

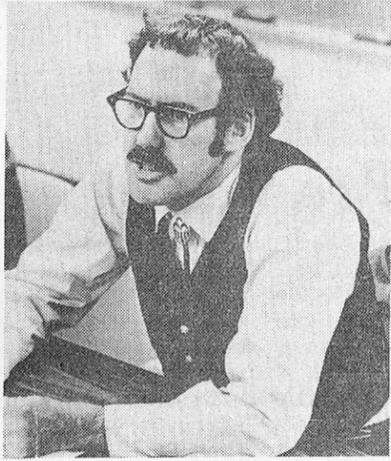
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Robert Theobald

WLYX:

'Free Radio Is Not Free'

By Marty West

There is a new slogan at WLYX as well as some new and exciting plans. "Free Radio Is Not Free" is the new motto, and as for the plans, they include short-wave transmissions to South America, and an AM station as well as a power boost for the progressive FM 89 station.

The new slogan is not a political statement but an economic one. Bob Reynolds explained WLYX depends on public financing rather than the revenue from advertisements which supports commercial stations. This gives WLYX greater freedom to broadcast unbiased public interest announcements and puts the station under no obligation to commercial interests. The initial grant and continuing major support comes from the National Ministries Committee of the Presbyterian Church in Memphis. Other money is obtained by public donation.

WLYX is billed as the alternative radio station. True to this name it does offer the public a chance to contribute something other than money to the station. This is by volunteering to help in the SCA broadcasts.

The SCA (Subsidiary Communications Authorization) broadcasts newspapers, books, and magazines in full to the blind, visually handicapped, and disabled. It operates on a sub-carrier of the transmitter that is picked up by a special receiver which costs \$65.00 and up. Volunteers are needed to contribute even a small amount of time on a regular basis to read for the broadcast. Other people are needed to tape these programs. No advance training is needed. Others, feeling more inclined to contrib-

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WLYX

Dilemma '75:

Seminar Co-Speakers Share Future Fears

By Susan Williford

Stephanie Mills, an environmentalist concerned with population control, and Robert Theobald, a British socio-economist and futurist, will have already crossed paths before reaching campus Friday, March 7, for Dilemma '75.

Mills and Theobald, who co-edited a 1973 publication *The Failure of Success*, will conduct a joint seminar Saturday morning, March 8, after speaking separately the preceding afternoon. In other collaborations, Mills has served as a consultant on communications to Theobald in work with groups located in the mid-west and has provided ecological round-ups for Theobald's national information network.

Although Mills and Theobald share common concerns, they are noted for activities in different fields. Mills, now a second-term member of Planned Parenthood's board of directors, caught the public's eye with her 1969 commencement address to fellow classmates at Mills College in Oakland, California. The Los Angeles Times subsequently published her speech, "The Future is a Cruel Hoax," which projected a frightening future dominated by over-population.

Since 1969, Ms. Mills has coordinated efforts for family planning with environmental suits. In addition to Planned Parenthood, she has served on advisory boards of the Friends of the Earth and Expo '74 Environmental Symposium series. In 1971, she participated in the UN Conference on Human Environment, and last year she helped coordinate a national conference for women held at Mills College, "Beyond Sexism: Educating Women for the Future."

Theobald is the editor of a "trend-letter," called "Futures Conditional," which is the nucleus of what he calls a "problems/possibilities net." The concept of publication and Theobald's chief concerns are embodied in this label.

"The first two words problem/possibility recognize that we must balance current problems against future possibilities. The word 'net' symbolizes the fact that it is no longer necessary for people to be physically located in the same place. Instead they can use modern communications technologies to insure their interlinkage." Through such networks, Theobald says, society can provide a better basis for decision making and

perceiving changing realities.

Theobald was the first writer to fully examine the implications of a guaranteed income in America. He is the author of eight books all dealing with different aspects of the changing Western economies, and proposing various social and cultural changes he feels are imperative in order to adopt this increasingly fragmented society.



Stephanie Mills

History Of Southwestern--No. 5

The Nitists Club . . . Finally

By Linton Weeks

Southwestern has always had the reputation of being a progressive, liberal school. Perhaps a better adjective would be tolerant. In 1947 this tolerance was tested. Two groups confronted each other — the Nitist Club and the people who accused the Nitist Club of being Communists. Words were the weapons, the *Sou'wester* was the battleground.

The Nitist Club was a group of twenty interested students, chosen by former members who discussed and debated international relations and "problems of our times." The club was probably the offshoot of the Woodrow Wilson Club which was dissolved in 1934.

The Nitist Club met somewhat irregularly during World War II and in 1946 the club was reorganized. The first topic they discussed was a paper on Freudian psychology presented by a student, Ed Quinn.

The following year, Southwestern did its bit for McCarthyism and the Nitists were caught up in the act — redhanded.

The second *Sou'wester* of 1947 contained a notice that said, "Bill Bowden will address the Nitist Club tonight at seven o'clock. His subject is 'Toward World Understanding and Change.' Bowden is president of the organization."

Later that month, the club discussed "U.S. Foreign Policy and Communism," and Richard Wood addressed the club on "The Role of Poetry in the Twentieth Century." One of January's topics was "Christianity and Today's World." The main point of this address was condemnation of Russian Communism and praise for "the Christian solution."

Then in February, 1948, Bill Hatchett, then editor of the *Sou'wester*, wrote an editorial about some "pinkish elements on this campus." The next week he received a letter from "The Pure Reds and Hybrid Pinks"

of Southwestern in which they begged mercy and told Hatchett they would "await with fear and trembling your exposure of us to the contemptuous gaze of our fellow students." Hatchett said he forwarded the letter to the proper school administrative, city and federal authorities for "investigatory action." Hatchett also followed up with an editorial entitled "It Can Happen Here." His intention was to open the eyes of students to communist elements on campus and to "do something about it."

Hatchett's tirade against communism contained bold print statements such as: "I maintain that any person who declares the slightest favoritism WHATEVER to Communism IS a Communist, IS a traitor of the lowest order to this country and MUST be dealt with immediately and decisively." He said that the Constitution guaranteed "free expression of belief and opinion, but there is not one word which requires a decent people to tolerate for a single instant a filthy stench." He called the type of communists on the college campus "the wretched, misguided, misinformed, rabble rousing, flea-brained, illegitimate, yellow bellied type."

In a later *Sou'wester* there appeared an editorial entitled "The Hollow Men," in which the editor (presumably Hatchett) attacked the Nitist Club and accused them of advocating the politics of Henry Wallace and of condoning communism. The editor gloated over the fact that when asked, the Nitist Club could not state one good Communistic principle. He insinuated that his question "broke up the meeting in disorder."

On March 25, 1948 a Publication Board notice in the *Sou'wester* stated that "the tenure of Bill Hatchett as editor of the *Sou'wester* was terminated . . . because of an ill-considered editorial policy, which is detrimental to the ideals and reputation of the institution . . ."

In the same issue a letter written by Jim Roper was printed in rebuttal to the earlier Hatchett editorials. Roper accused Hatchett of presenting "a grossly subjective account [of the meeting] masked as a factual report, highly colored by a semi-hysterical imagination and extremely derogatory to two Southwesterners [one was Dr. J. H. Davis] with whom I thoroughly disagree but . . . respect and admire for sincerity and intellectual capacity."

The Nitist Club faded away at some point in Southwestern history. A revival might not be such a bad idea.

SGA Petitions

Elections for SGA President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer will be held March 5. Petitions for candidacy will be made available by the Election Commissioner Shep Darden at ATO House or ATO Box, or Vice Commissioner Conrad Hawkins, 108 Townsend or Box 281. Petitions must be turned in by noon, February 25 to be eligible for election.

Dilemma Hosts And Hostesses Requested

Hosts and hostesses are needed for Dilemma speakers during the weekend of March 7-8. Applications are now available from Carol Ellis, Louise Rutkowski, or the Dilemma office door (2nd floor Student Center). They need to be returned by 6:00 p.m. Sunday, February 23.

Speakers who will be giving night lectures are James Dickey (poet/author), Andrew Young (Congressman from Atlanta), Louis Rukeyser (economist, host of "Wall Street Week"), Yaakov Morris (Israeli foreign minister), and an Arab representative (to be announced). Afternoon seminar speakers are Stephanie Mills (population control specialist), Bill Parker (photographer/artist), Jack Rudloe (conservationist), and Robert Theobald (author).

One host and one hostess will be assigned to each speaker. Cars will be provided for hosts and hostesses to pick up speakers at the airport and to take them to their motel. Announcement of hosts and hostesses will be made by Tuesday, February 25.



Weeks' Week

The *Sou'wester* has undergone a noticeable change from last term. The reader must be the judge whether the change has been for the better, but the change has mostly been in editorial priorities.

What I mean is, this *Sou'wester* is not as concerned with graphics and the technical aspects of last term's paper. As a matter of record, I can count on my lower lip the members of our staff who can lay out a sports page. We have good, solid photography to fit the copy. This term's *Sou'wester* is a refuge for softspoken poets and closet novelists.

We put out the news with the best writing possible. We leave all the skulldruggery to the printer and his machines. Mostly we write and edit. Students have responded to the paper with reams of constructive criticism. That is, those who have bitched have written something themselves to improve the quality of the publication.

There are countless good writers
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Confessions Of An SGA President

By Herb Gunn

The Southwestern student government has tremendous potential in comparison with other collegiate student governments. Very few student governments have the judicial authority of Southwestern's Honor Council and SRC. Again, very few student governments have the direct responsibility for creating and enforcing their own social regulations as our SRC maintains. Southwestern students have a great degree of influence and input into policy decisions of the school through their representation on virtually all faculty and Board of Trustee committees. Southwestern's student government maintains unrestricted management of funds through the Board of Commissioners, the Publications Board, and the Student Center Board.

The student government is separated into several sections, each with independent responsibilities and jurisdiction. Over the past few years, these separate branches—the Board of Commissioners, Honor Council, Social Regulations Council, Publications Board, and Student Center Board—have moved away from any one central organization and have established themselves as virtually independent. This has been only natural, considering their divergent responsibilities. However, there is a definite need for a degree of unity within the student government.

What the SGA has attempted to do in the past two years is to give a great deal of attention to the commissioners of the student government. While this attention for the commissioners has been important, the SGA could have better facilitated itself by giving somewhat more emphasis to the branches of student government which have emerged as independent organizations. This increased attention would be in no way restrictive or a means of control over the other organizations. It would, however, be a means to create a truly representative voice, a voice which could effectively speak

for the attitudes of the student body. Many of my frustrations have stemmed from my attempts to gather general student opinions from the Board of Commissioners. The commissioners are not elected to be the SGA spokesmen. They are elected to run their commissions in planning student activities and providing student services. Therefore, they should not be expected to solely reflect the voice of the students on issues of the school.

There is no body of students elected solely to represent the student viewpoint, and there shouldn't be. In the past, this has always evolved in-

Delta Digits Play

Twenty-four Southwestern economic students are currently participating in the Intercollegiate Business Game, a management simulation game. Through long distance communication link-up to a computer at the Emory University Graduate School of Business Administration in Atlanta, Southwestern is competing with 23 other colleges and universities. Each college represents a firm producing mini-calculators and digital clocks facing major decision-making functions found in this industry under somewhat simplified conditions. The object of the game is to maximize the return to stockholders over a simulated three-year period.

The student executives of Southwestern's firm, Delta Digital, Inc., are faced with the three basic economic questions: what to produce, how to produce it, and for whom to produce. These questions encompass a wide variety of management areas. They include pricing, advertising, salaries, inventory control, shipment policies, and financing.

The brains behind Delta Digital are Prof. Ken Stanley, Faculty Advisor; Doug Southard, President; Jim Rossner and Jim Ramsey, Vice-Presidents in charge of Marketing, Vicki Gilmore and Linda Brown, Vice-Presidents in charge of Finance; Richard Kalkbrenner, Vice-President in charge of Production; Jeff Olson, Vice-President in charge of Public Relations. Supporting each department is a staff of hard-working students.

At the end of February, several students will travel to Atlanta to make a final presentation to judges. Last year Southwestern placed second overall.

What do students get out of participating in the game? Jeff Olson feels, "The business game is a very worthwhile experience. It teaches the necessity of cooperation within a business entity without which even the best intending organization would collapse. The game approaches real market situations. But not quite, for our Finance Department has yet to find a way to embezzle funds." In the midst of seemingly unsurmountable administrative pressure, Bobbo Jetmundsen blurted, "I've never seen as many students with so little knowledge make such brilliant decisions."

to a body of figure-heads and, no doubt, this would happen again. The most effective spokesmen for the student body should be a consolidated voice of the entire student government. Written into the foundations of the SGA constitution, there should be a Student Executive Board, composed of members of the Honor Council, Social Regulations Council, Board of Commissions, Publication Board, and Student Center Board. As I attempted to gather student opinion and create a student voice from the Board of Commissioners, I neglected to emphasize the importance of the Student Executive Board.

For the SGA of 1975-76, I urge you to work together. Remember, unity and communication are essential for an effective student government. For the electors of the 1975-76 student government—elect the persons who will be vocal for student concerns. It is essential to place persons in these positions who will speak up and stand fast for student concerns.

Free Radio

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ute money, can sponsor an eligible individual who cannot afford a receiver. If you would like to spare 15 minutes or so a week to read or to tape, contact Bob Reynolds through the WLYX mailbox in the faculty mail room.

Reynolds estimates that in about two years WLYX will be broadcasting to South America. Southwestern has applied for a short wave facility which will broadcast with an ERP (Effective Radiating Power) of 500,000 watts. While the target area is central South America, with this much power the signal will spill over most of the world. The broadcast will be in Spanish and in Portuguese and will include news and public affairs. However, Reynolds said that the main programming will be American Top 40 music. Reynolds explained that this type music is the most popular and sought after by those with radios all around the world.

Southwestern also has an application on file with the FCC for an AM station. This transmission would originate from a station near Brunswick, Tennessee to be beamed over the entire county which would include Memphis. The programming emphasis, however, would be on Millington.

A power boost is expected for the FM station, but, an exact date has not been determined. There are also rumors of a television station for the campus. "However," Reynolds said, "it doesn't look too likely. CBC has refused to loan the station its self-supporting steel tower, and without such a tower, television transmission is not possible."

WLYX has some very promising plans and the outlook for a successful future. As with all such endeavors there is a need for contribution from the community. The station offers several avenues for participation. The man to see on campus is Bob Reynolds.

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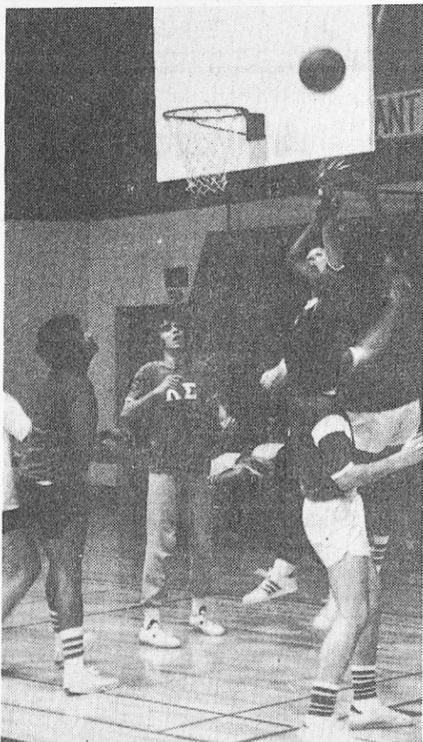
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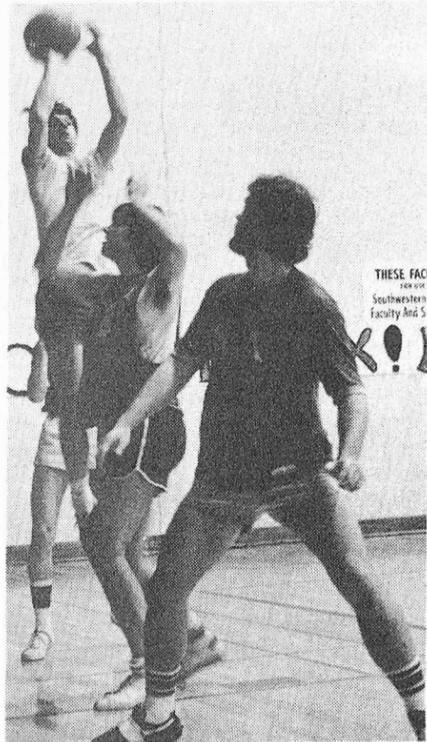
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Monday Night Intramural Basketball Action



Thinclads Finish Indoor Season

By Carl Hill

The Southwestern track team ended their indoor season last Saturday with the C.A.C. Championship in Terre Haute, Indiana. The Lynxcats finished second with 57 points behind the host, Rose-Hulman, who scored 85 points.

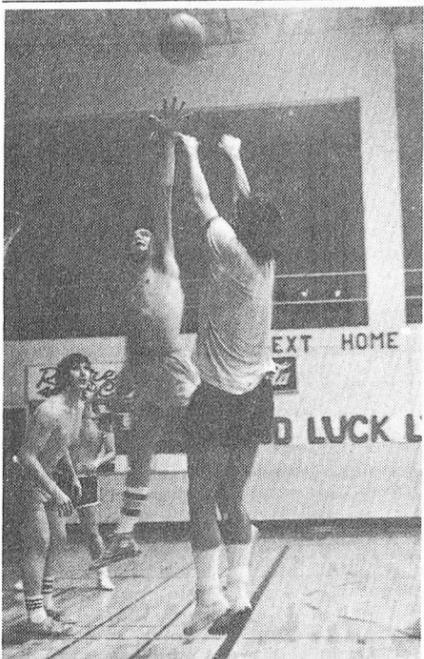
Carl Hill picked up three individual first places in the 50 yard dash, 5.6; 300 yard dash, 33.0; and the 440 yard dash, 51.8. Tim Mulkey set a new school record for the pole vault when he took first with a jump of 14'0". This replaces the old record of 13'11" set by David Hays in 1965. And the Southwestern mile relay team, also came in first with a time of 3:39.4. The members were P. Mulkey, Bellott, Johnson and Hill.

Tim and Phil Mulkey won second and third place in the 60 yard high hurdles. Their times were 8.1 and 8.2. P. Mulkey also picked up third place honors in the pole vault with a height of 12'6". Mark Edwards, the Lynxcat's premier miler, placed third in the mile run with a time of 3:36.5. Joe Johnson was third in the 880 yard dash with a time of 2:01.0.

The first indoor track meet saw the Lynx in Murfreesboro, Tennessee, for the T.I.C. Championship. This meet was held on the first of February.

Due to the keen competition and to lack of depth, the thinclads managed to accumulate only 14 points. David Lipscomb College of Nashville won the championship with 80 points.

The Cats contributing to the Lynx's 14 points were: Phil Mulkey, second place in pole vault, 12'6"; Tim Mulkey, pole vault fifth place, 11'0"; Joe Johnson, triple jump, fifth place, 43 1/2"; Carl Hill, 440 yard dash, third



More Intramural Action

place, 48.5; Hill, 300 yard dash, second place, 31.4; and the mile relay which finished fourth with a time of 3:29.3. The relay team consisted of Mark Edwards, Danny Bellott, Joe Johnson, and Carl Hill.

The other members of Southwestern Indoor Track Team were Rick Fulwood, Fritz Stauffer, Scott Prosterman and Rik Talley. Those students who wish to participate in the outdoor season should contact Coach Fuqua Monday before 3 p.m.

Track Notes: Carl Hill qualified for the NCAA Indoor Championship with his time of 48.5 in 440 yard dash. The meet is March 15 in Detroit, Michigan. The Red Hat Award for the T.I.C. was Tim "Big Kid" Mulkey. The Red Hat Award for the C.A.C. goes to Rik "Flash" Talley.

Where Are The Stakes Of Yore?

By Larry Crawford

One day last month, I was thumbing through a copy of "Southwestern at Memphis," the pamphlet sent to high school seniors to show them the many things Southwestern has to offer. Glancing over the section on intramurals, I noticed the following: "Teams are fielded in flagball, softball, bowling, basketball, horse shoes, track, . . . and golf." (p.18)

Bowling? Horse shoes? I could not remember Southwestern having intramural teams in bowling or horse shoes. Could this be a deliberate attempt to lure students to Southwestern by false pretenses? I could just see some high school senior saying, "Gosh, Mom, I'm gonna go to Southwestern because they offer intramural bowling. I've always been a good bowler and by sharpening my skills in a good intramural program, I might be able to make it to the Big Time." And what is the guy going to say when he arrives at Southwestern and finds that he has been duped, that there is no intramural bowling?

Motivated by my desire to root out corruption wherever it may lurk, and also by my desire to get my name on the front page of the paper, I be-

gan to investigate. Wherever I turned, people said, "See John Doe (an obvious pseudonym), the intramural Chairman."

The inevitable confrontation took place one day last week. I presented my case, fully expecting John to break down and confess the sordid truth. Instead, he began to mumble about the well-run flagball program. I continued to press, and he finally agreed to talk about the problem. He admitted that there were no bowling or horse shoe teams in intramurals, but blamed student apathy for the lack. He said that the bureaucracy was still interested in bowling and horse shoes, but that today's students no longer show an interest in these fine sports. To back his position, he took me to his fraternity house and showed me a moldy bowling trophy from the 50's, a time when students were involved in campus activities.

Of course, I didn't believe a wild story like that. I forged ahead with the inquiry aided by the band of public-minded citizens known as "Crawford's Raiders." Watch this column for an exclusive on the final results.

Sport Shorts

The tennis team will hold its first match of the season here at Southwestern against Delta State on March 10 at 1:30. The following three matches will also be played here as the Lynx take on N. Iowa, Washington U. and Millsaps on March 13, 14, 15, respectively.

Southwestern's team is in the process of determining which men will play in which spot. As it stands now, there are eleven men out: Oliver, Ager, Archer, Gunn, Weeks, Gragon, Dudler, Beig, Wills, Walker, and Seairight.

The XO's ended their second straight undefeated year of basketball by downing the AOPi's by a score of 18-15. It became a real thriller as the AOPi's tied it up with two seconds left and a ten minute overtime had to be played.

The XO's prevailed to win the 1975 women's intramural championship. The DDD's took second place.

The baseball team has moved outside for practice.

The soccer team is traveling to Oxford, Mississippi this afternoon hopefully to defeat the Ole Miss Rebels for the third time in as many meetings.

Intramural B-ball Wraps Up Season

Men's intramural basketball is wrapping up with an uneventful finish. It's the same old story with the Big H going undefeated in A league, Hanna's Banannas undefeated in B league, and the KA's undefeated in C league. Unless something spectacular happened between press time and right now that's the way it's going to be. There still are no definite plans about any post season play but news should be out soon. Better keep in shape, boys, because funny things can happen in tournaments.

The Lump Picks 'Em

*Denotes home team
Favorite Margin Underdog

Games for February 21

Arizona St.	2	New Mexico*
Brown*	5	Harvard
Idaho St.	6	Montana St.*
Montana*	21	Boise St.
Oregon	8	California*
Pennsylvania	22	Cornell*
Princeton	18	Columbia*
So. California	1	Oregon St.*
UT-El Paso*	4	Arizona

Games for February 22

Alabama*	2	Kentucky
Arizona St.	3	UT-El Paso*
Boise St.	1	Montana St.*
Bradley	4	W. Texas St.*
Brown*	22	Dartmouth
Cent. Michigan	7	Ohio U.
Cincinnati*	18	Air Force
Creighton	20	Citadel*
East Carolina	10	VMI*
Furman	13	Boston College
Holy Cross*	4	Purdue*
Indiana	13	Kansas St.
Kansas*	5	Rutgers
LaSalle*	3	Tulsa
Louisville	14	Duquesne*
Maryland (Sun.)	12	Toledo
Miami*	3	Austin Peay
Mid. Tenn.*	14	Iowa
Minnesota*	17	Idaho St.
Montana*	14	Missouri
Nebraska*	10	Arizona
New Mexico*	4	Drake
New Mexico St.	8	Virginia*
No. Carolina	3	DePaul*
Notre Dame	5	Stanford*
Oregon	1	Long Beach St.
Pacific*	4	Columbia*
Pennsylvania	24	Cornell*
Princeton	16	Niagara*
Providence	8	Iona
St. John's*	33	Santa Clara
St. Mary's*	2	Fullerton St.*
San Diego St.	6	Seattle*
San Francisco	4	Fresno St.
San Jose St.*	8	Fordham
So. Carolina*	17	Vanderbilt

Tennessee*	13	Rice
Texas A&M*	17	Arkansas
UCLA	5	Washington*
Utah	3	Brig. Young*
West. Kentucky	8	Murray St.*
William & Mary*	10	Richmond*

Games for February 24

Alabama	17	Georgia*
Furman*	15	Jacksonville
Indiana	27	Illinois*
Kentucky	7	Florida*

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Southwesterner In Memphis

By Allison Jones

Three years ago people used to complain a lot because there was no swimming pool at Southwestern. Can you believe it? We used to think it was an issue of the greatest importance. That was my freshman year. Now people don't even mention it. Because we were constantly grumbling among ourselves about this miserable situation, we were constantly plagued by the desire to go swimming.

One Saturday afternoon in late March, the sun was weakly shining and a friend and I had put on our cut-offs for the first time. I looked at her dimpled, flaky legs and she looked at my bulging thighs, and we said, "Let's go swimming."

But we were going to do it intelligently this time. No crashing the Admiral Benbow or the Holiday Inn—we were going to find a place to swim on a regular basis and feel legitimate if not welcome.

I called the YWCA. "No," the receptionist said, "we don't have swimming facilities for women. I know that's hard to believe in a city the size of Memphis."

"No," I replied. "That's not as hard to believe as you may think. I go to Southwestern."

I then called the YMCA. The situation there was a little less hopeless. They said that "family day" was on alternating Saturdays. But you could enter the pool only if you had a legal spouse and offspring. I am not above deceit, but I just couldn't see putting together a surrogate family for alternating Saturdays. Besides that, I didn't relish the idea of swimming around groping hands and blind people shouting "Marco Polo."

Where does one turn? I made the

mistake of turning to the yellow pages to "Health Spas"—Cosmopolitan Spa, French Riviera, Spartanian Spa—I called them all and finally found one where they said we could swim without signing a contract. We had given up on the membership idea. We were craving an aquatic environment.

If you want to do something really weird, I mean really bizarre, go to a health spa. We entered the spa at ground level and descended a stair case carpeted in furry, glowing red shag. We bounced up to the receptionist with our towels and swim suits knotted under our arms.

"Hi, I just called about going swimming here. Where can we undress?"

She smiled understandingly. "The pool's at the far end of the spa. But wouldn't you like for me to show you our equipment first?" This was a rhetorical question.

For some reason, before she could show us the equipment, she had to weigh us and take our measurements. She very tactfully shook her head and held back a smile as she recorded on a very official looking form.

We were led into a dimly lit room called the "equipment room." As my eyes adjusted to the light, I could see that this room was done in fuchsia pink and a fiery orange. The shag was thicker and warmer and the ceiling was higher. Parts of the walls were done in a gold brocade wallpaper, and there were flowing drapes serving no useful purpose.

This atmosphere certainly was not conducive to exercise. I was feeling more lethargic by the minute. If there is a hotel in hell, this place was certainly modeled after the main

lobby.

There was movement going on but there were no gasps, grunts or sighs. But there was a hum . . . Ten machines, in various shapes and sizes, but all upholstered in orange naugahide lined a wall panelled in gold-speckled mirrors. Several women strapped in various contorted positions were being quietly worked out. One woman was filing her nails while floating in space. Women in high heels with round, red, patent bags (like models carry) with "Spa" written on them were passing through.

Our guide was beaming "You don't have to do a thing yourself. Just turn on the machine and it does it all for you."

I tried to look impressed but at the same time restless to go swimming. She preferred to ignore the latter.

"Here's the machine just for your particular problem."

My problem, what was that?

"Honey, you've got what we call at the Spa, 'hard fat'. It looks and feels like muscle but it's actually hard fat. What we'll do is for the next few weeks is put you on this rolling machine, which will loosen up your fat which then melts into flabbiness. Then we'll put you on this other machine to get rid of the flabbiness."

I was somewhat insulted, (they had accomplished that much) but had not completely fallen for the "hard fat" act. I still wanted to go swimming.

"Well, honey, go ahead and get in the whirlpool. I think there's someone in it right now, but you can get in next."

"Someone in it? You mean it's not 40 feet long, 10 feet deep, with a diving board, and pool chairs around it?!" Of course I said this all to myself. My friend and I looked at each other. We both mumbled something about how we didn't really think we wanted to.

Sensing our feeling of humility and assivity, she led us into a plush office. Our measurement forms had been processed and then left on the desk. According to the charts, I was a total 11 inches too big all over and 10 pounds overweight. My friend had comparable scores. It would take us a minimum of five months to get down to our desired figures and a maximum for cash.

I regained my composure and self-respect and excused myself and my friend from the office, thanking the health spa guide profusely.

Back at ground level, the sky was clouding up. I looked up into the drizzle, thanked God for hard fat, and whispered, "All I want to do is go swimming."

Annual Black History Program

February 20, 21, 22

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**Friday, 7:30 p.m.—
Hardie Auditorium**

**Saturday, 2:00 p.m.—
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on this campus. We have more well written copy than we can print. Glorious dilemma. We could easily print a six page paper every week with increased funds, but each week we have to commit the crime of selection. The editors must choose what to print and what to leave in Box One. Much great prose goes unrecognized.

I urge the school to encourage creative writing of all genres. There is talk of strengthening the Communication Arts Department—especially journalism. I applaud the effort. We need some creative writing instruction.

With increased emphasis on the social sciences, Southwestern cannot leave the creative arts by the wayside to wane with the Twentieth Century. Our English Department is excellent—in teaching what has already been written—but Doc Wood's and Lydel Sims' courses, though intense and instructive, are the only writing courses available. We need a full time creative writing professor who teaches and takes time to read poetry and prose of Southwestern students.

Until then, the *Sou'wester* will continue to print the news and prosaic features. We wanted student participation and we've gotten it. Now I ask the school to provide more incentives for creative writers. I encourage the writers to write and turn their work in. We can place *Ginger*, *The Journal*, and the *Sou'wester* among the finest publications in the South.



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