their final match the Conn girls defeated an experienced badminton tandem, Bonnie Marshall and Cory Hull (Central) by a score of 15-8 and 15-10.

Janet Lawler staged her own version of the "marathon" by additionally reaching the semi mixed doubles (with Gene Kumekawa), completing a phenomenal one-day total of eighteen games. Cathy Backus and Kate Spokes, another Conn twosome, narrowly missed a final's berth to missing Hull and Burcaw in the semifinals and last. Cathy won two singles matches before losing to the eventual tournament winner, Bonnie Burcaw.

In a strong men's division Gene Kumekawa won the consolation singles, beating two foes from Central and one from Western enroute to victory. David Diprete, another Conn netter, won two matches before losing to a tough Coast Guard opponent.

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Sporting about

Bowling

Final funeral rites will be held for the intradorm bowling tournament as all league members are found. The victims could not be aroused from what turned out to be a final, fatal coma. The body had been lying in state for an over week, but all efforts to breathe life into the thing were in vain and lifeless, since the victim had too many strikes against him. Who would have thought that a year could have degenerated its vibrant health and tarnished its championship trophy?

Gymnastics

The gymnastics team has performed last Monday at New London High and yesterday at home and details will be forthcoming upon next publication

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Captain Cathy captures gold

By Joan Craffey

The Eastern Championship Collegiate Swim Meet at West Chester State College, West Chester, Pennsylvania proved the outstanding abilities of the Connecticut College Swim Team — particularly of team captain Cathy Menges. In the thrilling 50 backstroke event, Cathy Menges blew through the water to capture the only victory laurel for Connecticut College. Although she qualified fifth in the preliminaries, Cathy triumphed in the finals. With sensationally long reach, Cathy propelled herself in 30.8 seconds to gather the first place gold. The swim team congratulates Cathy for this incredible success.

Cathy also gathered points placing fourth in the 100 backstroke 1:07.2 and ninth in the 200 individual Medley 2:30.8. Both races were her best this season.

Another star performer for the team was Laura Schriesheim. Laura swam her favorite breaststroke and individual Medley events recording her best times this season. In the freestyle leg events, Laura fought strong competition to gain sixth place in the 50 breaststroke 34.5 and twelfth in the 100 breaststroke 1:17.5. She also swam brilliantly in the 100 Individual Medley 1:06.2 placing seventh.

Cathy Platen and Joan Craffey performed well for Conn 100. Cathy swam fast races in the 100 breaststroke 1:12.0 and the 50 breaststroke 37.0 Joan recorded her best times in the 100 breaststroke 1:10.7, the 50 freestyle 27.9, and the 50 breaststroke 22.7. Both Cathy and Joan sprinted will, but failed to make the finals by mere tenths of a second.

With the closing ceremonies of a thrilling swimming competi-tion, the four Connecticut College swimmers amassed 40 points to rank 4th out of 24 participating Collegiate teams of the Eastern States. The final standings were West Chester 222, Princeton, 233; Clarion, 217; Penn State, 167; Bucknell, 146; Strassburg, 133; Slippery Rock, 124; Glassbough, 121; Southern State, 113; University of Delaware, 88; Radcliff, 87; Montclair, 87; Yale, 51; Con-
necticut College, 46; University of Vermont, 28; University of Maryland, 24; Lenhart and Trenton State, 20; University of Mass., 16; Ursinus, 12; University of Penn., 11; Jersey City, 9; Brown, 4, and Wellsley.

The swim team thanks our coach, Toni Wagner for her dedication and effort that made this trip and season possible. Without a doubt, our next season will be a sensational swimming success.

Livingston
Taylor and friends
at Conn College
April 15
8:30 pm
Reserved seat tickets available starting
Tues. March 27

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