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Apply Now For Bio. Professor S.S.C.Q.T. Tests Performs In Concert

Applications for the April 28, 1960 administration of the College Qualification Test are now available at Selective Service System local boards throughout the country.

Eligible students who intend to take this test should apply at once to the nearest Selective Service local board for an application and a bulletin of information.

Following instructions in the bulletin, the student should fill out his application and mail it immediately in the envelope provided to SELECTIVE SERVICE EXAMINING SECTION, Educational Testing Service, P.O. Box 586, Princeton, New Jersey. Applications for the April 28 test must be postmarked no later than midnight, April 7, 1960.

According to Educational Testing Service, which prepares and administers the College Qualification Test for the Selective Service System, it will be greatly to the student's advantage to file his application at once. The results will be reported to the student's Selective Service local board of jurisdiction for use in considering his deferment as a student.

Cinema On Friday

The Movie Committee will present the film "FROM HERE TO ETERNITY" on March 18, 1960 at 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria.

"From Here To Eternity," starring Burt Lancaster, Montgomery Clift, Deborah Kerr, Frank Sinatra and Donna Reed, a Columbia Pictures dramatization of James Jones' prize winning novel, was honored with eight Academy Awards.

The story, set in Pearl Harbor in 1941, immediately before the Japanese attack, is of "two professional soldiers strangely joined in friendship and conflict. The lives, loves and fights of the Pre-Pearl Harbor servicemen—their courage, brutality and passion—are vividly etched on the screen."

The Movie Committee regrets that the last movie, "On The Waterfront," was not shown on the advertised date. This was due to circumstances beyond our control. We are doing our best to remedy the sound in our presentations. We realize that it has been far from perfect and we ask that you bear with us and support these movies.

The remaining movies for this year are:

"The Caine Mutiny", April 8, 1960
"Picnic", May 20, 1960

Last Saturday night, Mr. Frank Erk of the Biology department participated in a concert given by the Huntington Symphony Orchestra. Mr. Erk plays the viola in the 66 piece orchestra, which is composed mainly of professional men and women of the Huntington area. The program consisted of Beethoven's Coriolanus Overture, Brahms' Second Symphony and Mozart's "Exultate, Jubilate", which featured the voice of soprano Helen Merritt, who sang with sweetness and perfect control. The orchestra was conducted by Clayton Westerman, who has also conducted such distinguished groups as the Robert Shaw Chorale and the Bach-Aria Group of New York City. The concert was dedicated to Dr. Frank L. Willgoose, founder of the orchestra.

Mr. Erk, who joined the orchestra for relaxation and a change of pace from his scientific work, studied the viola both in high school and in college. While still in high school, our talented chorus master attained a proficiency on his instrument equivalent to that expected of a college junior. Before moving to Long Island, Mr. Erk played with the Evanston, Illinois Philharmonic for six years and for one year with the University of Chicago Orchestra.

Poetry Contest

The American College Poetry Society has announced that its third semester anthology of outstanding college poetry is now being compiled for publication this summer. It is interested in alerting the students on our campus to this opportunity to have their work published.

Contributions must be the original work of the student (who shall retain literary rights to the material), submitted to Alan C. Fox, Executive Secretary, American College Poetry Society, Box 24463, Los Angeles 24, California. Each page should bear the entrant's name, address, and school.

Poems, which may deal with any subject, may not exceed 48 lines, nor may any individual submit more than five poems. Entries which are not accepted for publication will be returned if accompanied by a stamped, self-addressed envelope, but they cannot be otherwise acknowledged, nor can the Society compensate students for poetry which is published.

All entries must be postmarked not later than midnight, March 30, 1960, to be considered, and the decisions of the Society judges are final.

Nat'l Exams Proposed For Pedagogues

A nationwide campaign to raise teaching standards is under way.

In a recent edition of the Long Island Press Dr. Benjamin Fine discussed in detail, the measures taken by most states to raise the quality of teaching. Dr. Fine pointed out that "a start toward 'national norms' for teachers has been made by the Educational Testing Service of Princeton, N.J. Ten years ago the Educational Testing Service experimented with a national test for prospective teachers. Only a handful took the test. However, the value of the test, providing as it did a means to prepare teachers from all sections of the country, soon became apparent. Last year more than 15,000 men and women, training to be teachers, took the test.

This is the only national test for teachers conducted in the United States. It is designed to measure the technical skills, as well as the basic knowledge of the teacher-to-be. How much does a teacher know about contemporary events? What does he or she know about discipline in the classroom? Or about science?

The tests do not measure many of the intangibles that combine to make the master teacher. All the knowledge in the world will not infuse youngsters with a thirst for knowledge unless the teacher has the ability to inspire.

What does it take to be a good teacher in addition to learning? There are many essential traits: love of children; a warm outgoing personality; a good sense of humor; a sense of fairness, and, of course, patience.

During the decade of the 1960's, with the need for still greater numbers of teachers, the National Teacher Examinations are expected to grow in number. Although relatively few take the tests now, the principle of nationwide standards has been established.

Leaders in education from all parts of the country serve as advisers to educational testing service to shape the character and policies of the national program. Specialists in various teaching fields outline the content of the examinations and write or review the questions.

National examinations, objectively administered, can help raise our teaching standards. The colleges and universities, as well as the students themselves, know that a measuring rod is available. In time, the teacher in a backwoods hamlet may have the same skills and academic knowledge as the teacher in a plush suburb of New York, St. Louis or Denver. That is how it should be.

Editorship Changes Hands

At a meeting of the newspaper staff on Tuesday, March 8th, Gene Dalley of the Junior class was elected the new Editor-in-Chief of the Statesman. Taking over the editorship previously held by Carol Ann Seifert, Mr. Dalley will retain this office for the remainder of the Spring Semester.

Rodgers Speaks To Freshmen On Poetry

On Thursday, February 25, 1960, Mr. Rogers presented a Humanities I lecture on Poetics and Imaginative Literature.

Imaginative literature was defined as that literature which appeals to our senses and to our intellect and will, by virtue of the experience offered, "result in us living a more meaningful life. It requires that after we read it we better ourselves from the experience. A work of imaginative literature must be read at least six times before it can be properly understood. Prose may be read to oneself, but a poem must be read aloud until it makes sense. This is achieved by reading it slowly and with the proper meter. In order to illustrate the necessity of reading a poem through at least six times, Mr. Rogers read Shakespeare's "Sonnet 73" six times.

The first reading was a slow rendition of the whole poem. After this first reading the listener was able to understand that it is a speech that one man makes to another. The last two lines in the sonnet are riddling. This is analogous to argument because it is different from the rest of the poem. This is a two part poem. The first twelve lines comprise the first part and the last two the second.

The second reading consisted in the reading of the first twelve lines. They are made up of lines that rhyme alternately and that offer some metaphor. The first four lines give the season of the year, the next four the time of day and the last four the image of a glowing fire. The images are of the speaker. Rhythm and rhyme join the three couplets into one.

The third reading portrayed the three images separately. The first quatrain is written in a dignified pace. This effect is given by the use of one syllable words with the stress on alternate syllables. This pattern is changed by joining two strongly stressed syllables that are hard to pronounce together. The meaning of the lines are not explicit. The resolution of these terms is given in the poem and is continued by the parallelism in alternate lines. The simplicity of the diction gives the tone. The tone follows from the meter, diction and image. The second and third quatrains show image relationships. They con-

Mr. Dalley was elected by the acclamation of staff members present at the meeting. As one of his first official duties, Mr. Dalley appointed Doug Hlinka, also of the Junior class, to the office of Associate Editor. Bruce Monte and Tod Fowler, both of the Freshman class have moved up to the position of Copy Managers. Mike Davidson, Burt Marks and Lois Ginsberg have retained their respective roles as Sports Editor, Business Manager and Advertising and Exchange Manager.

The former members of the editorial board, Carol Ann Seifert, Editor-in-Chief and Cecile Bergold, Associate Editor, intend to remain on the Statesman staff and act in an unofficial capacity. Because of her pressing academic schedule, Marylou Lionells, Copy Editor, has decided to resign from the newspaper.

Mr. Dalley, a commuter from Farmingdale, has been an active member of the newspaper since the beginning of the semester. His column, "Sound Advice," appeared without fail in each issue of the Statesman. Gene began his newspaper work when he attended Farmingdale High School. He was also an active member of the French Club and the Drama Club and the president of the Senior Historical Society. At State he is a member of the Newman Club and is one of the people responsible for the tremendous success of the Curtains and Canvass Program.

trast light and dark and life and death. The effect is to represent sleep because death resembles sleep since both bring rest. The whispering enhances this meaning. Youth, age and death are brought together so that the images given in earlier quatrains are united. The meter varies from iambic pentameter to regular.

The fourth reading allows the listener to see what the speaker expresses. The third quatrain is read as a preparation for the couplet at the end. In the couplet the images give way to plain statement.

In the fifth reading the first twelve lines are reread with the reader looking for specific images (which in this case are love and loss).

The poem must be read five times to give the complete expression of the meaning. It shows the distortion we may be guilty of if we read and judge a poem after only one reading. When one reads the poem the sixth time he has learned the poem by heart and can know why the poet chose the words that he did.



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The publication and preservation of significant ideas on topics affecting both students and faculty is vitally important if our potential as a dynamic intellectual community is to be fully realized. Much lively criticism has been sounded, discussed with great animation by the students concerned and then gradually forgotten. We recall a period last year when the present Junior class was on the verge of utter despondency, yet no one had the courage to summarize the grievances involved and present them to the faculty through the newspaper. Whether the Juniors were justified in their anger last year or whether any of the criticism which has been voiced in this paper was right or wrong is not the point. The important thing is that all intelligent, pertinent thought which relates to the betterment of our school deserves to appear in print. If someone disagrees with the view expressed, it behooves him to submit a reply.

Perhaps one factor which has inhibited the open expression of opinion in The Statesman is that no provision has been made for replies from the faculty or administration on criticisms of school policy. From now on, space will be provided for any individual who wishes to defend the college's position, be he faculty member or administrator. We hope that the use of the school's newspaper as a public forum will result in better communication between the student body and their teachers, for the current detachment between the two groups indicates that the college is not functioning properly. At present, incoming freshmen are indoctrinated with the aims and ideals of the College on Long Island at the excellent orientation seminars and then left to their own resources, presumably for the rest of their college careers. Students are human, however, and tend to forget the goals of their education and the need for constant study. Meetings of individual students with their professors are good, but sometimes false notions are spread about as a result of the exaggeration of facts heard in private conference and repeated over and over in the coffee shop.

Some professors have attempted to establish more personal, friendly contact with the student body and are to be commended. Yet, the majority of the faculty seem little interested in the creation and maintenance of the indefinable, collective enthusiasm for the school's intellectual and athletic goals which can only come about when the faculty and student body are aware of each other's ideals and sympathetic to each other's problems. Thus, there is a pressing need for a meeting of minds. If the philosophy of State University College on Long Island, as expounded in the college catalog and at the orientation seminars, is not constantly defined and defended, it will be lost, and the faculty will find itself teaching in the most idealistic diploma mill in the nation. E. D.

Coe-Operations

BY LOIS AND CAROL

....In opening we'd like to take this opportunity to wish all the Irish (and those who wish they were) a very happy St. Patrick's Day. We trust that all the Mc Cormacks, O'Carrolls, Bergins O'Neills, Dooleys and O'Ginsbergs will be sporting their green and kissing the blarney stone tomorrow.

....We have a great suggestion for celebrating St. Pat's Day. Why not plan on going to the basketball game at Hicksville and then going out and having a real blast on some good old Irish whiskey? This was the procedure followed last year and everyone had a ball.We've been told that Dean Austill has acquired a new role. He's now playing "dorm daddy" to the girls.

....The grape vine has it that Alice Lieberman is doing a great job as the public relations officer. Alice?????

....The girls in the dorm have a new game called "Switching the Underwear".

....We hear that Roberta Pollack is thinking of joining up with the Waves!!!

....Congratulations to Judy Sturm on her recent marriage. She is now Mrs. Robert Anderson Jr.

....A little bird told us that we have some prospective parents on campus. Congratulations to Abby Mc Donald and Mrs. Gerry Seaman who are both expecting the stork to bring them very precious packages.

....Congratulations are also in order to Mike Brush, and Ted Fowler newly elected president and vice president of the Newman Club.

....Speaking of babies, we were just wondering when the christening of the new coach boat will take place?

....And now for some of the juicy bits of information on the faculty at S.U. Is it true that Mr. Swartz and his brother used to throw rocks at trains? Naughty, naughty children!

....We sincerely hope that Mr. Rasof will soon find a way to get off his desert island. The rent must be quite high.

....Which Humanities teacher referred to one of his colleagues as a "wolf in sheep's clothing".

....Mr. Ellington has been making Freudian slips in his Hum. II classes. For some reason he has been saying Mr. Pinchbottom instead of Mr. Pinchwife. For Shame!

....Mr. Kristein was quite pleased after his survey to find out that everyone was doing fine in Soc. II. It's a shame that half the class was out sleigh riding.

....Speaking of sleigh riding, we hear that a few of the more energetic students of Socoli has a ball at Bethpage last week. All agreed that Ellen Joyce and Carol Ann Seifert should go out for Olympic sleigh riding --- they did just great, even minus the sleigh! George Loy is a terrible sleigh driver --- first he went over a body and then he almost hit a dog! Gene Keegan certainly looked "sporty" in his aqua polo shirt, red Alpine hat and rustic knap sack on his back (he literally stopped traffic). Ray Macallister gets the "booby prize" in fence climbing. Poor boy --- almost killed himself! Mary Ann Mills should teach him how it's done.

....Startling revelation! Certain fellows at Socoli are mad about a certain girl's Chocolate Chip cookies. She must be a firm believer in that old adage "the shortest route to a man's heart is through his stomach".

....We hope that "Clyde", the new Bio student, is enjoying his stay at S. U.

....Ted Fowler hopes that the man who gave away the free cigarette samples will return again soon. His eight packs are gone already.

The College Forum

This space will henceforth be available to all members of the College community who wish to air their views on any subject of interest to the student body. Any person wishing to submit material for this column should contact the Editor-in-Chief. Names will be withheld upon request.

Minno

Characters: Minno
Socrates

M: I believe that the man who lives this life for pleasure, and gets these pleasures through his passions, is only acting according to human nature. Therefore, this man is more human (if for the moment we can use such a word as "more" to describe this state) than the man who abstains from these pleasures.

S: Incredible!

M: Why so?

S: Let us look into it. Do you know what a jungle consists of?

M: Of course, all types of wild animals..

S: Correct. Now in this jungle these wild beasts do as they please, according to the way their passions direct them.

M: That is correct.

S: These beasts indulge in anything they want, as their passions see fit.

M: So?

S: Now we agree that these creatures are animals, possessing all the qualities that animals possess and also lacking all the qualities that animals do not possess.

M: Of course.

S: Do you also agree that what separates us from these animals is our rationality or reasoning power.

M: Yes.

S: Then it seems to me there is some sort of scale.

M: What do you mean Socrates?

S: Well, on our scale we first start off with animals, who have no reasoning power and are so

to speak, irrational. Then a little higher on the scale we have man, who has reasoning power. Thus reasoning power, seems to be the thing which defines our scale for it makes creatures human.

M: Now I understand you Socrates.

S: But it would also seem that this scale would progress further.

M: Now what do you mean Socrates?

S: Only that we saw that a creature becomes human via his reasoning power or rationality. Since this is true, it would naturally follow that as your reasoning power increased so does your humanness, so that the most human person would be the most rational or reasonable.

M: I must agree Socrates.

S: Then it would certainly follow that the most rational or reasonable person would have the greatest control over his irrational qualities or passions.

M: I would certainly seem so.

S: Then we can certainly see how erroneous it is to say that the person who acts according to gain pleasure through his passions is the most human. Contrary to this, this person is low on our human scale, and is acting more towards what we have defined as an animal nature rather than what we know as human nature.

M: Socrates, at this point I must give in. But, I still feel like there is something missing. So I shall go home and contemplate this discussion. I must admit that I hope to come up with a reply to your seemingly perfect argument.

Frederick Weiss

Letters

March 14, 1960

To the Editor:

May I say something on the subject of your interesting editorial in the Statesman for March 9? Since you were discussing the "deficiency of clubs" on the campus and wondering whether the opposition of the Administration and the Faculty is to blame for it, I thought it might be useful if I gave a short account of what went on behind the "closed doors" of the Student Affairs Committee when the constitution of the proposed service organization was considered. I write as the chairman of that committee; its other members are Mr. Austill, Mr. Gilbert, Mr. Kalechofsky, and Mr. Kristein.

The constitution of the service organization came before us, in our capacity as a committee of the Faculty advising the Administration on student affairs, on March 11, after the legality of such a club's affiliation with an off-campus organization had been determined at considerable length by counsel of the State University and also after a week's delay caused by the big snow.

When we did at last discuss the constitution, we were concerned with the desirability of the service organization according to the criteria that follow:

- Too many organizations, even if all were worthwhile in themselves, would be undesirable because they would divert an undue amount of energy from the academic program to extra-curricular pursuits; in addition, the extra-curricular program itself would be weakened by a too great dispersal of resources;
- The burden of proof of desirability must, therefore, fall upon the sponsors of any new organization, and this proof must extend to showing that there

is room for a new activity;

c. Both scholastic and recreational activities are to be encouraged, but preference is to be given to those activities which tend in a positive way to reinforce the primary educational program of the college;

d. The number of students likely to participate in a given activity is not by itself a relevant criterion for preferring one proposed activity over another;

e. No organization shall be approved if it proposes, on arbitrary grounds, to exclude, or if there is reason to believe that it will endeavor arbitrarily to exclude, from its membership any member of the student body.

These criteria guide us in our evaluation of the desirability of every proposed student club; they were published in May, 1958 in "College Policies Concerning Student Activities," copies of which are always to be had at the Dean of Student's Office.

Our first conclusion was that a student service organization is desirable but that several competing and exclusive service organizations are not; therefore, Dean Austill was asked to inform the students responsible for the constitution in question that revision should be made to eliminate the possibility of excluding students from membership in the club on arbitrary grounds. Other necessary revisions were specified in order to ensure a more explicit relation between the club's activities and its stated purposes and to make certain that its affiliation beyond the campus does not amount to outside control.

This is as far as we went, and, so far as I know, this is where the matter now stands. The committee certainly welcomes written suggestions on this question as well as on other questions that come before it.

Thank you very much for letting me use this space.

Thomas Rogers

Sound Advice

by Gene Dailey

In the field of high fidelity components, certain companies consistently offer dependable, high quality merchandise while others seem to market one or two excellent items and fill the rest of their line with, in high fidelity terms, junk. From my own experience and the test reports I've read in both the Consumer Reports and High Fidelity magazine, I should like to make some recommendations, aimed at the prospective component buyer.

Turntables: Buy - Rek-o-Kut, Fairchild, Stromberg-Carlson, Scott, Thorens, Pickering, Garrard. Avoid - Lafayette, Presto, Rek-o-Kut kits, Collaro, Gray.

Tone arms: Buy - ESL, GE, Rek-o-kut, Grado, Fairchild, Audax 16". Avoid - Audax 12", Gray.

Stereo cartridges (Try and find a mono cartridge besides the GE today): Buy - Shure, Grado, Fairchild, Dynaco. Avoid most others. Some good crystal stereo cartridges are made by Electrovoice, Columbia and Duotone, but these are no match for the good magnetics. Stereo cartridges can be adapted to play monaurally.

Amplifiers: You can be sure with Bogen, Scott, Sherwood and Dyna. Tuners: Ditto for Scott, Sherwood and Fisher.

Speakers: I have never seen a bad word written about the AR or KLH lines. They are considered among the finest speakers made today for the price. Use only with amplifiers of 20 watts or more. I have not tried to list the amplifiers, tuners and speakers to be avoided, as there are too many on the market and quality varies from brand to brand and even from model to model within a brand. Also the list given above is meant only as a general guide and is neither complete nor fool-proof.

Library Corner

Beginning this week the Library is exhibiting a very rare collection of pages from old books, representing the materials produced through a variety of editions which display the changes and improvements which occurred. These works, termed incunabula (meaning the beginning of anything), were printed from the latter part of the fifteenth century onward. The pages are from books, which are rare, first, because not many copies were printed of each (only about two hundred copies were printed of each one, taking about two years apiece) and, second, the loss of a great number due to European wars. The viewers will notice the influence of the use of Latin, the intricate work done on the paging, the use of script, and the red lettering used for emphasis.

One of the things most noticeable is the change in the type of paper used through the years, from parchment to a much thinner variety, approaching the type of paper used today. The transition in the kind of printed work due to movable type can be seen by the viewer. The first works are intricate, scripts which look as if they were hand written, while the later ones are the smaller, less ornate fore-runners of our books today. Included in this exhibition are a few of the ancient Persian manuscripts which clearly illustrate the changes which occurred in printing through the years.

Another book with which the library wishes the students to be familiar is, "Masterpieces of European Sculpture", which has been on exhibit for the past few months.

Polity Pulse

by Ann Meilinger

High finances were the order of the day at the Executive Committee meeting of last Tuesday, March 8. The Committee was faced with the problem of granting permission for manipulation within the athletic budget in order to provide \$1225 for a new coach boat for the crew. After hearing comments from Mr. Von Mechow and Dean Austill on the subject, the Committee voted to permit the manipulation, thus setting the crew afloat again. Mr. Von Mechow specified that a large portion of the money would be taken from such items as trip and meal expenses for the crew, and that other sports would not be seriously affected.

In a continued spurt of generosity the Executive Committee agreed to loan the sponsors of DHRR the sum of \$130 with the Polity assuming the debt if one is incurred.

Fred Shubert was appointed a member of the Budget Committee to replace George May who resigned. We can now rest assured that none of the budgets will be "hung by 250 yards of nylon chif-fon."

A report was also received from the Freshman Committee planning the Spring Formal. They have already formulated a budget which includes \$400 allocated from the Student Activities fees. The Frosh deserve an A for effort.

Members of the newly formed Meteorological Society, who attended the meeting to ask for funds to carry on their activities for the remainder of the year, were never heard from due to lack of time. Rumor has it that they plan to hold a "Rain Dance" instead of trying again at the next Meeting.

Due to a re-scheduling of Junior Bio. classes, the Executive Committee will be unable to meet on Tuesdays at 12:30 p.m. in the future. As soon as a new day and time can be decided upon, it will be posted on the Polity Bulletin Board.

St. Patrick's Day Party

Wed. March 16

3.30 - 5.30

Rec. Building

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Math Club To Be Formed

A math club has been proposed. To find out if student interest warrants its formation, a meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, March 17 at 12:30 p.m. in the coffee shop. Anyone interested is urged to attend or to contact Mike Orleck or Vic Nieuwirth.

The club, if formed, will delve into any areas of math found interesting by members.

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Curious Coe-ed

QUESTION: What were you thinking about when the boat turned and you were waiting for help?

Burt Marks, Soph - Primarily my mind was a blank. I had a couple of thoughts about whether rescue would come in time.



Bill Lederman, Fresh - I wished help would come and that everyone would stay together because I figured that as long as everyone stayed together we were O.K.



Lance Lessler, Soph - Here I am drowning, breathing my last breath (cold as the devil) and I haven't gone out with a single girl in the last week. Oh what a useless life I've led! BLUB.... BLUB.....



Tony Haug, Fresh - I knew that the Varsity would come back with help, at least I hoped they would.



Bill Muller, Fresh - For the first few minutes spirit was high. But after ten minutes had passed, we were shivering, scared and numb. I thought the best thing we could do now would be to pray. All joined while I lead the Act of Contrition and the Our Father.



Richie McManus - Fresh - Thing's to keep everybody's mind occupied, songs etc. We had to make enough noise so that the other boys could find us.



Club News

J.S.O.

On Feb. 29th Mr. Zevhymowitz, Director of the Tri-State Region of the Student Zionist Organization spoke to J.S.O. on the Zionist movement. Melvin Reich, president of the club presided over the meeting and will remain in office until March 28th, when elections will be held.

At the past meeting the members have decided to place the proceeds of the "Sadie Hawkins" Dance into their treasury for further use. The club has also begun action on their plans for a Hayride scheduled for May 7th. The proposed admission will be (\$2.00) two dollars per couple. On that same day the crew will hold a regatta and J.S.O. hopes to make the day complete by adding a hayride afterwards to celebrate.

The next meeting of the Jewish Student Organization will be March 14.

S.C.A.

The Student Christian Association has made plans to attend conferences with the area, with the first being held on March 20th at Kings Point. The purpose of this conference is to discuss cheating in colleges. From March 25th to 27th another conference will be held at Holiday Hills in Pauling, N.Y. at which the role of Christian ethics in college and society will be discussed. Officially representing our college are Carol Okvist, Amy Hohn and Victor Neuwirth who will be meeting with representatives of four other Long Island colleges.

Plans are in motion now for a speaker to address the club; Dr. Nord of Hempstead will speak to the members on "Psychology and Religion" on April 13th at 8:00 p.m. at the college. The next meeting of S.C.A. will be held as soon as possible to discuss the forthcoming elections.

Newman Club

On Feb. 24th the Newman Club met to nominate candidates for election to their Executive Committee. The meeting also centered around discussion of dues, meetings, and problems which were ably answered by the chaplain, Fr. Soave of St. Dominics in Oyster Bay. Last Tuesday, March 8th, a meeting was held at 12:30 p.m. in the Great Hall at which elections were held. The results were the following: Michael Brush, president; Tod Fowler, vice-president; Barbara Moors, treasurer; Ellen Joyce, corresponding secretary; and Margot Fuhrman, recording secretary. This new Executive Committee will meet sometime this week.

As his first official duty, Mike called a meeting for March 16 at which Fr. Soave will discuss birth control.

Meteorological Soc.

On Feb. 20th the new Meteorological Society held elections at which time Marty Samoiloff was elected chairman and Paul Coleman, treasurer. Mr. Mould is moderator of the club. Upon approval of its budget, the club hopes to begin purchasing equipment this month to set up a weather station at the college. Situated in the Butler Buildings, the club intends at some future date to transmit its reports on a radio frequency. The equipment will be purchased from CENCO, a science corporation in New York City.

Later in the Spring, the club hopes to plan a trip to Brookhaven Laboratories for its members.

"Caligula" Freudian Romp

On Saturday, March 12, a large Curtain and Canvas group, taking advantage of a ridiculously low \$1.00 admission fee, attended the matinee performance of Caligula, a play by Albert Camus. Comments overheard afterwards ranged from "tremendous" to "terrible".

The play itself had it's high and low points, and, in general its heights and depths were simultaneous. Caligula, apparently was the only mad Roman emperor who was completely sane, at least in the context of the play, although by any other standard he was definitely insane.

Mistakenly equating freedom with unlimited power, Caligula proceeded, after an unsuccessful attempt on the moon, to rape and murder the Empire, his subjects, and, in some respects, even the gods. Eventually, plagued by guilt and tiring of being "free", Caligula decides that the only solution to his unhappiness is death, that is to say, he decides that only in the agony of the precise moment of death will he be happy. Perhaps a better title for the play would have been something like The Death Instinct Personified.

Kenneth Haigh gave a wonderful performance as Caligula, although frequently the character became forced, but Mr. Haigh could hardly be blamed; rather, the fault lies with Mr. Camus. The rest of the cast also gave marvelous performances, with the exception of Clifford Davis, who was much too heavy-handed as Scipio.

One would be hard pressed to give a consistent evaluation of the play. What standards apply? Who even knows what a good play is except that a good one is good? The plot of "Caligula" was excellent by some standards, very bad by others. The play had its virtues, though. The use of satire was almost perfect, well placed, meaningful, and very well put over by the cast; for example, the recitation of the "litany" in the second act drew a spontaneous burst of applause from the audience. The development of Caligula's character followed a predictable course in unpredictable ways; his end was the only one possible, even though his death left perhaps too much unsaid, since he didn't seem too happy with the whole thing. Or was he merely impatient? At times, the play achieved a morbid fascination, although it was generally just morbid. Is it valid to use the stage as a medium for ideas? Of course it is, but it seems to me that a play should have something more than just ideas. Was the play tremendous, or was it terrible? Perhaps it was a good play just because a judgment is impossible. The thought occurred to me that this was a play that deserved a careful reading rather than the best performance. There were many times during the play when I wished that I could have turned back a few pages and re-read some of the speeches because I had missed something somewhere.

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SPORTSLITE

This issue's Sportslite centers on upper-classman Gordie Little. A native of Pearl River, New York, Gordie, age 22, is a member of the first class here at State. Gordie and his lovely wife, Donna,



commute to the campus from their home in Northport.

A man of many talents, Gordie's diversified background is evidence of his many interests and occupations. His occupations have ranged from foreman on the St. Lawrence Seaway to bronc busting at Adventure Town. His interests are as diversified as weight lifting, and radio announcing. His high school and college years are populated with a roster of sports participation and extra curricular activities that any two men would find difficult to meet and still maintain their grades.

His marked aptitude in sports has enabled him to participate and be proficient in many major sports. For the four years that he attended Massena High and Moira High, he played football, basketball, baseball, volley ball, and dabbled in weight lifting.

Gordie's interests expanded when he left high school and while at Houghton College he played more football and continued his weight lifting. Qualified as a Senior Lifesaver, Gordie taught Beginning Swimming and Intermediate Swimming classes for the Physical Education Department at Houghton. After leaving Houghton for Clarkson, he taught weight lifting there and participated in ice hockey.

Upon arrival at State, Gordie joined our embryo crew at which he proved also to be outstanding. After stroking the Varsity for one half of the season, Gordie moved to the number six position. Gordie's popularity is evidenced by his election to the honor of captain by his team mates.

Engaging in sports is not his only diversion. While at Houghton, he was M.C. of the Concert Hour, a network radio show he broadcasted from the school. At Clarkson, he spun records on a popular and humorous show with the thought provoking title of "Music From An Inverted Elevator Shaft."

Here at State, Gordie is majoring in Humanities, with special emphasis on the subjects necessary for entrance into the field he wishes to make his career, Radio and T.V. Direction, Writing, and Announcing. Mr. Zyskind has been helping Gordie with his schedule in order that he may take the necessary courses.

In the way of extra-curricular activities here at State, Gordie has participated not only in the crew but is also a tenor in the Chorus and a member of the newly formed orchestra.

This talented and energetic fellow has added a touch of color and spirit to the campus. His already well-filled life is a fine example of the well-rounded man that Gordie is.

Science & Sports Books For Korea

With the approach of the spring athletic season and commencement of training, a few important facts concerning the behavioral factor involved in athletic training seem in order. The following discussion is pertinent to the spectator as well as to the participants.

One of the most important facets involved in an athlete's efficiency is his self-confidence. Let us note the physical laws connected with this factor.

For any movement to take place there must be a change of muscular tension on both sides of the joint. In activity that demands quick action (i.e. track, basketball, rowing, etc.) the muscles that close the joints are shortened and those on the opposite side are lengthened to permit easier movement. It is apparent that the ease with which the opposite muscles relax is an important factor. Any excess tension in the muscles could act as a "brake" in reducing efficiency. Self-confidence promotes relaxation. The "natural athlete" is the person who can perform with minimal antagonistic tension. It is observed that the athlete's attitude towards the oncoming event will also affect his performance.

The presence of spectators is an important factor in determining the athlete's performance. The increase in sensory stimuli tends to strengthen his responses. The great concentration thus produced induces additional nervous impulses which diffuse into the muscles and strengthens their contraction. Cheering can also increase his endurance by raising his sensitivity to fatigue. Spectators can also be a negative factor as a sudden distraction in a sport requiring a great deal of skill, such as basketball, can produce sensory irritations sufficient to reduce coordination.

The phenomena of pre-game tension is a sign of inner surplus, not inner weakness and the absence of it is not as desirable as its presence. Feelings of nausea increase heart activity and may be explained as an increase in adrenomedullary activity due to the effect of the competition. The adrenalin increases the heart activity and also the blood pressure. Blood is driven through the muscles and the increase in pressure excites the glycogenesis function of the liver and increases the amount of sugar in the blood.

Probably very few students in colleges in the United States realize how valuable the text books they no longer need or never expect to use can be to students in countries where text books are practically non-existent.

During the Communist invasion of Korea, 25% of all classrooms and buildings were wholly or partially destroyed including 517 college buildings and 1600 college classrooms. More than 50% of the educators were captured or killed and 90% of the libraries and other facilities and equipment was destroyed.

While reconstruction has been developed into an accelerating heartening program, the lack of text and reference books is a major problem. College level text books are available for library use only. The difference in language poses no great problem because English is taught to all students in Junior High School and the college freshman has been exposed to its complexities for six years and has developed a good reading vocabulary.

Those books needed include material in the fields of General Science, Medicine, Engineering, Pharmacy, Mathematics, Law, History, Political Science, Economics, Agriculture, English, Art, American Literature, and foreign languages as well as encyclopedias, dictionaries and other essential reference works.

A committee, working out of California, has been set up to collect books published after 1945 and ship these to the 60 institutions of higher learning which presently exist in Korea. This committee will also pay all shipping expenses from the donors residence to its San Francisco headquarters.

Those students who want to help make this program a success should contact George May for information on packing and shipping procedures.

SOUND MEN'S SPORTS SCOPE

by Mike Davidson

The freshmen have taken the soph challenge! A few have started training and more are planning to. The freshmen will, however, have to do a lot more training. The sophs are so confident of victory that not one of them has started training for the coming meet. This is a clever strategic move. Their surface appearance would lead one to believe that they wouldn't care if they were beaten by the frosh. As an added guise to lure the frosh into complacency they are even making it appear as if they have no class spirit whatsoever.

Frosh take heed! You know as well as I that the class of '62 takes a great deal of pride in their spirit. They are in all probability training in secret.

There have been queries (not many though) as to why the Junior class wasn't invited to this meet. One of the reasons might have been that it was assumed that the great work load that they have would prohibit participation. It was also feared that if the offer was extended to them their zealous class spirit might outweigh their rational convictions and study might be forsaken for sport.

The second annual mens ping pong tournament has been started. There is no need for a plea for participation in this sport. It might better be termed the mass ping pong tournament (A. A.). Interest in ping pong is always high in this college. This proves that our student body DOES have an athletic tendency. Last years tournament was won by Bob Wallen.

A womens tournament has also been planned and the response to this years tournament is greater than last years by 100% (four women have signed up).

It was a sad day for the modern dance group when crew practice started. It seems that at the same time the male members were forced to leave many of the women lost interest — strange coincidence.

Most of the equipment for track is here or on order all that need be done now is to set it up.

They're still working on the gym.

What Happened to . . .

FUT Day?
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