

# Professors debate competition problem

By COREY SULLIVAN

Two members of the philosophy department debated the necessity of competition at last Tuesday's Forum program. Adam Diller took the view that competition is necessary, while Myron Sibley would like to see competition replaced by a more "humane" model for human life.

Prof. Diller, who began the program, first defined his terms. Competition, he said, is what happens when two or more humans try to satisfy their desires, but it is not possible for each to be satisfied.

For instance, contestants in a foot race, bidders at an auction, and suitors of a young lady all desire something, but only one succeeds.

Diller limits competition to human beings. Horses in a race do not compete; the jockeys and horses' owners do. Computers playing chess do

not compete; the programmers do.

Diller said language and moral responsibility are necessarily a part of human existence. He added that competition is not necessary to us as language, for example, but people have always competed and probably always will.

Why do we compete? Prof. Diller offered two motivating factors: human nature and environment. Human nature has three sides, according to Jeremy Bentham. They are benevolence, ill-will (malevolence), and self-interest. Sometimes we are charitable; sometimes we act from self-interest. Competition arises when we do not want to share.

Environment makes us compete because it is limited. Several people want something of which the environment does not produce enough to be shared. Therefore the people com-

pete for the desired object.

Is competition to be discouraged from a moral standpoint? Diller observed that both Communists and Christians discourage competition, for different reasons.

Communists believe that man, who is basically good, is corrupted by private property. Those who own it guard it; those who do not own it desire it. Common property, the Communists think, makes everyone happy and eliminates competition. They think common ownership makes desired objects more plentiful and humans more benevolent.

Diller wonders if removing class antagonism would remove all antagonisms. He thinks competition for prestige and power and competition in sports would still exist.

Christians oppose competition because of benevolence. They advise that one love his

neighbor as himself. Christianity seeks to abolish selfishness, and replace it with sharing.

Christians see no increase in supply, as do the Communists, but advocate restraining desires to meet the supply.

We should lay up treasures in heaven, not on earth. Modern Christian thought, however, has been modified to recognize a necessary increase in supply.

Can man be made benevolent? Freud says the ideals of Christianity are not attainable; men work for their own happiness. We cannot love everyone. Competition cannot be eliminated, and probably will not be reduced.

Morality, however, is not doomed. Morality can be built on competition. Justice, or fairness, is based on competition. Justice is necessitated by conflicts of interests.

Rules of game

In a game, Diller says, we compete, but not without regulation. We observe the rules of the game and of fair play.

In monopoly, for example, we begin with equal amounts



of money. Monopoly is a model of society, in which everyone wants a share of tangible and intangible goods.

The morality of the game and of society is an acceptance of the basic rules. Morality is based on "enlightened self-interest"; we must accept rules for our own good. Without the rules we would lose.

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## Students present comic opera

By DAVID A. SMITH

The music department in collaboration with the Footlight Club will present two one-act operas at Alumni Hall on Friday and Saturday. An *Incomplete Education* by Chabrier and Giannini's *Beauty and the Beast*, two short but contrasting modern works, will be sung in English by students studying voice at Alfred.

Basically, the two operas represent two opposing styles of composition. An *Incomplete Education*, an example of French comic opera, uses dialogue between the arias and duets to carry the impact of its humorous situations. *Beauty and the Beast*, a contemporary adaptation of a similar fairytale, contains no dialogue and leaves the action depending entirely on the music.

Although both operas are essentially "light," *Beauty and the Beast* maintains a more serious tone than the Chabrier work where all circumstances were comic and strikingly unrealistic.

Appearing first on the program, *An Incomplete Education* introduces its central characters, Gontran and Helene, baffled with their new positions as husband and wife.

David Smith, a tenor from Petersburg, portrays Gontran, a star pupil in the academic world but a nervous husband on his wedding night. On the other hand, Natalie White, a soprano from Alfred Station, sings the role of Helene who, after leaving her convent, is equally ignorant of the part a wife plays in married life.

Under these conditions Gontran seeks aid in his learned professor, sung by Thomas Talbot, a baritone music major from Earlville, but sadly realizes that what he wants to know must be discovered naturally.

From all directions, comedy reigns supreme in this work.

Although it follows the enchanting children's tale, *Beauty and the Beast* promises to satisfy all mature tastes. This opera is strikingly modern but will be staged in fairytale-like

costumes and set designs.

The tenor role as beast will be sung by Eric Sussman, a senior English major from Rockville Center, and the supporting soprano role of Beauty by Gene Phillips, a part-time graduate student from Alfred.

As in the fantasy, the father in this opera plays a very important part to form the Beauty-Beast relationship. This baritone role will be sung by Ralph Dille from Andover.

Beauty's sisters will be played by Judith Hipp and Jane Richardson, both senior music majors. Amanda Stevens of Alfred will sing the role as storyteller.

Other singers include Paul Johnson, tenor; Eric Skaar, bass; Robert Dreher and James Mann, tenors. The piano accompanist is Juanita Pulos.

Performances will begin at 8:15 p.m. on Friday and at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday. General admissions is \$1.50 but students will be admitted with ID cards. Tickets will be available at the door on both dates. There will be no reserved seats.

## Executive council offices chosen at AWS meeting

By KATHY KAPPELT

Pat Corbett, acting for Kureen Hoefler, turned over the offices of president and vice-president to Pat Caffarelli and Janet Riker at last Tuesday's AWS meeting.

Elections were then held to fill the offices of the executive council. Mary Wayman, a sister of Sigma from Windsor, was elected secretary. Her duties include keeping the minutes of all AWS and executive council meetings, distributing copies of the minutes to the associate dean of students, head residents, counselors, and representatives, and handling all correspondence of the president and vice-president.

Joan Holleran, a sister of Sigma from North Plainfield, N.J., is the new treasurer. She will act as custodian of all funds of the AWS.

The social chairman is Linda Downes, a sister of Theta from Setauket. Her duties include arranging all social functions planned the council.

Elected to fill the office of IAWS contact was Jeanne Markunas, a sister of Theta from Dauphin, Pa. She is to handle all correspondence with the National IAWS Organization, and will make the arrangements for attending regional and national conventions.

Sharon Rzesutek, from Cheektawoga, was elected file clerk-parliamentarian. As such she will act as secretary of Senior Court and as parliamentarian during all council meetings.

The office of publicity chairman will be filled by Linda Laasch, a sister of Omicron from Medina. She will publicize all AWS events and be in charge of the newsletter.

Barbara Bredl, from Buffalo, was elected Handbook chairman. She will head the committee to revise and publish the AWS Handbook.

Elected to the office of chairman of the Big-Little Sister Program were Pat Nemeth, a sister of Omicron from Milford, Conn., and Carol Bellis-

simo, a pledge at Sigma, from Cheektawoga.

These new officers will officially be installed at a tea to be held in the spring.

Denny Chapnick will serve as the chairman of the Honor Dorm Committee.

The office of IAWS Contact was extended to a two year term. The person holding this position has the option of accepting another executive will have only one vote on the council office. However, she Council.

It was announced that counselor applications were available in the dean's office.

## Brustein to give drama discussion

Robert Brustein, dean of the Yale School of Drama, will speak on "The Classical Theatre and Modernism" tomorrow evening at Howell Hall at 8 p.m.

In addition to his affiliation with Yale, Brustein has served as Drama Critic for "The New Republic" since 1959 and has been actor-director with various repertory companies.

He received his A.B. from Amherst College, and his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from Columbia University. Prior to assuming his position at Yale, he had taught at Columbia University, Vassar College, and Cornell University.

Books by Brustein include *Seasons of Discontent: Dramatic Opinions 1959-65*, *The Theatre of Revolt: A Study of Modern Drama* and *The Plays of Strindberg*, which he edited.

He was awarded a Fulbright Fellowship to England in 1953-55; a Guggenheim Fellowship in 1961-62; and a Ford Fellowship in Criticism in 1963-64.

Brustein's distinguished criticism has won him two awards: The George Jean Nathan Award and the George Polk Memorial Award.



Professors Brown and Giles discuss upcoming operas with their students.



# Senate seeks final nominations

By SUE CORNELL

Nominations were opened for president, vice-president, and student affairs chairman at last Tuesday's Senate meeting. The slate is not complete, and final nominations will be accepted at tonight's meeting.

Qualifications include that the nominee be in good academic standing (2.1 cumulative index) and have served on Senate for at least two semesters. In addition, the candidate for president must be entering his senior year in September, 1968. Candidates for the other offices may be from any academic class.

A candidate may be nominated in two ways. A senator may nominate him, or he may submit a petition signed by fifty students who support him.

Elections tentatively will be held on Tuesday, April 2 in the Campus Center.

Senate president Roger Auerbach appointed Karen Wilkie to the vacant post of Senate Publicity Chairman. Miss Wilkie intends to better publicize affairs of the Senate so that students may take full advantage of its services.

It was also announced that student advisor applications are available in Dean Troxell's office. They may be returned to the Dean's office or deposited at the Campus Center.

A student advisor receives a number of freshmen to advise about all phases of campus life. He meets with the freshmen both on and off campus if possible, filling them in on details not available in a handbook.

Dan Krevolin announced that a petition will soon be circulated by senators which requests improvement in Alfred's phone system.

Complaints of no dial tone, too few long distance operators, and infrequent, inadequate repairs have existed for years, but seem to be getting worse.

Copies of the petition will be sent to local and central offices of the company involved, the Federal Communications Commission, State Utilities Board, and various governmental representatives.

This year's senior week committee was chosen at a Senate conducted election last Thursday. Chairman Dan La-

cey together with Sandy Cottrell and Jim Smith will coordinate activities of the traditional last fling of seniors.

Plans so far include picnics, beer blasts, parties, beer blasts, farewell get-togethers, and beer blasts.

Tonight's meeting will be at 7:00 in Room B of the Campus Center.

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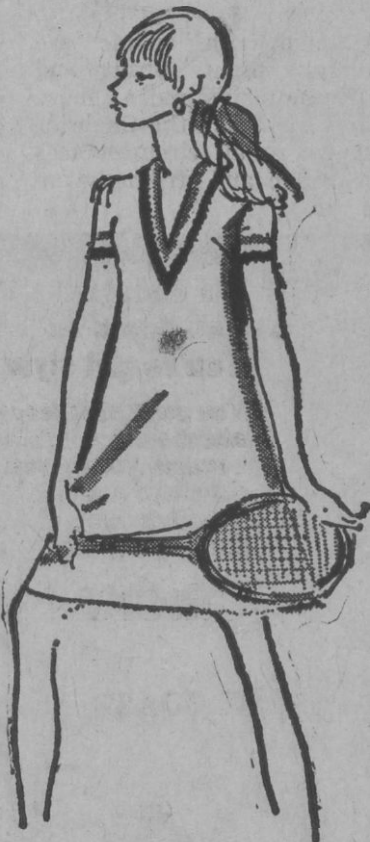
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## Speakers selected for April debate

Three speakers have recently been chosen as part of the Tech's Great Issues Conference to be held April 4 and 5. The three are Louis Lomax; Dr. Howard Zinn; and Dr. Harold Taylor.

Lomax, one of the leading voices in Negro dissent, has lectured on such topics as "Black Power," and "Alternatives to a Long, Hot Summer."

Dr. Zinn, of Boston University, was an early advocate of the civil rights movement in the South. He is the author of the book *Vietnam — The Case for Withdrawal*.

Dr. Taylor is currently conducting a national study of the education of teachers in the field of world affairs. He is chairman of the National Research Council on Peace Strategy.

Also at the program will be William Rusher, publisher of the *National Review*, and Prof. Murray Levin, currently writing a book on *The New Student Left*.

The admission fee to the conference is 50 cents for University students.

## Bickal to assume newly created position

Robert R. Bickal, director of grant and contract administration at Rochester Institute of Technology, has been appointed director of federal and state relations at Alfred, effective July 1, it was announced by President Leland Miles.

The appointment will enable the University to step up its campaign to attract financial support, President Miles indicated. The position of director of federal and state relations was created recently by the board of trustees, to divide the responsibilities for seeking public and private support and to permit greater specialization in each area.

Bickal will handle all proposals to federal and state agencies for grants for academic programs and academic buildings and for individual departmental research. The treasurer's office will handle federal-state grants for dormitories and other non-academic buildings until the new director is oriented to that field.

The appointment of Bickal will make it possible for the

director of development, David Willims, to concentrate on private foundations and corporations.

"Because of the heavy amount of time involved in soliciting from private sources, the director of development hasn't had sufficient time to work in the public grants field," Dr. Miles said. "Work in this field has largely been shared with the treasurer's office."

"Mr. Bickal, in his position as grants administrator at R.



Robert R. Bickal

I.T., has demonstrated an unusual ability to elicit grant funds from federal and state sources," President Miles said. "He is known and respected by many Congressmen and by many members of the State Education Department."

As a former faculty member, he can talk the language of faculty, and can understand their aspirations in the grants field. A colleague has described him as possessing 'extraordinary perception' of the problems related to funding scientific and technological projects. We expect that this appointment will significantly strengthen Alfred University's future."

Before assuming his present position at R.I.T. in 1966, Bickal was assistant and associate professor of English in the College of General Studies at R.I.

T. for seven years. He served as a consultant to the research division of General Dynamics from 1961-63 doing linguistic research on automatic speech recognition.

As a consultant to the Pfau Company in 1962, he did writing and editing and gave instruction to the scientific staff. He also has taught English at Eastman School of Music and at City College of New York.

Bickal is a member of the National Council of University Research Administrators. He has been a leader in a number of organizations concerned with public education at the local and state levels. He is a member of the New York State Citizens Committee for the Public Schools and a member and former president of the Rochester Board of Education.

## IFC elects new officers

The Interfraternity Council has held elections for the coming year. The following people were elected to the executive board:

Al Celio, a brother of Lambda Chi, was elected president. Celio comes from Herkimer, and is a political science major. Last year, he served as treasurer and did a commendable job planning IFC Weekend.

Under his leadership, the IFC and all the brothers can look forward to a year that will truly be beneficial to the fraternity system on the Alfred campus.

For the office of vice president, the IFC elected Ted Greene, an economics and business major from Whitesboro. He is a member of Klan Alpine. His office entails the coordinating of the rush system, and with Greene's experience and ideas, the rush program definitely looks bright for next year.

As treasurer, Don Peyser, a brother of Lambda Chi, was chosen. He lives in Cleveland, Ohio, and is a ceramic engineer. Peyser is already working hard in planning next year's IFC Weekend, and has begun to make definite arrangements.

Dave Fischler, a biology major from St. James, is the new IFC secretary. He has been the secretary of the Intramural Board for the past year. He is a brother of Tau Delta Phi.

The position of publicity director went to Mo Denny from Kappa Psi. He played this past year on the varsity basketball team. He lives in Narrowsburg, and plans to major in business.

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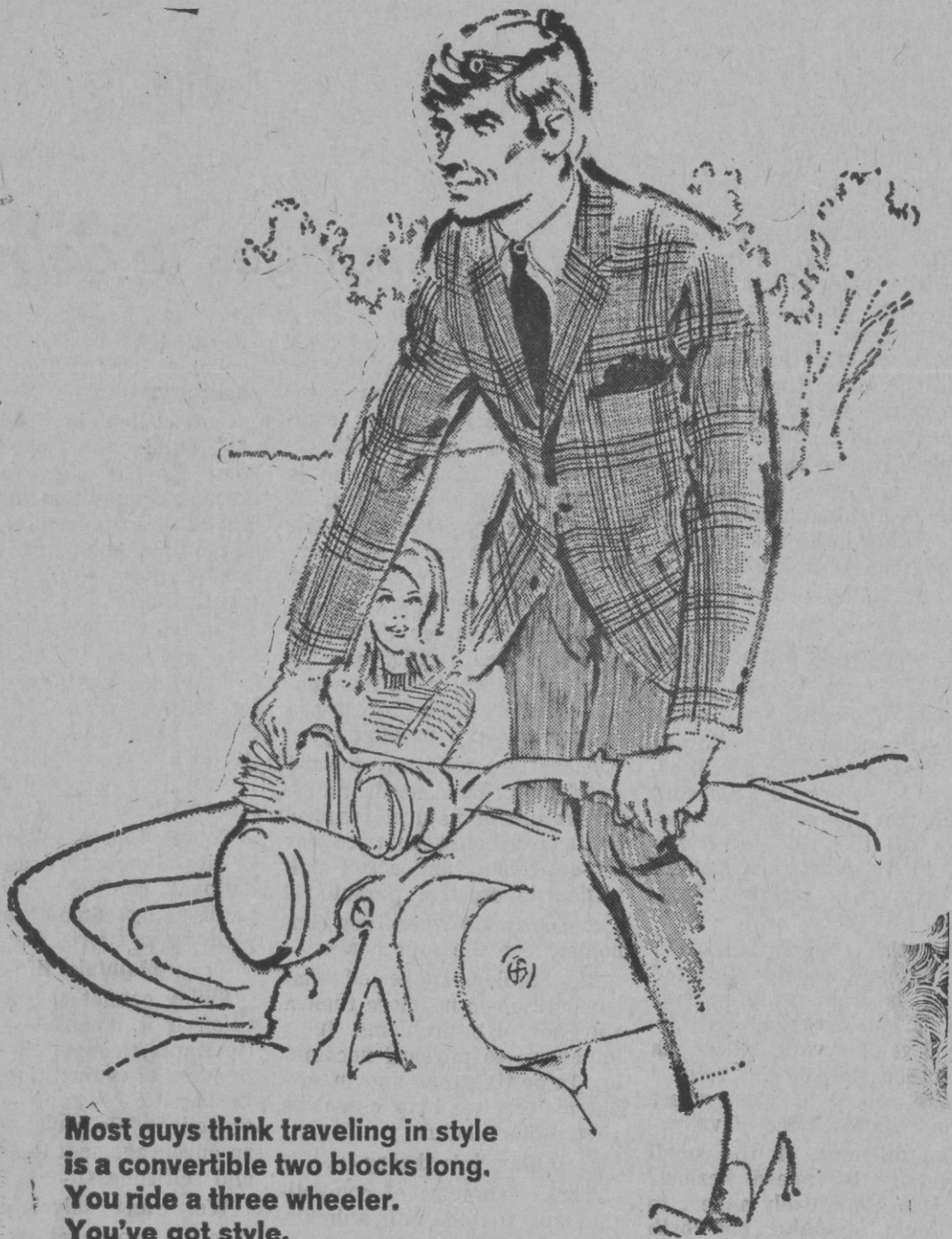
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# Editorial . . .

## 'The road not taken . . .'

The college generation takes a special interest in the question of dissent, or so we think. We are in many ways crusaders, confident that there is some way to change what we see as the evils of society although we have not found the way as yet.

There seem to be main roads open to the dissenter at any period in history. He may opt out of society or he may work for change within the existing structure.

We feel that those people who do opt out are sincere in their belief that they have become so alienated from the society that there is no way to work within the community.

However, our society refuses to let anyone opt out. We have become so conscious of the rights of dissent that we have attempted to find a place in our social structure for the dissenter, and thus closed to him what has historically been one of his major pathways.

Our own University policy on demonstrations affirms that "The University cherishes the right of individual students or student groups to dissent and to demonstrate . . . In fact, the University is proud that some students care enough about world issues that they feel compelled in conscience to publicly proclaim their views."

Such a policy clearly reflects the current view that dissent is a good thing in the abstract and that dissenters should be able to retain their membership in the community even while they disagree with its fundamental characteristics.

It is no longer possible to leave, as the hermit monks of the middle ages left, deciding no longer to participate in the society of the time.

People continue to try to escape. A decade ago we witnessed the migration of the beats to Greenwich Village; today, we watch the hippies move from the San Francisco havens to the proverbial wide open spaces.

But in the very fact that these migrations are mass migrations and even that the names beat and hippie have been applied to the dissenters we see the refusal of society to let these groups become divorced from the mainstream of our way of life.

Thus historian Richard Hofstadter wrote in the early '60's, "Beatniks are in demand on university campuses, where they are received as entertainers and turned into the esoteric comedians of the sophisticated."

In winning the right to be heard, dissenters have lost some of their sense of alienation which has always characterized such individuals; in attempting to find a place for the dissenter within our society, we have denied him the option of leaving.

There continue to be reasons for dissent and methods of dissent, but the dissenter of the '60's and '70's must make himself understood by a "liberal" system which seems to care about providing people with the right to voice a protest, but takes no interest in the nature of any particular protest.

# Academic rights being denied by unfair monetary pressure

By LARRY S. FRIEDMAN

In an age where all types of "power" movements have mushroomed, it seemed improbable that anyone would criticize the power of the dollar as vehemently as, for example, flower power.

However, in a recent edition of the *National Review*, Francis J. Brown does just this, asserting that financial pressure is being used as a tool to deny small, private universities their academic freedom.

Her article entitled *The American State, and Academic Freedom* emphasizes that economic pressure has violated "the academic freedom of many citizens by taking a monopoly or near monopoly of the education tax for support of its schools and of the private values enshrined therein, while denying an equitable share of this tax to other educators and to other values."

What Miss Brown is attempting to reveal is the simple fact that institutions which conform to particular values will and do receive a majority of financial appropriations from the American state, while those institutions which do not conform will receive, if you will, a drop in the bucket.

## Denied funds

Continuing in this vein of thought, she further asserts that the small colleges and universities are in grave trouble; since the private institutions have been denied adequate funds because educators prefer to work in deteriorating conditions rather than sacrifice their values for the buying power of the dollar.

Unless these small schools possess a huge endowment, which is highly unlikely, they will wither while state-supported schools flourish.

In addition, Brown insists that the potential student is also being denied his academic freedom due to the state's unfair use of educational finances. By financing new buildings and related learning facilities, the state offers a pleasing facade to the collegiate neophyte; all the while deceiving him as to what lies behind this array of modernized black-mail.

In other words, the student entering a state-supported school is unknowingly subjecting himself to a predetermined value system, where, on the other side of the coin, a private school at least offers an individual choice of values.

The dilemma of the small university is indeed serious. But I do not entirely adhere to the same reasoning put forth by Miss Brown.

I cannot accept her assertion that the state dictates the value system which must be part of the curriculum in return for monetary support. Perhaps

my optimism is too great, but to a true educator, academic freedom seems too valuable an entity to be bargained for commonplace items.

However, although her supporting evidence may be invalid, Miss Brown's major thesis, i.e. that more funds are being allocated to state schools and "name" schools than is being given to the private institution, is quite true.

## Local evidence

Evidence of this fact can be witnessed in Alfred, where the Tech, a state-supported school, has begun a total rebuilding of its campus, whereas the Alfred University expansion project

is just taking roots after an extensive dormant period.

Needless to say, similar conditions prevail in all the other "Alfreds" throughout the country.

Academic freedom is not solely at stake, but the very existence of the small university itself. Without state aid and strong support as well as the educational zeal of setting the academic trend rather than following it, the private institution's days are numbered.

And when these numbered days run out, the American educational system will have suffered a blow from which it will never recover.



## Forum engages in debate

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John Rawls, a Harvard philosopher, has said that justice and fair play come from a reciprocal relation among competitors with self-interests.

Professor Sibley said he is not sure that competition is not necessary. Perhaps the question of its necessity is unanswerable.

Is it necessary in a community context? Sibley defined a community as a unity of common life in which no man impedes others. Four forces are in harmony in a community.

There is a tendency toward satisfying organic needs, an efficient use of natural resources, a psychological need for self-awareness, and a self-realization in creative pursuits.

Societies fail when they cannot achieve the four goals.

Mr. Sibley suggested that competition is no more than a way to solve problems. It is important to physical necessities. In getting food and in sexual matters we help ourselves first, others later.

## Darwin's theory

These examples of competition are shared with animals. We, too, naturally protect our territory. Darwin's survival of the fittest theory means that those who compete best survive.

In the use of resources, people compete to suit nature to their own needs. People have spent much energy in competing for resources.

In self-awareness we compete. Our selves are best defined in relation to others. We appraise ourselves and derive psychological value.

We derive egocentric satisfaction from winning over others. We engage in creative effort to surpass others. In these instances competition is a positive factor.

Sibley asked if norms estab-

lished by competition are necessary. If other norms are available, competition is not necessary.

Competition in itself does not build the community. Some people say we learn through competition to rely on others, as in team play. Sibley agrees that competition yields a community spirit and ego justification.

But what is the cost of competition? Someone has to lose in a contest. We have invented the slogan, "be a good loser." Sibley cannot accept that slogan as a dictum. Being a victor is easy, but a great strain is put on the loser.

Competition has been costly in life. Immorality and international conflicts have been justified by competition; competitors in sports have died.

## Maintain life

Sibley cannot accept competition if it means loss of life. He wants to maintain life. He wonders of competition is not a barbaristic way of achieving objectives. He says victory is an encouragement to arrogance and selfishness.

We can solve problems through cooperation, Sibley says. Cooperation is as natural to us as competition.

Competition and its rewards are not the only motivations to creativity. Our greatest inventions, Sibley contends, have come from a curiosity about nature.

Competition should not be a model for human life, according to Sibley. In play, competition is justifiable, but recreation should be the primary reason for play. We should not play monopoly to bankrupt someone, as Diller suggested.

Sibley wants to replace competition by more "humane" sentiments. The problem is to establish this change on a worldwide scale.



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# Winemaking techniques made easy by handbook

By IRWIN BERLIN

I have always been fascinated by what type of wine I should serve with a specific food. The answer to this, and innumerable other problems relating to wine, has once and for all been provided in the **Home Winemaker's Handbook** recently co-written by Walter S. Taylor and Richard P. Vine.

Taylor graduated from Alfred and is now owner and curator of the Finger Lakes Wine Museum in Hammondsport—the only museum in the United States.

The book expounds on the joys and profits to be made from producing wine in one's own home. The authors profess that it is the very thing to do as "a quiet retreat from the hectic cares of the day." However, after reading, I must admit that I thought that the preparation of wine would involve much work, time, and money.

This hobby could easily turn into a business. Hating to wade through the extremely technical jargon used in the guidelines, I quickly learned which sections to skip over.

It was suggested that I practice the methods given, and of course my palate immediately started salivating. I discovered that the Fiat would not appropriate to me the funds necessary for such an endeavor.

It came as quite a surprise (at the least, it shattered my fantasies on the subject), that one no longer crushed grapes with one's feet. In fact, this is not even mentioned.

In describing the process of winemaking, the authors do not give a single recipe. Some recipes, they state, are both inaccurate and misleading.

"There is only one way to make a good wine . . . You must develop good judgment and skill . . . Remember that winemaking is not fool-proof. But therein lies its fascination; it is this which makes it such an enduring passion."

Passion indeed! The authors are totally serious in their efforts despite their names: Taylor and Vine.

From the planting and care of grapevines to the bottling and aging of every type of wine, the book outlines every aspect of winemaking. The basement, laundry, garage or even the kitchen, make acceptable work areas. Cleanliness is the major consideration.

Information is also given about essential equipment—where to buy it, and how to use it. There is a catch involved. Winemaking on any scale is subject to certain legal restrictions, so bathtub rose wine makers beware!

"Only good grapes can make good wine." So it is tantamount that one starts with quality grapes. It is not to be believed how many different species of grapes exist. One can well imagine the length of red, white, dessert, and champagne wines listed.

A kindly native pointed out proudly that New York's own Niagara district contains the largest acreage of American grapes. The book was in total agreement with her, and I turned purple from embarrassment (no pun intended).

I could not help but think that perhaps Alfred might conceivably start growing its own grapes. They could be grown in such fertile areas as the shores of the Kanakadea. Just think of the profit!

The medicinal value of wine is extolled. Wine has been mentioned since Biblical times as a cureall (better than chicken soup?). Wine contains vitamins B, C, iron, calcium, and it seems everything essential to "maintaining animal and human life."

Numerous tables show how to test wine for alcohol content at its various stages of development. "Trouble-shooting clues" to help counteract the faults of wine are given, along with information on how to blend wines to suit personal taste. Also included are more than 30 line drawings, a brief history of winemaking, and a glossary of terms.

An Emily Post guide as to the proper serving of wine is offered, including the correct wine glasses to use, cork-screws to buy, and how to taste wine to its best advantage.

## Circular pattern of life must be replaced NOW

By LEWIS SILVERMAN

From the first moment of our existence we are indoctrinated with the "well established" concepts of our society. "Don't cross on the red"; "three and three are six"; "don't talk like that, you could be fired."

This is a circular pattern of existence that constantly recreates itself in every generation. The soul of this nation is crying out for a new standard. Where is this new premise to be found?

If there is a feasible economic, social, and intellectual formula that will provide hope for more than a few human beings to flourish as individuals, it will not be found in our history. In the past, ownership, power, and personal freedom were all under the same title.

Today we as a nation need a dual definition on a "here and now" basis of ourselves as "individual" human beings. The prominent businessman in today's economic world is generally successful in his materialistic endeavors; however, a failure as a man to his family, friends, and especially to his own conscience.

Extra hours behind his desk are no criterion to his children who may need his guidance and love.

Most prosperous organizations feel that the "proper sort" of relationship is one void of emotion, feeling, and personal evaluation of values that are applied to the individual and not the organization.

"Progress is our most important product" most always involves a slide rule and computer and no rationalizing from or for the human beings that this progress will be directed at in society.

The Mechanistic Theory is the "Old and New Testament" for today's board of trustees. The fringe benefits for such a philosophy, that always filters down to the man on the street, is alienation, depersonalization, and in extreme cases, dehumanization.

Today the hope, which is extremely minute, lies with the people, who will in the near future, assume the roles of "the boss", "the teacher", and "the moralist".

The younger adults in higher education will no doubt be the

To the Editor:

President Johnson's National Advisory Commission on Civil Disorders has released what to some may be considered a rather shocking report on the urban crises of the past year.

The conclusions of the commission indicate that America is an extremely sick nation, suffering from a very racist white society which suppresses the majority of twenty-five million black people living in this country.

The eleven-man commission, of whom two were "responsible" Negro leaders, has found that white racism is chiefly to blame for the explosive conditions that have sparked the so-called riots in American cities during the last few years.

Johnson charged the Com-

mission with the responsibility of finding the causes of urban disorders by determining a) what happened, b) why it happened and c) what can be done to prevent it from happening again.

The report, based on studies made in locations where disorders have taken place revealed that such findings as rifle fire reportedly from snipers during a disorder, was often gunfire from police and National Guardsmen.

In situations where actual sniper fire took place, police and guardsmen responded by firing openly into homes and apartments, endangering and often taking the lives of many innocent people.

Bitter fruits

"White racism is essentially responsible for the explosive mixture . . . accumulating in our cities since World War II." At the base of this mixture are some of the most bitter fruits of white racial attitudes.

These include:

1) Pervasive discrimination and segregation in employment, education and housing...

2) In the black ghettos segregation and poverty converge on the young to destroy opportunity, and enforce failure.

Employment, it was found, is a key problem. The continuing economic growth of the country and the declining national unemployment rates, do not paint a true picture, for the report indicates that the unemployment rate for black people in 1967 was more than double that for whites.

In one particular area studied, unemployment and "under" employment were about 33 to 34 per cent or 8.8 times greater than the over-all unemployment rate for the U.S.

Typical ghetto conditions found include:

1) "Infant mortality rates for non-white babies were 58% higher than for whites.

2) Garbage collection . . . often inadequate.

3) . . . distinctly higher prices . . . charged for goods sold in ghetto stores than in

other areas."

Commission suggestions

The commission has suggested many points for remedying the situation such as immediate and advanced programs to improve housing, education, and employment.

To many people, the above may serve as some startling new information, however to others, including myself, it sounds like the same old song.

Black people are probably the most studied and talked about group of people in all of man's history.

Responses to the Commission report have already come from many segments of the white society. On the day of the report's release, Johnson pledged support for intensified "crime" control in urban areas.

Police departments are ordering special tanks, chemicals, guns, ammunition, and bombs, for use in future civilian disorders.

Indeed a white urban police chief defended his department's preparations for this summer in this manner, for this, he felt, just like Vietnam, is war, and one must be prepared in war.

Dr. Kenneth B. Clark, noted black psychologist, addressed the commission thusly, "... it is a kind of Alice in Wonderland with the same moving picture reshown over and over again, the same analysis, the same recommendations and the same inaction."

One can begin to understand this madness if one can visualize the very racist nature of this country in its actions at home and abroad.

I cannot help but feel extremely pessimistic about change in the near future. The same white groups which support the killing of non-whites in Asia, support the suppression of black people in this country.

Black men everywhere are beginning to see through the American white lies of freedom, equal opportunity, and liberty for all.

Yours faithfully,  
Emile Powe

## McCarthy backer cites need for student action

To the Editor:

Prior to McCarthy's impressive showing in New Hampshire, there seemed to be little prospect of anyone challenging Lyndon Johnson in the Democratic primaries.

Now it has been proven that energy channeled through proscribed political procedures can result in a meaningful affirmation for peace.

Many of us have tried to express our viewpoints by joining marches, attending sit-ins, teach-ins, and the like. This seemed the most direct way to comment on the administration's Vietnam policy, since traditional lines of communication through Congress appeared to be inoperative.

It behooves every citizen, whether 21 or under, to participate in the coming primary elections. To ignore this opportunity would be to deny the sincerity of our position.

Alfred is located in the 38th

congressional district of New York State. The district sends 3 elected delegates to the Democratic convention in Chicago.

These delegates must have 500 approved signatures of enrolled Democrats in order to be nominated to run in the district election.

Many of McCarthy's supporters are independents (non-enrolled Democrats) whose active support is necessary if enrolled Democrats are to be convinced that an alternative to Johnson is a healthy and desirable condition.

Therefore, I propose a meeting tomorrow at 7 p.m. in room C at the Center to plan ways of supporting McCarthy and obtaining signatures. The nominating petitions start circulating April 2.

Yours faithfully,  
Susanne Fried

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Powe condemns American lies



# Miles praises convention

University President Leland Miles has issued a statement on the Alfred University student mock convention. He writes:

"The administration of Alfred University gives its enthusiastic support to the Mock Republican Nominating Convention. I believe this event will prove to be not only enjoyable but also intellectually stimulating for the University community and for all those from other regions who participate.

The Mock Convention will provide students with a firsthand look at the American political process. Few campus events symbolize so perfectly Alfred's new slogan, "majoring in the human experience."

"Our students have worked over a year to make this event unique in many ways. First, there will be thirty colleges from the eastern part of the United States participating.

"There has never been a mock convention anywhere in the United States which has involved so many colleges. Second, for this project, Alfred University students have joined forces with students at Al-

fred State College, a neighboring two-year public institution.

"Third, the Mock Convention features an entire social weekend at the two co-hosting colleges.

"The platform and nominees emerging from this Mock Convention will reflect the attitudes of post-World War II students. Such students become the voting public of tomorrow.

"Any astute politicians who aspire to national stature would do well to watch this Mock Convention closely, and to participate in it if he possibly can."

On Sunday, March 31, there will be a

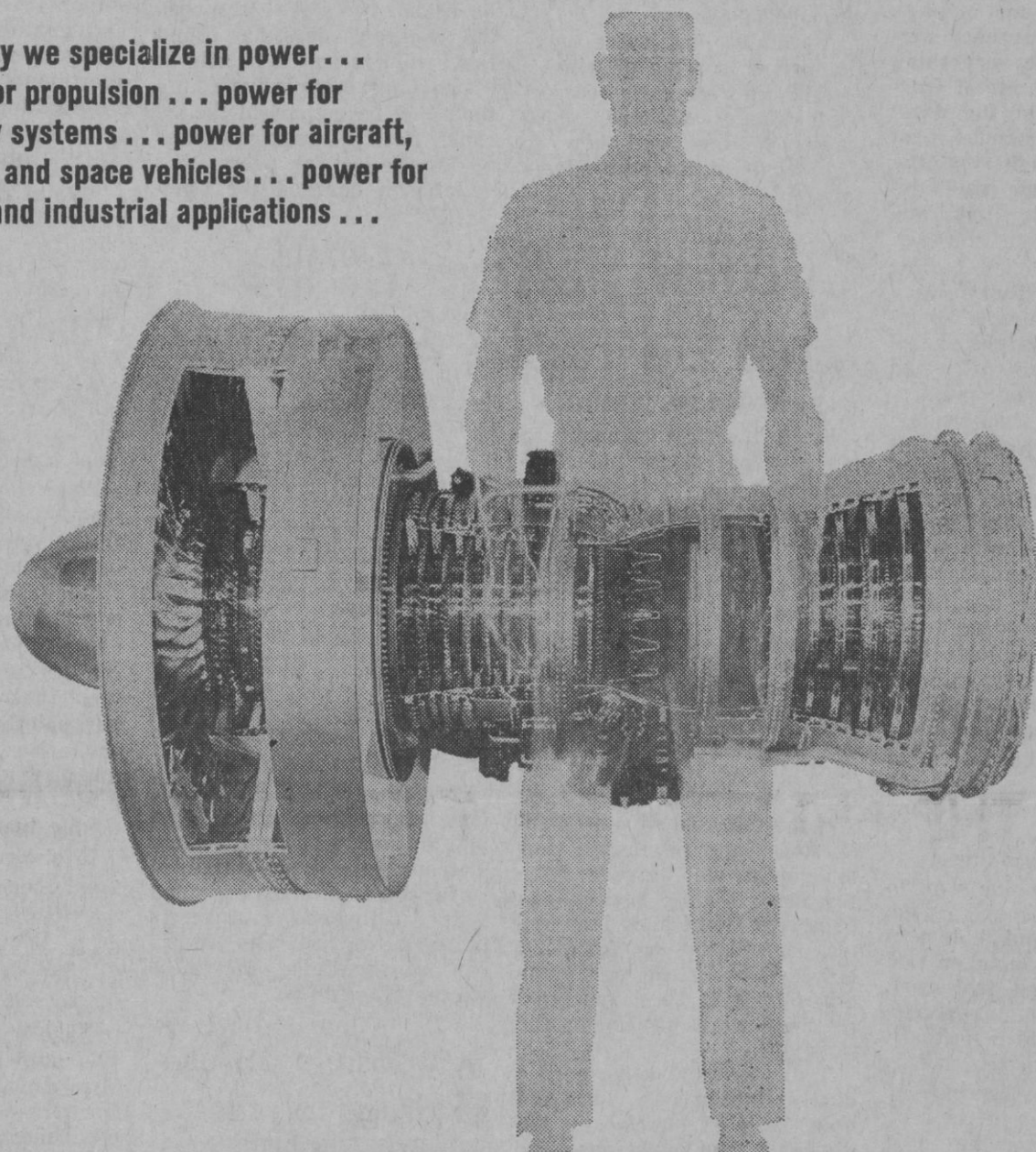
## Roaring 20's Cabaret

from 3-6 p.m. at the Beacon. The program will include go-go girls and silent flicks of the

Keystone Cops, Charlie Chaplin and many more

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# Choice 68 gives students political power

By GERALD KOLISCH

What is the opinion of the students toward the "Urban Crisis"? Who do we wish to see in the White House next year CHOICE 68 shall be the first nation-wide test of the student voting power and their responsible attitude towards the democratic process of selecting a candidate for the office of President.

In the New Hampshire primary, 42% of the Democrats in that state voted for McCarthy. CHOICE 68 shall involve over two million students from Florida to Alaska—more votes than in all of the contested small state primaries combined.

The student left has been constantly vilified as a motley collection of the dregs of the academic society, without any depth or unity of purpose.

The results of CHOICE 68 could well promote them to the national spotlight as the popular voice of the student body.

This would seem doubtful at the present time because they seem to be more interested in demonstrations and other forms of "glamorous" publicity than taking off their coats, rolling up their sleeves, and "getting out the vote."

The student right will as usual be trying to pack the polls and churn out the vote, a simple direct process, almost mechanical in fact. But after all, that's how elections are



The Choice '68 steering committee for this campus are from left to right, Paul Chapman, Jerry Kolisch, Linda Downes, Joanne Robinson, secretary, Trudy Hardy and Tom Moore.

won — and campus conservatives are out to win CHOICE 68!

Their chances of doing so are not as minimal as some liberals would like to believe. For the politics of the right today are more the politics of charisma than any other political wing on the American scene.

The unknown element in this primary will of course be the moderates. Always in the background, never on the front pages or luridly described on the pages of *Parade* and the *Redbook*, no one can be certain of their strength or whom they might support in an election.

CHOICE 68 will determine this, and prove conclusively

that the student body is not so radical as first impressions might indicate.

While many claim to speak for the student body politic, none can really do so. College students are as heterogeneous in their origins, as diverse in their opinions as the American public.

The difficult question, largely unanswered until now, is not what is the student opinion, but rather, what are the students' opinions.

CHOICE 68 offers college students the opportunity to speak for the first time as a body politic. It will be a major political event of sufficient scope to merit the nation's serious attention and consideration.

## Primaries challenge left

For student radicals these days, the menu has been sparse, according to CHOICE 68.

Vilified by the press and Congress for their noisy activism, scorned by the majority of their moderate classmates more concerned with campus affairs, and lambasted from the pulpit for their flowing locks and sundry other hygienic offenses, they seem to have nowhere to go.

Their views, sound as they appear to them to be, remain largely ignored, and their protests, correspondingly, have disintegrated into displays of cynicism and emotional diatribes aimed at the Establishment. The American democratic process strikes them as more absurd with each passing day — and each mounting crisis.

CHOICE 68, the National Collegiate Presidential Primary, will probably either solidify the skepticism of the campus radicals or cause them to re-evaluate their thinking as to the actual political power of the vote.

If a sizeable percentage of college students do care enough to participate in the election, and indeed, do succeed in exerting some appreciable pressure over the policymakers of the country, then the radicals may well channel their considerable energies into the drive to lower the vot-

ing age to eighteen.

If the Primary fails, however, to stir the long silent student moderates or to influence American policy, then leftists will probably remain convinced that only forceful and, if need be, violent action will produce acceptable political ends.

But if more immediate concern is whether the radicals will participate at all in CHOICE 68. The ballot, certainly, is well stocked with leftists and moderate-liberals, and the Vietnam referendum questions should satisfy the most extreme of the radicals.

The current anti-administration feeling among students would also seem to indicate that a leftist vote is a distinct possibility.

Unfortunately, it's too soon to begin forecasting whether the radicals will respond to or boycott the primary. The one fact that is certain is that they do have a chance to mobilize and express themselves meaningfully and effectively in CHOICE 68.

The decision is theirs, as James Reston wrote, whether they "want to dream or work." CHOICE 68 may well tell us which avenue they choose.

## McCarthy victory aided by students

The dynamic campaign effort by college students from all over the country clearly played a vital role in Senator Eugene McCarthy's impressive showing in the New Hampshire primary, according to CHOICE 68 leaders.

Well over a thousand students took on the full gamut of campaign jobs — from ringing door bells and writing speeches, to driving cars and licking stamps. Many observers believe the students' enthusiasm also had a significant psychological effect on the campaign.

Reaction to this student political activism was widespread in both pre- and post-election analysis. Just prior to the New Hampshire vote, Mary McGory wrote in her nationally syndicated column that McCarthy's student support was "a river of free labor that could change the fate of American politics."

Most of the election-night commentators referred to the students, and in its lead editorial Mar. 13, the *New York Times* stated that the McCarthy victory was "a testament to the efforts of the students and other citizens who enlisted in his campaign for peace."

Perhaps the most important conclusion to be drawn from this first 1968 primary is not related either to the candidates or the issues. It is very possibly something much broader.

Namely that effective, articulate expression of political opinion by students, combined with their active participation in the political process, can significantly affect the outcome of elections and the shape of American politics.

A second conclusion is equally irrefutable. Massive student participation in CHOICE 68 can and will affect the course of American politics in 1968.

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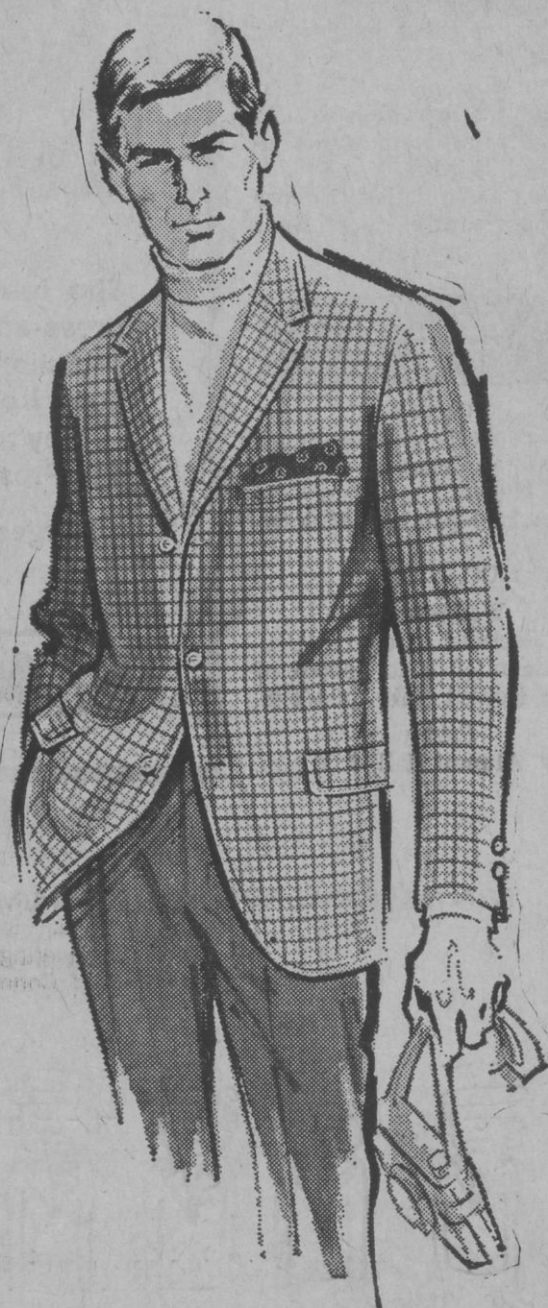
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## First to vote: Northwestern

Northeastern University in Boston, Mass., became the first college in the U.S. to vote in the CHOICE 68 election.

On Feb. 16, over 2500 students (out of a potential electorate of 4000) participated in the primary — a turnout percentage that Leroy Wheelock, Jr., student body president, termed "larger than any other election that we can recall."

Northeastern is on a cooperative quarter system — 13 weeks of classes, 13 weeks actual career situation work, followed by another 13 weeks term of study.

The unusually early election was held to give those students leaving for the second quarter work period an opportunity to vote.

Their ballots will be counted simultaneously with those of their fellow classmates who will vote on Apr. 24, the date that CHOICE 68 will be held nationwide.

Anyone wishing to campaign for the following candidates as part of Choice '68 program, please contact Paul Chapman at 587-8019:

Fred Halstead (Socialist Worker)  
Mark O. Hatfield (Republican)  
Lyndon B. Johnson (Democrat)  
Robert F. Kennedy (Democrat)  
Martin L. King (Independent)  
John V. Lindsay (Republican)  
Eugene J. McCarthy (Democrat)  
Richard M. Nixon (Republican)  
Charles H. Percy (Republican)  
Ronald W. Reagan (Republican)  
Nelson A. Rockefeller (Republican)  
Harold E. Stassen (Republican)  
George C. Wallace (American Independent)



# East Stroudsburg fraternity to host wrestling tournament

Final plans for the East Stroudsburg Open Wrestling Tournament have been made by Alpha Phi Omega. The tournament which is being sponsored by the local chapter of the national service fraternity will me held Friday, March 29 and Saturday, March 30 at Koehler Field House at the college.

The tournament is open to all amateur wrestlers; high school, college, armed services and other registered AAU contestants. The entry fee will be \$2.00 for those registering before Wednesday, March 27.

Late entries will be accepted until the close of weigh-ins with a \$3.00 entry fee. Weigh-ins will be from 12:00 noon until 6:45 p.m. Friday, and 7:00 until 10:00 a.m. Saturday.

The weights will be the eleven college weights (115, 123, 130, 137, 145, 152, 160, 167, 177, 191, heavyweight) with a three pound weight allowance.

## Intramural Wrestling

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137 lb. Tom O'Rourke  
Kappa Psi  
145 lb. Pete Smith Kappa Psi  
152 lb. Bob Clark Delta Sig  
160 lb. Bob Ames Delta Sig  
167 lb. Skip Arrich Cheyennes  
177 lb. Dave Breedlove

Barresi  
191 lb. Bill Assenheimer  
Delta Sig  
Unl. Brian Stone Klan

### Runners-up

137 lb. Dave Wellman Betas  
145 lb. Bill Johns Delta Sig  
152 lb. Mike Peters Kappa Psi  
160 lb. Al Leborgys Betas  
167 lb. Terry Travis Delta Sig  
177 lb. Paul Bleda Klan  
191 lb. Eric Schaefer Klan  
Unl. Gus Merwin Cheyennes

### Final Team Point Standings

Team	Points
Delta Sig	45
Kappa Psi	30
Klan	20
Betas	15
Cheyennes	14
Baressi	9
Lambda Chi	8

## Make Dean's List

Three Washington Semester students have made the Dean' List for the liberal arts college. The three seniors are: David H. Kotch with a 3.75; Thomas M. Reardon with a 3.50; and Richard I. Slippen with a 3.80.

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An additional pound will be allowed the second day.

Profits from the tournament will be divided between the service projects of the fraternity and a donation to the United States Olympic Committee. A penmanent plaque will be placed in Koehler Field House listing the tournament champions.

Trophies will be awarded for first, second, third and fourth places. Trophies will also be awarded for fastest pin, most pins, and outstanding wrestler. There will be trophies for the first and second place teams.

A team may enter as many men as desired, but only the eleven highest scoring men will be counted in the team total, regardless of weight classes.

The sessions of the tournament will be: Friday night 7:30; Saturday noon; and Saturday night, 7:30. Four mats will be used to accommodate the large entry that is expected.

Wrestling will be in accordance with NCAA rules and matches will be six minutes long. All of the losers to the two finalists will wrestle back for third and fourth places. Tights will not be required but other NCAA uniform regulations will be enforced.

On Saturday morning before the noon session and in the afternoon when mat space is available, officials will be provided for challenge matches, giving an opportunity to those wrestlers who have been eliminated to wrestle additional matches.

Also Olympic and college wrestling movies will be shown Saturday morning for those

## Levins award art on exhibition here

The Michael Levins Award Show of Student Work is presently being displayed at the Campus Center Gallery.

The Michael Levins Memorial Award was established in 1965 by Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Levins in memory of their son who was killed in an accident during the summer preceding his first semester at Alfred.

The annual gift is presented by Reward Ceramic Color Mfrs., Inc. of Elkridge, Md. to a junior student in ceramic art who has demonstrated excellence in this field.

This is the first time that the student work offered in competition for his award will be on exhibition.

who are interested. Reduced priced housing is being made available by the community motels and arrangements are being made for meals in the dining hall and snack area of the field house.

John Sladin will serve as tournament director. Coach Clyde "Red" Witman has been named tournament advisor, and Dr. LeRoy J. Koehler is honorary tournament chairman.

Additional information and entry forms are available from the tournament registrar, Box 215, East Stroudsburg State College, East Stroudsburg, Pa.

## Award presented to Alfred runner

James T. Crosby, Alfred track star, also has been honored for his academic record as a chemistry major.

The Corning Section of the American Chemical Society presented Crosby with its Outstanding Student Award at a meeting last weekend in Corning.

Alfred faculty attending the event were Dr. Richard Sands, Dr. David Rossington, and Dr. Peter Finlay.

A University alumnus, Dr. John Landon, director of Virology with Bronetice Research Laboratory in Kensington, Md., spoke at the meeting on recent advances in leukemia research.

Crosby is captain of the Alfred track team and is a versatile competitor. He has run in five events in dual meets for two years, the mile and 440 relays as well as the 100, 220 and quarter mile events.

He placed third in the 600 yard run in the indoor state championship meet this year at Union College and led off the mile relay team which also placed third.

He has never failed to score in a championship meet since his sophomore year.

## Calendar of Events

### Tuesday

CPC concert: Arturo Sergi, Metropolitan tenor at Alumni Hall, 8:15 p.m.

AWS: 7:00 p.m., Student Offices

Senate: CC, 7:00

### Wednesday

CPC lecture: Robert Brustein, dean of Yale School of Drama, Howell Hall, 8:00 p.m.

### Friday

Oper: Alumni Hall, 8:00 p.m.

Tomorrow is the final deadline for works to be published in the spring issue of the ALFRED REVIEW. No further material will be accepted after March 27. Submit all entries to Box 787 or to the Campus Center desk. HURRY!

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