Dorm Rises On Schedule

By David Butler

Walter Mohr, Director of Development at the College, has announced that, due to the mild winter, the construction on the new dormitory-cafeteria is following the proposed work schedule. That the brickwork should open for habitation beginning in the fall semester.

The dining hall is designed to seat some 700 students. Contrary to the present cafeteria, it will be equipped with wall-to-wall carpeting which has proven to be easier to maintain than asphalt tile.

The new dormitory, which will house 263 men, will be proctored by Arthur Hoover and five other men. In addition, it has visited other men's dormitories and made inquiries as to students' suggestions.

All the dormitory rooms will have both wall-to-wall carpeting, built-in beds, built-in wall-to-wall carpeting, and electrical heating will aid in the comfort of the student. Each floor will contain a lounge and three separate study rooms which are to be used exclusively for study purposes. There will be two students living in each room.

All furnishings of the approximately two million dollar complex have been chosen to complement the structures themselves.

Gulf Oil Corp. Grants Funds To Aid College

Gulf Oil Corporation recently presented the College with a grant for $10,000, one of 221 awards totaling $27,000 given for unrestricted use. The award was presented to Dr. Eugene S. Farley by R.A. Magnus, district manager of Gulf.

In addition to unrestricted grants, the other phases of Gulf's Educational Assistance Program include capital grants, scholarships to children of employees and employer gift funds, and miscellaneous assistance grants, graduate fellowships, and grants for special purposes such as research and faculty support.

Institutions eligible for the unrestricted grants are only those private, non-profit, non-sectarian, college-preparatory schools which have been listed in the National Research Council's National Survey of Colleges and have met the criteria of the United States Office of Education. Significant financial need is a requisite for the award of any grant.

NOTICE

Manuscript will be held a meeting Tuesday in Conyngham 208 at 11 a.m.

ICG Reports Results Of Assembly Poll

By George Varnell

At the recent Intercollegiate Co-ordinating Conference on Government assembly, a questionnaire dealing with the topic of debate and related points was distributed. It was devised to find a consensus of thought among the underclassmen, those most likely to be drafted as the war continues. On the whole, the poll demonstrated that the freshmen and sophomores had insight into the present situation, but varied significantly with national polls.

On the debate topic, "Resolved: That all-out warfare be employed against North Vietnam," 59.8 per cent took the favorable stand, while 37.3 per cent were opposed, with 29.9 per cent in disagreement. The second question, "Are you in favor of President Johnson's policy in Vietnam?" tallied 49.8 per cent opposed with 41.2 per cent in favor, 7 per cent neutral, and 9 per cent who didn't answer.

On the question, "Should low academic students be drafted?" a majority of 54.6 per cent voted against it, while only 38.8 per cent favored drafting college students, with a net standing of 20.7 per cent against it. An even greater majority was scored in the connecting question of whether college students should be drafted before the draft for the military, 62.2 per cent definitely in favor, 24.1 per cent opposed, and 3 per cent no opinion.

A slight majority of 58.8 per cent were in favor of ending the war now, with 43.7 per cent wanting to continue, and 5.5 per cent uncomplete.

Senator Kennedy would be pleased to let his colleagues know that the majority of the questionnaires favored his proposal of meeting the Viet Cong at the peace table, while 34.5 per cent registered objection and 9.4 per cent indifferent.

A question "Should the United States formally declare war against North Vietnam?" polled 70.7 per cent in favor, 19.8 per cent against, and 3.6 per cent no opinion.

The most surprising response was to question eight, "Is Red China a threat to further escalation of the war?" On this point, a close 55.2 per cent favored the Red Chinese, while 36.9 per cent believed Red China was a threat, and 5.2 per cent thought they were not.

The most anti-war group was from the freshmen, while the sophomores were most pro-war. The seniors were more pro-war than the sophomores. The tendency was the same in all cases, with the students being more pro-war than the freshmen.
CREATIVE INACTIVITY

The Student Government's activity calendar is of immense value in that the College's civic and social events are outlined quite early in the school year. In fact, such scheduling is completed during the preceding summer. Naturally, such advance notice should preclude any inadequate preparation or program failure by a campus organization. Nevertheless, it is understandable if a campus club, which may quite easily be limited in resources, whether it be leadership or finances, fails to hold an activity on a prescribed date.

But such excuses should not be germane to the seeming inability of Student Government to hold to its own calendar dates. A case in point is the Intercollegiate Hootenanny, which, originally scheduled for tomorrow, has been rescheduled for early May, thus making the Spring Concert (which—for the moment—has been dropped). It is also in the wind, where most of Student Government information lies, that Student Government will supplement the Manuscript film program by providing its own complement of films. The extra films are certainly appreciated, but one wonders if this is not an example of Johnstown "creative inaction" which easily uncuffs Student Government's hands in providing its own share of more varied campus activity. Apparently, the buck doesn't stop at every president's desk.

Student Government membership is certainly large enough to handle the needs of program preparation and execution. Wasn't this the point behind the recent enlargement of Student Government membership? Finances, also, should not be an overwhelming problem either (unless it is the difficulty of finding the zealous treasurer to sign receipts). Whether or not it is generally recognized or appreciated, Student Government is generously funded by the administration from students' tuition. Financial problems as an excuse rather than a reason for failing to provide scheduled programs has been a rare too long. Perhaps the problem lies in financial management rather than financial resources.

In any event, there may well be proper and valid reasons for the apparent lethargic activity of Student Government—if only these reasons were available. They certainly do not emerge from the two and one-half inch Student Government report found in this week's BEACON.

DEAR EDITOR:

In beginning my reply to the letter of Mr. Sidman, I would like to acknowledge the fact that on one point his reply to mine was correct—there is a political opportunist, and as such, I can regard politics without being outraged by ideas otherwise something which anyone who would spend nine weeks working on this problem has not an opportunity to study it. I do not believe that Israel is the cause of all the trouble in the Middle East. To believe that would be to ignore the fact that the creation of Israel was in the first place, the trouble between Israel and the Arab states. Israel's situation is an end to the Arab–Israeli dispute would presumably reduce the tension in the area, and the reason for that dispute is the Jewish state. The problem was based on the creation of Israel as a religious-oriented state.

With regard to the statement that Israel had to adopt a unilaterally Jewish attitude to survive in a sea of Arabs, I must ask, is it not the responsibility of the nations who act in a strange manner, rather than one that provides the basis to which the Middle East lies, and they happened to it.

Arab Refugees

I did not say that Israel discouraged immigration by non-Jewish people; there are not enough non-Jewish refugees anywhere in the world to fill up Israel, and, if she is so hungry for people, why doesn't she accept the 800,000 Arabs who left Israel during the war which Israel's creation began? If she does not wish to encourage non-Jewish immigrants, why are many of the Talmud laws the laws of Israel?

It is quite true that there have been Jews and Samaritans in Israel since before there was a Diaspora, but there have been Celts in Wales and Brittany since before the Diaspora, and the French do not admit to control their original domains of England and France. The American Cherokee show any rabid desire to have control of Tennessee and Georgia.

Dear Editor:

I read with interest your editorial on the recent developments in the Middle East. As an American student, I feel it is my duty to express my thoughts on this issue.

Nuclear Nationalism Demands Responsible Control Policy

by Michael Konnick

The world of the 1960's is a strange and dangerous one. Science and technology have given man the ability to build an earthly paradise, or the end of the world as we know it. The cost of a nuclear war is enormous, and the destruction that could result is incalculable. While the American people debate how to carry on, the Soviet Union and China are building nuclear weapons. The Middle East is a tinderbox, and if it should ignite, the whole world could be destroyed.

Monopoly Undermined

Until October, 1962, nuclear weapons were monopolized by the United States and the Soviet Union, and the Anglo-American bloc. With only two superpowers on the atomic stage, the world was caught in the middle of a nuclear arms race. The world was on the brink of World War II era. But when nuclear stockpiling by both powers resulted in a stalemate and a Cuban missile crisis in 1962 showed that the "super powers" would not start a nuclear war, a strong sense of security in history.

DeGaulle began to develop his "force de frappe" or a French nuclear force in the late 1950's. This was shown in 1964. Communist China served notice it had joined the nuclear club by testing an atomic bomb. This was a great blow to the United States and its allies. It was the first time a non-nuclear power had the ability to deliver a nuclear weapon. China used the test as a political weapon to gain respect in the eyes of the world. This was a blow to the American prestige and power.

The world is a dangerous place, and the nuclear arms race is only making it more so. It is time for the United States and its allies to take a hard look at the nuclear arms race and find a way to stop it. The world cannot afford a nuclear war. It is too dangerous and too costly. The United States and its allies must work together to find a way to end the arms race and make the world a safer place.

Dearest Editor:

I have been reading your newspaper for some time now, and I have noticed that you often discuss political matters. I must say, I am quite interested in your views on the topic. I have been involved in politics for many years and have worked hard to make a difference.

I am writing to you today to express my concern about the current political climate in our country. As you know, there is a lot of division and discord among the people. I believe that we need to work together to find solutions to our problems.

I am particularly concerned about the issue of nuclear weapons. The development and proliferation of nuclear weapons is a major threat to the world. We must find a way to reduce the number of nuclear weapons and to ensure that they are not used in any way.

I urge you to use your platform to advocate for a peaceful resolution of our issues. Let us work together to create a more just and equitable world.
Students Hear Tabor’s Speech

by Irene M. Norkaitis

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by Joel Thiele

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Colleges Place Second In NCAA Mat Tourney
by Walt Nurnoe

Wilkes' John Carr successfully defended his 160-pound wrestling crown at the 1966 NCAA championships held last Friday and Saturday at Mankato, Minnesota, with a 5-0 win over Gerry Evans of Gustavus Adolphus in the finals.

The Wilkes team placed second in the standings coming in behind California Polytechnic. Portland State was third in the team tallying, while host Mankato was fourth and South Dakota state was fifth.

In capturing the crown, Carr had only a single point registered against him during the entire course of the tourney, covering five bouts.

Joe Kiefer, the only other Colonel entry in last Saturday's final, was outdone by Bob Palmen of Montana State in 4-6 of the second period.

Carr decisioned Neil Staan, 10-0, in the afternoon's semi-finals to reach the championship round, while Kiefer got past Steve Boyzell of Central Missouri, 10-4, in the semi-finals.

Bill Bachowdy of Lycoming, who was only able to manage a third in the MAC's title at Wilkes, capped the 167-pound championship with a 10-2 decision over Bob Ray of Eastern Michigan. Ray reached the finals by eliminating Wilkes' Dick Cook, 4-1, in the quarter-finals.

Joe Rorie of Gettysburg, winner of the 152-pound M.A.C. crown, also took the same title at the NCAA tourney by decisioning Bill Miller of Cat Poly, 3-1, in the finals.

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The tournament director told me that we had more telegrams than just about all the other teams combined. We mentioned that we must have very loyal fans and interested people to follow us this way. The boys read all the telegrams and were pleased at the number of different groups and people that thought enough of the team to send them.

So again, on behalf of the team, thank you for your encouragement, and we hope that next year we can bring home the first place trophy.

Sincerely yours,

John G. Roeser
Weslern Wrestling Coach

F-TOURNEE

Pictureed above are the team members of the F-Troupe, the College intramural basketball champions. First row, left to right: Charlie Morgan, Paul Kane, Dan Maloy, Bernard Vinavorski, John Howes, and Mike Connolly. Second row, left to right: Ted Kalamowicz, Jim Wolfe, Pat Sweney, Simekhow, Joe Sharenoff, and Bill Bayten.

TROUPE TRIPS Y TO CAPTURE TITLE

by Glyn Kinger

F-Troupe gained a victory over Soupy's Sensations last Wednesday and earned the right to meet the Y.M.C.A. for the College championship. The Troupe's "big three," Pat Sweney, Mike Connolly, and Jim Wolfe, gained 21, 12, and 15 points respectively in the 64-45 contest, St. Sabian led Soupy's Sensations with 19 counters.

On Thursday night, the Troupe disposed of the Y.M.C.A. in the College championship game by a score of 54-33. F-Troupe was again led by the "big three" with Pat Sweney scoring 16 points. Fred Bauer was high for the Y.M.C.A. with 19 points.

Sharp shooting of Bauer kept the score close until the third quarter, when the superior rebounding of the winners carried the shooting of the "Y." The Troupe managed to take as many fine shots to score one goal on numerous occasions, while the smaller "Y" team gained few rebounds.

Y.M.C.A. 13 18 22 33
F.Troupe 15 24 40 54

Referees: Forrest Eichmann and Rick Harmon.

Pat Sweney PLUS 13-point Stu Stroghen led the Y.M.C.A. in scoring, pulling the "Y" into the lead. Pat Sweney's 13-point effort was the first ever for the Troupe in the Y.M.C.A. tourney.

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