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Gearing Up For The Mini-Convention

Student Interest and Participation Key



This, folks, is what we could look like in only a matter of weeks. Washington and Lee University, its students pictured above, stages their Quadrennial Mini-Convention in the Spring.

by MIKE LITCHMAN

If the number of students who have asked me about the progress of Mini-Convention Week is any indication, then there is considerable interest on campus in the event. Most people ask what the chances are of luring a major Presidential candidate to the campus; others want to know how they can get involved. Let me address the second question first.

Mini-Convention Week will be a unique opportunity for the mechanics and atmosphere of a Presidential

nomination campaign and convention to be approximated on the campus; it could be both an educational and enjoyable experience. Success or failure, however, depends largely upon the degree of student involvement in the Mini-Convention Week. You are urged to get involved in any or all of the following ways:

1) Each dormitory will be organized into a delegation, which will discuss the issues and candidates of the campaign. Any student

who wants to be a delegate to the Mini-Convention, and eligible to be a voter in the straw poll and platform, can do so simply by joining his or her dorm delegation. Delegation chairmen will be named this week, and you will soon have meetings in your dorms to discuss the delegation activities.

2) A crucial part of Mini-Convention Week is the formulation of a Connecticut College platform. Those who

want to be more actively involved in this process are encouraged to join, or submit proposals for platform planks to one of the four platform committees, which are:

a) Foreign Affairs and Defense

b) Energy, Environment and the Economy

c) Human Services

d) Social Policy

Students, faculty members, administrators, interest groups such as students for Safe Energy, YAF, CARD, and Young Republicans and Democrats are urged to make their mark on our platform. Activity in this area should begin immediately, as committee chairmen will be named later this week. Short policy proposals should be submitted to the appropriate chairman.

3) For those who are candidate oriented, you can work on the campus campaign for the candidate of your choice. Some candidate organizations already exist, others are soon to be organized. The goal of these groups will be to inform the campus and community of the virtues of their can-

didate, and try to win the straw poll at the Mini-Convention on March 24.

These are the ways to get involved, and with widespread participation, this will be an event that will be long remembered.

In addition to the Mini-Convention itself, speakers have been invited to the campus to augment the experience, as well as to help inform the Southeastern Connecticut area of the issues and candidates. Opening ceremonies are scheduled for Tuesday, March 18th at 8 p.m. in Palmer Auditorium. The Governor and other state figures have been invited.

We also hope to have a forum for candidates for U.S. Senator in Connecticut, as well as one for Congressional candidates in this, the 2nd district. Furthermore, an open invitation has been sent to all of the Presidential candidates running in the Connecticut Democratic and Republican primaries to visit the campus during Mini-Convention Week.

We have received no negative replies from any of the candidates, other than a "not very likely" from John Connally, although his campaign headquarters promised to fend Mark Connally, the former Texas Governor's son, who is in his late 20's. Most other candidates have

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How's and Whys of Meal Plan Reasons Behind "Little Green Stickers" African Sojourn into War And Wilds



Residence Director Marljane Gelger is shaking the dust from the well-worn habits and could save all a bundle.

by CRIS REVAZ

The Residence Department has developed a new policy concerning the meal program. All students are now required to show their I.D.'s bearing the green meal ticket to Kitchen personnel before they can serve themselves. In each dormitory the housefellow has been in charge of distributing these tickets, which are reserved only for on-campus, full-time students.

As the Kitchen cracks down on those unfortunate enough to forget their I.D. after a cold walk across campus, it is a common sight to see students pleading and begging with Harris em-

The reason for the green tickets stems from the high cost of feeding Conn students. Most of us are not aware that it costs our Kitchen \$4.00 per day in raw food costs to feed each student. This does not include added expenditures like labor and food preparation.

Now consider that last semester an average of 80 to 100 off-campus students per day were illegitimate guests at mealtime, and you'll have some idea of the skyrocketing cost of feeding these extra mouths. The Kitchen was forced to call a halt to unauthorized dining on campus and thus initiated the present ticket plan, a strict policy designed to insure that only dormitory residents eat here.

The tickets, which are printed by a new computer, will be reissued twice more this year. A yellow one will be distributed after spring break and a pink one sometime in April. The purpose of these new tickets is to update the list of on-campus students, as some students leave school indefinitely during the semester.

The new policy has caused some questions over those students from Abbey House who eat their lunches on

"We sat in absolute fear waiting for the next bomb to come," said Karla Evans Griswold of her experience last year in Tanzania during the war between that country and Uganda.

Karla, of Lyme, CT, is one of two senior Connecticut College students, native to the Washington, D.C. area, who spent part of their junior year in Africa, exposed to conditions unknown to most American college students.

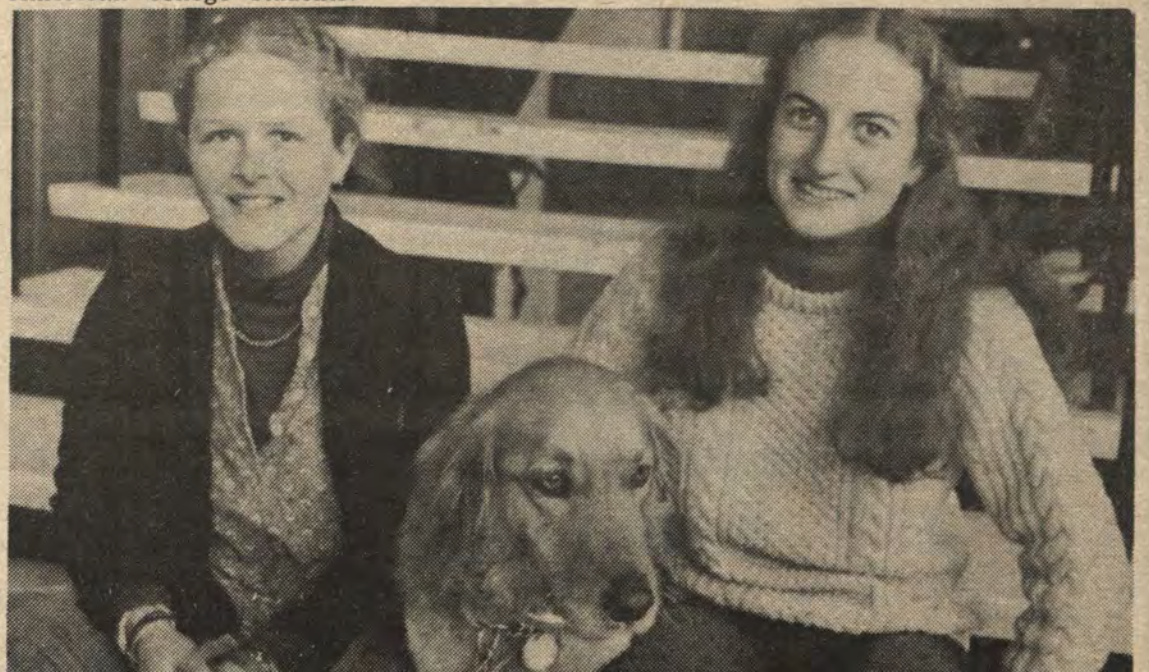
The other student, Susanne Behrens, of Arlington, VA, participated in a rigorous outdoor leadership program in Kenya.

Every year, twenty-five to thirty per cent of Connecticut College's junior class spend either a semester or a year studying or working away from the college's New London campus, according to Associate Dean of the College, Phillip Ray. Although many of these

students participate in approved programs in foreign countries, few returned with stories as remarkable as these two students who lived in Africa.

An anthropology major, Karla arranged to study archaeology with the internationally known Brown University archaeologist Peter Schmidt, who was then conducting research in

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Getting Together To Stop Registration and The Draft

At 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday night, January 26, a distraught group of about 100 students met in K.B.'s living room to discuss President Carter's proposal to initiate registration for the draft. The majority of the students were vehemently opposed to registration, and they met to discuss among themselves the reasons why.

The meeting was spearheaded by Bob Landau, class of '80. Landau felt it was important "to clear the air" of misconceptions concerning the draft proposal and the current crises in Iran and Afghanistan.

Landau said that the proposal for registration is actually the cornerstone of the draft itself and that once it is passed, college students would not be an exception to the call to duty. Landau was

opposed to the registration proposal for four reasons. First of all, he stated that Afghanistan has always been under Soviet domination of some sort, and that Carter may be exaggerating the motives for the Soviet's invasion of this "Iron Curtain" country.

Secondly, Landau felt that resorting to the draft registration should be attempted only after we have gone the route of economic sanctions, boycotts, and buildup of conventional weaponry.

Third, Landau felt that President Carter was now trying to cover up past mistakes in foreign policy, namely; our dependency on the Middle East region for oil, and the "ludicrous" contention of going to war "just to fill up our gastanks".

Finally, Landau stressed the ultimate horrors of war

and said it could indeed soon be a reality, and that 18 to 26 year olds should not have to pay for others' mistakes.

Landau received warm support for his statements, and other students voiced reasons of their own. Many felt that they did not want to go to war simply to support Exxon and other businesses. The students questioned their moral right to kill other human beings.

While some felt the crisis in the Middle East would snowball into another Vietnam, others were quite sure nuclear war was imminent. One student said, "We're all going to be obliterated." Most agreed that Carter was using the registration proposal as a political ploy, a way of "flexing our muscles" for the Russians, and one student said that Carter's proposal was issued "under the false

guise of patriotism."

Landau and his supporters are planning to voice a formal protest on campus. Plans were made for a petition to be circulated opposing draft registration to be sent to SGA, Senators Weicker and Ribicoff, and President Carter. Landau is also hoping to stage more meetings where guest lecturers will be presented, and literature and fact sheets will be distributed.

The anti-registration group is also considering lobbying the Mini-Convention being planned by SGA, and sending a letter of opinion to "The New York Times." It looks like the college protest marches of the '60's are being resurrected in a milder form, and Landau's group is determined to take a peaceful but resolute stand.



Bob Landau, area leader of CARD (Committee Against Registration and the Draft), addressed one of the larger student gatherings Connecticut College has seen.

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The Clash Between Abbey and the Meal Plan



Abbey Students prepare one of the many home cooked dinners which have been welcome respite from Harris for countless on-campus students.

by TINA LOBELLO

When housefellow Bill Kavanaugh went to the Residence office to pick up ID meal stickers for Abbey residents, he found none. Under the new system of meal registration and scrupulous ID inspection, Abbey students had been denied the opportunity to enjoy an occasional meal on campus, an opportunity which, Residence Director Mary Jane Geiger claims, was technically never theirs anyway.

Abbey students, Ms. Geiger explained, upon their admittance to the co-op, signed an agreement stating that they would not eat meals outside of their dorm. Kavanaugh claims he and the other Abbey students were never informed of such a policy. The fact is that Abbey students, prior to the new meal-ticket system, did catch an occasional lunch or dinner on campus. They did so openly, had no intention of taking advantage of the College, and showed their ID's if so requested. Eating on campus, especially lunch, is a convenience, and was considered only as that.

Assuming the policy was always in effect, why were

Abbey students allowed in the dining rooms? Aside from a possible misunderstanding on the part of students, the Residence department was also at fault for not checking ID's more carefully.

Abbey students have met several times with Ms. Geiger to discuss their reasons for disapproval of the new system. The most profound argument of the Residence department (and the opinion of many on-campus residents) is that Conn. is losing money by allowing Abbey students to eat on campus. Residents of Abbey claim that an average of 6 or 7 of their students per day eat on campus. In addition, Abbey hosts about 5 on-campus guests each day. Economically, this may be advantageous to the College.

Mealtime is a social time and for many Abbey residents, the only time, outside of classes, for them to see friends they might not see otherwise. Isolation of Abbey, perhaps its residents' biggest fear, would deprive on-campus students as well. With the start of the new meal ticket system, on-campus students have been charged for eating at Abbey. Previously, meals were

served to guests at no cost. Fewer students may become interested in Abbey as an alternate meal choice or living choice. In the future students may learn of the co-op only by word of mouth. Whe, actually, mealtime is the best time to get a real taste of Abbey.

Abbey has "not yet" organized a full-fledged protest, tells Kavanaugh but negotiations with Residence are currently in progress. The most recent development was the instatement, on February 1, of a temporary charge card system. Through February 29, Abbey students eating on campus will present guest cards such as those used by faculty guests. On-campus residents will do likewise. At the end of the month, the actual number of meals exchanged will be tabulated and a decision reached.

Ms. Geiger could not comment on what would follow aside from saying that Abbey residents would not receive meal stickers "Carte Blanche." One possible alternative is the abolition of lunch altogether at Abbey or the option of on-campus lunches using a special meal ticket.

Question: At this time, do you think the idea of the draft registration is a good idea?



MARK BLASSER 80 CT "I support the registration for two reasons. No. 1, it builds up our image to our allies and our enemies, and No. 2, it would decrease our reaction time in a world crisis."



JANIS WEISOFF 82 NY — "I think that draft registration is not a good idea at this time because it would increase the likelihood of war...it's just like having cake in front of you; you would eat it."



F. AL LEACH 82 NJ — "I don't think the draft should be reinstated because we are the who will grow up and go into office and make decisions and I don't think that we should follow in the footsteps of those that made mistakes before us."



LYNNE ROTHNEY 82 MA — "I don't think the draft should be reinstated because I don't think that the government is worth defending."



JEFF FISHMAN 81 NY — "Basically, I feel that the draft is a potent way to promote armageddon and the end of the world as we know it. I myself am for the continuance of life."

VIEWPOINT

by TIM BISHOP



JENNI DAVIS 83 MA "Yes, I do think that registration is important at this time to show the other world powers that we have people power too."



RUFUS WINTON 82 MN "I think registration is a good idea because it would be in our best interest to project to the Russians and the rest of the world our willingness to protest recent Soviet action, protect human rights and our vital interests."



GAIL MCGREW 83 MD — "If the Russian's going into Afganistan is the beginning of a serious communist threat and world expansion, then I'm all for resisting that, but I really can't see that this is the case right now. It is jumping to conclusions to say that they want to take over the world, so in that case, I don't think we should have a draft."



JOHNNY WEYRAUCH 81 GA "I'm not necessarily opposed to the draft registration because it has a lot of benefits, primarily, if we have to act decisively and quickly, we would be able to mobilize much more quickly and wield our power more effectively."

Photos by TIM BISHOP

Photo by GEOFF DAY

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Boarding a Moving Train

Conn's Second Semester Frosh Have The Odds Against Them

"The Changing of the Guard is Wednesday afternoon. Are you going?"
 "What's the Changing of the Guard?"
 "Oh, that's when the files of everyone in the junior class are handed over from Dean Ray to Dean Johnson."
 "So it's for juniors; does that include me?"

by MARSHA WILLIAMS

Not many students come to Connecticut College with a pre-established label. Every January, however, some 20 individuals become known to the College Community as "second-semester freshmen." As with all new students, necessary adjustments must be made.

The more prominent conflicts encountered by this select group of students are centered on the students' desires to become affiliated with a particular dorm and class. Most of the problems are temporary; but, as the opening anecdote reveals, the decision to enter mid-year can haunt the student throughout her college career.

Dorm placement plays an important part in the student's initial adjustment. "I was the only new freshman in my dorm," stated Jacquy Zuckerman, class of 1981. "My roommate had been here for a whole semester, so she was already settled."

While in the fall there is a much larger group of new students, second semester the number is very small. Dean Joan King, Dean of Freshmen, feels that because of this difference, those who are attempting to adjust in the winter receive less reassurance from others who are also going through it. "They come prepared to have a harder time. As a result, they make a greater effort."

The intimidation resulting from broaching already-established friendships seems only to be temporary. Adds Jacquy, "it didn't take long for me to adjust, but the time it did take was miserable."

Second-semester freshmen receive a lot of individualized attention. They have their own orientation period, which includes the chance to get to know their student advisor and faculty advisor faster.

The failure to be affiliated with a particular class is a conflict experienced by second-semester freshmen who do not choose to make up the credits right away. "When class functions take place on campus, you aren't sure which to attend," stated Elizabeth Berkman, class of 82. "You also cannot hold class offices or apply for housefellow."

Other difficulties of this nature, acknowledged by both Dean King and Dean Watson, include 1) the

inability to enroll in full year courses until the following fall 2) the inability to identify with a particular class when choosing dorm rooms, and 3) problems arising when registering cars.

How the individual chooses to spend the fall semester before matriculating at Connecticut College has strong effects on the period of adjustment. Student have the option to work, travel, or attend another institution.

Socially, the problems can best be described as temporary. The student body here is for the most part, open and responsive. Academically, however, unless credits are made up quickly, the actual status of the student can continue to cause conflicts. To the 11 women and 6 men who enrolled in January, The Voice wishes you much luck.

Renowned Theologian Will Visit Conn



Dr. J. Massyngbaerde will join Barbara Eckman, Acting Chaplain for 1979-80, as Theologian-in-Residence.

A leading feminist and promoter of the Charismatic Movement in the Catholic Church visits the Connecticut College campus February 10-17. Dr. J. Massyngbaerde Ford, a member of the Department of Theology, University of Notre Dame, is the Connecticut College Theologian-in-Residence for 1979-80.

The only lay woman theologian of the twelve consultants to the U.S. Bishops' Committee on the Permanent Diaconate, one of her special interests is the ordination of women to the Roman Catholic diaconate and, if possible, to the priesthood. The U.S. Bishops' Committee forwarded her request for ordination to the Apostolic Delegation who has recommended her to the Holy See.

An active participant in the Charismatic Movement within the Roman Catholic Church, Dr. Ford has published various papers and books on Catholic Movement within the Roman Catholic Church. Dr. Ford has published various papers and books on Catholic Pentecostalism, including The

Pentecostal Experience, The Spirit and the Human Person, and Which Way for Catholic Pentecostals.

Born in Sherwood Forest and trained in England as a nurse and midwife, she is interested in medical ethics, especially death, dying and the afterlife. Her Hospital Prayer Book is widely read, and she has lectured with Dr. Elizabeth Kubler-Ross. Dr. Ford received her Ph.D in Latin Studies from the University of Nottingham, and a bachelor of Divinity from King's College, London. She is a former lecturer in the Department of Religion at Makerere University in Uganda.

During her visit to Connecticut College, Dr. Ford will deliver three public lectures and will preach at the 11 a.m. Sunday worship services in Harkness Chapel on February 10 and 17.

The events, sponsored by the Theologian-in-Residence program at the college, are free and open to the public.

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Streep's *Suggestions* Comes to Palmer Stage

The six-member Third Dance Theatre, under the artistic direction of Harry Streep, III, will present Mr. Streep's full-evening dance-theatre piece "Suggestions" at Connecticut College's Palmer Auditorium on Friday, February 8, 1980, at 8:00 p.m. General admission is \$5.00 (students \$2.00). Reservations are not necessary.

"Suggestions" is an innovative work combining movement, words, and music by Neil Young. It has been described as an exuberant piece about youth, performed by a company of young

privacy than a performance."

Before founding the Third Dance Theatre in 1977, Harry Streep toured extensively with the Rudy Perez Dance Theatre. He has choreographed for the New York Shakespeare Festival and appeared in several films, such as *Slow Dancing in the Big City*. The Third Dance Theatre has performed regularly in New York City, most recently as part of Dance Theatre Workshop's series of Fall Dance Events, and received funding from the New York State Council on the Arts.

Calliope's Music of the Renaissance

Weber to Speak on ESP



Calliope: Ben Harris, Lawrence Benz, Lucy Bardo, and Allan Dean.

by LISA CHERNIN

Calliope, A Renaissance Band, will bring its music to Connecticut College on Tuesday, February 12, at 8:00 p.m. in Palmer Auditorium. The quartet, which specializes in music from the period 1250 to 1650, premiered in New York in 1973, and since then has performed nationwide, won the Naumburg Chamber Music Award, and cut its first record.

Lucy Bardo, Lawrence Benz, Allan Dean, and Ben Harris play more than 35 instruments among them, instruments that are either authentic, or modern replicas of the ancient originals. The four not only play the music, they also talk about it, compose it, and improvise it, flavoring their performances with elements of classical, folk, and jazz.

Calliope will also hold a workshop on Tuesday the 12th at 3:00 p.m. in Dana. It is part of the Concert and Artist Series, which will bring PDQ Bach, the Vienna Choir Boys,

The world of ESP, hypnosis, and memory improvement comes to Connecticut College on Saturday, February 9 with two appearances by hypnotist Ken Weber, known as "Supermind."

Weber will conduct a free public seminar at 3:00 p.m. in Cro Main Lounge dealing with ESP, hypnosis, biofeedback, and memory improvement, highlighted by a demonstration of electronic biofeedback, and a lesson in memory retention, designed to help participants remember more while studying less.

Weber's 8:00 p.m. performance in Palmer Auditorium on the college campus, features audience participation in his ESP, hypnosis and memory feats. Tickets are \$3.00 for the public and \$2.00 for students.



The Third Dance Theatre: (bottom row l. to r.) Martha Bowers, Myrna Packer, Lesley Farlow; (top row, l. to r.) Art Bridgman, Suchi Branfman, Harry Streep, III

talented dancers. It investigates the confusion of day-to-day living and working as an artist in our twentieth-century technocratic madhouse. The Boston

Phoenix called "Suggestions" "a self-portrait so personal that it seemed more an invasion of

Dancing with Mr. Streep on Friday evening will be Martha Bowers, Suchi Branfman, Art Bridgman, Lesley Farlow and Myrna Packer.

On Thursday, February 7, at 4:00 p.m., Mr. Streep will conduct a "Thought and Movement Workshop" for the Connecticut College Dance Department.

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Hazardous Walk to the Rink

by MARSHA WILLIAMS

Most members of the college community are probably aware of the fact that no physical changes have taken place to indicate an attempt to make crossing Route 32 less hazardous for pedestrians, i.e. a skywalk or a traffic light, specifically designated for rink traffic. Few students may take the time and the precaution to walk to the legal crossing at DeShon St. and cross on the red light, then walk back down to the rink. It is much more convenient to run across half of the highway, leap the divider, and run across the other half — more convenient and more dangerous.

Most of the Hockey games are scheduled for weekend nights. The rink itself, being open to the public, will draw more traffic to Route 32, thus making it even more dangerous to run across.

Had the original planning for the rink included consideration for this concern, then construction would have been delayed until 1) funds had been raised to cover the cost of a skywalk, or 2) the city and state had approved the application for the installation of a traffic light and a crosswalk.

of Safety for the college, and also a Conn College alum, feels that establishing some sort of safety device for crossing Route 32 will be taken care of "as the need develops, if the need develops."

Mini-convention ...

indicated that at the present time, it is too early to say what their schedules will be in mid-March. Most say that by late February, (after the Feb. 26 New Hampshire primary), we will begin to hear more. That means, basically, that we won't know if and when any candidates will actually come until the last minute. In some cases, we have reason to believe that certain candidates are likely to come, but for security reasons their offices cannot officially commit them.

The volatile political situation will dictate our success in getting candidates on campus. Depending on the outcome in New Hampshire,

Wright 1st Floor Secedes From Dorm

Could They Be Wrong?

by CRIS REVAZ

Rivaling factions. Bitter feuds. Flaring tempers. No, the scene is not Iran or Afghanistan. It's just Wright Dormitory, where the current topic of discussion is the semi-serious secession of members of the first floor (and other dorm residents) from dorm social activities and organization.

The dissident group decided to secede from the rest of the dorm after the last dorm meeting, when a faction of girls from the third floor demanded to know where dorm funds were disappearing to. The girls were opposed to limiting dorm activities to purely alcoholic affairs, and some suggested a bit of variety at parties, for example, hot rum and cider, popcorn, White Russians, and Earth, Wind and Fire music.

One girl stated: "Do people have to get drunk to have a good time?" Some students have complained that events were very impromptu and poorly publicized.

Mark Dannenburg and Paul Costa, ex-social chairmen for the dorm, felt

that apathy among students in the dorm was too much to handle. They admit they have made mistakes in the handling of dorm funds, but are convinced that the spirit of compromise is gone and a lack of leadership is clearly evident.

They are calling their new organization Alpha Lambda Omega, which stands for Alcohol Liberation Organization. Dannenburg and Costa maintain that they have repeatedly made attempts in the past to receive dorm input, on the planning of social events, but maintain that no one spoke up. First floor resident, Eric Mann, seemed to sum up the ALO's point of view when he said: "Beer is a good thing."

Housefellow Nancy Hollister is apparently unalarmed by the turn of events, and feels that the secession is merely a way of channeling student energy into an honest attempt at dorm unity. When or how the issue will be settled no one is quite sure, but whatever happens, it doesn't look like a bloody civil war is inevitable; not at this point anyway.

a skywalk. Why risk even one life?

Later, Mr. Knight informed me that the school "has filed an application for (the installation of) a traffic light. We are waiting now for city and state approval. Hopefully, it will be done in the spring." In the meantime, the safest way to get to the rink appears to be by car, a financial expense to the driver, and an environmental expense to the area.

Mr. Knight is counting on the cooperation of the New London police in making the cross easier in the meantime.

"There's a danger involved," he stated, "but I don't think there's a need at this point. Ideally, it would be great if there were a crosswalk." Exactly how must the apparent danger in crossing the highway be illustrated? E. Leroy Knight, the College Treasurer, could name not even a ballpark figure for the cost of constructing a skywalk.

I can only guess, however, that the amount a college student would pay to attend this institution for four years would surely cover the cost of installing a traffic light, and probably the cost of building

Florida, and Illinois Primaries, a week before Connecticut, candidates may be ready to drop out, or ready to take on a newly invigorated campaign. Connecticut may very well be a crucial battleground for the Democratic contenders, especially Carter and Kennedy and, especially if the latter fares well in New Hampshire.

On the Republican side, Connecticut may be conceded to George Bush, or could be seen by Republican hopefuls — especially Ronald Reagan whose Connecticut campaign is being run by the former state party chairman and is backed by a prominent U.S. Senatorial candidate and minority leader of the state Senate — as a chance to embarrass Bush on his home turf. (Bush's father was a

Connecticut U.S. Senator in the 60's.)

In any event, we hope the campaign will remain competitive, and that candidates will come to campus, but it is too early to know for sure.

The key to the success of the Mini-Convention Week as an educational and enjoyable experience is in widespread participation. In addition, if we are able to show candidate organizations that their candidates could be stepping into a politically aware campus, they will be more likely to come. We can all make this event a success. The experience of participating in a Presidential campaign, debate of national issues, and a convention, without leaving the campus is one that must not be missed!

Meal Tickets ...

Chairperson of Residence, feels that a system can be worked out that will allow Abbey students to continue to eat only their lunches here. She is sympathetic to the predicament Abbey students are in when it comes to preparing a meal in the middle of a busy day.

Ms. Geiger is planning on meeting with a committee of Abbey students to discuss exactly how many students would be involved in the new system, and to formulate some type of program that would be economically feasible. "We're trying to be scientific about this," she said.

Ms. Geiger has also initiated some changes in the kinds of food we are eating, and students are noticing a gradual improvement in

meals. One example is the salad bar, where a more appealing lettuce bowl is now a common feature. And Ms. Geiger will also be making changes in the area of portion control.

After Spring break, students will be served smaller initial portions of food by Kitchen employees at all meals, and can come back if they would like seconds. This policy will undoubtedly save the Kitchen substantial dollars.

The new ticket policy will be strictly enforced and no exceptions will be made; this includes all you joggers who dash by the Dining Room without your I.D.'s. As for you off-campus students who are now without a free meal, Ms. Geiger is offering lunch tickets at \$19.50 for a set of 10, which can be picked up in the Accounting Office.

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THE OPENING OF THE RINK

By SARA GOLDBERG

The long-awaited Conn. College ice skating rink had its official opening on February 1, 1980. Building of the arena was completed on January 21, 1980. The arena, which houses a hockey rink measuring 200 ft. by 85 ft., is impressive not only in size, but in structure.



Oakes Ames, president of the college, was the first person to make opening remarks at the ceremony. Ames said that the skating rink will serve as a facility for the college and for the southeastern Conn. community and thanked the benefactors of the rink and the hockey club. Further remarks were made by Gerald Laubach, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Britta Schein McNemar '67, President of the Alumni Association, and Jack Kelly, General Manager of the Whalers.



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During the next few minutes, the Conn. College chorus may have "belted out" the Camel Fight Song, but the acoustics and sound system were so bad that they prevented the majority of spectators from hearing it.



A lively figure skating demonstration occurred next. F. Ritter Shumway, a 73 year old past President of the U.S. Figure Skating Association, and Harlene Lee, Triple Gold Dance Test Medalist, were

given a very warm reception. There were 4 performers from the class of 1982, including Julie Stone and Elizabeth Pictor. They skated gracefully to the song "One" from "A Chorus Line."

Ann Devlin, assistant professor and chairman of the psychology department, courageously made her Conn. College figure skating debut.

A game of "broom ball" between students and faculty was next on the agenda. The game was played in sneakers on the ice. The Conn. College camel joined the game, too. Although both teams almost made goal and there was a lot of action, neither team scored a point.

Following the figure skating performance, Dash Comedy, the Penny Ante Players, and the Theater Dep't. Ensemble class put on a short play which was a "spoof" about Jacques Cousteau and his expeditions.



Finally, the hockey game took place between the Camels and Alumni and friends. There was a long period of practice and the spirited game ended in a three-three tie.



The Conn. College camel drew from numerous invitations for the winner of a pair of figure skates. A lucky girl, Margaret Knowles was the winner.



Now, the moment that everyone had been waiting for - time to try out the ice for ourselves! Admittedly, the rink was rather crowded, but it was best that way.



Photos by GEOFF DAY and MIMI TYLER

Women's B-Ball Off to a Fast Start

by MARSHA WILLIAMS

The Women's Basketball team currently holds a record of 3 wins and 1 loss. They are excited, optimistic, and hungry for victory, even against the toughest teams on the schedule. The nucleus of the team is basically the same as it has been in the past few seasons. What's different, besides their success and attitude, is their coach.

Connie Clabby brings skill and guidance to the Women's Basketball team from Eastern Conn. State, where she was an assistant coach. Before that, she played on Central Connecticut State College's intercollegiate basketball team for four years. Obviously an asset to the women's basketball at Connecticut College, she plans to remain coach for the next couple of years.

Returning to the court this season are veterans Rita MacInnis, Ginny Bell, captain Jenny Altschul, Kim Whitestone, Celayne Hill, and Hilary Chittenden. Four freshmen have also joined the team, including Kris Frascarelli, Judy Krigman, Sarra Newhall, and Beth Leuchten.

The season's opener saw the Camels drive the Coast Guard Bears back to their cave, beating them by 20 points. A large crowd of spectators were on hand as MacInnis, Bell, and Hill all scored in double figures. Freshmen center Leuchten, Chittenden, Krigman, and Whitestone also contributed to the 57 points scored by the Camels.

"I'm really optimistic about the season," Coach Clabby commented. "They really handled the pressures well." Coach Clabby was impressed, too, with the well-functioning defense, which the team returned early from vacation to polish. "A good team effort; it was awesome," Celayne Hill was heard to say after game.

Other games include a 72-64 win over Trinity, (the Camels' first ever), a loss to Amherst, and a 62-15 killing of Saint Joseph's College. "They sent St. Joseph's home with headaches!" one of the spectators quipped.

Despite sporadically sloppy ball-handling and rather unimpressive officiating, the team looks to be on its way to a winning season. Wesleyan poses as the big contender in

the next home game on Thursday night, February 7, at 7:30.



Constance Clabby has brought renewed vigor to a team which she thinks is destined for a winning season.

Gymnasts Split Tri-Meet

by GAIL SAMPSON

Conn gymnasts opened their 1980 season on Saturday with a win over U. Conn., and a loss to Northeastern. Despite a slow start on the uneven bars (punctuated by unknipped kips, uncaught eagles, and a decided lack of dismounts), Conn. gymnasts were able to correct their 3rd place position at half-time to beat U. Conn. 104.15 to 103.20, coming in behind Northeastern at 110.55.

The meet began, for Conn., with competent, though under-scored bar routines by Jody Pinella, Hildy Perl, and Sue Chamberlin. Royce Shanley stood out for her smooth, effortless routine, and Lisa Strausberg and Lisa Kingman both scored well.

Vaulting was the next event for Conn., where, in spite of nerves and shin-splints, Conn. began to make up for some of their lost points. The event was highlighted by the performances of freshman Laura Patz, sophomore Callie Hoffman, and junior Linda Haynes.

At half-time, Conn. was behind U. Conn. by 3 points, and behind Northeastern by 8. Not being a team that gives

up easily, Conn. went on to win floor exercise, and make up some of the points lost earlier. Captains Linda Wiatrowski and Gail Sampson dazzled the other teams with their elegant dance; third captain Lisa Kingman tumbled well; and high-scorer Sue Chamberlin impressed the judges with her jazzy techniques.

Balance beam got off to a good start with Jody Pinella's fine style and steady steps. Jody was followed by Sally McFarland, who is one of the most consistent beam-ers on the team. Rayna Nitzberg performed beautifully and confidently for the highest beam score on the team. Moral support was lent by senior Kathy Welker, who was out with an injury, and by freshmen Annette Boykins and Marie-Louis Gold.

The gymnastic team is coached by Jeff Zimmerman who expects only one more loss this season. The team meets Yale on Wednesday (away) and at Boston State on Saturday. Their 1st home meet is on Sat., Feb. 16th against Smith, and the gymnasts hope for a lot of support from the college.

Track Club Takes it All in Stride

by CRAIG LISSNER

"I didn't know that there was a Track club at Connecticut College," said John Weyrauch, Conn College Junior. "That sounds like a good idea!" John, like hundreds of other Conn students, had no idea that there is such an organization at Conn, much less that it is in its second year of existence.

The Camel Striders, as they call themselves, are a group of students who meet several times a week to talk about running, discuss training techniques, organize trips to road races and track meets, and most importantly, to run. Coach Mark Connelly sums it up: "We are trying to channel

running into the college environment, to have fun, to run with other people, possibly as a social event."

Using the indoor track at the Coast Guard Academy, as well as the miles of trails throughout the woods surrounding Conn, the club plans to meet formally at least twice a week. During these meetings the coach, evaluating each runner's experience and goals, will calculate an appropriate training schedule.

The training will be culminated at meets and races. The Striders will be running with exhibition status at Coast Guard Meets, will

run at various road races in the area, and in the spring, will probably attend one or more of the relays at Penn. State, U. Mass., Boston College, Hartwick, or the AAU meet in New York.

Other functions of the club include bringing prominent figures from the running world to Conn to speak and to share their experiences, clearing and maintaining the trails in the area, as well as introducing the lesser known trails to those runners not familiar with them.

Anyone can join the Camel Striders. All are welcome. For more information contact Ted Fischer, Box 533.

By ANN C. ALLAN

The mall in New London is a fascinating place. New York or Boston may offer the shopper more excitement or better bargains, but an hour at the mall transcends such mundane and practical considerations; it's sheer entertainment.

Two Guys is a formidable institution. No matter how much money actually changes hands for such glamorous and exotic items as extension cords, corkscrews, hangers, etc., I always leave the store vaguely smug and self-satisfied. Look, Ma - no beer! I bought things I need!

This is actually highly questionable. I certainly don't need yet another cheap sample mascara that will cause my eyes to itch, redden and burn (very attractive) but For That Price Who Could Pass It Up?

Or take CVS. I never get out of there for under \$10.00. All those tempting rows of bottles and boxes, that brisk, businesslike air about the place. The store seems to proclaim: "Are you filthy?" "We will clean you." "Are you diseased?" "We will heal you." "Are you ugly?" "We will make you beautiful, and at a discount." Talk about your old-time religion...

And of course, there's always the dive to grab the CVS brand of anything from toothpaste to vitamins to kleenex, only to straighten up and decide that, no, you really don't want to look that cheap.

If the twenty other girls on your hall for example use Noxema, do you want to walk in proudly with CVS cold cream?? No way. It's more likely that until the unhappy jar runs out you will be forced to slink and throw furtive glances over your shoulder every time you wash your face. Let's face it; we live in a

name brand society.

My favorite store in the mall is the little sports souvenir shop. I feel disloyal to my teams (chronic and hapless losers all) every time I pass by and don't buy another lighter (none of which work) T-shirt, shot-glass, poster, ashtray, trash-basket, ad infinitum.

I secretly love the shocked pity of the salesclerk whenever I admit, yes, I am from Philadelphia. I like to counter with something cheerful like, "Yes, I know, but we're thinking of moving to Pittsburgh."

The absolute BEST thing about the mall is the Orange Julius hot dog. Words cannot describe the complete contentment with which I sit on those white benches across from the perpetual side-walk sale of velvet day-glo portraits of Elvis, and consume quarter-pounds of questionable beef with cheese, mayo, mustard, ketchup, bacon and sauerkraut. I have been known to physically abuse my best friend until I obtained one of these delicious repasts.

The virtues of Hickory Farms are well-known.

Have you ever pretended that you wanted to sample about fifty or so cheeses just because the sample is free, only to buy a half-pound of Havarti that you really wanted all along? The salesclerks are long suffering and stoic; they welcome even rubber checks.

Sometimes I like to just sit and watch the people go by. The piped in music, the eerie fluorescent light, and the dazed faces of the consumers all blend together in a bizarre and surreal scene. But just as the down-vest-Vermont hills-no nukes-I should have gone to B.U.-intellectual-tacky blues begin to hit, I'll notice an old couple just strolling around, or a kid. Have you ever noticed that kids are always wide-eyed at the mall?



See facing page for a mid-season wrap-up of the hockey team's stalwart travails.

Men's Basketball Team Wading Through Difficult Season

Wayne Malonowski's 1000th Point Bright Spot in 2-14 Record

by SETH STONE

The record of the Men's Basketball team stands at 2-13. However, the facts belie their record. Despite a poor record, the Camels have not played badly.

It has been a season which has seen them play two of the top teams in the country, and two of the top teams in New England. It has been a season in which Wayne Malonowski

has scored his 1,000th career point. In what should have been a season with some "ups," it has been a season with mostly "downs."

Coming off the emotion-filled Whaling City Tournament, it was expected that the Camels would feel a letdown. This letdown was apparent when the team travelled to Gordon College. Playing a weaker team, the

Camels let the hosts enter halftime with a 32-32 tie. In the second half, talent began to show, as Conn raced to a 52-40 lead with 13 minutes left in the game. Gordon, assisted by Conn turnovers and poor shooting, lowered the deficit to 55-52 only 3 minutes later. Overtime

sylvania and New Jersey, and lost them all. The scores speak louder than words: Haverford 92-53, NJIT 88-58, Drew 86-66, and Swarthmore 67-35.

The trip to Vassar is never easy. It is a three hour trip to Vassar. The guys are tired. If they beat Vassar, it is only

time was at home against Trinity. It was a game which both the team and the fans would have loved a victory. A victory was not in the offing, but it was not for lack of trying.

Trinity hit the opening basket of the game, and jumped off to an early 9-4 lead. The lead was slowly widened to 25-17, and then to 31-19. Then the Camels came back. Wayne Mal hit 6 of the next 8 Conn points, as Conn outscored Trinity 8-2, to come back to 33-27. Right before halftime, Conn had 2 chances to get within five. A turnover and a missed lay-up ruined the chance, and instead of being down 5, the Camels were down 9 at half. Trinity had 42 points, Conn had 33, and Wayne Mal had 999.

In the second half, the packed Cro Gym was waiting for a comeback, and for Mal's 1,000th point. The fans got both.

Trinity jumped ahead 45-33, before a Jones bucket made it 45-35. Following a hoop by Trinity's pesky John Meany, the moment belonged to Wayne Malonowski. After getting the ball, he lowered his head at the foul line, drove the right side of the hoop, and banged in a basket. As his teammates stood and cheered, the buzzer was sounded and the game stopped. Now the whole gym was standing and applauding in tribute. Wayne Mal had hit career points number 1,000 and 1,001 with the basket, becoming only the second player in school history to hit the magic mark. As the standing ovation continued, both teammates and Trinity players congratulated the



Tom Barry drives past a Concordia player in a game that resulted in the Camel's second win.

ensued after regulation finished at 68-68. All the visitors could manage were two Wayne Mal free throws and a Charlie Jones jumper, losing 80-72.

Two losses at home came right before Christmas break. The games were almost identical to each other. Conn lost to Mass Maritime 74-68 and Nichols 75-69. They were games the Camels could just as easily have won.

Things did not improve when the team returned home. Their first opponent was Clark University, ranked 7th in the country and 1st in New England in Division III. Playing a deliberate stall, the Camels stayed even for the first 12 minutes. With the score tied at 14, the hosts committed 5 straight turnovers, allowing Clark to go on a 16-2 surge, and take a 30-16 halftime lead.

Conn continued to play their slow-down offense in the second half. They never drew closer, as Clark pulled away. Though the Camels did not play that badly, they lost 55-33.

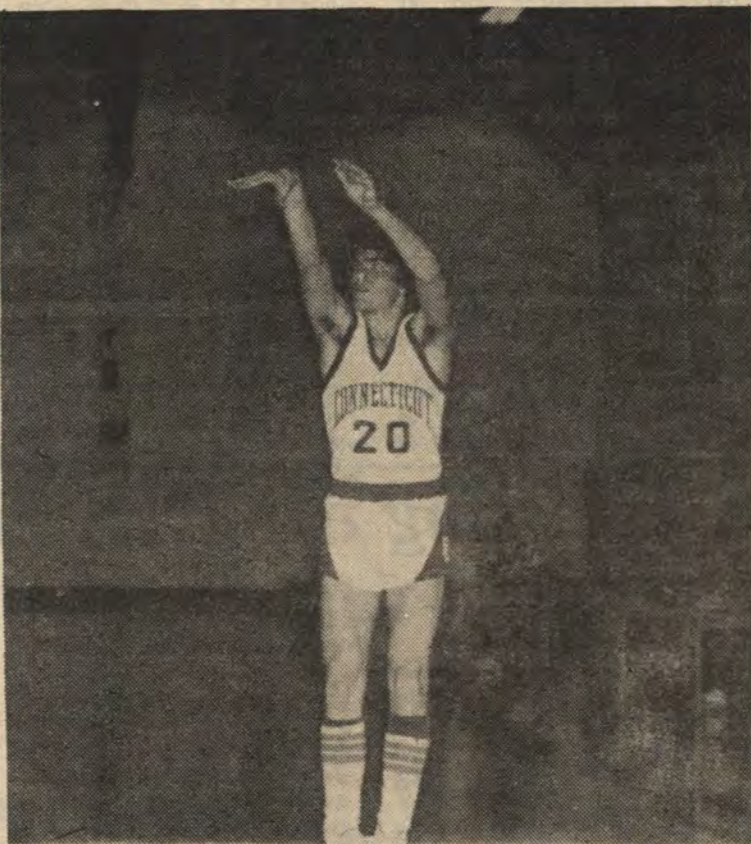
Concordia College from Bronxville was the Camels second victim of the season. Conn played well enough to win, but did not look overly impressive. Concordia only had 6 players on the team. One fan quipped that if they had 7 players, they would have beaten the Camels. Conn won 80-73, but almost let it slip away.

Travelling to Wesleyan, the team knew they had a tough assignment in front of them. Wesleyan is always a strong team. They have the combination of talent and good coaching. Despite this, Conn played a strong game, losing by the score of 76-55. While most of us were working, the Camels were playing over vacation. They played four games in Penn-

because they are supposed to.

Tired or not, the Camels turned a 15-12 lead into a 25-12 lead with 10:10 left in the first half. Once in possession of a 13 point lead, the Camels should not have lost. Behind the offense and defense of promising 6'10" Kevin Harrison, the Brewers cut the Conn lead to 2 points by halftime (33-31).

For the first 10 minutes of



Wayne Malonowski swishing a pair of his thousand.

the second half, it remained a close game but fatigue was evident in the play of the Camels. They committed turnovers, and missed too many shots. Vassar took a 59-57 lead with 6 minutes left, and was never stopped. The lead was quickly 65-57; Conn was thinking of the long trip home.

The last game before press-

junior guard. Coach Charles Luce presented the ball to Wayne.

The appreciative crowd was rocking, as it looked like Conn might just 'do it.' But time was running out, Trinity just did not let the Camels touch the ball after that, and was able to fight for a 83-72 victory.

Photos by GEOFF DAY and LISA ROME

Clark U. Spoils Hockey Team's Home Debut 10-2

by JILL EISNER

It may be a winter without snow for New England, but Conn College will not be without the winter sport of hockey. Hockey came by storm to Conn. on Saturday, January 26th when Conn played Clark U. A large crowd turned out to witness the first game to be played on home ice. Though most of the crowd was forced to stand, they seemed to be oblivious to this inconvenience, for they were entranced by the action on the ice.

Although Conn was outplayed, losing 10-2, the spectators rallied behind their team and encouraged every check delivered and booed every penalty called. The quick and agile saves of goalie John Brayton, prompted the fans into a state of near hysteria as they pounded on the protective plexi-glass. And when the two goals were scored by Conn you would have thought that they had just captured the Stanley Cup.

The first goal was scored by Kevin Sullivan on assists by Fred West and Brian Kelley. The second goal was hit home by Joe Sternlieb, on an assist by Max Langstaff.

Even though Conn suffered a big loss, the fans came away with the feeling that this was just the beginning, and that hockey was going to be something big in New London. For the players, it was the first time they were

playing for a home crowd! One player remarked to me after the game "I hope the cheering doesn't stop after the first two games, because it really gets you psyched-up; especially on the face-offs when there's no action."

The second event of this "ice week" was an "away" game at Rhode Island College. Conn returned with a 3-2 win. They were hot in the first two periods, scoring three goals before RIC could retaliate. Paul Brock scored the first two goals on assists by Nigel Bentley and Joe Sternlieb. Peter Mello scored the remaining goal with some aid from Bob Parsons and Will Stackpole. Duncan Dayton was in goal for most of the first two periods and played a good, steady game. He was replaced by John Brayton who shut out the RIC team. The Camels played well as a team and should be proud of this victory.

Thursday night was another home game against their formidable enemy Wesleyan. Though the final score was 7-0, the last three goals that Wesleyan scored were in the last three minutes. On the whole the Camels played a much better game than they had against Clark. Their passing was executed better and they carried the puck over the blue line a lot more successfully. Unfortunately, they did not use the power play to their advantage.



A member of the Connecticut College Hockey Team bears in on the Clark U. goalie.

Massive Group Effort Needed

By TERRY GRAVES

On Tuesday January 29 forty people attended a meeting to help organize the upcoming Connecticut College mini-convention. Mike Litchman, Student Government President, was pleased to see 17 out of 20 dorms represented as well as all the candidates and many current issues.

In the minds of Michael Litchman, Dean Johnson and Wayne Swanson (who is also actively involved in the mini-convention) the mini-convention is beginning to take shape. However, publicity has been sketchy and students do not have a comprehensive idea of what is going on.

The sooner that student-faculty-administration cooperation is reached, the better. There seems to be some misunderstanding among the students about just what will be gotten out of the mini-convention. The vacation change annoyed many.

"I wish that the people who

dreamt it up had gotten organized earlier. I mean, I had reservations and I can't change them. I'm on stand-by but I might be back late. But I have a mid-term that Friday which I think is really a hassle." B.G. '83

"It doesn't really bother me that the vacation was changed...I'd still be willing to help...I just hope that it's worth it." T.B. '83

"I wish that they'd just forget the mini-convention and put the vacation back on schedule." M.A. '83

Mini Convention?...you mean what they changed vacation for, right? Well...Some people had plans with their families (like me) and now they can't go. That's what really puts me off."

A.D. '83

There is a definite need for a massive group effort if the convention is to be pulled off successfully. I asked some students if they felt that the student body cared enough to get involved and also if they planned to become involved.

"I think that in general people are more concerned

about classes and Friday night's party than they are about current events on the outside...I would like to become involved." R.T. '83

"I think that there is a problem here in that the atmosphere is intensely social but in outside activities people don't seem to really relate or try to know each other. Thus the experience is lessened and people are less enthusiastic about trying to do things...also I think that people don't feel that they'd have any effect." D.G. '81

In general the mini convention has great potential. It will be a hefty task to get this community moving and involved in such an event. A successful mini-convention would increase political awareness on campus and give invaluable publicity to the college. Further more it could increase our awareness of our own community. How often is it that we have an opportunity so open and so large to simply watch each other think? If nothing else, the mini-convention espouses an ideal of communication we could all stand to embrace.

Mixing Price and Pride

By ANN C. ALLAN

It is possible to combine aesthetics and economy, to preserve that which is timeless and essential to Connecticut College while at the same time preparing to meet a future that is, if not grim, at least turbulent. It can be done if clear-sighted planning is combined with an appreciation for - no - an insistence on excellence in all aspects of the college. The question is not one of far-reaching change for Conn., rather it is a matter of endlessly small decisions, priority juggling, and compromise that add up to a larger picture.

Where do we need to economize and why? What are our priorities? Intimacy and a welcome respite from a hectic, frustrating day at dinnertime? Or less costly meals, so that board is less expensive and a more diverse student population assured?

Can we afford, both economically and spiritually, to become even more of a genteel, post-prep school than we already are? Or can we afford to lose the grace and warmth of life here that are so fondly remembered by alumni and still very much in evidence today?

A small school like Hampshire College is forced to close. A large one like B.U. is

placed under new management and emerges in the black thanks to an administration largely regarded as Gestapo-like by the student body.

As the economic picture bleakens and colleges compete ever more fiercely for students from a shrinking pool of applicants, the questions of what we are, what we stand for, and where we are going press harder and harder.

The faculty are both the inspiration to, and the watchdogs of academic excellence. The administration does precisely that - administer, i.e. make sure that the educational process continues in a smooth and orderly way.

What is the role of the students? If, as it is so often said, the students are the college, what part do we play in shaping Conn.'s present and future direction?

Conn. College is not just a degree mill for which students are the grist. We often ask the question, "What am I getting out of this place for the money I put into it?" It is a fair question. Equally fair is its opposite, "What have I put in that is not solely for my own personal gain?" In a community such as ours, it is occasionally possible to do something constructive for

the good of the whole, and not just because it will beef up the old resume.

The members of student government are neither lazy nor stupid. On the contrary, many are hard-working and feel frustrated by what they see as student indifference. Indifference is too mild a word; catatonic stupor is a more accurate description. Yet students counter, and rightly, that they cannot see how student government affects their lives at school in any fundamental way whatsoever.

The point is not that everyone should rush out and "participate" in student government, but every single talent must be utilized by the college as a whole. It is only natural that we take some kind of an interest in a place where we have spent so much time, and money, and effort.

If it means making specific sacrifices in life-style, let us think long and hard about the cost as balanced with the benefits of adaptation to an increasingly finite world. In a community of intelligent adults, it is imperative that all the resources, intellectual and financial, of the college be marshalled to create a future that is as strong and soaring as human endeavor can make it.

Taking the YAF To Task

To The Editor:

I returned to my room today to find the Young Americans for Freedom had slipped a newsletter under my door. I read it immediately and said to myself, "This cannot go without comment, what if someone takes this seriously?"

The newsletter called for the indiscriminate bombing of the Afghanistan countryside and of the people indigenous to the area. My question is: Did we learn nothing from the millions of lives lost in the bombings of Vietnam, especially those in Cambodia? Another bombing target proposed was the Iranian oil fields. In an era of

limited world energy supplies, there couldn't be a more ridiculous proposal. Further the newsletter called for the sale of weapons to foreign countries. Hopefully the time is passing where the United States must support its economy on the sale of guns - guns that will inevitably be used to kill other people.

The most outrageous remark made by these young citizens however, was the desire to sell nuclear weapons to Pakistan. For the safety of all, the world-wide goal should be, and will be the end of nuclear propagation. I do not believe, and am horrified that others do, that the neutron bomb is "ideal" in any situation.

My immediate concern is why these young Americans are so anxious to bomb other parts of the world. With the atrocities of the American bombings of the 60's and 70's in mind, the United States has said NO to massive bombings. If the U.S. is to support the goal of world peace, dropping bombs is certainly not a productive approach. We learned in the Vietnam defeat that war is not an effective way to extricate our country from economic recession. The U.S. lost millions of dollars and millions of lives." In the words of George Santayana, "He who cannot remember the past is condemned to repeat it."

Robin Brown

letters

This Kind of Thinking Gave Us Vietnam

To the Editor:

Recent discussion of the draft, on this campus as elsewhere, shows troubling signs of degenerating into a facile opposition between those who would "responsibly" defend America and its allies and those who would "selfishly" keep their tails out of a foxhole. It's this kind of thinking, friends, that gave us Vietnam.

Whatever else the revival of conscription may mean, it is a preparation for war, and its acceptance would signify a willingness to conceive of war as just one more among the various cures for international ailments - regrettable, but at times necessary. But war is rarely, if ever, a cure for anything, least of all for the persistent, pathetic, and destructive fantasy that America is the chief guardian of what is called the Free World. If the

notion of freedom does not include freedom from delusions like that, then it doesn't include much.

The real argument, then, is not between the patriots and the cowards, or the realists and the dreamers. It's between those who are willing to see America move closer to the possibility of war, nuclear or otherwise, and those who are not. Consequently, I think young men and women ought to consider whether they might not have a moral obligation to resist the revival of conscription, and even to resist conscription itself should that revival succeed. Such an effort of resistance - and not mere flight or mere complicity - helped to end American violence against Vietnam. Perhaps, now, it could keep another Vietnam from beginning.

Fredric V. Bogel

No Help For Transfers

Editor's note:

This letter was received too late to be included in last semester's final issue. By now Virginia Dunn is gone, but her story is still worth telling. See related article on page 4.

To the Editor:

I transferred to Connecticut College as a second semester sophomore this semester: Fall, 1979. When I applied as a transfer student, I stated on my application that I would be a Child Development major. I also wrote that the major reason I wanted to transfer to Connecticut College was to enter into the Child Development Department. My essay about myself for the application portrayed my experiences with children and my goals and feelings concerning learning about children. I could not have made more clear my intentions to pursue my interest in children.

I arrived at Connecticut College with the freshmen; there were no upper classmen on campus, except the student advisors and only a few of them were upper classmen. My first evening here I ate dinner with the President and my assigned advisor - an Art History professor. Then the transfer students had a few days to kill, with one or two meetings a day, before other students arrived on campus. I spent some of my extensive free time trying to get an advisor in the department I had declared as a major.

Then came registration morning. The transfer students waited for hours in line with the freshmen, fearing all the while that they might get shut out of courses they needed to fulfill requirements in the less than four years they had to finish their college studies. For me, the fear came true. I was informed that the courses I had to take in the Child Development department, for the completion of my major, were filled. That only marked the beginning of problems for me, trying to get into the courses I wanted and needed to take in my major.

After registration, I never heard from my student advisor again. After two and a half weeks of changing my courses to try to satisfy my

interests and the school's requirements, I was finally allowed to take a Child Development course, thanks to Dean Ray's help.

I would like to make a few suggestions to help transfer students in the future:

1. The transfer orientation could be condensed into fewer, but more busy, days, then the transfer students would not have to arrive as early.

2. Transfer students should be given advisors in the department they have declared for their major.

3. Transfer students should be allowed priority over freshmen into courses at registration. They have less time to fulfil requirements than freshmen.

4. Some follow-up interest in how the transfer students are adjusting, and doing in their courses, would be greatly appreciated by some.

I urge you to consider my suggestions and get in touch with other transfer students. I am leaving Connecticut College after this semester and I know I am not the only transfer student leaving. In the future, transfer students should not have to endure the ordeal I went through with getting into courses, an ordeal we all went through with registration and advisors.

I feel it is very important to remember that transfer students have determined that Connecticut College seems like it can satisfy the student's goals and needs better than some other college. Connecticut College has a chance to respond to these students in a way that would satisfy and respect their choice in colleges. I don't feel this attitude was exhibited to me. Transferring is not like entering into college as a freshman; we have been in college before and are looking for a better and happier education at Connecticut College.

Thank you for considering my suggestions.

Sincerely,
Virginia Dunn

off the track

Africa continued

CAMPING OUT

The wind is turning
the silver of the aspen leaves
toward midnight. The calls
of whip-poor-wills are like the calls
of childhood friends.

The air is thick, absinthian. Name me
Liquid, my presence is now motion --
even with the air, your flesh --
cool and otherwise empty
of sensation.

There is an airburst
in the amaranth, the chill
reminding us of our down beds.

Into the tent,
we settle,
for the sky is filling
with fine water,
and now the sound of rain
on the canvas, we hear
as applause.

I wake to see
indentations of light
moving on our fabric
roof. The peace we've waited
years to welcome, has entered
in our sleep.

The sun comes up,
the resolving punctuation
on so many restless words
between us, ripening to
splendid silence.

CAROLYN ABBOTT

WAR

War scares me.
War means that there is an
unbridgeable gulf between
you and I. It means we are
totally different, and either
you or I have to go.

War exemplifies a man's
intolerance for opinions other
than his own; for people other
than himself.

War contradicts com-
munity and "in com-
monness."

War contradicts un-
derstanding and love.

If somehow, somewhere, I
could find a source that would
allow me to see our common
humanness, peace between
us would have a fighting
chance. Something which
allows me to communicate
with you, and be open-minded
and flexible with you.
Something which "makes me
more of a you," and, (with
your permission), "you more
of a me." The fact is, you and
I are always going to be
different, and I have to learn
to live with it.

God help me.
I'll try not to kill you -- or
your opinions, or beliefs, or
personality.

Will you try not to kill me?
I can't hear you.
War scares me.

Matthew McGrath

Tanzania. To prepare for her
trip, Karla took a summer
class in Swahili at Howard
University. But nothing could
really prepare her for the
unexpected nature of her stay
in Tanzania.

Karla joined Schmidt's
archaeology team in Bukoba,
a town thirty km. from the
Ugandan border. After a few
weeks there, she moved to the
neighboring town of
Kashasha where she lived
with a family with four young
girls ranging in age from two
to five. Recalling how quickly
children must grow up in
Tanzania, she said "Because
both of the parents worked,
the four girls were respon-
sible for lighting the fire and
cooking the meal every
night." After a bout with
typhoid fever, Karla rejoined
Schmidt in Bukoba to assist
him with his work.

Schmidt's research had
revealed that Africans living
in the West Lake region were
producing sophisticated steel
products centuries before
their European counterparts
had mastered the technique.
During Karla's stay, the team
was trying to reconstruct
these early smelting
techniques.

The research project was
suddenly interrupted when
war broke out between
Tanzania and Uganda.
Although there had been
some border tension between
the two countries, the attack
was unexpected. Bukoba, the
town where Karla was
staying, was the site of heavy
bombing by the Ugandan
army.

"We were sitting at break-
fast one morning and sud-
denly heard loud noises.
When we realized they were
bombs, we hit the floor,"
Karla said. The town became
a mass of confusion and
Karla, Schmidt, and their
team fled Bukoba, heading
for villages in the bush where
they stayed at local Bible
schools.

For a few days, they
seemed to be out of danger.
Then, one night, the group's
dinner was interrupted by the
news that the Ugandan army
was ten km. away and ad-
vancing.

Karla recalled their
escape: "After we heard the
Ugandans were so close, we
immediately left and joined
up with a United Nations
geological team that was
heading for Mwanza, the
nearest major city." The
group made their escape in a
convoy of land rovers,
travelling much of the time
over unpaved roads that
made movement slow.
"When we reached the paved
road a day-and-a-half later,"
Karla said, "the leader of the
convoy kissed the pavement
with tears in his eyes."

Once they reached the main
city, Karla's activities were
restricted. "For the rest of

my stay in Tanzania, I was
not at liberty to divulge in-
formation about the bom-
bings and evacuation," she
explained, noting that very
few people in the world knew
that a war had begun. "The
Tanzanian government had
jailed someone who had
mentioned the bombings in
Bukoba," Karla said. "A man
told us that, if we valued our
lives, we would be wise never
to refer to Bukoba or
anything that happened there
while we were still in Tan-
zania."

Once free from danger, she
returned to the United States,
relieved but changed by her
experience in Africa. "It took
a long time to readjust to life
here," she said. Currently
completing her senior year at
Connecticut College, Karla
looks forward to returning to
Africa some day. "The
country is so extraordinary, it
exerts a mystical influence
that pulls you back."

Although Karla's story was
quite unusual Susanne
Behren's experience in Africa
was equally adventurous.

A Human ecology major at
the college, Susi spent two-
and-a-half months in the
National Outdoor Leadership
School program in Kenya.
Designed to teach students
how to survive and be leaders
in the wilderness, the
program included rock
climbing, mountain climbing,
hiking, first aid, and biology.
The climax of the trip came
when the group climbed Mt.
Kenya, an 18,000 ft. mountain
three hours north of the
capital city of Nairobi. In
addition, during one period of
the program, the group was
divided into pairs and had to
survive in the wilderness for
four days without food. Susi
said that they had to be ex-
tremely careful and "keep a
lookout for the rhinos."

Susi's accomplishments
are more extraordinary in
light of the fact that she is
profoundly deaf. Although
born without any hearing,
early intensive instruction
helped her overcome her
handicap. A full-time student
at the college, she is an adept
lip-reader and speaks clearly.
She also owns a trained
"hearing ear" dog named
"Happy" who responds to
such sounds as fire alarms
and alarm clocks.

When Susi originally ap-
plied to the NOLS program,
the regional supervisor
questioned her ability to
participate in the vigorous
outdoor program. Susi ex-
plained that she received a
letter implying that she would
be a danger to the program
because of her hearing loss.
She then arranged a meeting
with the director of the
program who immediately
realized that she was
qualified to participate. She
explained that once in Africa,
the group did take a few
precautions: "While hiking
through areas with a lot of
animals, I never walked at

the end of the line." When
rock climbing, the group used
rope signals to communicate
with Susi.

The group's trek up Mt.
Kenya began in a rain forest
inhabited by monkeys,
rhinos, elephants, and other
animals. Once above the tree
line, the group began rock
climbing. Their voyage was
highlighted by climbing a
glacier, using ice axes to gain
footing and support.

After the outdoor section of
the program, Susi lived on a
Masai tribal reservation for
two weeks. Once, she and
some friends inadvertently
walked into a sacred Masai
initiation ritual. "Suddenly,"
Susi said, "we were
surrounded by forty naked
Masai men with spears." After
explaining themselves and
apologizing, they escaped
unscathed.

Although she did not study
it beforehand, Susi learned
some Swahili while in Africa.
Karla and she are good
friends and often practice
their Swahili together and
talk of their trips to Africa.
The two had planned to meet
in Africa, but the outbreak of
the war prevented any
communication between
them. Susi echoed Karla's
sentiments about the beauty
of the African landscape, and
both would like to return to
the country that provided
them with such unusual
experiences.

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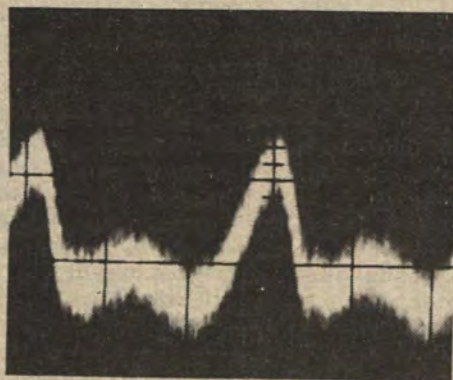
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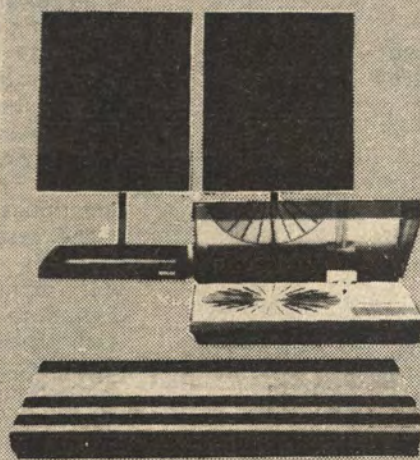
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