

Cast to Conclude Performance Tomorrow

"Veni, vidi, vici." Like Caesar, Cue and Curtain came, saw the confusion of Chase Theater, and conquered this confusion to present two polished productions—*I Spy* and *Cecile*. The final presentations will be tonight at 8:30 and tomorrow at 9.

Weeks of work and an infinite number of problems have driven cast and crew close to distraction. Mr. Groh cites too much furniture and too many flats as the major problem. A TV show that has been adapted for the stage, *I Spy* has three separate units, with a constant shift of action from one unit to the other. As a result, some are stored in the wings, and some hidden behind other flats.

Lighting changes must accompany scene changes. Therefore Jack Kirick, who is in charge of lighting, must by some process of regeneration, grow thirty hands to manipulate the switches during lighting changes. There is chaos on top of chaos since Ed Lipinski, the other half of the thirty-hand team, also has a part in the play. In his spare time, he builds sets.

The plays required several special effects. Blanche Rubin designed a mask on a stick for a scene in *Cecile*, in which Ruth Friedlander is wooed by her father, who is fooled by the mask. Dress rehearsal was also hectic, with many changes enacted. Just before it began, several girls were sitting on the floor recovering chairs, while several other fiendishly finished painting the furniture. Bill Pucilowski discovered that his settings, which featured trees made from sticks, were not quite right, so he painted the sticks to make arbors. This touch was just what the set needed.

Mr. Groh says that this frenzied behind-the-scenes activity "emphasizes that a play is an organic thing that develops as you go along."



John Jarecki and Beverly Hanko rehearse their roles of lover and wife in "I Spy."

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Gail Roberts Elected; Large Turnout at Polls

by Lois Petroski

After vigorous campaigning by both Gail Roberts and Fred Smithson, the Student Government election committee announced Miss Roberts as the senior representation winner.

In tallying the votes, the committee discovered that 140 members of the senior class cast ballots. The turnout was one of the largest ever witnessed at a special election. Ninety-one seniors voted for Miss Roberts while 49 of them cast ballots for Mr. Smithson.

The election of Dick Burns as Student Government president for the

1963-64 year necessitated the election. The presidency is set apart from the four representative positions in the senior year. Thus, should the president-elect be a senior, as is the case with Dick Burns, his class actually has



Gail Roberts

five members—a president and four representatives—serving on the Council. The position previously occupied by the president has to be filled at a later date.

This is the position which Miss Roberts, a past Student Government representative, gained at last Friday's special election.

United Fund Campaign Begins With Kick-Off Dance Tonight

by Richie Kramer

The 1963 campus United Fund Drive is slated to begin tonight with a kick-off dance in the gym. Alan Gilbert, Chairman of the drive, stated that the purpose of the campaign is to foster the moral obligation of the students to assume their responsibilities as citizens of the Wyoming Valley. Existing as an integral part of the community, it is the duty of the college to give its support to this campaign, which embodies the causes of over 52 health, social and welfare organizations.

The goal of the '63 campaign, as in the past, is the contribution of one dollar from every student. Since there are over 1300 students at the college, that figure has been officially set as the quota of this year's campaign. The United Fund committee is particularly anxious to see this goal realized as it has never been done in the history of the drive.

Contributions to the United Fund will be made through dormitories, clubs, and classes. There will be a trophy awarded to the organization in each category which contributes the most to the drive. In addition to the student campaign, there will also be a United Fund Drive for the faculty at the college.

The United Fund Committee is in hopes of generating greater interest in the campaign on the part of the Freshman Class. It has been traditional for the freshmen to contribute more to the drive than any other class, but the Class of '65 has captured that trophy for the past two years.

The Freshman Class will kick off the current United Fund Campaign with a dance to be held in the gym tonight. The music of Bobby Baird will highlight this United Fund-orientation affair and donations will be \$1.00 per person.

Campus To Organize CORE Chapter

by Charlotte Wetzel

As a result of the coordinated efforts of Margie Harris and Jim Tredinnick, a new campus organization will come into existence in the immediate future. Following the Freedom March this past August in Washington, D.C., both of them have become actively interested in the formation of a campus chapter of the Congress on Racial Equality.

According to Jim, CORE has chapters in many northern colleges. "Activities of CORE on our campus will consist of student discussion groups which will try to stimulate interest in racial issues. Our chapter will be organized as any other campus club, and there will be meetings every Tuesday at 11:00 a.m." The organization will arrange business details at addi-

tional meetings so that the Tuesday sessions can be utilized primarily for discussion.

Besides functioning as a campus organization, the group will engage in activities in the city of Wilkes-Barre. It will cooperate with the Wilkes-Barre Adult Chapter of NAACP and the Wyoming Valley Human Rights Commission. In coordination with these organizations members can distribute literature, canvass from door to door, conduct interviews for public opinion surveys, and contact business places to have them sign "fair treatment" pledges in dealing with customers and employees.

Jim stated that the new CORE chapter will participate in activity off campus "on the grounds that discrim-

ination in our country is harmful to our people as citizens." Furthermore, he expressed a desire to have the campus chapter cooperate with CORE chapters in New York and Philadelphia with the possibility of participating in freedom demonstrations.

Jim and Margie are supporting CORE as opposed to any other civil rights groups because "it is the second most militant and active group in the country." Among the other groups are NAACP, the Southern Christian Leaders Conference, the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee, and the National Urban League.

At the next meeting members will discuss the issue of becoming an official campus organization. Representatives of the group have met with Dean Ralston and he has given his approval to the organization to engage in campus activities.

Members have expressed a wish to have interested students attend the weekly discussions, even if they have no intention of becoming active themselves. These discussions will include arguments for and against integration activities of civil rights organizations.

Once the organization is established, a special committee will be appointed to draw up a constitution. This constitution will incorporate strictly and exactly the legal constitutional provisions of CORE.

The campus chapter of CORE, according to its supporters, is intended to be active and militant in order to afford an opportunity to work for progress in integration.

Manuscript Selects Movies

by Carol Meneguzzo

The Golden Age of Comedy, produced and written by Robert Youngson, will be presented by the staff of the Manuscript this Saturday evening at 7:00 p.m. as a part of the Parent's Day program and again on Sunday at 8:00 p.m. for the general public.

The National Board of Review has described the film as: "An enormously entertaining film! Fine satire . . . subtle inventiveness . . . genuinely classic sequences, well-paced fun." "This is one of life's almost-vanished pleasures—the shared enjoyment of humor and artistry on the screen," says *The New York Herald Tribune* when commenting about the film.

Included in the cast of *The Golden Age of Comedy* are Laurel and Hardy, Ben Turpin, Will Rogers, Carole Lom-

bard, Jean Harlow, Edgar Kennedy, Andy Clyde, the Keystone Cops, and a host of others.

Harris Tobias, editor of the *Manuscript*, has released an account of the films to be presented by the staff of the *Manuscript* throughout the remainder of the school year; among the films listed are *Viridiana*, an Italian film, *Court Jester*, starring Danny Kaye, *Wild Strawberries* by Ingmar Bergman, and *Throne of Blood*, the Japanese *Macbeth*.

Tobias has also announced that all students are invited to attend a student workshop, conducted by the staff of the *Manuscript*, which meets every second Tuesday at 11:00 a.m. for the purpose of analyzing student contributions to the *Manuscript*.

Plans Concluded for First Fall Parents' Day

by Ruth Partilla

In order to promote a closer relationship among the parents of Wilkes students and to encourage their interest in the school, the College is sponsoring the first annual Fall Parents' Day tomorrow, October 5. A few weeks ago all parents received their invitations and were acquainted with a list of the day's varied activities.

The day will start bright and early with registration from 9 a.m. until noon. Coffee and doughnuts will be available. For those parents who are interested in the academic facet of college life, faculty members will remain in their offices during the morning hours. Parents may feel free to ex-

plore the campus and observe the displays constructed by various campus organizations.

For those who are interested in soccer, the teams of Wilkes College and East Stroudsburg State College will meet at the Athletic Field at 10 a.m.

After the morning's activities, the parents will be served luncheon at the gym with Dr. Farley delivering the welcome address. Reverend Jacobson will pronounce the invocation, and Steve Van Dyke will introduce the speakers. The winner of the door prize will receive two tickets to the afternoon football game.

The parents will be given the op-

portunity to witness the clash between the Wilkes Colonels and the Moravian College Greyhounds at the Athletic Field. An entertaining program is being planned for half-time in which the Kickline, the band, the Collegians, the Women's Chorus, and the Mixed Chorus will participate. Several selections from Oklahoma will be presented by the Collegians in their segment of the program. After the game a Post-Game Pickup will be held at the Athletic Field. At this time cider and pretzels will be served.

Those students who wish to attend the luncheon may purchase tickets for \$1.50 each, either at the Snack Bar or at the Cafeteria.

Y. M. C. A. ANNOUNCES LIFE SAVING CLASSES TO BEGIN OCT. 9th AT CENTRAL "Y"

Kenneth Young, Physical Director of the YMCA, announced the opening of the current Senior Life Saving program at the "Y" on Wednesday, October 9, from 7:30 to 9:30 on Monday and Wednesday evenings. The course involves all phases of lifesaving and will run for five weeks. With the satisfactory completion of the course, Red Cross and YMCA badges will be awarded. Anyone interested in enrolling in the program may get full particulars by calling Mr. Young at the YMCA.

IT'S ABOUT TIME

At last the principle of self-interest—which philosophers tell us drives every man — has manifested itself on campus.

In last week's senior class student government election, approximately 70% of the seniors voiced their opinion through one of the largest student votes recorded in recent years.

This sizeable turn-out — larger than that of the general elections last spring — astounded many. In view of the lacadaisical attitude of the student body in the past and the fact that this interim election is not usually an attention-getter, this lively response seems to indicate a change of attitude; a sudden recognition of the fact that the functions of student government are of vital interest to all of us.

Even the most disinterested sophisticate among us cannot escape the influence of the council's decisions which reach into every realm of student life. In the past many of us blithely ignored our governing body until we wanted something from them or until they took action we disagreed with; then we labeled them inefficient or "do-nothing."

All of us want something from student government even if it be only the reflected glory from the good reputation that an active, progressive council can gain for a school.

If we want something, common sense dictates that we go after it. To insure an efficient student council which will accomplish what we think it should, we must lay the groundwork by seeing that the best qualified people are elected and then cooperate with them.

Disinterest and lack of participation are self-defeating. Let's face facts — there are only 17 student government representatives out of a student body of 1300. Therefore, student government is what we make it.

The seniors have obviously realized this. We hope that it won't take the freshmen quite so long.

OUR FAIR SHARE

With the kick-off of the United Fund Drive on campus tonight will come the perennial questions "Why a drive on a college campus — especially since many of the students are non-residents."

The answer to that question lies in the fact that Wilkes is a community college and balancing the benefits reaped by a community college are the obligations. Although community aid is given freely to the school, we have a moral responsibility to repay it, at least in part.

One way of doing this is by a contribution to the community United Fund from the college as a unit, thus carrying our "fair share" of the community burden.

The amount we are asked to contribute is small — only \$1.00 per student — an amount that we all fritter away in one or two trips to the "caf". But it is significant because it symbolizes recognition of our debt to the community.

HEIRLOOMS AIRED

The Beacon has decided to hold over its gigantic picture offer. Wednesday, in the cafeteria, a viewing will be held featuring such ex-campus celebrities as Ophelia Ogle ("Miss South River St.", 1947) and Sen. Sam Snertz (D.-Alaska). These heirlooms are going for the inexpensive fee of one nickel. Should someone not have this amount available, five pennies will be accepted. Exhibit will be held all day.

What • Where • When

- Hockey — Wilkes vs. Marywood College — Home — Friday, 4 p.m.
- United Fund Dance — Class of 1967 — Gym — Friday, 9-12 p.m.
- Soccer — Wilkes vs. East Stroudsburg — Home — Saturday, 10 a.m.
- Football — Wilkes vs. Moravian — Home — Saturday, 10 a.m.
- Manuscript Movie — Stark 116 — Saturday, 7 p.m.; Sunday 8 p.m.
- Cue and Curtain Play — Chase Theatre — Friday, 8:30 p.m. — Saturday, 9 p.m.
- Girls' Hockey Practice — Weiss Hall — Monday thru Friday, 4 p.m.
- Forum Meeting — McClintock Hall — Tuesday 8 p.m.
- Beacon Picture Riot — Cafeteria, first floor — All day Wednesday
- Soccer — Wilkes vs. Stevens — Away — Wednesday, 2 p.m.



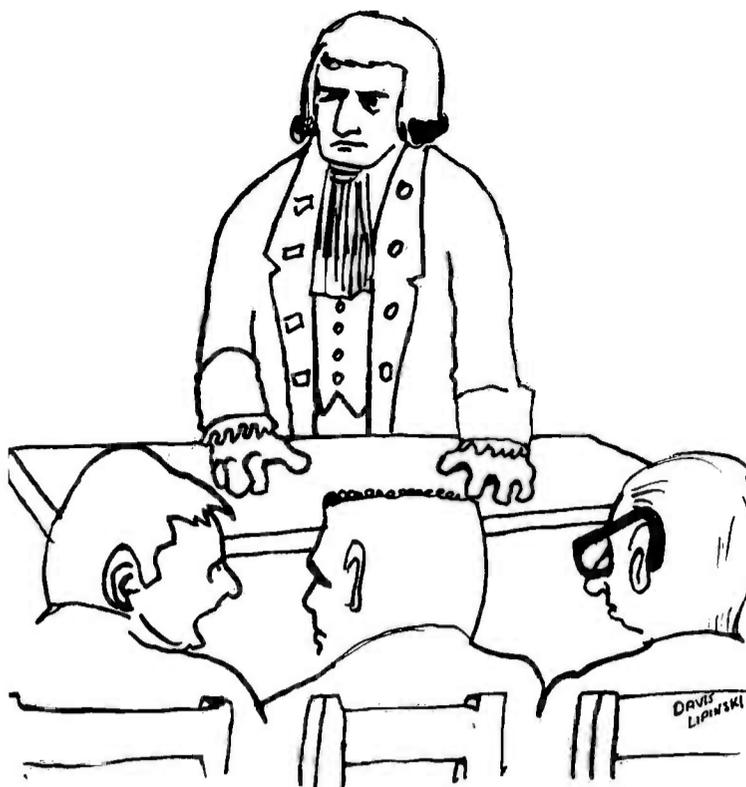
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EDITOR'S NOTE

Cue and Curtain's plays opened too late for review in this issue. A review will appear next week.

Sincerely,

Richard M. Frederick
 Miner Hall



THE BALLOT BOX

by Vince McHale

Puerto Rico, discovered by Columbus on his second voyage to America in 1493, is an island about 100 miles long and about 35 miles wide at the northeastern end of the Caribbean Sea. It is a self-governing Commonwealth, freely and voluntarily associated with the United States. The island

was formerly an unincorporated territory of the U.S. being ceded by Spain as a result of the Spanish-American War. The Commonwealth, established in 1952, is one of the most densely populated areas in the world, with about 683 inhabitants per square mile. How-

ever, it has one of the highest living standards in Latin America making it an enviable economic "plum" for Cuba's Fidel Castro. The prime feature of Puerto Rican economic development has been "Operation Bootstrap," one phase of which has established more than 600 new factories on the island.

VIEWPOINT '63

by Doug Bennington

CHURCH AND STATE IN AMERICA

The principle of separation of church and state, a long accepted dogma of American democracy, is again receiving public attention primarily as a result of recent United States Supreme Court decisions affecting religious practices in public schools. The public response to these decisions concerning official school prayers (Engel vs. Vitale) and reading from the Bible in the nation's public schools (Murray vs. Curlett) varied from calm if reluctant acceptance to hysterical denunciation of the Supreme Court.

Since two traditional religious practices of American public schools were declared unconstitutional, a rather heated national debate arose over the function of religion in the schools. From this often confusing debate a question may arise in the minds of many Americans for the first time: what is the relation between religious belief, individual and organized, to the political sphere in modern American society?

In America the relation between religion and the political sphere is based on the separation of Church and State. This separation, in law and in practice, places the Church as the organized, institutional expression of individual faith and as a provider of spiritual, ethical, and moral beliefs for its adherents in a "officially" separate, distinct area in society from that

of the State, the political overseer of the secular, temporal realm of society.

Separation of Church and State, however, is more distinct in theory than practice in America, a factor which is often overlooked in debate concerning religion and politics. Illustrations of what Americans say and what they do in connection with religion and the State will be cited in future articles.

The separation of Church and State is a complex issue which is often entangled among the thorns of unthinking emotion, bigotry, and a struggle for power and influence among religious groups. In entering the arena wherein spokesmen for religion or the State confront one another, one may meet the "purist" who believes in absolute, complete separation between Church and State or the "adjuster" who seeks to find a middle way between the needs and demands of the sacred and the secular, without violating the Constitution and tradition.

The writer makes no pretense of understanding fully the diverse forces, passions, and legal points that surround the topic, yet it is important to bring to the attention of students an aspect of national life that is too often taken for granted — religious liberty in a complex, industrial society. That will be the subject of this column for the next few issues of the Beacon, starting next week with an examination of the historical roots of separation of Church and State.

The current political relationship between the U.S. and Puerto Rico has been something of a puzzle, being compared by many to a "mass of modeling clay." While it appears to be permanent and durable, one can shape and mold it in any way one pleases. Representative Adam Clayton Powell (D-N.Y.), having a wife and home in Puerto Rico, regards the present political relationship with the U.S. as little more than "perfumed colonialism." Powell has of late come to be an outspoken advocate of statehood for the tiny Commonwealth, and it has been overheard that his long range aspirations call for a U.S. Senate seat for Puerto Rico in the near future.

The present Commonwealth Governor, Luis Munez Marin, considers the existing political relationship as a "new form of political freedom in harmony with economic freedom," whatever that means. Governor Munez is a firm supporter of the present Commonwealth status but on a much firmer basis with the U.S.

But what of the Puerto Ricans themselves and their direct relationship with the U.S.? This is perhaps the most confusing of all. Technically, they are U.S. citizens, but they do not vote in national elections, nor do they have voting representation in Congress. Most important of all, they do not pay federal income taxes. Puerto Ricans do, however, pay Social Security taxes and receive Social Security benefits. Excise taxes collected on goods manufactured in Puerto Rico and duties collected in Puerto Rican ports do go to the Puerto Rican Government.

Colonels Vie With Moravian In Parents' Day Contest Tomorrow

Gridders Drop Opener to Lebanon Valley 13-6

It was a discouraged Wilkes football team which returned to the dressing room after losing the season's opener to Lebanon Valley 30-6. Although weakened by graduation losses, the Dutchmen put together a strong backfield combination in Wes MacMillan, John Vaszily and John Kimmel. It was these three who produced Lebanon Valley's two touchdowns. Vaszily tossed a pass to Kimmel for the initial score with Bill DiGiacomo booting the PAT, and MacMillan scored the final tally on a run.

Wilkes' main problem seemed to be lack of cohesion. The Colonels failed to put up a sustained attack in a contest which saw them go from hot to cold. However, the middle of the line, feared to have been weakened by graduation losses, performed admirably in forcing Lebanon Valley to go to the outside for any appreciable yardage. Another factor appeared to be spotty pass defense and blocking which could use just a little edge.

Wilkes saw some fine runs turned in by Gary Popovich and John Gardner. Popovich, at fullback, bulled his way for extra yardage and in addition played a stellar defensive game. Gardner made several fine runs around the ends which netted good yardage for the Colonels. He also scored the lone Wilkes tally. Ed Comstock and Ted Travis-Bey also chipped in with some good runs. Travis-Bey had one especially nifty punt return.

MORAVIAN STRONG

Tomorrow Wilkes faces a tough opponent in Moravian. The Greyhounds appear particularly strong, with a wealth of returning lettermen, including quarterback Andy Semmel and end Pat Mazza. Both Semmel and Mazza were named to the MAC Northern Division first team last year.

An interesting note is that one Lebanon Valley roofer was overheard saying that the Dutchmen considered

Wilkes its most difficult opponent. Yet, Lebanon Valley plays again this year a Moravian team, which is almost in tact, and which clobbered the Dutchmen last year 30-8.

Actually, Lebanon Valley's respect for Wilkes was not simply a fear of the dark. The Colonels have a potential powerhouse, if only enough spirit flickers to set it off. Tomorrow may be the day, with Colonels at home on Parents' Day. It may be that the Moms and Dads will give the gridders a little extra moral support.

Wilkes, with a solid line and good backfield, could go through the season in fine shape and come up with a good year if the Colonels develop an attack which attacks every second of the game.

Ferrismen Downed By Warriors of Lycoming

by Donald DeFranco

Traveling to Lycoming last Saturday for the first regular season contest, the Wilkes soccer team was handed a 3-0 defeat by the strong Warrior booters. Lycoming scored all of its points in the first quarter and then settled down to protect its lead.

The first goal came within the first five minutes of play on a boot by Lycoming center forward Feigley. The other two goals for the Williamsport squad were scored by Burr and Whitney, and this completed the scoring for the quarter and the game.

Although caught napping in the first quarter, the Ferrismen stood firm in the remaining and thwarted the Lycoming drives. Junior goalie Louis Szabados turned in some fine saves to keep the Colonels' hopes alive.

This year Coach Ferris' booters are relatively inexperienced, but they have the potential to develop into a fine team. The defense, following last week's baptism of fire in the first quarter, has jelled into a solid, deterrent force, but a well-balanced, scoring offense must be developed if the team is to have a winning season.

Next week the Colonels will play two contests, one with East Stroudsburg on Saturday, Oct. 5 at the Wilkes Athletic Field, and the other at Stevens on Wednesday, Oct. 9. The game with Moravian was played on Wednesday but the score of that game was not available at the time of this writing.

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Popovich Earns BEACON Award By Outstanding Play In Season's Opener

Merle Bolen

"Athlete of the Week"

As the Colonels of Wilkes College launch their 1963 grid campaign, the Beacon also launches its annual "Athlete of the Week" series. This week the Beacon has chosen fullback Gary Popovich as the outstanding grid star for his performance in last Saturday's contest with the Flying Dutchmen of Lebanon Valley College.

The six foot, 215 pound, Chemistry Major hails from Meyers High School where he lettered in football, basketball, and baseball. At Wilkes Gary also contributes his efforts to the baseball team and is currently a member of the Chemistry Club. A transfer student from Lafayette College, Gary has managed to maintain a high level of academic achievement.

Gary was selected as an outstanding example of determination, endurance, and rugged grid play. In Saturday's game Gary excelled by consistently carrying the ball for good yardage on a drive which paved the way to the only Colonel touchdown. On many occasions Popovich refused to be brought down as he bulled his way through the line of the opposing defense. He also provided some key offensive blocking which led to major Colonel gains into Dutchmen territory.

Although Gary is primarily known as an offensive threat, he is also respected by opposing ball carriers. He contributed to the defensive attack by smashing through the Dutchmen line to break up Lebanon Valley plays before they got a chance to start.

Because of his speedy offense and crushing defense Gary Popovich has been selected as recipient of this issue's Beacon Award.

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Last week disaster struck. I picked 5 right and 6 wrong for a lowly .45 percentage. During the week, I traded in my old crystal ball for one new astrology book, and I am going to use the stars to help me.

The top upset of the week was Southern California's loss to Oklahoma. Southern Cal played an aroused Oklahoma team, but their loss was primarily due to a rule which I feel has no place in college football. Late in the fourth-quarter, a Southern Cal end recovered a Sooner fumble and broke into the clear for a sure T.D., but was called back because of a rule that the defensive team cannot advance a fumble by the offensive team. The whole idea of defense is to get the ball and the rule hurts the defensive team, who could possibly score a touchdown in the excitement of a fumble. This rule cost the Trojans the game, and most likely a second national championship.

Pittsburgh over California — Pitt has a new look. An offense lead by Q.B. Fred Mazurek and a line averaging 226 pounds. California lacks depth and their Q.B. Craig Morton has a bad knee.

Georgia Tech over LSU — Tech's combination of quarterback Billy Lotheridge to end Billy Martain plus their strong defense will stop LSU, hurt by the new substitution rule. Fullback Danny LeBlanc is their big threat.

Northwestern over Illinois — Both squads are very strong but Northwestern quarterback Tom Meyers makes the difference in this Big Ten clash.

Southern California over Michigan State — Southern California was upset last week, but the Trojans have too fine a team to lose two games in a

row. The Spartans have a good backfield, but are weak up front.

Navy over Michigan — Navy's Q.B. Roger Staubach is turning out to be the best quarterback in the country, as his performance last week proves, when he broke a Navy record with a colossal 297 yards rushing.

Arkansas over TCU — Arkansas, upset last week, will rebound with a victory over a tough TCU end, Lamb, and linebacker Ronnie Caveness will pace Arkansas while F.B. Tommy Crutcher leads TCU.

Penn State over Rice — Penn State has a new lazy "T" offense featuring "Z" back. Don Caum will earn a hard fought victory over Rice by Walker, Malcom, and Gene.

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Various Travel Experiences Shared By Students After Summer Abroad

by Jinnie Todd

Lured by the same pull that impelled Ulysses "I cannot rest from travel", several students spent their summers in Europe. They have returned from that historic and beautiful continent lost in memories of its charms.

To climax a year of study at Aix-en-Provence, Marcia Hochberg and Linda Ewing spent three months touring the continent. Traveling by Eurailpass to Belgium, Holland, Germany, where they visited Linda's grandmother and girlfriend, Copenhagen, Denmark, and Austria, they lived on bread and cheese in order to economize. Although they left France in sunshine, rain forced Marcia and Linda to buy an umbrella in Germany.

Beautiful Italy gave Marcia and Linda their favorite memories. In Florence, they saw many art treasures, including Michaelangelo's *David*. In Venice, they were given a gondola ride by the prima gondolier, who was distinguished by his red and white shirt. They loved San Marco Square where three orchestras played constantly. On the fourth of July, Florence was treated to an Independence Day celebra-

tion when the orchestra played American songs and a lone firecracker was exploded.

After leaving Italy, they returned to Aix-en-Provence for a music festival. From the Riviera, they went to Paris to visit Marcia's uncle. Then Marcia bid a sad "au revoir" to Europe and sailed for home aboard the S.S. France.

Taking part in New York University's "Seminar in Western Europe Today," Gail Roberts spent seven weeks overseas. Three of these weeks were spent in London where she studied school systems at the University of London and was a guest at a dinner given by an M.P. in the House of Commons. After a few days in Wales, the seminar group proceeded to Belgium, Bonn, Germany, and Lucerne, Switzerland to study the socio-political life of those countries. Gail also spent several days in Paris where she visited the headquarters of NATO and SHAPE, and in Rome where she saw the Pope. Gail went to Europe aboard the Queen Elizabeth, and returned by jet.

Studying the "History, Literature, and Philosophy of 18th Century

Britain" at the University of Edinburgh, Gary Einhorn spent six weeks in Scotland's largest city. With a car purchased for \$28, Gary was able (but just barely) to see a good bit of British countryside. He traveled through the rugged highlands of Bonnie Scotland and through the beautiful English lake district. Before going to Edinburgh, Gary spent a week in London and afterwards he went to Italy to visit Rome, Florence, and Venice.

After surviving the trial known as "ordeal by exam," Carol Mayer flew to Frankfurt, Germany where she met her family. They toured Germany, Switzerland, and Austria by car, visiting such cities as Heidelberg, Munich, Salzburg, Innsbruck, Basel, Interlaken, and Locarno. However, the Mayers also found out that America's nemesis, the bad driver, is not confined entirely to America. Going down a steep hill into Chur, Switzerland, they were rammed twice in the back by a Renault. Carole also spent some time in London before returning to the states. Her sentiment concerning the trip is one voiced by many returning travelers: "It's good to be back."



Beacon reporter, Jinnie Todd is shown interviewing students who studied abroad this summer. Travelers shown left to right are Gary Einhorn, Gail Roberts, and Carol Mayer. Absent when picture was taken were Marcia Hockberg, and Linda Ewing.

New Committees Set Up At First Meeting of Student Government

by Richie Kramer

The first meeting of the Student Government was convened last Tuesday evening in the offices on the second floor of the book store. Alan Gilbert, Chairman of the United Fund Drive, was present at the meeting in addition to the regular members of the group.

The Constitutional Amendment Committee, a group formed to revise and modernize the Constitution of the Student Body, reported that it is well into the organizational stages of this project. Richard Shemo, chairman of the committee, announced that it will meet on Thursday at 4 p.m. in the Student Government Office.

A committee has been organized to coordinate the hazing of freshmen in the dormitories, reported Steve Van Dyke, President of the Inter-Dormitory Council. The representatives discussed the possibility of forming a joint committee of the S.G. and I.D.C. to investigate the entire orientation program for both dormitory and day students. The present hazing system, it was felt, is inadequate, and there were suggestions for making this program a more constructive one.

The advisability of another Big Brother-Big Sister Meeting with the freshmen was suggested by Richard Shemo, Chairman of the Freshman Orientation Committee. These meetings, Shemo reported, might take place on October 20.

Elections were held for the members of the Court of Appeals, the judicial arm of the Student Government. This court consists of one member of the Administrative Council, one member of the faculty, and three members of the Student Body. Elected to these positions were: Dr. Francis Micheline, administrative; Mr. Elliot, faculty; Cathy Dennis, Fred Smithson, and Jeff Gallet, students.

A mandatory coat check with numbered tags has been set up for the Friday night dances. The coat check will be supervised by the organization sponsoring each event in the gym. Although there is no charge to the students, these organizations will not be responsible for items checked.

Three representatives will attend a student government seminar in Frederick, Maryland, for the purpose of exchanging ideas.

A Hootenanny will be held every Friday afternoon from 3 to 5 p.m. in the Snack Bar. These weekly folk-sings, it is hoped will encourage the students to patronize the new snack bar.

Rich Burns, President, stated that the representatives will observe their posted hours and that they will be available to discuss problems, questions, or comments that any student may have regarding all phases of academic or extra-curricular life on campus. Student Government also has files which are open to all students.

The following committee meetings were set up:

Student Seminar Committee — Contact Sumner Hayward for plans.

Budget Committee — Chairman Jim Jones will announce meetings through PRO bulletin.

Publicity Committee — Meetings held on Wednesday at noon on second floor Book Store.

Student Government Office Committee — Meeting on Tuesday at 2 p.m., second floor, Book Store.

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What is the basic importance of Puerto Rico in U.S. affairs today? Nationalistic and extremist groups advocating complete political independence for the Commonwealth have begun to play an increasing role in Puerto Rican political life within the last few years. The U.S. policy toward the tiny Commonwealth has been nothing but confusion causing one to wonder if such a positive policy actually exists. Representative Leo W. O'Brien (D-N.Y.) has summed up the entire situation by stating that he doubted whether anyone, including himself, could give a satisfactory definition of the Commonwealth political structure and its relationship to the U.S.

The House Interior Subcommittee, under the chairmanship of O'Brien, is currently working on a bill to authorize a Puerto Rican plebiscite to determine the future status of the Commonwealth and its relationship with the U.S. Perhaps in the near future we may be welcoming Puerto Rico into the union as the 51st state.

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