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Handbook, constitution changes compose main business of AWS

By KATHY KAPPELT

The final AWS meeting of the year focused on housing and handbook changes. Some of the confusion over the procedure followed in assigning rooms was cleared up. Most of the trouble stemmed from a lack of communications.

This began when the letter containing the room preference slips and room contracts was mailed to the student's home over Easter Vacation. Students not going home never received this letter. A number of coeds who were sent the letter, have not yet submitted their room preference slips. By not replying these three groups added to the mix-up.

To prevent this confusion in future years, the Council voted to recommend that the old system of room drawing be reinstated. Coeds would draw for room choices according to their social status.

The question was raised as to why men had been assigned rooms in Clawson after the dorm had been promised to the women. It was pointed out that this would make it possible to maintain proportionally the sale number of tripled rooms for men and women. Next year four men's dormitories will each have twenty tripled rooms while three fourths of the rooms in the Brick and Kruson will be triple. There will be no triples in Kruson or the new women's dorm.

However, many coeds were

of the opinion that with the King and Sayles residences being used to house men next year, the women had a definite need for Clawson. The Council voted to send a letter to Mr. Cooper stating why Clawson should be used to house women. The reasons cited include: women had been promised use of the house and the plans for feeding men, if they lived there, were not feasible (eating at Ade Hall or cooking their own meals.)

In an attempt to prevent such problems from reoccurring a housing committee will be formed. The function of this committee, composed of representatives from each dorm, will be to solve housing problems and suggest improvements that could be made in the dorms.

Changes, reflecting AWS' expanding role, were made in the handbook and constitution. An article will be added outlining the duties of a committee that is presently being formed. With the deletion of so many regulations most future rule infractions will be 'trivial'. To prevent these matters from coming before the entire Council, the new committee, headed by the vice-president of AWS, will screen offenses so that meetings will not be bogged down with minute problems.

It was clarified that transfer students follow the rules of their social class. Anyone

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Miles conducts first open forum; praises handling of demonstrations

By COREY SULLIVAN

President Leland Miles held his first open forum last Monday night in Howell Hall. In his opening remarks, Dr. Miles expressed his pleasure at the handling of the Parents' Weekend demonstration, which he characterized as an expression of conflicting views without conflict among people.

Dr. Miles enumerated the four problems which he had said last September that he would try to solve by June. They include ROTC, which he considers solved; company recruitment on campus, solved by a unanimous faculty vote for open recruitment.

Also, the demonstration policy has been revised by the Student Life Committee. The fourth problem, that of bringing in disadvantaged students, has been tackled by the sororities and fraternities, who have brought in groups of underprivileged students. While the University does not have sufficient funds to aid such students, at least we have introduced them to college life.

The question and answer segment began with a query as to why there were police at the demonstration. The student asking the question said the presence of the police reflected a "paranoid fear" on the part of the University.

Miles replied that, according to the guidelines, police can be called in on two instances: when there is clear danger of

injury and when non-University personnel break the guidelines and disrupt activities. In this instance, the administration was not concerned about danger from students or faculty but from parents and Tech students, Miles stated.

Another student expressed displeasure at Miles' speech to parents in Ade Hall on May 10. He said the speech lessened the impact of the demonstration, making it sound like the "logical product" of the University's policy.

Miles replied that he saw the demonstration as a conflict of ideas, which is the purpose of a university.

The next question was: what is the status of the political science department?

Miles replied that two out of three of the current members of that department are leaving next year. The second resignation was made not at the University's convenience, in what Miles said showed disregard for the University. The University is recruiting two men instead of one from the pool of candidates from which a replacement for Dr. Ruchelman will be selected. It is fairly easy to get one Ph.D., but the chances for getting two are slim.

A question was raised as to the salary at Alfred: perhaps we cannot attract top-quality men because we do not pay enough.

Miles said that political sci-

ence professors are scarce. The AAUP gives us a good rating for salary. Our fringe benefits are average.

In reply to a question about the English department, Dean Gertz said that we have gotten two replacements. One student said that he is skeptical of people being hired at this late date.

Miles, Gertz, and Dr. Rowe, the faculty secretary, all stated that they do not think an academic freedom problem exists at Alfred.

Another student pointed out that many younger A.U. faculty members are leaving. But replied that there are more young teachers coming in than going out. That there are outgoing professors is a good reflection on the faculty: if none were ever hired away it would mean that they were undesirable.

One student asked if it is only financial problems keeping professors away. To this Miles answered that Alfred's pay is competitive on all levels except that of full professor.

The administrative personnel present also allayed fears that the political science would cease functioning as an independent department; that there would be no replacement for Martin Berkofsky in the music department.

Steve Golby said that he, along with the Student Action Committee, feels that Dr. Miles

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"Allenterm" scheduled for 1970-71

Present freshmen and sophomores will have the opportunity of participating in the new Winter Term which is being set up at Alfred. The idea for such a Field Term was approved by the faculty last Thursday, after consideration of both the benefits and problems involved.

An approximately four-week

program will be inaugurated effective 1970-71 for a trial period of four years, with the possibility of modification each year if necessary. The Winter Term will begin early in January following a first semester which runs from early September to Christmas recess. This semester will be slightly shorter than our present first

semester.

To work out details, a planning committee will be established for 1969-70. This committee will work closely with deans, department chairmen, and as needed with the University Faculty Council and Deans Council.

The Winter Term has been given the name "allenterm" in honor of Alfred's second president, Jonathan Allen. It was felt that "such a name would have the advantage of distinction and originality and of perpetuating the best of Alfred academic tradition."

Each undergraduate will be required to participate in at least two of these terms, successfully completing the projects he has selected. For transfer students who come to Alfred as juniors or seniors, there is no requirement that they do a project for each of their academic years at Alfred. Participation by graduate students will be the decision of the Graduate Council in consultation with the academic departments.

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AU to award doctorate to 'Captain Kangaroo'

Robert Keeshan, better known as "Captain Kangaroo" to children of all ages, will be awarded the honorary degree of Doctor of Humane Letters by A.U. at commencement exercises June 8.

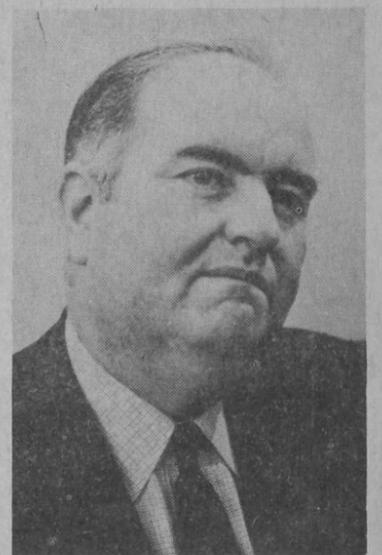
The 42-year old actor-producer has been cited by Alfred as a "master teacher" and major contributor to the early education of the nation's youth.

Keeshan, a native of Lynbrook, N.Y., and a onetime television page boy, became known to millions of children in the early days of television as Clarabelle the Clown, on NBC's Howdy Doody Show.

In 1955 Keeshan joined the CBS television network to develop a new concept in television programming for children, "Captain Kangaroo."

The program relies heavily on educative concepts, and specific sequences aimed at pre-schoolers are prepared in cooperation with the Bank Street College of Education, in New York City.

In 1967 Keeshan and his



staff inaugurated for the program a series of filmed visits to foreign and domestic locations, each presented from a child's point of view.

Keeshan has received numerous creative awards, including the coveted Peabody award in 1958. He attended Fordham University.

Who's Who in US universities selects twenty-six AU students

Alfred University has recently announced their selections of those students to be placed in the Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges for the academic year 1969-70. Among the criteria for judging these students were academic standing, extracurricular activities, and potential for future excellence.

Those selected were Carol Jean Bellissimo, Gerritt Charles Benjamins, Barbara Ann Bredl, Eric Geoffrey Brunger, Cynthia Rae Bryant, Becky Lane Butts, Cherie Lee

Clark, Linda Mary Downs, Larry Steven Friedman, Theodore John Gabrykewicz Jr., and David Kerr Galey.

Also selected were Michael Harris Haselkorn, Constance Marie Hawkes, Lars Bertil Johanson, Patrick Lee Keeler, Terry Warren Mee, Diego Carlos Merida, Rosali Josephine Nastasi, Nancy Jane Pettit, Susan Key Reddick, Maria Rodriguez-Diaz, Linda Raedene Rounds, Peter Christopher Ryan, Eric Christen Skaar, Caren Wakerman and Mary Emily Wayman.

ALFRED 1969: A YEAR OF CHANGE, A PEAR OF VANDALISM

This has indeed been a unique year in Alfred University's history. Many old traditions have been done away with as well as quite a few professors. R.O.T.C. has now become totally voluntary and the Pub is open. There will be a Business College next semester and perhaps increased vandalism on this campus.

As far as professors are concerned, Alfred is losing quite a few of them. The Fiat approximates that nineteen full-time and part time teachers will be departing as of this summer. Basically, the list stands as follows: Music Department, Martin Berkofsky; Education Department, Dr. E. King; Political Science, Dr. L. Ruchelman and Dr. H. Holland; History Department, Mr. Lemberg.

Other losses are: Mathematics, Mr. Hurst, Mr. Khana, and Mr. Parks; Foreign Language Department Miss C. Clement and Dr. Mittenbuler; English Department, Dr. E. Curry, Dr. S. Curry, Miss L. Tupper, Mrs. Bickal and Mrs. Ruchelman; Administration, Mr. Bickal; Ceramics College, Mr. Mahan; Nursing Department, Mrs. Smith.

The above individuals are leaving for various reasons. What is important to note is the number and not the reasons. It will be virtually impossible for the University to fill the vacuum created by the departure of so many personnel. This is of great concern to us; since a University is only as strong as its teaching staff.

We are also concerned about the increasing vandalism which has manifested itself on this campus since the Pub opened. It is the opinion of the Administration that most of this destructiveness has been at the hands of Tech students rather than from those at the University. Consider the following: three break-ins at the Steinheim, two Carbon Dioxide fire extinguishers stolen from the Science Center, two instances where the brakes have been disconnected on the Saxon bus, one instance where the exhaust pipe has been disconnected on the same bus, close to a 500% increase in broken windows, the destruction of several doors as well as the robbery of apparatus in Allen Lab, and thefts of student projects from offices in the Art Department.

It is the opinion of the Administration that much of this damage is done by Tech students who are taking advantage of the Pub facilities. Furthermore, it is felt that the Pub is being overrun by Tech students.

We feel this is wrong. The Pub is for Alfred University students. To our knowledge, no University student can enter the Tech Pub unless accompanied by a Tech student. The same should apply here. One solution that was suggested would be to acquire a private club license applicable to University students only. Our major concern is to protect University students as well as University property.

How can one evaluate this year at Alfred? Certainly, there have been many improvements. But at the same time, too many professors are leaving and vandalism is spreading at too fast a pace. We can not, in all fairness, judge Alfred 1969; for we are not at all sure if the good outweighs the bad.

Ministry of Propaganda meets behind closed doors to discuss investigation

By BRITT REID

Is the Ministry of Propaganda actually a subversive left-wing organization? Recent events, such as a police investigation, the sponsoring of an S.D.S. recruitment drive, and certain statements made by high-ranking MOP officials, would certainly seem to indicate that MOP is, at least, a radical political force.

However, MOP co-chairman Warren Savin has stated in several press releases that MOP is "an apolitical culturally-oriented organization." According to Mr. Savin, "MOP is simply not interested in politics."

Investigation

But if MOP is truly a harmless cultural committee, why did the state police feel it is necessary to investigate the organization? Two days prior to the Parents' Day Review, two plainclothes detectives, reportedly members of the B.C.I. (the state bureau of criminal investigation) visited both the University and the Tech, asking students pertinent questions about MOP.

They wanted to know who the MOP leaders were, what the organization was planning for Parents Day, and whether or not MOP was planning to call in outside agitators.

Jack Kulik, who identifies himself as MOP's liaison with the unrealistic left, was one of the students questioned. However, co-chairman Savin refuses to even acknowledge whether or not Mr. Kulik is, in fact, a member of MOP.

Even more indicative of MOP's political orientation is the fact that the ministry has offered to help set up an S. D.S. chapter here at Alfred. During a recent investigation, this reporter learned that the speaker MOP was planning to bring to the campus on May 5, is, in actuality, a high-ranking SDS official. Besides speaking, this individual was also planning to recruit members for a local chapter of SDS.

When questioned about this, co-chairman Savin stated that

"MOP was sponsoring the speaker, not because we back SDS, but because we feel any group should be allowed to recruit on campus. We would do the same for any right-wing group." But is this really true? This reporter feels that Savin's statement is little more than a rationalization.

At the last moment, this speaker cancelled his engagement. Therefore MOP's connection with SDS never became a major campus issue. If it had, perhaps the student body at large would now be more aware of the actual workings of MOP.

Secret Activities

According to several sources, MOP's more recent displays of absurdity, such as the Review Show and the Moving Up Day kissing booth, were set up to make MOP appear to be harmless, while subversive activities were carried on in secret.

In exclusive Fiat interview, Nancy Bloomquist, MOP's non-recording secretary, indicated that the leaders of MOP have recently initiated various activities that the majority of MOP members are opposed to. "Since MOP is not run on democratic principles, we have noway of stopping these activities. Our only recourse is resignation." However, she refused to divulge the exact nature of these activities.

As reported in previous issues of the Fiat Lux, Mr. Savin has repeatedly stated that there is no connection between MOP and SAC, the Student Action Committee, an admittedly politically oriented organization.

However, the fact remains that Steve Skeates, the other MOP co-chairman, has helped set up and direct several SAC demonstrations. Also, the Andover Ashram, MOP's headquarters, has, on several occasions, served as the site of SAC organizational meetings.

Ruth Hammer, former MOP information liaison, has stated she believes Steve Golby to be simply a figurehead and

Skeates to be the actual power behind SAC. As a former MOP official, perhaps Miss Hammer has access to information not available to the student body at large.

Political Beliefs

If indeed MOP is politically oriented, one question still remains—what are MOP's exact political beliefs? The answer according to several observers, may well lie in MOP's supposed apolitical statements. One faculty member, who requested that his name be withheld, feels that MOP's apolitical stand may be simply a euphemism for a belief in anarchy.

This same faculty member sees a direct correlation between MOP's apolitical stand and the recent losses in the Political Science department.

Last Thursday night, in a closed meeting, MOP held its annual appointment of next year's officers. However, co-chairman Savin refuses to make public exactly who these officials will be. According to Rachel Evans, MOP's present information liaison, "Plans are now being made for a massive MOP membership drive during orientation week, next year."

W. E. Stevenson graduation speaker

Dr. William E. Stevenson, president of the Aspen Institute for Humanistic Studies, Aspen, Colorado, and a one-time Olympic track star and ex-ambassador to the Philippines, will be the principal speaker June 8 at commencement exercises at Alfred.

He will also receive the honorary degree of doctor of humane letters in recognition of his distinguished attainments.

Dr. Stevenson served as United States ambassador to the Philippines under Presidents Kennedy and Johnson between 1961 and 1964. From 1946 to 1959 he was president of Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio.

During the war he supervised Red Cross activities in Great Britain, North Africa, Sicily and Italy. He was twice elected to the national board of governors of the Red Cross Society of the Soviet Union.

A native of Chicago, Dr. Stevenson is a 1922 graduate of Princeton University. He was a Rhodes Scholar at Oxford University, and in 1927 was admitted to the bar in New York City. He was subsequently named an assistant United States attorney, later entering private practice.

Dr. Stevenson is a former alumni trustee of Princeton University and a former trustee of Phillips Academy, Andover, Mass. He is past president of the Ohio College Association, also a past governor of the Big Brother Movement, New York City.

A noted college athlete, he held United States and British championships in the 440 yard run. He was a member of the championship 1600 meter relay team at the 1924 Olympics in Paris.

He has been awarded honorary degrees from Princeton University, Farleigh Dickinson University, Oberlin College, Case Institute of Technology, Coe College and Colorado College.

Alternative suggested to raise radio station funds

By MIKE FINE

Many students have been wondering what will happen to the \$2,700 which was allocated used for a radio station or be for the Sly concert. Will it be put back in the concert fund to add to the Homecoming Weekend Concert? I have a proposal where by we could have our radio station and the \$2,700 for concerts too.

What's the catch? Simple, if the students want their own radio station, they can easily pay for it themselves. The \$2,700 could then go for concerts as it was intended to.

Here's where the station's money would come from. The activity fee this semester was \$15. Next year, the activity fee is reduced to \$10 for a semester. This means that if \$4.00 for a radio station was added to one semester's bill next year, you would still be paying less than you paid this semester, and you'd gain a whole lot more!

Four dollars per student would be more than enough to cover the total cost of starting a radio station, and we'd have extra money left over in the station's account for any unexpected costs or added activities for the station.

With this money and student interest, the radio station could be in operation by the beginning of second semester of next year. I have talked to the treasurer and this proposal is feasible if there is enough student interest.

What will this station be like? Who will run it? What music will be played? How much would the station actually cost? All these questions and many more will be answered in a radio station discussion which will be held tomorrow night at 7:00 in the Parents' Lounge. All those interested in working on the station or learning more about it, please come to this important meeting.



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Lelia Tupper to leave teaching after 43 uninterrupted years

By IRWIN BERLIN

She is often referred to as the "little bird" by freshman English Composition students. Lelia Tupper is an Associate Professor of English, Emeritus (that's because she has been here for a long time) and by God, there's more to this "Little bird" than meets the casual observer's eyes.

Well, Miss Tupper is not going to be teaching after this semester, and this article is a tribute to those 43 years of uninterrupted teaching and the woman who has directly or indirectly influenced so many students, be they English, Biology, History, Ceramic Engineering or etc. majors.

Miss Tupper officially retired in 1960, but was specifically requested by the English department to continue on a strictly part-time basis. When this reporter visited Miss Tupper (she has a very busy schedule), she really could not understand why someone was interviewing her again. Nine years ago some other Fiat nut had also done this. I persevered, and convinced her that this was strictly a personal "expose."

Why would anyone wish to spend a lifetime educating a bunch of half-backsided kids who think they are students? Of course, the answer must be a great love for indoctrination of still impressionable minds and that splendid word: Dedication. Nonsense! Miss Tupper

Student comments on demonstration

To the Editor:

The demonstration by the anti-war demonstrators was a tribute to the group themselves and the ideas they stood for. Working within what I feel were ludicrously one-sided guidelines, the group performed admirably and orderly.

What is disturbing is that the university administration had not enough faith in the intelligence of their student dissenters. Parked not far from Merrill Field was a bus filled with riot police to stifle the disturbances which never came.

If the administration would stop reading New's weekley's so often and take a little more initiative in discovering Alfred's dissenters' motives and techniques, this embarrassing scene could have been avoided.

Since Alfred has witnessed a forceful, law-abiding demonstration among the misshapen acts of violence of other institutions, I ask for a liberalization of the guidelines which at present are terribly unfair.

With intelligent communication from both administration and dissenters, Alfred can become a model in this era of violent change.

Again I would like to congratulate those involved in the Parents' Weekend demonstration. The attitude by all participating showed minds with dedication and purpose, which can only ultimately lead to success.

Sincerely,
Richard Friedman

wanted to become a librarian, but her family insisted that she become a teacher because everyone in the family was either a teacher or a minister, and not a librarian. Tradition.

Miss Tupper (Did you know the story how Tupper Lake got its name?) says that she was not meant to be a teacher: no patience. Books don't weep on a librarian's shoulder when they fail their second English final in a row. Dedication in the field of instruction, however, has clearly dictated the lifework of Miss Tupper.



There is no formula for teaching because there "is no formula for human beings." It is even difficult to ascertain just how fruitful the teaching profession is, for one does not measure success by how many graduates go on to fame and fortune. The key to it all seems to be that you are TRYING. Miss Tupper has tried.

TRACK MASCOT

Anyone who dares to call himself anyone on Alfred's campus knows that Miss Tupper is the official referee at all Alfred University home track meets. She is the mascot and the love of all the track members. How did this frail "little bird" get interested in track?

Once upon a time (no, not that long ago), the husband of a friend of Miss Tupper was the coach of the cross-country team. Apparently cross-country is not the most dramatic of sports, and Miss Tupper and the coach's wife would go to support the team, because no one else did. Her love of track merely evolved from this.

There will be an important discussion Wednesday night at 7:00 in the Parents' Lounge for anyone who would like to work on, or learn more about, a campus radio station for next year.

APO to sponsor movie

Alpha Phi Omega, the national service fraternity, presents, for your enjoyment, the movie "Raisin in the Sun," with Sidney Poitier. The movie will be shown free at 9:00 p.m. outside the Campus Center on Thursday, May 22. In case of rain, it will be shown in the Parents' Lounge. Take a study break, come see "Raisin in the Sun."

The APO used book store will be open from May 26 until June 3 between 3:30 and

The events of the latest meet was eagerly related to me. In the two mile race, just at the last, the second man (from Alfred!) passed the lead runner. The manner in which Miss Tupper described the race made me think I had missed some real excitement. Miss Tupper does not like football, because she does not like murder and blood. But as for track, "you have to have some interest besides Wordsworth."

Memories Are Made Of This

Oh the stories that Miss Tupper can weave... The best University president that she has known was Pres. Boothe C. Davis. He was the only president anyone ever dared to call Prexy (at least, the faculty...). Everyone loved him, primarily due to his "absolute devotion" to the Alfred community. He knew his students and faculty. Faculty meetings were held in his home, where his wife and the "lady faculty" would serve cocoa in dainty cups.

What one memory of Alfred University, seen as a functioning University rather than anything else, does Miss Tupper hold? "Seeing what a freshman becomes, even by his Senior year." Most satisfying (and surprising) is the student that everyone has little hope for, but who finally accomplishes things (of course, this may only be graduating).

The students come back to Alfred and visit Miss Tupper. Why? Miss Tupper calls this sentimentality, when someone is looking for something familiar in a changing world. They forget the unpleasant things (like grades), but remember the slight and relatively unimportant items. Like stories told in class. Perhaps this is so, but there's a lot more to it than Miss Tupper is admitting to.

Now that she is retiring, "A life sentence commuted to forty-three years.) what is Miss Tupper going to do? An innocuous question like all the rest, but nevertheless a valid question.

Sleep, read, cook, 'cultivate her garden,' and throw out an unbelievable amount of junk (memorabilia?) that has been collecting and collecting and accumulating over the years. Miss Tupper has been said to bake the best brownies in town "I do not use a mix."

Rather than say goodbye Miss Tupper, permit me the privilege of saying so-long Miss Tupper, and I hope to see you soon at a track meet, or in beautiful downtown Alfred.

5:30 each afternoon. If you have any books you want to sell, bring them to us with the price for which you want the book sold. In September, the book store will open to sell the books.

If your book is not sold within two weeks, you will be allowed to take the book and sell it yourself. Help us make the book store a success—bring in your books between May 26 and June 3.

Paranoid's Paradise Reviewed

By STEVE SKEATES and DON HERRES

(in which the dubious humbrists who wrote Paradise Lost, the paraffin parody of Paranoid's Paradise which appeared in the Fiat Nox, now turn to more serious endeavor, as they analyze Warren Savin's self-proclaimed literary masterpiece.)

It's all just fringing on it.

A little into DeSade
A little into politics
A little into reality.

Perhaps he was right. He was trying to freak everybody but and put over the super fake of the year by sharing his dreams with the world.

But dreaming is a very private thing . . .

He didn't know what he was talking about. He was just faking himself, nobody else could possibly understand it anyway. It was too close to the truth to be taken seriously.

Right, you understood it all. What you understood was nothing. An image was suggested to you in the form of a literary ink blob. Analyze what you saw and you will probably laugh at the absurdity. It has to be absurd; the supreme analogy to life is as incomprehensible as life itself.

But there is the demon hanging over it. As soon as the specter appears you cringe. Cringing with friends in the corner. The nights that you need to talk to somebody. But the demon grows.

It's a slow process, taking a life time. If it does not have the chance to mature you are lucky, if it does, it takes a life.

So he proved that everything is a farce; he put it into practice and nobody could understand what he was talking about. Everybody works under the false premise that there is something logical to deduce conclusions. So you laugh at what you cannot understand.

And he laughs at life.

Looking into the mind of an author. Watching as he gropes through ten chapters, a glossary and an appendix, searching for a plot, trying to find "something to say." It was like an author's notebook, a series of disjointed statements and sketches—that later may be put into some sort of order, to form perhaps a novel.

In the beginning, he talked about his immediate surroundings. The first chapter dealt with the educational process; the second with campus inaction; the third with the identity crises. Then the point of view adroitly broadened, and the author began a search for a hero who had some sort of relevance in today's world.

He tried a frustrated and trapped artist; a bitter, cruel and cynical soldier; a maniac; and finally, in chapter 8, a traditional tough guy, secret agent, who, through the use of inserted parenthetical remarks, suddenly became a hip hero.

Toward the end, it was this hip hero that won out. In chapter 9, the hero became a boy from New York's lower east side—a hip hero who somehow had been cast into the traditional "camp" role of the private detective. In Chapter 10, the same hero was still around.

In these last two chapters, a plot finally began to emerge—a mystery, a search. In the first eight episodes the author was searching for something to say; now he gave us a symbolic picture of this search—a private detective searching for a missing girl.

The four clues the detective was following—a matchbox, the ink stain, the shadowy figure, and the train whistles—were symbolic representations of some of the subjects Savin had discussed earlier. The eight men the detective had questioned represented the eight previous chapters.

In the end, the detective found the girl purely by chance. He had thought that she had run away from the establishment; now he discovered that she had simply given up one part of the establishment and joined another part.

The search was over, but none of the questions had been answered. The clues had not been figured out. A guilty party had not been found. But the girl had been found, so it was over. And all the hero could do now was return to his former existence—"to my apartment, to the books, the letters and the typewriter"—in other words, to just plain writing for writing's sake.

And, in the last paragraph, like all good traditional "camp" heroes—loners all—the hero stepped out into the rain.

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Exciting first poetry collection by Barry Spacks is reviewed

By PROFESSOR ELIZABETH SIBLEY

The Company of Children by Barry Spacks. Doubleday, 1969

"Poems are what ideas feel like." K. Shapiro

Hear Barry Spacks on Barry Spacks, poet: "At the moment I teach at M.I.T. in the fall and go into fiction and poetry in the spring when the weather's less grim and New England. What I believe in is people enjoying one another as much as they can: at inarticulate moments I've been known to refer to this as 'human goodies.' As to art, it seems to me that what it does is remind people that that's what they are ('human goodies'), so we need a lot of it."

If you would like to know more about this thirty-eight year old Philadelphia-born, University of Pennsylvania undergraduate, he-doesn't-say-where grad schooler, inspired by a poem W. C. Williams once recited about a dead dog in a street in Mexico somewhere poet, you could read (1) about him in the February 1, 1968 issue of the *Library Journal*, or (2) his first novel *The Sophomore* (Prentice-Hall, 1968), or (3) his first collection of poems entitled *The Company of Children* (Doubleday, 1969).

I have his book of poems at hand. How do his 'human goodies' inarticulations become art? How do they feel? Let me use Spacks' own simple measuring rod: they will feel funny and sad, real and fantastic, loving and mean, shapely and messy.

Funny: When she is dull, my love, no force
can move her, she sits
upon the freeway like a load
of dung.

Sad: You are a figure like the sun,
all witness, all one eye . . .
You neither go, nor help . . .

Real: The builder . . .
To raise a house he leaves
dream-flight . . .
and . . .
a glimpse of the Garden.
And . . . the company of children.

Fantastic: We once knew days like honing wind;
it snowed: God stroked the living fleece;
it rained: God saved the saving rain
that fell . . .
in this hammock someone sleeps
who must be me—he dreams like me—
a dream of birth: to leave the bag
and sagging parts are jumbled in.

Loving: He stands upon his shadow's noon,
and if he'd take one step he'd come into
her love, that waits for him, a summer field.

Mean: Watch, freshmen, for my words about the past
can make you turn your back. I wait to throw,
most foul, most foul, the future in your face.

Shapely: Child, where we stand
is quicksand.
This venerable crust
dust.
Move bravely on,
as if there were watchers.

Messy:
But I find no messy lines. By direct imagery and metaphor,
by syllable-and-stress patterns, by breath-and-pause patterns,
by beautiful word sounds, he sparks the imagination to leap
from 'idea' to the 'feel.'

FRESHMEN

My freshmen
settle in. Achilles
sulks; Pascal consults
his watch; and true
Cordelia—with her just-washed hair,
stern-hearted princess, ready to defend
the meticulous garden of truths in her highschool notebook—
uncaps her ballpoint pen.
And the corridors drum:
give us a flourish, fluorescence of light, for the teachers come,
green and seasoned, bearers
of the Word, who differ
like its letters: there are some
so wise their eyes
are birdbites; one,
a mad, grinning gent with a golden tooth, God knows
he might be Pan, or the sub-
custodian; another
is a walking podium, dense
with his mystery—high
priests and attaches
of the ministry; kindly
old women, like unfashionable watering places;
and the assuming young, rolled tight as a City
umbrella;
thought-salesmen with sample cases,
and saints upon whom
merely to gaze is like Sunday—
their rapt, bright,
cat-licked faces!
And the freshmen wait;
wait bristling, acned, glowing like a brand,
or easy, chatting, munching, muscles lax,
each in his chosen corner, and in each
a chosen corner.

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given for these projects which will be graded "Pass with Honor," "Pass," or "Fail." The Field Term Committee "feels strongly that normal grading would contradict the spirit of independent study in a Winter Term. In the case of many projects, exact systems of grading would be unrealistic because no set standard would exist to serve as a model."

Students will be free to choose any project they wish without confining themselves to their major field. Departments can not require any specific project nor present condensed versions of regular courses as Field Term projects.

Projects can be originated by either faculty members or students. A list of projects will be provided for the student by October 1, and he will have a month to think about his choice before registration in November. If none of the suggested projects interest him, he can create his own if he can find a faculty member willing to assist him.

There will be projects at both beginning and advanced levels to prevent a need to stay within the major field. Where feasible, interdisciplinary projects will be proposed.

Off-campus projects are also possible, but the extra costs involved will be borne by the students. "However, outside funds might be available to defray some of the extra costs which grow out of Winter Term study; e.g., fees for vis-

The annual Steak Cookout will be held for all University students tomorrow from 6:00 to 8:00. Members of the administration and faculty will be honorary chefs and Dr. Barton will serve.

From 6:00 to 9:00 there will be open house in the men's dorms. Following this there will be a beer blast in Ade Hall until 1:00, sponsored by the Men's Dorm Council. Admission is free and includes free potato chips. Beer is 20c per glass.

Calendar of Events

Tuesday

Bridge Tournament: CC, Parents Lounge, 7:30 p.m.

Golf: Brockport vs. Alfred, 1:30 p.m.

Lacrosse: RIT vs. Alfred, 3 p.m.

Debate Team: CC, Rm. A, 8 p.m.

ISC: CC, Rm. B & C, 7 p.m.

Draft Counseling and Information Service: Alden Interfaith House, 6:30-9:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Chinese Sister Seminar: CC, Rm. A, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Thursday

Study Day

Alfred Guild Movie: "Potemkin," Myers Hall, Rm. 34, 8 p.m. 50c admission for non-guild members

AOK: CC, Rm. A, 7 p.m.

Friday

Study Day

Saturday

Exams Begin

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iting professors or films."

Three fourths of the faculty will participate in the Winter Term each year. Students and faculty who are not participating could use the time for study, research, or travel. Non-participating students may remain on campus if they wish.

The decision to establish a Winter Term was based on the recommendation by the Field

Term Committee under Dr. Webb. This committee first met in April 1968 to discuss the feasibility of establishing a Field Term at Alfred.

The committee sent questionnaires to various institutions having similar programs and to faculty and students, and then studied the information which was gathered. The format which they outlined will be that which is generally followed in the establishment of Alfred's Winter Term.



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Book of Poetry reviewed Miles enumerates solved problems: ROTC, recruitment, demonstrations

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Full of certainties and reasons,
or uncertainties and reasons,
full of reasons as a conch contains the sea,
they wait: for the term's first bell;
for another mismatched wrestle through the year;
for a teacher who's religious in his art,
a wizard of a sort, to call the roll
and from mere names
cause people
to appear.

The best look like the swinging door
to the Opera just before
the Marx Brothers break through.
the worst—debased,
on the back row,
as far as one can go
from speech—
are walls where childish scribbling's been erased;
are stones
to teach.

And I am paid to ask them questions:
Dare man proceed by need alone?
Did Esau like
his pottage?

And when one stops to think, I'll catch his heel,
put scissors to him, excavate his chest!
Watch, freshmen, for my words about the part
can make you turn your back. I wait to throw,
most foul, most foul, the future in your face.

—Barry Spacks

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tried to keep ROTC mandatory and therefore does not deserve credit for it becoming elective.

AU dept. chairman math assn. officer

Dr. Robert W. Sloan, chairman of the department of mathematics at Alfred, was elected vice-chairman of the Upper New York State Section of the Mathematical Association of America at its annual meeting at Western Ontario University in London, Ontario, May 10.

The group is comprised of college teachers of mathematics in upstate New York and the provinces of Quebec and Ontario. In addition to Dr. Sloan, representatives from Alfred who attended the meeting were Dr. John W. Hurst and Dean W. Hoover.

Westfall elected president of FCA

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes recently held presidential elections and, former president, Jim Dunn, handed over the gavel to Brian Westfall, who will assume the new title of F.C.A. captain.

Further elections of officers will follow next semester.

Miles replied that he does not want credit in the ROTC problem. He said that while he could not take the responsibility for putting the university in debt by changing the mandatory nature of ROTC, the trustees could and did.

His personal view is that ROTC should not be mandatory, but several of his colleagues disagreed. He is pleased that the ROTC decision represented majority feeling.

There were several questions on food and the pub, including complaints that University students cannot get into the pub because many Tech students fill it up. It was explained that the pub must be open to everyone or it would lose its license.

After parents had allegedly complained about overcrowding in the dorms, Miles said that triples will be reduced "substantially" next year.

A student questioned Alfred's admissions standards. Director of Admissions Howard stated we are getting more applicants now and there is no marked difference in their academic qualifications.

In response to a question on black recruitment, Howard said that Alfred has neither the funds nor the location to attract large numbers of Negroes. However, next year, four Negroes are coming into the Operation Opportunity program on Esso grants, and

four have been accepted into the regular freshman class.

While one student wondered if pass/fail grading for non-major courses would help spur intellectual maturity on campus, Dr. Rubin said that graduate schools do not like P/F grading for undergraduate work.

In answer to a question on tuition, Miles reported that it will be \$2100 for 1969-70 and said that it is hoped the university can hold it at that level for 70-71.

A student questioned Alfred's policy on research. Miles described it as "liberal." We allow both doctoral and post-doctoral leaves with pay, and give grants for summer work.

He admitted that, since the average Alfred professor has a teaching load of 12 credit-hours, he cannot pursue research programs to the extent that teachers can at schools like Berkeley, where the teaching load may be as low as 3 credit hours.

After the final question and answer, in which it was learned that the University will try to make its financial position known to students, Miles closed, saying he hopes he can conduct monthly forums next year.

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A senior's view of Alfred sports

By PETE STASZ

In the current issue of the Alfred Reporter, athletic director James McLane, taking note of Alfred's dismal sports records this year, put the blame on Alfred's present "inferior athletes" and asked the alumni for help in recruiting. Naturally he also asked for money for a new gym; it seems if you're an administrator at Alfred you always ask the alumni for money.

Well thanks a lot, Mr. McLane, you're a big help. I too have become concerned over Alfred's sports this year, as have my fellow "inferior athletes." This fall Alfred's six teams won four contests while losing 33. However since then, we've improved enough for a combined 41-80 record, one out of every three. Of course, if you don't count the rifle team, a team which is run more by the ROTC than the athletic department, the record dips to 29-78.

Out of 15 teams, only two had winning records this year—varsity and freshman track, a fact which speaks well of coaches DuBreuil and Maxson

and their athletes. So maybe we are inferior athletes, Mr. McLane, but that's not the whole story.

We have inferior facilities and equipment; to put it bluntly, I doubt if there is a high school in New York with worse. Our gym was put up 40 years ago as a temporary structure, in 1937 it could not serve the needs of this school. Today, only six of the eight showers work (Oswego has 500), and there are not enough lockers for team members, let alone visiting teams.

Try watching a basketball game through wooden pillars, try playing basketball on a dangerous cement floor; try sprinting into a concrete wall, or polevaulting amid beams (a few years ago a Rochester vaulter broke his arm here and neither Rochester nor any other team will compete in our gym).

The equipment is shabby, inadequate, and the supply is short—many times an athlete can't change practice clothes, there just aren't any. No swimming, no pool; no hockey, no

rink; no baseball, no field; no squash, no courts.

We also have an inferior staff, Mr. McLane, I mean when a team goes 0-11, when the tennis team never wins a set all year, when lacrosse scores look like football scores, when half your team quits before the season ends, when the varsity basketball team has seven players (two years ago—not enough to practice together), when you have to drop wrestling because no one wants to come out—why put all the blame on the athletes, it would appear that the coaching leaves much to be desired.

The fact is Alfred has a lot of fine athletes, they just don't want to participate. And maybe if you tried to please the athletes you have, they would participate.

How would you like Spring Weekend, St. Pat's. Homecoming and Moving Up Day to always seem to fall on an away game or meet; schedule these as home contests to please your athletes, Mr. McLane. Try to form some sort of school in-

terest, every athlete likes to be noticed, that's one reason why he's out there.

Get cheerleaders (with female voices) for all teams, tell professors not to penalize or begrudge athletes for missing a class or test, publicize the home games so more than a handful of fans will show up, make sure the minor teams receive write-ups in the Fiat Lux.

Please your athletes, Mr. McLane; give them decent meals, not box lunches on away trips; give them three hours of credit, not one (20 hours a week is a lot for one credit), make life easier and convenient for them.

Some of these points are minor, but it's these little things that keep students from participating in the sports program. Make it worth their while, give them a little incentive, and you won't have to ask alumni for decent athletes, they'll come pouring out of the dorms, apartments, and fraternity houses. And when they join forces with the truly superior, dedicated athletes already out, we'll be 81-40.

AWS recommends housing revisions

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with a unique case can bring it to the Council for consideration for special permission.

The clause, outlining the Honor system of women, to uphold all regulations, was deleted.

Modifications of the duties of AWS representatives were made. They are no longer responsible for keeping a record of the campuses, latenesses, and minutes obtained by the women in their residences. This will now be done by the counselors. Also deleted was the section stating that each representative was responsible for the accuracy of the sign out clock in her residence.

The number of unexcused absences from meetings per semester before a member will be removed from the council, was cut from three to two. Each dorm is to elect a chairman of their AWS representatives. She will be responsible for arranging house meetings when they are necessary.

Also deleted was the section outlining the method of selection for student counselors.

Griffin, McCormick recipients of Sigma Xi Hitchcock Award



Ronald Griffith (center) and Joe McCormick (right) are presented their awards by Dr. Robert Condrate, Vice President of Sigma Xi.

The Sigma Xi Club of Alfred University held its annual competition for the Hitchcock Award at 4:00 p.m. last Wednesday in the Octagon Hall of the new Science building.

This award is given yearly to the student who in the estimation of the Club has contributed significantly to undergraduate research on the university campus. This judgment is made on the basis of oral presentation of theses.

This year's award winners are Ronald C. Griffith and Jo-

seph P. McCormick. This is the first time in the history of the Hitchcock Award that two students were tied for first place.

AU soccer team to oppose faculty

Watch out—The Alfred soccer team is on the move again. On May 22, 1969 at 3:00 the Saxons will face the university, faculty-staff coalition in an exhibition game at the Jericho Hill field.

There will be a short meeting immediately after the game for players and coaches.

The Fiat staff wishes all graduating seniors the best of luck in all their future endeavors. To those of us who will be here next year, we wish you bonne chance on your exams.

We also urge all students to vote in the upcoming referendum on the radio station. This issue is extremely important and should be given considerable thought.

We hope you have an enjoyable summer vacation and hope to see and HEAR from you next semester.

Billy Briell and Bill LaFauci held off stretch drives in the mile and the 120 high hurdles respectively this Saturday to capture gold medals in the New York State championships for Alfred. Ken Stanley was third in the discus, fourth in the javelin, and fifth in the shot; Gary Woodfield third in the intermediate hurdles, Don Macauley fourth in the pole vault, and Pete Stockunas fourth in the shot to pace the Saxons' fifth place finish.

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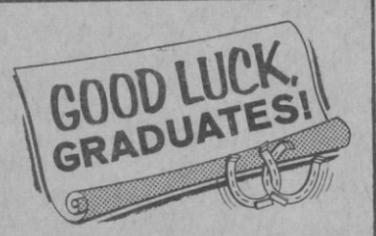
Where was Harry H. the night of 5/15/69??

D. A. Naylor — Your hat is on crooked

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