Dry land Titanic

Is Cummings sinking?

By Seth Stone

It is a scene out of ancient history. Just like the ancient settlers looked on the beauty of Venice and said 'let this be the center of civilization,' so did I look upon the beauty of a nude model at Cummings Art Center and say 'let this be the center of my education.'

Now, decades later, beautiful Venice is sinking. And now, 10 years after its completion, Cummings could be suffering the same fate.

According to Richard Arms, chairman of the Art History Department, "the southeast corner of Cummings is falling away a bit, enough to cause the windows to break as the glass is pressed against the screws of the frame which they are in. Arms adds that there apparently is no solution to this problem. "Nothing can be done," he said.

But Gene Richter, assistant director of the schools physical plant has a different view. "I am not aware of any major structural problems."

And what about the windows that are breaking? "the exact cause is difficult to determine," said Richter. "It could have been the installation." Richter further added that tempered glass, like the glass in the music library is susceptible to cracks. "It's annoying and expensive to have to replace glass which will crack," said Arms.

If as Arms says, the building is falling away, there must be other problems. He says that there are. "Individual cracks appear, and the roof leaks. The leaking has occurred since the building was constructed. There have been cracks in the wall since I've been here (1972). We've had some water damage to works of art. The terrace is a problem."

Arms feels the problems "are interrelated." Are they caused by the sinking of Cummings? "I would not say Cummings is sinking," said Arms, "it is settling." Richter also agrees that the building is settling. "All buildings move, especially with the weather," Richter disagrees with Arms in the respect that he feels the leaking roof and breaking windows are not related. "Architects love glass. You need great structural engineers," he related. "However, the leakage had nothing to do with the structure. The roof leaked like a sieve. We had to re-roof it. This was done in the summer of '77, and I'm not aware of any new leakage. The leakage from the roof has been corrected, but that doesn't mean it can't leak again. We continue to run tests on it, and will continue to do so."

Nobody is exactly sure as to the cause of the settling. "I've looked at complete plans for the building," said Arms. Cummings was built on a ledge of rock, and Arms said "the conclusions were that it (the ledge) was stable. Some blasting took place to even out the ledge and blasting for local roads also occurred. This blasting may have forced the ledge loose," offered Arms.

"Settling is a hard thing to say. The leaning Tower of Pisa, is what I consider settling. Newer buildings settle more often," said Richter. He emphasized that settling is natural, and also repeated that he is "not aware that the building is structurally unsound. Physical plant is not aware of any problem. We have fixed the windows, reroofed, and caulked around the deck."

Will the building continue to settle? "It may slide and settle and stop, and the major problem would end" says Arms. Arms is happy with the repairs, but not with the cost. "The roof has been repaired at great expense, and done right. The school has done what they can. They could not afford it, but they took care of the roof." Almost sadly he adds that "it hurt to pay for it."

Both Arms and Richter agree that the building is safe. "The building is safe," according to Richter. "8,000 yards of concrete were used, and they weighed 15,000 tons." While this makes the building safe, it could lead to some of the problems. "The building has a mammoth, reinforced skeleton," says Arms.

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Mountaineering #2.

SELECTING THE
PROPER GEAR

The Busch label is where it all begins. Note the snowy, craggly peaks affixed thereto. They are the mountains.

You are the mountaineer. And this is an ad. The subject of which is selecting the proper gear for mountaineering. (It all fits together so nicely, doesn't it?)

Foremost, you'll need to pop the mountain top. For this task, faithful mountaineers use a church key. Secular mountaineers use a bottle opener. Don't be confused by these antics with semantics. Just remember, the opener is your primary tool. Be true to it and it will be true to you.

Second, choose a glass. Here the options become immense. German steins, hand-blown pilseners, old jelly jars, that cute little Mr. Boffo mug you've had since third grade. Be adventurous. Experiment. Most mountaineers have a personal preference. You'll develop one too.

Food is next. Proper mountaineering, not to mention proper nutrition, requires a smorgasbord selection of snacks. Some mountaineers have suffered from a potato chip deficiency, a pretzel imbalance or other serious dietary defects. Plan ahead.

Comfort is crucial. If you mountaineer in public, pick a padded bar stool, preferably one that spins (to facilitate admiring the scenery). At home, a comfortable chair or sofa will do. Rule of thumb: if it feels good, and the police don't seem to mind, do it.

Then turn on the tube or spin a tune or crack a good book. The choice is strictly between you and the dominant hemisphere of your brain. Of course, some mountaineers say the smooth, refreshing taste of Busch is entertainment enough. And thank goodness they do, because it's an excellent conclusion.

You are the mountaineer. And this is an ad. The subject of which is selecting the proper gear for mountaineering. (It all fits together so nicely, doesn't it?)
A serious matter

This issue of The College Voice contains two articles on the problem of rape. One reason for these articles is inaccurate press coverage which the local media has engaged in. In labeling the guilty party "The Conn College Rapist", the New London Day, has distorted the facts. The rapist was not a Conn Student, as The Day implies, but an area resident. Further, the "Conn College Rapist's" attacks did not occur on campus, as the attacks involved Conn students who lived off campus. It should be pointed out that the rapist has been caught and sentenced to 10-25 years in prison.

Of the two articles on sexual assault, the first, by Andrew Rodwin, focuses on the extent of the problem in the New London area, while the second, by Allison Davis, attempts to put the Colleges\' casual atmosphere in a bit of context. In addition to these articles, a poem entitled "The Neighbor Somebody is also included. This personalized account, written by a victim of sexual assault is a reminder that while objective articles may add to our knowledge of the subject, it is probable that only the victims can truly understand it. Hopefully, the articles in this issue of The College Voice, will help clear up any misconceptions about sexual assault in the New London area.

Evan Stone

To the Editor:

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It is apparent that there is an increasing litter problem on campus this semester. On any given Monday morning, students are forced to walk through the remnants of Saturday night's all campus party on the way to class. Our main road is typically lined with Coke cans, beer bottles, and scrap paper. Such litter reminds one of New York City during a garbage strike, instead of a college campus that is supposed to be an environmental model.

The excess litter has attracted an alarming rat population on campus. Students may be feeding rats and inadvertently throwing away food, because this practice has, in particular, been responsible for attracting rats. Throwing away unwrapped beer bottles, or just leaving them on the ground is another cuspidate practice.

Instead of just casually dropping litter on the ground, we strongly urge students to use the many trash barrels that are placed conveniently around the campus. If your letter is paper or a glass bottle, it can be recycled. You should carry it to your dorm, and place it in the proper recycling container. Connecticut College cannot afford to have an environmental model with the full support of its most important citizens: the students. Please don't litter, and do support the College recycling program.

Signed,
The Human Ecology Student Advisory Board

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Group effort

Inherent within the presentation of any news magazine such as The College Voice, is a composite of all the editors' beliefs and feelings. It is this diversity which is essential to a good paper, for a well rounded collection of thoughts is invariably more valuable and informative than any single one alone.

Thus, The College Voice, in the hope of expanding our breadth and circulation, extends an invitation to all readers, students, faculty, and regional residents alike to respond to our articles, or per chance suggest an unexplored avenue which needs illumination. We wish to expand the overall range of knowledge by not only covering The College itself, but by including information about New London and Southeastern Connecticut as well. For neither The College, nor the area function as a separate entity, rather they are interconnecting intersected in the web of life. Last year when E.B. pink-slipped nearly 3,000 workers, students pledged their time and skills to help the unemployed regain their status. Likewise, The College itself benefits from the area in innumerable ways, through entertainment, local culture, and the education that comes with job experience.

A.R.B.
Back to normal

By Allen Moore

Last Monday the administration approved the Faculty and Steering Committee’s new plan to eliminate student displeasure with faculty dining practices in Cro. The plan states that all people can use the Cro snack bar at any time and that each faculty member is given a dining card that entitles him to ten free meals per semester. Even with the new scheme there is still no specified faculty dining area.

In the Cro, a faculty dining area is the Cro snack bar. The college in the early seventies began to submit “day” and “return to college (RTC)” students. Not belonging to a dorm, these students were assigned to eat in Cro with the faculty. Use of the Cro snack bar began to decline as the faculty expressed the opinion that the atmosphere in Cro upon the arrival of the new students, was “unpleasant,” according to Dean R. Francis Johnson.

Faculty dissatisfaction with Cro resulted in a new plan with which a faculty member was allowed to eat in a certain dorm as long as he performed the duties of a proctor, a scheme which simply did not work.

The next step was to give the faculty “unlimited” eating cards for use in the dorms, a plan that had been in existence for the last couple of years. But, because of what Dean R. Francis Johnson has termed the student feeling that tuition should not cover the faculty food cost of $7,000 per academic year, the Faculty and Steering Committee met over the summer to devise a new plan for 1978.

The committee reviewed four alternatives — using the college house for dining, installing movable screens to segregate an area of the Cro snack bar, eating in a dorm, and dining in Cro during a designated hour. The last alternative was implemented, and noon to 1 p.m. was designated hour. The day and RTC students had the option of purchasing dorm meal tickets or eating in Cro except from twelve to one.

This is the faculty dining plan that has been in constant debate since the beginning of the semester. The student complaints were varied, the main points being that Cro was not a student center when the day and RTC students had to schedule their classes so they could eat and when no student could eat in the snack bar from twelve to one.

Eating out: The once quiet snack shop has become a center of controversy.

Camels going on the air

If all goes well the first TV broadcast of a Connecticut College sports event will be aired sometime later this month on Channel 13, Cable TV. Steve Clarendon, a sophomore at Connecticut College, and his crew will be videotaping the Camel game against Wesleyan during Conn’s Homecoming Weekend. The game is on September 28 and will be seen on Channel 13 TV.

Steve became interested in videotaping soccer games after he was unable to try out this season due to an injury. At first Steve was unable to obtain the necessary equipment because most departments were not willing to lend their personal equipment for fear that it would be lost or damaged. Steve finally contacted Fred Grimesey, director of the Theater and Dance programs at Connecticut College. Mr. Grimesey was extremely helpful and advised Steve to contact Ken Jones of Channel 13 TV in New London.

As it turned out, channel 13 has a fully operational TV studio in the basement of Palmer Auditorium. Ken Jones was very excited about Steve’s project and agreed to help the aspiring director. Over the next few weeks Ken Jones and Wes Better, of Channel 13, trained Steve and his staff on how to use TV equipment and produce a show. Last weekend the crew taped their first game with only minimal assistance from Wes Better. Unfortunately, though, there was a problem with the sound portion of the game and the camera came out silent. The crew will be out there again, though, to give it another try on the 30th.

Steve says that learning to use equipment is very easy and that if enough student interest is shown in the project, then Connecticut College may be able to add a third dimension to its media system. The possibilities are unlimited and the cost is not that great, about $5 dollars for an hour of program time. Next week’s game will not be live when aired but will include a pre-game talk show.

Unfortunately Connecticut College does not get cable TV except for an outlet in Cummings; however, Steve hopes this project will help bring the College and the New London community closer together.

Steve Clarendon will be videotaping Conn soccer games.

Radicals beware

By Alayne W. Ablate

One of the many new clubs at Connecticut College this year is the Young Americans for Freedom. This organization, founded at the home of William F. Buckley, Jr. in Sharon, Connecticut in 1960, is the largest conservative youth group. It includes more than 500 chapters nationally on high school, community, and college levels. The platform for this group, which has found its way to our campus, is called the Sharon Statement. It stresses that a person should use “his God-given free will.” The utilization of these individual rights will lead to political, and eventual personal liberty. YAF sees a need for “new approaches to our nation’s problems” such as free enterprise and a foreign policy that is not based on a strong national defense. To show their deep concern about the state of our government and push their own proposals they circulate petitions and publish newsletters and their magazine, “New Guard.” Unlike most political organizations the Young Americans for Freedom are busy year round.

The City Council of the town of Woonsocket, R.I., in an embarrassing move this week, decided to remove its manholes “personholes.” It seems that about 2 weeks ago the town passed an ordinance that would change the title of utility man to utility person. This move also included a phrase that said the utility person would also be responsible for building “personholes.”
LETTERS

Bummed
To the Editor,
I find the new campus parking arrangements extremely distressing. It seems the only freedom an upper campus student has is South Lot or a ticket. Over the summer a large amount of student parking was assigned to the faculty. The largest portion of space, between Cummings and Fanning is now reserved entirely for faculty. This doesn’t seem unreasonable considering the large concentration of faculty and administration in this area. However, with this additional faculty space created, no allowance has been made for students, who must seek alternative areas for parking.
As a result central campus parking is vastly overcrowded, and then the only alternative is to risk a ticket in a faculty space. An equitable solution would be to allow students access to the faculty parking areas in front of Palmer Library and on the western side of Cro road. These spaces remain empty throughout the day, and therefore such an allowance couldn’t possibly infringe on what is already a large surplus of faculty parking.

Son of Sam
To the Editor,
You are to be commended for your coverage of the fire extinguisher vandalism problem on campus. However, letting Root and Shaffer write on fire extinguisher control is in the same league as letting David Berkowitz speak out on gun control. Keep up the good work.

Sincerely,
Bob Porter ’79

NEWS SHORTS

E.B. problems
General Dynamics Electric Boat Division’s overrun cost agreement cleared the Senate’s Armed Services Committee last week, and will thus be going into effect. The $44 million dollar deal covers the extra costs incurred in the construction of 18 attack submarines by E.B. Originally the proposal met some opposition from Senator William Proxmire; however, a banding together of New England senators carried enough weight to pass the measure 9-4.
Had the proposal not passed, it would have meant more problems and hardships for E.B. and the New London area. This region is still recovering from last year’s 3,000 E.B. lay-offs, which were due to severe financial cut-backs implemented so E.B. could meet its budget, which ultimately failed.

Sperm whales
U.S. Rep. Ronald A. Sarasin, a GOP gubernatorial candidate for Connecticut, has confronted President Carter on the issue of protecting sperm whales, the Connecticut state animal. Sarasin charged that the President has allowed the U.S. delegation to the International Whaling Commission to approve of a vote that would increase the number of sperm whales killed yearly by 6,000 animals. Sarasin also charged that the Carter Administration is in the process of lifting a ban on the hunting of the California grey whales and also trying to increase the rate of kill of the bow head whales. During his 1976 campaign the President had promised to set a ten-year ban on the hunting of all whales within our 200 mile fishing limit.

Rink worries
Petitions signed by over 35 local residents have asked the New London City Council to set up specific guidelines for the construction of the college hockey rink. The guidelines the locals want met are sufficient parking at the rink and exclusive payments for the cost of water, electricity, and garbage service. Resident have also asked for access roads to the site of the rink.
There have been complaints that the college is trying to circumvent the requirement for a special use permit. Connecticut College claims the rink will be at a main campus site, while in actuality sites across the street from the school have been surveyed.

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Snack shop decision reversed as Assembly remains silent on room entry

SGA reporter

OFF THE TRACK

Cold turkey without a Times fix

By Mike Sillenfeld

Tumbling out of bed, crawling across the room, knees scraping against the wooden floor; turning the knob and pulling the door — only to be confronted with again with a blank space of hallway.

No matter how long the newspaper strike lasts, nothing can prepare me for the daily night of a doorway without The New York Times.


That I yearn for no small-town newspaper can replace. I want immense tracts of Congressional testimony. When I listen to WCBS, a York news station, my masochistic brain cells cry for more details, craving the sheer bulk which the Times lovingly heaps on its readers.


Whatever happened to irate New Yorkers who would roll up their sleeves and joyously back-slapping.

Is there any culture left in the United States? Have any plays opened? Closed? What about concerts, films, art exhibits? Have they all vanished with the Times?

I even yearn for the weekly Living Section with those chattered food advertisements. And for once I would not mind reading a Times obituary.

That monumental test of reading endurance, the Sunday Times, contains other delights— the Arts and Leisure Section, Book Review, Sports Section, Magazine, Week in Review, first section—from which days (weeks?) of pleasure may be gleaned.

Sections of the Sunday paper which were often discarded or given away, such as Travel or Real Estate, now take on a significance and dealrability never before imagined. In addition, quirks of the Times, like the triangular holes at the edges of every page, or bizarre typographical errors in crucial sentences, no longer seem annoying.

In short, The New York Times has acquired a sanctity and value which it long deserved but which it was rarely accorded because of its regular appearance at students’ doorways.

A scene which continuously plays in my mind involves a copyboy running into a smoke-filled Times office. He leaves a blinding genie, who has rolled-up sleeves and a card reading “Editor” sticking out of his visor, “It’s over! The strike’s over!”

The editor then barks, “Get those presses rolling!” amid thunderous applause and joyous back-slapping.

Ah, ‘the stuff of which dreams are made.

Meeting of Sept. 13

By Erle Schebesch

Walking past Cro last week, you may have noticed a handbill changed to the announcements board in front of the building. Crozier-Williams Student Center had been reviewed. Crozier-Williams Student Center. This public comment was presumably in response to the snack shop new faculty preference policy, which prohibited student use from noon to one of clock, and allowed only limited student use in the preceding half-hour.

The policy, established by President Ames and his Senior Staff, was such a mockery of a “Student Center”, (not to mention good faculty- stu dent relations) that it resulted in a faculty meetings at the campus Conference Committee, who explained that although they had asked for a faculty dining room and-or lounge, they never requested that Cro be restricted for that purpose.

At the September 13th Student Assembly, Marc Blasser, the off-campus representative, expressed his constituents’ dissatisfaction with the policy, explaining that no reasonable alternatives remained for day-student meals. Student Assembly promptly went on record opposing the policy. Only after both faculty and students opposed the policy, did Senior Staff vote to re-open Cro to all.

Meeting of Sept. 20

No one is really sure exactly what happened at September 20th’s Student Assembly. The background is unclear, the meeting itself was mayhem. One thing is for sure, however; this was one of the worst moments in Connecticut College student government history.

It could be seen as one of SGA’s shining moments. Dean Alans Johnson and Treasurer Leroy Knight were invited to Assembly to answer questions concerning the school’s room-entering policy (Read the handbook if you are not familiar with it.) They expounded the administration’s position, expressing the need for access to student rooms for school and utility officials. They also made it clear that the administration was not “out to get students.”

Dean Johnson and Treasurer Knight explained these points articulately, emphasizing the need for access to student rooms for school and utility officials.

One House President described the situation as being “aunker to the administrative position hook, line, and sinker.” Tom Beuacher, House President of JA, and Ted Conolly, House President of Larrabee, both expressed the view that since the administration is not “out to get students,” and since they occasionally need to get into rooms, the legal principle was irrelevant (along with the students’ rights). One House President described this as being “aunker to the administration” point of view.

That was the prevailing point of view of the September 20th Assembly. Few members were perceptive to the seriousness of the legal situation. Fortunately, Mr. Knight was more perceptive to the problem than Assembly; he offered to check the legal status of the policy, including a change limiting the access of utility officials to student rooms. Given that the legality of the policy was clearly brought into question, the Assembly should have pushed for its own independent investigation of the legality of the room-entering policy and not relied on Mr. Knight to do so.

SGA President Janice Mayer, Vice President Vuya Ntabona, and JB President Joel Malden all felt that the Assembly had backed down in the face of DJ and Treasurer Knight. After the meeting, Malden said that he was “ticked up” with the House Presidents, having
brought up the issue and invited Dean Johnson and Mr. Knight, Student Assembly turned into a paper-tiger, unwilling to press its concerns.

Much concern was also expressed over Assembly's treatment of Mr. Adamowicz. It is important to point out that he did not ask for the issue to be placed on the agenda (what happened to all the people that did?), but rather, he was invited to explain the findings of his research done two years ago. Mr. Adamowicz read his findings and was then "left high and dry," as President Mayer described it. The situation looked like a set-up; bring him in, let him speak, and then without support he'll look like an idiot.

Of course it was not a set-up, and the idiocy was on the part of Assembly. The desire to discuss the issue disappeared when members of the Administration entered the room. Some members actively pursued their "brownie points" with the administration. One SGA Executive Board member described the irony of a particular House President's position, maintaining that the week before he (the House President) was in Assembly complaining about his dorm's difficulties with the fire equipment - vandalism policy. One week, he spoke very strongly about the importance of principles, the next week, with DJ sitting next to him, the principles were out the window and the administration was faultless.

This was one of the worst moments in Connecticut College Student Government history...It could have been one of SGA's shining moments.

The legality of the policy has never been tested. What made Student Assembly irresponsible was their unwillingness to look into the situation, to press the issue, and push for student rights. Vice-President Nishona said after the meeting that he was "totally dissatisfied with the situation" and disgusted with Assembly's lack of objectivity in the matter. Mr. Nishona expressed his highest concern with the principle involved, and spoke of the dangerous precedent involved. To Mr. Nishona, the Administration's arguments were irrelevant, only the ultimate question of legality and morality mattered. It is obvious that few members of Assembly share Mr. Nishona's admirable sense of responsibility.

Cummings

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Arms: "There is a large span going over Olives and Dana Halls, and the center load is concentrated near the perimeter. It is an extremely heavy building.

I can't imagine the building becoming unsafe. The structure is capable of holding," concludes Arms. Cummings is not turning into Venice of America. The building is settling into the ground. According to Roehrich this is common for any building. But not all buildings have to have windows replaced and expensive repairs done to the roof. Whether the roof, windows, and settling are related is not known...at least not yet. Nobody is sure as to who might be responsible for the defects in the arts center. Lawsuits are not likely. But as Arms related, "no amount of money could help."

Expensive repairs apparently will be the future for Cummings. Nobody is willing to say whether Cummings Arts Center is a white elephant, but if nothing can be done to correct the costly defects, it appears to be one. For as Arms said, "nothing can be done" for the settling.

Cranz

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Room entering was on the SGA agenda. Should Mo Bell's boy be allowed to take a look?

PROFILE OF

PROFESSOR CRANZ

This is the first of a mini-series on a few of the teachers here at Connecticut College. The aim of the series is to provide some behind-the-desk information on Coon's educators. It is also meant to begin a more crucial and understanding relationship between students and professor. The first profile is on Prof. F. Edward Cranz, a history professor.

By Michael Adamowicz

During his long tenure here, Prof. Cranz has pursued his interest in intellectual history along several avenues. The foremost of these, of course, is in his classrooms. The main thrust of his courses is the development of civilizations and peoples. He feels this emphasis, rather than narrative history, is the heart of history. Here, in the trends and courses of human destiny, Cranz finds 'moralities, goals, and nature of man.'

Professor Cranz is said to have a superior classroom technique. He is held in high esteem by most of his students. One student remarks "that his course baffled me until it all pulled together one night into a great theory. I have never felt so elated as that night."

A few criticisms of Prof. Cranz concern the level at which his courses are taught. One student remarked that "Mr. Cranz is a brilliant man whose only fault might be that students have some difficulty understanding his very 'esoteric ideas.' In the liberal arts, one of the major goals is to incorporate knowledge from a variety of fields into a single overarching whole. Perhaps the most revealing student comment is "He teaches with a coherent world view which has illuminated all my other areas of study."

Outside the classroom, he is engaged in many activities. Cranz is a member of several school committees. He is also the Editor-in-Chief of the "Catalogus Translations et Commentatorum." The aim of the "Catalogus" is to "enable scholars to complete the first stage of their manuscript search in the printed catalogues quickly and completely." This is accomplished by making microfilm copies of Latin manuscript indexes. The National Endowment for the Humanities presented Prof. Cranz with a grant to help him complete the "Catalogus." He is also Secretary of the Medieval and Renaissance Latin Translations and Commentaries.

Cranz's interest in his students goes beyond the classroom. He feels that the students often limit their studies to "academic rather than intellectual pursuits." That is, students do not usually go beyond the mere intake of his lectures. The alternative is to take the concepts and theories and apply them to their own personal lives. Thus only half of the scholar's route is followed. Cranz does not believe this is a recent trend, but is characteristic of students in general. He advocates stronger student-teacher ties and stresses that the relationship must go deeper than conventional cocktail party talk and pleasantries. Controversial in the world, science, academia and school should be freely discussed in intellectual contexts, he feels. This, Cranz believes, may begin to bring the students towards the full scholar's route.

He takes pride in his work and attempts to apply himself totally to the intellectual realm. Prof. Cranz is proud to note that he teaches in a department in which three professors - Mr. Havens, Mr. Birdaall, and himself - have received the prestigious Guggenheim award. This is an honor shared by few, according to Cranz. He goes on to say that the history department "has been a strong and supportive department throughout the many years I've been in it."
Sexual assault

by Andrew Rodwin

Some things are extremely unpleasant to face. Rape is such a thing. If rape were a break operation, it might be better left in the closet.

But to believe that rape is a break accident is an illusion and a delusion. Over 14,000 forcible rapes occurred in 1975. As world population is measured in hundreds of millions and billions, this figure is not as intimidating as it might first appear to be. What does indicate, though, is that the problem deserves public attention (despite the natural but self-defeating reluctance to make such a private, emotionally volatile issue public).

Locally, the FBI estimates that there were 16 forcible rapes in New London in 1975, as well as 7 in Groton, 2 in Waterford, and 7 in Norwich. These federal statistics do conflict with those of local police departments: many departments reported only 1 or 2 rapes from January to May this year.

Further statistics have been compiled by the Women's Center of SE Conn., a service organization which offers a rape counseling service used by most rape victims in the area. The Center's Rape Crisis Service handled "12 cases of sexual assault between Jan. 15, 1975 and May 15, 1975-that is an average of four cases per month."

If that is multiplied by "the ten cases the FBI suspects are unreported for every one case that is reported we have forty more possible cases between Jan. and May 75." This latter figure is of course speculation because it is based on the theory that such a large proportion of assaults are not reported.

Further, a sexual assault is not necessarily as serious as a rape. According to the New London police department, any forcible assault on a victim that is sexual in nature (such as stripping or fondling) is classified as "sexual assault," while rapes include only those in which there is vaginal or anal penetration.

Men as well as women can be raped, and occasionally are.

Interestingly, according to the Women's Center, sexual satisfaction is not usually the goal of a sexual assault. The Center has concluded that rape is rather a play for power. Sex is used as a weapon. A violent personality afflicted with feelings of impotence, inferiority, or weakness compensates by asserting dominance over another (weaker) being: "we think of it as a sexual act, and it's not, it's violence."

In 80 percent of cases the man cannot even maintain an erection, and completion of intercourse is rarer still.

An article was recently published in the New London Day, reporting the sentencing of Benjamin Rivera, the "Conn College Rapist," who "terrorized" the campus for the last two years (a rape in an earlier article). This language is misleading because none of Rivera's six reported rapes occurred on campus-one was in Groton, and the other five, coincidentally, involved Connecticut College students living off campus.

The Day reports that three students were raped in 1977 and three in 1978 through April. Another rape reportedly occurred very near the campus this summer.

Thomas Nossal, the Victim Witness Advocate working out of the State's Attorney's Office in New London, who heads an office lending legal and personal assistance to rape victims, says that he has dealt with six victims who were students.

All groups involved in treating or eliminating the rape problem-the police department, Nossal, and the Women's Center stress the need for educating the people.

Women, however, personally feel that the school needs to take some added security measures (such as more systematic lighting), they are more concerned about educating students in the prevention of rape through counseling. Nossal is not aware of adequate educational programs at the college. If they do exist, he feels they ought to be more effective. He adds that those students he has dealt with who are victims agree with him on this point. These are primarily of campus students, but his is precisely the group who would gain the most advantage from an education program which would be promoted actively and unabashedly by the school.

In discussing security measures, the Women's Center emphasizes prevention. They have published an extensive amount of literature outlining precautions women ought to take. The Center believes that the rape problem is a complicated one, that security can only work up to a point, and that there is a better strategy: "most of it has to come from the women themselves."

The consensus seems to be precisely this: that the ounce of prevention that is so crucial is to be found in awareness as well as in tightening up security.

The friendly campus: An island in the city

By Allison Davis

On September 13, an article appeared in the New London Day which was misleading in its title "Conn College Rape: 12 to 20 years." Although the headline was probably intended as a sensationalist lure (the rapist was not a Conn student), it is nevertheless exposed a problem that the College has reluctantly begun to face. The College is a private institution located within the boundaries of an industrial city, and it is open to the hazards and crimes associated with metropolitan areas. Yet we are not well-equipped to deal with these crimes as long as we lack a full police force or a fence around the perimeter of the campus. Our problem stems from our increasing suburban appearance; it makes the campus seem safe to the students yet serves as a haven for intruders.

As in many college campuses, our campus safety force is unreasonably small and incapable of patrolling all areas of the campus or tracking down crimes. One additional feature of our elaborate landscaping is that it provides many excellent hiding places for thieves and rapists, and it is always very easy to get on or off campus by foot. Students tend to have the outside doors unlocked and walk in and out of the outside building for anyone to find a copy of a campus newspaper at the New London train station which advertised campus parties or discussion. The chances of finding a mate for the evening is, in short, we have made the campus into an attractive object for victimization, but we have not been prepared for the consequences.

Consequently, most members of the college community do not think about rape each day, but neither are they willing to sacrifice convenience for safety. Students present being stopped at the gates and complain if they can only use one entrance, yet they demand to know why campus safety can't stop thefts in dormitories. Students also walk back from parties or the bar at all hours of the evening, and rarely call the escort service. Perhaps our collective naiveté is due to the Administration's emphasis on the "friendly atmosphere" of the College or to the relatively loose college rules which allow unusually high standards of freedom for students. Whatever the case, it seems that the responsibility for preventing rape must rest primarily with the students and the way they administer to their own dormitory and governmental structure.

The administration has taken some of the initial steps to ameliorate this situation, but as yet they have not been able to devise a standard procedure for cooperating with the New London emergency services (specifically the police and Lawrence Memorial Hospital). At the present moment they are trying to arrange for a Rape Crisis counselor in the dormitory, who would at least be able to initiate the follow-up process in student rape cases. The deans are becoming more familiar with the legal ramifications of rape cases, and the housefathers will be given more detailed interaction of what they can do to help rape victims. But there are still many "gray areas" in the College policy for instance, how to facilitate transportation for rape and other emergency medical cases. And at what point does any crime get turned over to the New London police? Since most of these difficulties are due to our status as a private institution within a public sector, it will be up to us to do as much as we can to protect ourselves from rape and other violent crimes if we want to maintain our relative autonomy.

ILLUSTRATION BY MAX MOORE
Sexual assault is the most intensely personal of experiences. There is always something missing in objective prose accounts of such experiences, like childbirth, religious visions, or knowledge of imminent death etc. Therefore, the College Voice sought a personal subjective statement by the victim of a sexual assault to lend its lead feature more meaning.

One of the editors was introduced to a woman who had been raped. Although she desires to remain anonymous for personal reasons, she felt little reluctance to talk about her experience.

This woman was given the option of writing in any form or at any length about anything pertaining to her personal ordeal. She decided to allow THE COLLEGE VOICE to publish a poem she wrote days after she was victimized. It is a personal statement about sexual assault, being at present directed to any who will listen to those who may not think about rape (who may even joke about rape) but who have this opportunity to empathically understand it.

Tell somebody

there was a man there was a man there was a man in my room.

"there is nothing," someone told me
"to be scared of"
I was little
"in your bed at night, in your room tucked in, covers over your head,"
someone told me.
I believed it.
there was a hand on my mouth and a kiss in my ear
there was a rip of clothing and the threat of pain.
there was a man there was a man there was a man.

one week later – another girl.
then another and another,
now a friend, now a stranger, and another and another and another. all of us.

the whistle in the street, the pinch on the bus, the film of sleaze showers won't wash away. no one's untouched. little rapes.

there was a man there was a man there was a man who seeped into my life who seeped into the streets, who seeped into the walls, who seeped into the streets and the furnace downstairs, the pinch on the bus, someone told me.

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there was a man there was a man there was a man who seeped into my life with a subtle violence: who seeped into the walls and the furnace downstairs, the pinch on the bus, someone told me.

no one's untouched. little rapes.

Tell somebody

it's a snickering power. it was so unfair. he seeped into my bones to the soul to the womb to the womb to the womb.

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Women's Center needs funds

By Lisa Rosenstein

In August the Women's Center of Southeastern Connecticut Inc. opened a shelter for abused women and their children. In previous years the shelter had, in addition to maintaining a twenty-four hour rape crisis service, aided women by conducting discussion groups concerning sexuality, divorce, and daily living. Once the new shelter was started, financing became a key issue and the center is in desperate need of financial and material aid.

The rent, utilities and insurance cost the shelter $1,000 dollars per month. Although they did raise seven hundred dollars in pledges from a recent telephone, that amount obviously cannot afford the shelter financial security. The women's shelter is asking for pledges or donations of any amount— even one dollar per month. But financial contributions are not the only way people can help the shelter to survive: material contributions such as paper towels, tissues, toilet paper and especially diapers or Pampers would also be greatly appreciated. When the shelter opened they held a "shelter shower" and the entire house was furnished with large items such as washing machines and dryers, it is the small items that are now so greatly needed.

The women at the shelter do pay $1.50 per day in rent and all of the women are also on welfare. They usually pool their money in order to buy food, but their budget cannot allow everything. The women and children of the shelter are asking for the community's help. Anyone wishing to contribute financially or materially can contact the center at telephone number 447-6380. They need your support.
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### Dorm football

**Larrabee picked to win**

By David Fiderer

Larrabee Wins Super Bowl!! Although flag football season has just begun, this headline will almost certainly be appropriate for a November issue of The College Voice. In a league with few good teams, the "Bee" boys stand alone at the top. Their only real competition will come from J.A., whose returning several members of last season's Harkness championship team.

In the North, the "Bee" boys are the team to bet on. Despite having the highest payroll in the league, Larrabee has veteran players who produce; like Buffchew Goddard, Larry "Gator" Whalen, Mark Fiedler, Bill Davie, Chris Colbert, and John Kristiansky. And don't forget that Big Daddy is back this year too.

Morrison has potential and a relatively easy schedule; however, the team has little desire. Quarterback Paul Gretzky had better be prepared to run if he is to last the season. The team is dominated by seniors float, Unio, Fiderer, Norman, and Martino. Defensive lineman Bruce McNeil is one of the best in the league. The best Morrison can hope for is second place in the Northern division.

Smith-Hurdick has John Busch and Mark Bongsworth and that's about all. Early games against Harkness and J.A. will make or break this team. Center Sullivan and Paul "Deek" Decamini are two good running backs, but with little blocking they, and the rest of the Hamilton-Wright team are in for a long season.

Every league has its bad teams, unfortunately Marshall-Lambert will take this honor. Linebacker Glen White and receiver Rich Channick are two strong players. The rest of the team forget it boys.

The Jane Addams team looks like the team in the South. The team will feature strong offense and defensive lines lead by Commissioner "Porty" Scott, Paul Sabatino, and Jack Sado. In addition, players like Scott Pluck, Mark McLaughlin, and Peter Craft should contribute heavily to the team.

Harkness, last year's Class B champion, bears little resemblance to that undefeated team. All that is left in Beaver North, where have you gone Deedy, Kirth, and Capelin? Dave Stewart returns and is joined by Jerry Carrington.

The Freeman-Park team is at this point an unknown commodity. Players like Fred West and quarterback Andy Jeffers provide a decent nucleus. The jury is still out on this team.

Windham-Lazrus is a team destined for mediocrity at best. Name players, well, let me see, ah, here's one Peter Mykonetz.

You would think that it would be possible to assemble a decent football team out of four dorms. Well, this is not the case for the Quad-K.B. team. A doormat for sure. Ricky Schirer is a dangerous runningback, but his support is minimal. Scott Stephens, a veteran defensive back, anchors the porous defense.

Larrabee's talent, experience, and intensity should carry them to the top. Just ask a Bee fan.

The local connection: Luce (left) and Seyward (right)

### Booters maul

**Fairfield club, 7-0**

On Saturday, September 16, in their first home game, the Connecticut College varsity soccer team crushed Fairfield University 7-0. Fifteen minutes into the game, David Geller took a crossing-pass from Steve Litwin and scored. From that point on, the Conn. team was dominant. Jim Luce repeated his performance at Holy Cross by scoring two goals. The Camels got single tallies from Litwin, Max Litwin, Jim Garbarra, and Kevin Seyward. In addition, Seyward was selected as the game's outstanding player.

"We gave them no opportunity for hope," said a smiling Jim Garbarra. "We buried them," said Luce. The Camels outshot Fairfield 24-11 with goalie Tim Anderson stopping seven shots in route to his first shutout.

### This week in home sports

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### Photos of players

Photos by Tatiana Lopuchin and Glenn White
**New London**

**New plays grace Palmer stage**

The theater activity at Conn. will be a combination of professional touring companies and experimental student work. The variety of shows will include musicals and student directing projects.

The first performance will be "Jacques Brel is Alive and Well Living in Paris," designed and directed by Fred Grimsley with John Brodley as musical director. This Broadway show will be performed in the Crouser Williams Dance Studio October 6 and 7 at 8:00 p.m. Tickets are $2.50 for General Admission and $1.00 for students.

"Flute" is a comedy plot based on the Creation, showing Adam and Eve as an archetypal relationship. Written by Mark Twain and Arthur Miller, this production is adapted for the stage and directed by Maxim Langstaff. The music is by John Denver.

In this outstanding script Mark Twain uses comedy to let the audience know that above all else, simplicity and honesty are essential in human relationships. The cast includes Ron Tanner as Adam, Laura Middle as Eve, Matt Janaky as Lucifer and Ned Colt as God. Performances will be November 8 through 11 in Palmer.

**Groton**

**Food without thought**

By Jay Faber

Say you're two hours out of the Cro Bar, have missed "last call" at Mr. G's and the Banana Boat, and possess an appetite which would rival Linda Lovelace's. A dining spot which proves to be even somewhat pleasant is Norm's Diner in Groton. It exudes a certain charm of its own; its decor and the very best in clientele together with the very best in western omelets to offer the "munched-out" an almost enjoyable eating experience.

On any given evening, Norm's attracts a greater cast of characters than George Lucas' Star Wars Bar. If Norm's had a guest register, it might read as: "Who's Who in East Coast Reformatories." The Diner has a reputation for being a bastion for "low life." Don't get me wrong, I find this amusing customer congregation to be an attractive feature. If the food is sometimes dull, the patrons always provide the necessary spice to liven up your meal.

Check, during my latest visit to the establishment, I encountered a gentleman who claimed to be Fidel Castro, a woman who swore she was Jackie O, and an eleven year old Scottish gal who thought she was a Ke because her grandmother used to call her "Frenchs." It was a funny story.

The breakfast menu at Norm's is, in general, pretty good. The egg dishes are always fresh, their pig products palatable, and Norm's griddle cakes never need frosting. Known in some circles as a particular eater, my mother will tell you that I would not touch toast until I was thirteen. My trained taste buds are quite discriminating. Without much thought, this critic would have to recommend Norm's western and cheese omelets as house specialties. The western, a three egg omelette, packed full of onions, green peppers, and ham, is guaranteed to stuff the most corpulent. The diner's cheese omelette features a variety of cheeses, all aged in Norm's humidity-controlled backroom.

It wouldn't be fair to conclude my review without a brief mention of Norm's all night hosts, Ronnie. A girl merger beginnings, low S.A.T. Scores, and a minae's command of the English language, Ronnie has worked her way to the top spot in Norm's organization. Possessing infinite wit and worthless wisdom, Ronnie entertains with more charm than a host of leprechauns.

Norm's prices are quite reasonable; no entree exceeds $2.50. Located just over the twin bridges northbound, Norm's is easily accessible. To find Norm's Diner: head towards Groton, take the first exit off the Shady Highway Bridge, proceed right; Norm's approximately 100 yards on the ramp on your left. Business hours are not posted but I can assure you the diner will be serving any hour you need to be serviced. I say, give Norm's Diner a try.

**Mystic**

**Aquarium splash**

You don't have to go to the Orange Bowl to see the Dolphins perform

By Alice Wilding-White

The large white whale glided slowly through the water as children and adults watched from windows below. Their faces expressed amazement at the huge, but lovable, whale swept past them. Alex, a Beluga whale, is only one of the many wonders that draws crowds to the Mystic Marinelife Aquarium.

The exhibit tanks, Seal Island, and the Dolphin, Sea Lion, and Whale Show all provide a unique entertainment and an educational experience for all who visit the Aquarium. Over 300 species of fish are exhibited in the thirty tanks that hold 200 to 30,000 gallons of water. These are mostly reef fish from the tropics, and local fish from off-the-North American coast. Due to the range in species, each tank has to be run on its own system, which cools or heats the water. The water itself is sympathetic, since water taken from the Sound would be impure and have an insufficient salinity.

Just as the exhibit tanks are a recreation of each fish's environment, Seal Island's outdoor rocks and pools are a recreation of the seals' and sea lions' habitat. Both Californian and Northern Seals and Northern Lions bask in the sun and enjoy their cool 68 degree water. They stay outside year round since they are accustomed to cold weather. Our winters are like their summers.

The most spectacular part of a visit to the Mystic Aquarium is the Dolphin, Sea Lion and Whale Show. Alex, the one-ton Beluga whale, is the first to perform in the so-called "roll show." Alex, the one-ton Beluga whale, is the first to perform in the so-called "roll show." Alex, the one-ton Beluga whale, is the first to perform in the so-called "roll show." Alex, the one-ton Beluga whale, is the first to perform in the so-called "roll show." Alex, the one-ton Beluga whale, is the first to perform in the so-called "roll show." Alex, the one-ton Beluga whale, is the first to perform in the so-called "roll show." Alex, the one-ton Beluga whale, is the first to perform in the so-called "roll show." Alex, the one-ton Beluga whale, is the first to perform in the so-called "roll show." Alex, the one-ton Beluga whale, is the first to perform in the so-called "roll show." Alex, the one-ton Beluga whale, is the first to perform in the so-called "roll show." 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Alex was already 15 years old, and had spent most of his life in captivity. He was very young when he was captured and, as a result, he has some unusual behaviors, such as living in one corner of the tank and chewing on the side of the pool. Laurie Kezer, Curator, Head of Education, and Public Relations, and a Conn. College graduate, says "we fondly call Alex Captain Boring...I wonder if we don't have the only smiley whale in captivity."

Salty, the Sea Lion, who weighs a mere 400 pounds, in the next to perform in the Training Demonstration. This ham actor, who insists on clapping for Tbla in the Training Demonstration.

The Aquarium first opened on Oct. 6, 1973. "We have grown quite a bit in five years," says Kezer. The Aquarium is privately owned and is what Kezer considers "...a rather unique institution." Apparently, the Aquarium has had its best attendance in the last two summers. This is a result of increased advertising for the whole Mystic area in New York. As an effort to bring more students to the Aquarium, admission fees drop to $6.00 for those between the ages of 10 and 15, and $9.00 for those aged 16 or older. Admission fees for those between the ages of 10 and 15 are available for a reduced rate for CONN Students with ID.

**The fruits of Autumn**

Enjoy apple cider made on the premises at CLYDE'S CIDER MILL, North Stonington Rd., Old Mystic, Hours: 9 a.m. - 10 p.m. through Thanksgiving. You can pick your own apples at HOLMBERG ORCHARDS, 12 Orchard Dr., Gates Ferry or at SCOTT'S ORCHARDS, 33 Scott Rd., East Lyme.

**At the movies**

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1978**

Alumni Council Begins
9 a.m.-2 p.m.-J.V. Soccer. C.C. vs. Coast Guard, Hackness Green
9 a.m.-4 p.m.-The Gala Opening of Alumn Art Show, Cummings
8 p.m.-Program: "Volpine" directed by Ron Holdke, Poems by Dylan Thomas
4 p.m.-Art, CONNECTICUT COLLEGE AND THE REAL WORLD: Panel of Alumni Artists, Oliva
9 p.m.-m-Hackness House Party, 11:00

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1978**

9 a.m.-9:30 a.m.-Dedication, Thomas Snow Memorial Tournament. Mixed Doubles (open to faculty, staff and students)
9 a.m.-11:00 a.m.-Registration, Cro Main Desk, Crosier Williams
9 a.m.-6:00 p.m.-Coffee, Snackshop Front Lawn
9 a.m.-11:00 a.m.-Alumni Crew Races, Rooftop, Thames River
10 a.m.-10:30 a.m.-Cross Country, C.C. vs. University of Hartford
12 NOON-HOME COMING PICNIC. HARRIS GREEN. TICKETS REQUIRED: 10.00. "Part of Homecoming Crafts Fair, Larabee Green; rain-Larabee Living Room, Dining Room.
1 p.m.-Field Hockey, C.C. vs. Alumni (contact Marilyn Condlin, Box 1484)
1:30 p.m.-Women's Tennis. C.C. vs. Albertus Magnus, South Tennis Courts
2 p.m.-Men's Soccer. C.C. vs. Wesleyan
5 p.m.-Volpone" directed by Don Redlick. Poems by Dylan Thomas
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5 p.m.-Homecoming Crafts Fair, Cummings Green
6 p.m.-Dinner on Your Own. return to campus for "Surprising Fanfare" Refreshments
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7:30 p.m.-Film, "The Goodbye Girl," Palmer. 9:00
On Weds OCT 4, WSA Social Committee Presents In Concert DAVE MASON with the LIV TAYLOR BAND.
Show at 7:30 Wesleyan University Hockey Rink Tickets are available for a reduced rate of $6.00 for CONN Students with ID
Tickets Available 10 - 4 at Cro Main Desk Starting Tues.. the 26th
OP-ENDING

Why rush to the rat race?

By Steven Shaffer
and Tom Kielan

As graduation nears, almost every college senior is confronted with an issue that comes to overshadow his or her usual preoccupations involving academic deadlines, the opposite sex, and the choice between the bar and the speakeasy. As sobering an issue as it is, every senior must try to answer the question, “What in God’s name am I going to do with myself when my semester of four years is no longer ‘passing through the lens’?”

The college veteran is no longer picking courses, or trying to decide if he or she can tolerate two consecutive all-campus parties. On the contrary, the choice the student makes may be the most important decision of his or her life.

The simple truth is that most of us just are not sure what we want to pursue. Our liberal arts education, rather than helping to formulate and materialize our “career” plans, has perhaps compartmentalized just the opposite. The point was brought home to us today when one of our peers exclaimed, “You know, I’d like to work as a lawyer maybe, or as an executive for an apparel outfit, or even a stewardess. There are also so many different counterfeiting and forgery crimes, and no less than 25 ways in which one can be ‘dangerously armed’ and don’t consult the federal criminal laws to find out what ‘culpable state of mind’ means; there are 16 different definitions ranging from knowingly and wilfully to unlawfully, improperly and feloniously.

So, these Congressmen decided that something had to be done in an effort to make the law more coherent, and to protect society from those who do wrong. Their answer was Senate Bill S.1497, or, as the American Civil Liberties Union labeled the bill, “Now you could go to jail for thinking bad thoughts about the government.”

There can be no doubt that the Congress has organized the federal law; what is in question is whether the new criminal law is a crime itself. For example, let’s look at the notion of criminal conspiracy: suppose someone attends a meeting of an organization which wants to block the building of a federal dam. It is proposed at the meeting that there be a rally the following week. Even if this individual does not take part in the rally, he can, under the new laws, be prosecuted for conspiracy.

The new federal criminal laws are an attempt to bury through the Congress a collection of statutes which, it is hoped by many Congressmen, will deter the rising crime rate in the United States. Yet as many organizations have pointed out, those proposed laws are a violation of many civil liberties. I would write a letter to my Congressman, urging him to vote NO to S. 1497, but I’m not sure whether this is legal anymore.

Trampling on our rights

By Noah Sorokin

Did you know that you can be arrested and charged with a felony for picnicking within 100 feet of a United States Courthouse? Were you aware that making a false statement to a government official, whether or not under oath, is now a federal offense?

If you weren’t aware of these new laws, get ready to hear about how the United States Congress, in an attempt to make our society safe from criminals, has trampled upon many of the most important civil liberties and rights contained in the United States Constitution.

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