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Letters from The Field

We were wandering through some of the mustier stacks of the library in search of information on radiator pest control. We began a search for references to the dim times when the radiators themselves were installed. While engaged in this endeavor, we stumbled upon a massive leather-bound volume encircled with ivy leaf clusters.

When we opened the tome, a hush fell over the library, stretching even to the corners of the reference room. The lights grew dim and we were cast back to the formless chaos that was the world without Southwestern. From this experience and the subsequent translation of the writings inscribed on the book's parchment pages, we have become privy to mystic knowledge of many strange facets of Southwestern life.

Our most immediate concern, however, was the eradication of the little buggers inhabiting the steam pipes. In a chapter entitled, "The Habitat and Pestiferous Behavior of *Bangus Horribilus*" we discovered the methods whereby radiator trolls may be subdued. Not only were there means of placating them by the daily sacrifice of the radiator hobbit, but actual methods for eviction of the horrible beasties.

This rite involves an indescribable ritual dance about, within, and on top of the maintenance building. The ritual must be presided over by the president of the college in full ceremonial regalia. The cure is perhaps as debilitating as the disease, for the tome states that the dance must be performed every fortnight in order to prevent their cacophonous return.

We anticipate the further epistles to reveal the contents of **The Book**. So far these chapter headings have been translated: "Space-Time Anomalies in Washing Apparati," "Practical Relativity: Parking at Southwestern," and "Modern Exorcism: The Mystery of Elevator Possession." Until then . . .

Sincerely, (Really)
Liz McCraven
David Craig

New Profs For IS Dept.

The International Studies Department is but one of several selecting applicants to fill teaching positions under its jurisdiction. In the last month, nearly 25 prospective professors have visited the campus in hopes of filling nine different openings at Southwestern. The last of three such candidates for the I.S. department arrived this week.

As Dr. Grant Hammond, chairman of the department, pointed out, most students are unaware of the intensity involved in this selection process.

After placing ads in several publications, the I.S. Department received around 50 applications for its position. These files were reviewed and assessed on the basis of the quality of candidates' reference letters, quality of education programs and graduate school attended, dimensions of experience, and other areas of specialization. Previous teaching experience was a requirement for the position.

The number of applicants to be considered was narrowed to 25 and, after another review, reduced to 12. These files were read by members of a search committee which consists of Dr. Hammond, Deans Duff and Llewellyn, and Professors Iskander and Patterson.

Of five final candidates, three were invited to visit Southwestern: Dr. Carol Runty (Ph.D., University of Nebraska), Mr. Mark Cichock (Ph.D., University of South Carolina), and Mr. Bruce Stanley, who will receive his Ph.D. this year from the University of Pennsylvania.

Each candidate spent at least two days on campus meeting with members of the search committee, attending classes, and making presentations to students. Each met in a private session with I.S. students and spent time touring both the campus and the city. And before the prospective professors even arrived, they were sent information about Southwestern, the I.S. department, and Memphis.

"We hope that in the two days each candidate spent here, they



gained fairly good insight about the college, the faculty, the community, and most importantly, the students and their expectations," Hammond noted. Similarly, we tried to expose them to a wide array of people so that we would have a number of different reactions and different points of view."

The search committee has already begun collecting input and comparative rankings on each candidate from I.S. students, faculty, and staff. Main points of consideration are the applicant's quality as a teacher and colleague, potential for publishing, and willingness to participate in such programs as travel study courses and the model U.N. The department expects to reach a decision and make an offer within the next week, and to receive a reply by February 20.

As Dean Gerald Duff pointed out, the intricacy of the process serves a definite purpose. "What we're trying to do is hire the best possible faculty for Southwestern," he commented. "That means we must go about a very careful and thorough process of assessment by members of the department, students, and administration in order to obtain the best faculty we can."

Alcohol Awareness Week

Last Thursday, 2 February, two current Southwestern students spoke about their experiences with alcohol as part of Alcohol Awareness Week. In front of a group of 17 people, one student talked about a personal alcohol problem, while the second shared her past as a child of alcoholic parents.

The first speaker explained that her drinking habit had begun at age 16. It continued on to college, where soon her grades began to drop and her only concern became drinking. Although she had financial and emotional problems, she failed to realize that the source was alcohol. Finally, seeking help, she enrolled and remained in a treatment program for one year. As a result, she "hasn't touched a drop" in three years.

During her alcohol abuse, she noticed that few people would believe that she had a problem. In fact, she was encouraged by peers to drink in order to "fit into the party-scene." Consequently, college elevated her drinking level and black-outs became more common.

She explained that having black-outs more than "once-in-a-while" is a sign of a drinking problem.

Alcoholic parents were the topic of the second speaker. This student had a father who was a progressive alcoholic, and she spoke about how alcoholism can seriously affect the close family as well as the alcoholic. Her father's habit developed over 10 years of continually worse drinking. Because of this he became physically dependent on alcohol, getting progressively more drunk towards the end of the day. The student's mother became resentful and started drinking also, leaving her daughter with the responsibilities of running the household. Her parent's friends had also changed radically from "wholesome" people to real "party" types. The daughter slipped into rationalizations. She blamed her mother for driving her father to drink by yelling at him about his drinking. She tried to protect her father and denied that he was sick. The family developed what she called "para-alcoholic"

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The Cabinet Speaks

At this week's SGA meeting, two items of business were introduced before the fireworks began. First discussed was a call for SGA approval to endorse a petition to join in a lobby begun by the SGA at Vanderbilt. This lobby would be represented at the State Legislature when the bill calling for a raise in the drinking age in Tennessee from 19 to 21 is presented for debate. After a close vote, the endorsement was passed.

The second order of business was a call for an allocation of \$500 for the fledgling lacrosse team. After a moment's discussion, the item was passed unanimously.

Then the main event was introduced . . . the principal speaker of the night was Pres. James Daughdrill. With Daughdrill was his entire cabinet: Deans Wottle, Duff, Kepple, Scarborough, and Lineback, and Assistant to the President Templeton.

The first topic thrown into the ring was the Board Retreat coming up at the end of February. The items to be discussed, according to Daughdrill, fall under the topic of Southwestern's long-range goals, and what direction Southwestern is taking. Daughdrill stated that we, as part of the Southwestern community, need to consider whether we want to be a national college or a regional college, and to look at the Southwestern that will be 25 years or so from now. In this, the board would talk to a few members of the faculty, students, trustees, and alumni and discuss this issue in more detail.

It was at this point that the floor was opened for questions, and the room came alive with students ready to query the board, or more specifically, to get input from James Daughdrill. And input was exactly what the students received.

Daughdrill first answered an inquiry as to what makes for a national college by giving two prominent examples: academic quality and national recognition. This was followed immediately by another query in which the fact that Southwestern was not recognized for academic quality in the opinion of some students was voiced.

To this, Daughdrill replied that there are different measurements of academic quality and "We cannot say that we are a quality institution if we do not know what

quality is." To back up this statement, he gave a list of guidelines in which quality is evaluated. These guidelines include:

- 1) Criteria determined after consultation by everyone
- 2) Variety of criteria used
- 3) No claims of fine precision and accuracy of quality

- 4) Information on top liberal colleges made available at little or no expense. The only problem with this information is that it is at least one year old.

- 5) Each criterion tested on accuracy and reliability.

After a short talk on the criteria for quality evaluations, a question was raised as to whether or not the enrollment for Southwestern would be raised to 1,200. Daughdrill replied that "the present plan should be looked at again. There is a student shift from humanities to social sciences. The plan should be reconsidered."

Dean Wottle added at this point that there has been an "10 to 15% increase in the number of applications received, which would make this year's the largest number ever received. In comparison with last year, the number of applications received rose from 1,118 to 1,150 already this year, and in comparison of freshmen classes, this year's freshmen numbered 267 — up from 242 last year. But the transfer student numbers are in a decline."

The topic then switched back to national recognition and how to go about achieving this recognition. President Daughdrill stated that "achieving a national level is a sizeable undertaking. Personally, I would prefer to stay where we are. But there is, in every institution, a drain toward mediocrity. In the light of Diehl's pursuit of excellence, there should be hope that we would strive to be the best we can be by our own definition. This is a long-range vision."

Following a question concerning Southwestern's current rating as compared to other colleges, Daughdrill responded by saying, "There is danger in comparing us to everyone else. We are a Liberal Arts I college."

Next, there was a short discussion regarding the photography representing Southwestern in all literature mailed to prospective students. Dean Templeton said the

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At Last

Well, let it never be said that the students of Southwestern do not respond to cries of help. Several people have responded to my desperate plea for help in last week's editorial. I now have somebody else to help with layout, at least one and maybe two more typists, and possibly one more reporter. In addition several people have recently contributed photographs to the Sou'wester. The help is greatly appreciated and much needed. The Sou'wester is a non-profit organization (it wasn't meant to be, but . . .), and it therefore depends on people donating their time and efforts to it. Perhaps all is not lost in Memphis.

By the way, don't take this to mean that I don't need you anymore. We still need more reporters and we always need your input into the paper.

FINALLY, a student has responded with an opinion on the college he attends. I think David Dietrich has an interesting idea. Dilemma is supposed to present ideas and investigate concepts that are germane to the students here and that affect their lives. What could possibly be more appropriate and pertinent than a symposium on the dilemma currently faced by Southwestern. The college is undergoing an identity crisis. It can't decide just what it wants to be or achieve. The only problem I see with the idea is that we may not be able to wait until February, 1985, to decide where Southwestern is going and how fast it is getting there, or not getting there.

We could invite people from other small colleges to see how they are facing and responding to problems similar to our own. Most of the nation's small colleges are facing declining enrollments and questions about how big is big enough. A chance to compare notes with other small colleges might be most enlightening. I can even suggest a good first speaker to get, Trinity University President Robert Calgaard. Trinity is in San Antonio, Texas, and is a small Presbyterian college that is swimming in oil money. President Calgaard and President Daughdrill would have many notes to compare.

Anyway, David's is just one idea and hopefully other people will write in and share their brilliant thoughts and ideas.

One final announcement. Next week we will inaugurate the first ever "Mystery of the Missing Lynx Contest." The first clues will appear next issue, and the object is to find the prize envelope that will be hidden around campus. Only I, the editor, will know where the treasure is hidden. But I shall never tell anybody where it is. I can never be bribed. (Ha! Ha!) Seriously, in the next issue we'll tell you what the prizes are and all the other details. Be there, aloha.

SGA—

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primary concern of the literature is to stress diversity.

Following that a query was raised which sent the administrators into a tailspin: This question was posed in regard to the lack of women administrators at Southwestern.

Dean Duff stated that "hiring women is and always has been a high priority, but the fact is that there are fewer women than men on faculty. There are 15% of wom-

en on faculty and no minorities."

After a few varied questions, the meeting was adjourned. SGA President, responding to the question concerning improvement in student/administration relations, responded by stating, "I hope so." Tonight's meeting was quite enjoyable and informative for everyone involved. SGA meets every Wednesday in Room 200 Clough, and the entire student body is invited to attend.

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Opinionated Strange Days Indeed

By Richard Barnes

Have you noticed that there are a lot of truly peculiar things happening at Southwestern lately? I sure have.

The other day, I was down in the Trezevant dungeon (as opposed to the Kennedy Dungeon, home of the new Rainbow computers, which will be discussed later) just trying to do a little laundry, as I thought the pile in my closet was starting to eat otherwise clean clothes.

Well, there I was, transferring my clothes from the washer to the dryer when the first strange thing happened: there was an open dryer. My first mistake was not to suspect something right then and there, but I attributed the blessing to good luck, clean living, and flossing regularly.

Then came the second problem: there was no handle on the lint screen. No problem at all, I thought to myself, it'll just prolong the drying time, so I'll put in two quarters just to make sure.

An hour and forty minutes later, I descended into the crawl space of the above-mentioned dorm to retrieve my underwear. That's when I noticed Mr. Smell.

After burning my hands on the clothes while taking them out of the dryer, I began to suspect that I may not have needed to spend that extra quarter after all.

It wasn't until I was back in my room, however, when I was neatly wadding up my clothes to put them back in my drawers, that I finally came across the source of my mysterious smell. On my favorite rugby shirt, the buttons seemed to look a little funny. They looked squishy. They were squishy. They bent when I touched them. Yes, friends, I was the victim of

everyman's nightmare — dryer meltdown.

This led me to reflect (somewhat like a mirror) that the chemistry building is a peculiar place, since it contains a basement like Trezevant. I think that's why chemistry people are generally peculiar themselves. No building on campus smells quite like Kennedy. Not altogether unpleasant, perhaps, but not the kind of smell you want your girlfriend to have.

I try to avoid the chemistry building as much as possible, even though it is the new home of Sue Legge, but recently me and the other lab assistant goobs got transferred to The Basement of Kennedy.

Dr. Kirby called me into his office: "Richard, you're being re-assigned. Next week you start working in the Rainbow Room."

"In Kennedy?" I asked, hoping that they had moved it in the past few days.

"Yes."

"Gulp," I said, having visions of David Neithamer chasing me with a beaker.

Despite its innocuous (love that word) name, the rainbow room is not your average twilight lounge. It lies deep in the bowels of the chemistry building. There are only half windows in the rainbow room. The giant radiator hangs from the ceiling like a coiled snake, waiting to eat you after everyone else has gone home. It's an altogether scary place.

This article is being produced on one of the home computers in the Rainbow Room. There is no one else in the building now, and if I get scared enough, and I hear that noise again, there may be no conclusion to this article. If ever I end in mid-sentence, you'll know

where to find me. If you want to look.

Speaking of disappearing, I have just one question about the Showboats: Where is Pepper Rodgers? You hear the Pep Line on the radio: "If there is going to be one thing I tell my players, it is that they have to play with enthusiasm." I haven't noticed him being too enthusiastic about eating in the refectory.

I asked a 'Boat if he had seen Pepper. No, he replied, and he launched into a theological discussion pointing out that one did not exactly see the high coach, one merely heard him from time to time when he spoke through the Commercial Appeal. Some prophetic instrument there, I can assure you.

Other strangeness, which is not really new, but always struck me as kind of peculiar: Why is there a doormat outside the President's office? Now, I don't go into the President's office very often, so I can't attest that there is a prized oriental rug, dating back to the Diehl era, on the floor, but if I were to go into the President's office, I think I would have sense enough to leave my mud three floors below when I entered the building.

About the only reasonable explanation that I can come up with is that it is designed to be the last deterrent to a muddied-boot suicidal fanatic who, having somehow flown up three flights of stairs (or carried his boots in his hands until he could make a mad dash for it), upon seeing the doormat, is so frustrated that he runs away and goes after the faculty, or jumps out a window in mere anguish, much as the Sphinx did when Oedipus solved his riddle.

Strange days indeed!

Box CE—Full This Week

On Saturday night there's no bunch that's more fun
 Than Southwestern students out drinking their rum.
 They crowd into frat houses, all dressed to kill,
 Hoping their girlfriends will start taking the pill.
 The music is loud and the dancing is fine
 A madhouse of heroes powered by wine.

By two, though, our heroes are riding a comet,
 And the bathrooms in Glassell all smell like vomit.
 The parties must end, then the people must go,
 There are only a few hours 'til church starts, you know.

On Sunday you'll find them there, cleansing their souls
 By dropping a dime or two into the bowls;
 And those who don't make it are chastised at lunch
 For over-indulging in P.G.A. punch.
 But everyone knows that their scolding's in fun,
 And next week they'll make it, and no damage done.

And so ends my saga of fun and good cheer,
 Which seems to recur every week of the year.
 I hate to conclude without rhythm or rhyme
 But what in the hell rhymes with "hypocrites?"

Dear Southwestern Student,

Once again the annual Symposium for prospective students was a huge success. Thanks to the efforts of the whole Southwestern community, we were able to provide an in-depth look at the college for over 200 visitors. These students demonstrated a diversity in interests, both academic and extra-

curricular, and in background, representing 13 states.

The most important aspect of their visit was the opportunity to interact with current students and faculty. The friendships and contacts made with you and with other prospective students are important ones for historically over half of the Symposium participants each year will enroll at Southwestern the next fall.

We extend a special thank you to everyone who hosted, toured, or transported a visitor during Symposium. Your participation enabled the program to run smoothly — we appreciate your support.

The Admissions Staff,
 David J. Wottle
 Leonard Satterwhite
 Julie Mayberry
 Andrew Fletcher
 Susan Taylor

To the Editor and the Southwestern community

Thanks to all of you who supported DILEMMA '84, this year's symposium was a success. For all of you who missed "American Capitalism: A Time for New Ideas," I can only say it was a once in a lifetime chance. Never again will you be able to hear the wisdom of Michael Novak set to the Pretenders' "Chain Gang." During these meetings of great minds, we witnessed the bantering of ideals met with rage, agreement, and shouts of discrimination from the audience.

The concept of DILEMMA, as well described in Richard Barnes' column last week, was brought to life again this year. The success was not necessarily measured in the numbers of those attending, but in their responses. The students who continued the ideological debate amongst themselves, and the professors who stayed up hours into the morning discussing the issues with their families — these are the people who brought DILEMMA to

life out of the diligence and effort of the Steering Committee.

DILEMMA is certainly a Southwestern tradition worth continuing. Keep DILEMMA '84 alive for years to come in your mind, and help create future DILEMMAs by your continued support.

Thank you,
 Beth Baxter

To The Sou'wester:

I want to thank those who gave time, energy, and money toward the Dilemma program. Southwestern has never lacked talented and intelligent student organizers. For many of them, working on a communal project is its own reward, like singing in a chorus or taking a subordinate role in a play (I always try to recall such participations when writing letters or recommendation for students).

I am grateful for the printed hand-out with the outlines of previous Dilemma programs. I could reminisce about each of them. I remembered that some featured speakers were duds with canned speeches and that the less celebrated guests were often inspiring. The general mix took effect on glacial spirits. Memphis seemed momentarily a livelier place through our secular version of the old Religious Emphasis Week.

Alas, though the times were as terribly troubled as some of the worst in American history, people had more money to spend. Americans are generous and eager for intellectual stimulation when they have a little surplus. These are pure-conscious times. But students, be not discouraged by the worried cheapness of old geezers like me (I did at least buy my tickets this year).

Worried about time, I did not attend the seminars, and often those are better than the gymnasium addresses. At lectures one may near-

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Box CE—continued

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ly burst to ask questions yet lack the nerve to rise in a big place, or the lung-power to yell. I am not merely interested in the contents of public speeches, but in their tones and structures. The deliveries of speakers have their own effects, about which one has to remain silent.

Mr. Harrington spoke blatantly like the old socialist or radical orators in New York's Union Square. Mr. Novak wandered in praise of his grandmother's peasant fatalism and his own American faith in Nature and the Hidden Hand. He seemed to be "meditating" aloud, not concluding.

Mr. Butler seemed an almost pure example of what we used to call an "ivory-tower academic." One could listen to his soft BBC tones a while and sink into a state of terminal blandness. I imagined his saying, "You may be out of work, but statistics show that things are better than you think."

Mr. Silk talked with some of the pizzazz of the old Front Page-era journalist. He cited items that I had read in that very day's paper. He was nervously charged as some of the hey-day Dilemma speakers were.

I went home thinking about Economics but also about how much politics and ideologies dilute the subject. The late Flannery O'Connor once remarked that our materialism wasn't so sinful as our "crooked spirituality."

Richard C. Woods

most polished form

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Please proofread for grammatical errors and write neatly or type your work.

We are pleased with the creativity and originality of the submissions received so far. If you are interested in helping make your literary journal intriguing, thought-provoking and well-written, submit your poetry, prose and artwork and come to our meetings Tuesdays at 6:30.

To the Editor:

In response to your editorial concerning the direction of Southwestern '85: Southwestern — Where Are We Going? The Administration could give their views of what they are, and should be trying to accomplish, and students would be given equal time to express their views. This is a subject which should stimulate student interest and perhaps close the gap between the administration and the student body.

Professors also should be asked to voice their opinions. Only through the participation of all three of these parties can a clear picture of the state of Southwestern as a center of higher education be determined and analyzed.

David Dietrich

Alcohol Awareness

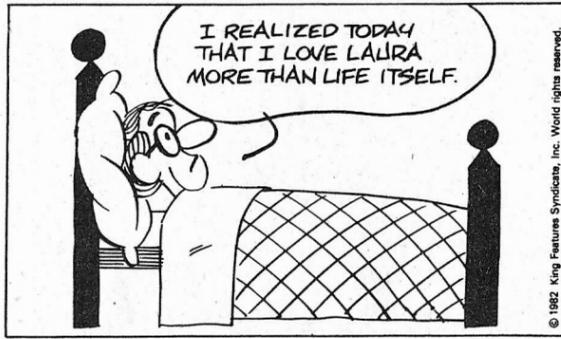
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symptoms: avoid problems, causing them to build up. The patterns of cleaning up after and protecting her father and raising her brother soon became automatic. The patterns remained and caused problems even after her father received treatment. She needed structure and continued to mistrust others.

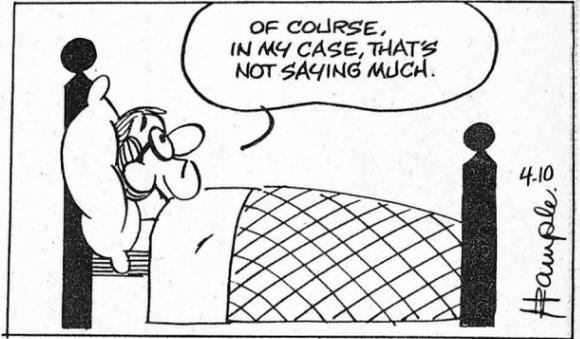
The student said that she will not drink now because she has an 80% chance of either becoming hooked herself or becoming "hooked up" with someone who is.

Dr. Libby Robertson is interested in starting an on-campus group of people whose lives are being affected by alcohol. It is also open to those who are interested in learning about its effects on people. Those interested should contact her. Also available are forms with statistics, and questionnaires on alcohol and alcoholism.

Inside Woody Allen



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Southwestern on the Gulf

Students taking summer courses at the Gulf Coast Research Laboratory (GCRL) will not spend most of their time in a lecture hall or with their noses in a book.

Much of the time, they are out of doors in the natural environment of the flora and fauna of their course, or in the laboratory, working with specimens they have collected.

Field observation, sampling, iden-

tification and experimentation are emphasized in GCRL courses. Of course, there are also lectures to attend, notes to take, textbooks to study, and tests.

The modern permanent facilities of this field station are located in Ocean Springs, Miss., almost in the center of the U.S. Gulf Coast, and not very far from Southwestern at Memphis. In addition, the Gulf Coast Research Laboratory is a teaching affiliate of Southwestern,

and students enrolling from the college receive full academic credit for studies.

"Our summer program is oriented toward training students in marine science, rather than training marine science majors," says Dr. David W. Cook, assistant director of administration and academic affairs. "Most of our students are majoring in other areas of science, but take our courses to broaden their knowledge base."

The 1984 summer teaching session begins on June 4 and ends on August 24. There are two new courses this summer: "Early Life History of Marine Fishes" and "Coastal Vegetation." According to Dr. Cook, only a few institutions in America offer a course in the early life history of marine fishes.

Other courses students can choose from are "Marine Vertebrate Zoology and Ichthyology;" "Marine Invertebrate Zoology;" "Oceanography I: Physical, Chemical, and Geological;" "Marine Microbiology;" "Marine Ecology;" "Coastal Marine Geology;" "Marine Botany;" "Fauna and Faunistic Ecology of Tidal Marshes;" "Oceanography II;" "Marine Biology;" and "Aquaculture."

Four additional courses: "Special Topics in Marine Science;" "Special Problems in Marine Science;" "Carcinology;" and "Comparative Histology of Marine Organisms;" are offered by special arrangement.

Courses will be taught by members of the GCRL research staff and visiting instructors from Vanderbilt University and Southeast Missouri State University.

An independent member of the college system of Mississippi, the Laboratory is affiliated with 57 colleges and universities in 17 states, and has transferred course credit for more than 3,000 students.

"The affiliation program is an asset of our system," says Dr. Cook. "Students have the advantage of being exposed to knowledge other students bring from their home institutions, as well as the expertise of the Laboratory's own instructors."

Classes are open to college graduates and undergraduates. Junior standing or above is required for all courses except Oceanography I and II. Some prerequisites are required for each course. Credit earned (3-6 semester hours) depends upon the length of the course.

For more information about the courses, living arrangements, and tuition, write the Registrar, GCRL, Ocean Springs, MS 39564.

Badura-Skoda: Grandioso!

by Regina Murphy

Tuesday night, Feb. 2, Hardie Auditorium's broad wooden beams glowed with the sounds of the grand piano as played by the world-renowned Mr. Paul Badura-Skoda. The extremely successful performance was attended by students, faculty, alumni, and friends of the college.

The recital began with Haydn's Sonata in A flat major, which was elegantly trilled through from Allegro moderato to the final Presto. This piece was followed by two works by Mozart — the Fantasy and Fugue in C Major, K. 394 (a strong work — forceful, but not forced), and the melodic Sonata in A major, K. 331. This composition was marked by the joy Mr. Badura-Skoda displayed in his every move.

Towards the end of the Andante Grazioso, he appeared to sing soundlessly along with the piano, revealing the deep pleasure he felt at its responsiveness.

After the intermission, two sonatas by Beethoven — the gripping Sonata in D minor, Op. 31, No. 2, subtitled "The Tempest," and the

lovely Sonata in C sharp minor, Op. 27, No. 1, better known as the "Moonlight Sonata." This final work, under Mr. Badura-Skoda's masterful hands, delighted the audience with its haunting Adagio sostenuto and the stirring, almost frantic second and third movements, marked Allegretto and Presto agitato, respectively.

Mr. Badura-Skoda returned to the stage thrice for bows and twice for encores. Both the encores were charming pieces by Schubert.

At the reception which followed the performance, our guest proved to be both a philosopher and a gentleman. Mingling freely and comfortably with both students and others in the audience, munching on cheese and crackers and sipping white wine, Mr. Badura-Skoda related to me how much he had enjoyed playing for us, saying, "An excellent audience, a beautiful recital hall, and a good piano. This is an unbeatable combination."

We would all like to thank Mr. Badura-Skoda for coming to our campus, and also thank the Harry B. McCoy, Jr. Visiting Artists Program for bringing him here.

ETCETERA

Stud. Manager

Publynx corporation has 2 openings for student managerial positions. Stipend of \$500 per school year, plus managers are expected to work several shifts at the grill for regular wages. Position beginning at the first of March. Responsibilities include handling money, overseeing nighttime operation of grill, dealing with personnel, special events, and regular cleaning of grill.

Applications are available at the grill beginning Monday, Feb. 13, during regular grill hours. Application deadline, Feb. 24, 5 p.m. Turn them in to Lis Nielsen, Dean of Students Office.

R & R For MDA

Mid-South Rock 'n Rollers will dance to a 1950's beat Saturday, February 25, 1984, Crow's Cotton Bowl, Raleigh-Millington Road. The dance, benefitting the Muscular Dystrophy Association, will begin at 8:00 p.m., with festivities ending at 1:00 a.m. Get your tickets at the Millington McDonald's, and come join the fun!

For further information contact: MDA, 2175 Germantown Road South, Suite 110, Germantown, TN 38138. (901) 756-1221.

Assassination

Shelby Foote will be reading the section about Lincoln's assassination from his book, *The Civil War*,

Friday, Feb. 10 at 4:00 p.m. in the East Lounge. A sherry hour will follow. Shelby Foote is a noted author from the Memphis area. All are encouraged to attend.

Sue Miller

Memphis artist Sue Miller is exhibiting paintings and mixed media works at Clough-Hanson Gallery now through February 17. The exhibit is free and open for viewing weekdays, 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., and Saturdays, noon until 5:00 p.m.

Ms. Miller has had solo shows at the University Gallery at Memphis State University, at the Turner Clark Gallery at Memphis Shelby County Public Library and at the Memphis Theological Seminary.

Federal Jobs

Would you like a job with the Federal Government? The U.S. Office of Personnel Management in Atlanta will be hiring 15 to 20 Investigators during the next several months. Applicants must have skill in research and presentation of information as well as the ability to travel.

Applications will be accepted from students who expect to complete their college degree within nine months from the date of application.

Application forms are available at the Memphis Area Office of Personnel Management, 13th Floor, 100 N. Main Building. Closing date for acceptance is 17 February 84. For more information, contact Maxine Raines, Director of Personnel at Southwestern.



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Here & Now...

Telephone Sex

By Maxwell Glen and Cody Shearer

WASHINGTON — Official Washington has recently devoted many hours to a matter of untold significance, and resolution may be imminent. Unfortunately, likely action by Congress may only complicate a needed, if unseemly, debate on the issue.

That issue is best known as "phone sex." An entertainment form once favored mostly by readers of Hustler, the Village Voice and other "progressive" publications, listening to sexually-suggestive telephonic cooings has become something of a national pastime in the last year, drawing more customers in one day than the Cleveland Indians do in a season.

Secretaries do it. White House aides do it. Not surprisingly, kids do it, too. And that's why an assortment of federal, state and local officials say they want to curb the skin magazine publishers, independent services and telephone companies that are panting all the way to the bank.

Rep. Thomas Bliley Jr., of Virginia, is the principled force behind congressional efforts to end America's affair with what he calls "dial-a-porn." A former funeral home owner and Richmond mayor who came to Washington on Ronald Reagan's coattails, Bliley first sensed trouble last winter, when a constituent complained that her 10-year-old daughter had dialed into an orgy, in this case courtesy of High Society magazine. After some inquiries around town, the pipe-smoking Bliley says, he was incensed to find that neither the Federal Communications Commission nor Justice Department had the courage to throw cold water on the hot new commodity. Later, he even wrote the president about his concern.

Bliley's remedy, an amendment to the FCC authorization bill pending House action this week, would subject phone sex services to federal obscenity prohibitions. Like similar legislation introduced in the Senate, it would assess phone sex purveyors with a \$50,000 fine for every day of operation. One House committee aide, who said that many congressional offices had independently conducted primary research on the issue, predicted that floor discussion of the proposal would be "memorable."

Yet the FCC has only begun its inquiry into the merits of phone sex. Its findings will be ready no earlier than next February. If the hear-no-evils in Congress can't abide by the delay, even time may not overcome the conflict between personal disgust with dirty talk and Supreme Court mandates on obscenity questions.

Phone sex has few antidotes in the Constitution. It's voluntary, for one, and therefore may deserve protection under rights of privacy and free speech. If people gladly subject themselves to groans a la phone, they don't merit federal protections designed for those who are subjected to abusive phone calls involuntarily.

Another hang-up lies in Supreme Court standards for obscenity. The court's Miller decision (1973) recognizes that what plays in New York may not play in Peoria, and therefore should be judged according to local standards. But

neither justices nor lawmakers foresaw the case in which a compulsive 13-year-old in Salt Lake City might make 160 calls a month to a New York City number, as Bliley discovered last spring. On the other hand, as FCC lawyer Diane Silberstein points out, nor have they said clearly whether an adult's access to pornography can be reduced under restrictions aimed at children.

Yet common sense may be more instructive here. Just last week, the television networks began a season of programs that hardly resembles "Father Knows Best"; even magazines traditionally suitable for dentists' offices herald the sexual exploits of celebrities. Ours is an oversexed environment that, though perhaps not to a conservative's liking, makes the telephonic turn-on sound par for the course; to attend to one while ignoring the other seems kind of silly.

Of course, for those who've graduated from "Dial-a-Joke" to "Dial-a-Porn," there could be reward in the event of a crackdown by Washington. For only \$35 and collect-call charges, a large number of services will gladly talk a good time to anyone with a credit card number.

But in a country that champions free enterprise, the best remedy may be self-control, or none at all.

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SAM Basketball

by Hal Fogelman

Last October, before the season started, Southwestern basketball coach Herb Hilgeman had a pretty good idea that his team's two games against Centre College — within a week of each other — would go a long way towards determining the CAC champion.

Many probably shared the same opinion, seeing as SAM and Centre each had four returning starters from 16-game winners last year, when Centre won the conference title, due in large part to their two victories over SAM by a total of just six points. Unfortunately, the 1983-84 edition of the Southwestern basketball team has produced anything but the expected.

Take the second of the two Centre games on February 4th, for instance. In that contest, SAM's four returnees did about as well as could be expected. Senior Jeff Phillips played the entire 40 minutes, for the first time in two seasons, dishing out nine assists. Junior Scott Patterson, returning after a two-game layoff due to an imbroglia involving the NCAA, scored 17 points and grabbed nine rebounds.

Junior Rozell Henderson hit 11 of 13 field goals and netted 23 points. Junior Billy Ryan popped 9 of 11 shots for 18 tallies. As a whole, the Lynx hit 54% from the field. They led Centre, a team that had just beaten them 83-53 seven days earlier, by six at halftime. Yet in the end, Centre won, 70-65, eliminating SAM from the conference chase. Only two things stood in the way of victory — one controllable, one not controllable.

In a sense, the uncontrollable factor was a catalyst for the controlling factor. For some unknown reason, the Lynx have been absolutely butchered by the officiating at the Danville, Kentucky, school the last two seasons. Last year, in an 86-81 loss, the Lynx shot one free throw; Centre shot 33!

This time around the difference was less, but when Patterson and Henderson both picked up their fourth fouls with seven minutes still to play, the door was open for Centre to make its move. And they moved, as point guard Coby DeVary sent in several long-range bombs enroute to an 18-point performance that rallied the Colonels and solidified their hold on the CAC's top spot with a 7-0 mark in league play.

It's been an extremely tough season for Coach Hilgeman. The young, energetic coach has rarely had his top five players on the court at the same time. Early in the year, Phillips, Ryan, and reserve Ricky White were slowed by

injuries. Mike Thompson, a sophomore who had improved tremendously during the off-season, was felled by a knee injury just five games into the campaign.

And then, just four days before the season's biggest game (Jan. 28 at home against Centre), Patterson the team's leading scorer and rebounder, was ruled ineligible because of an ultra "Mickey Mouse" rule violation. Centre won the game, 83-53. Although one player does not a team make, many still contend that in light of the second game with Centre, a SAM team with Patterson could have given the Kentuckians all they wanted. The Lynx are now 8-10, and, as was the case last year at this time, must again look forward to next year when, once again, four starters will return.

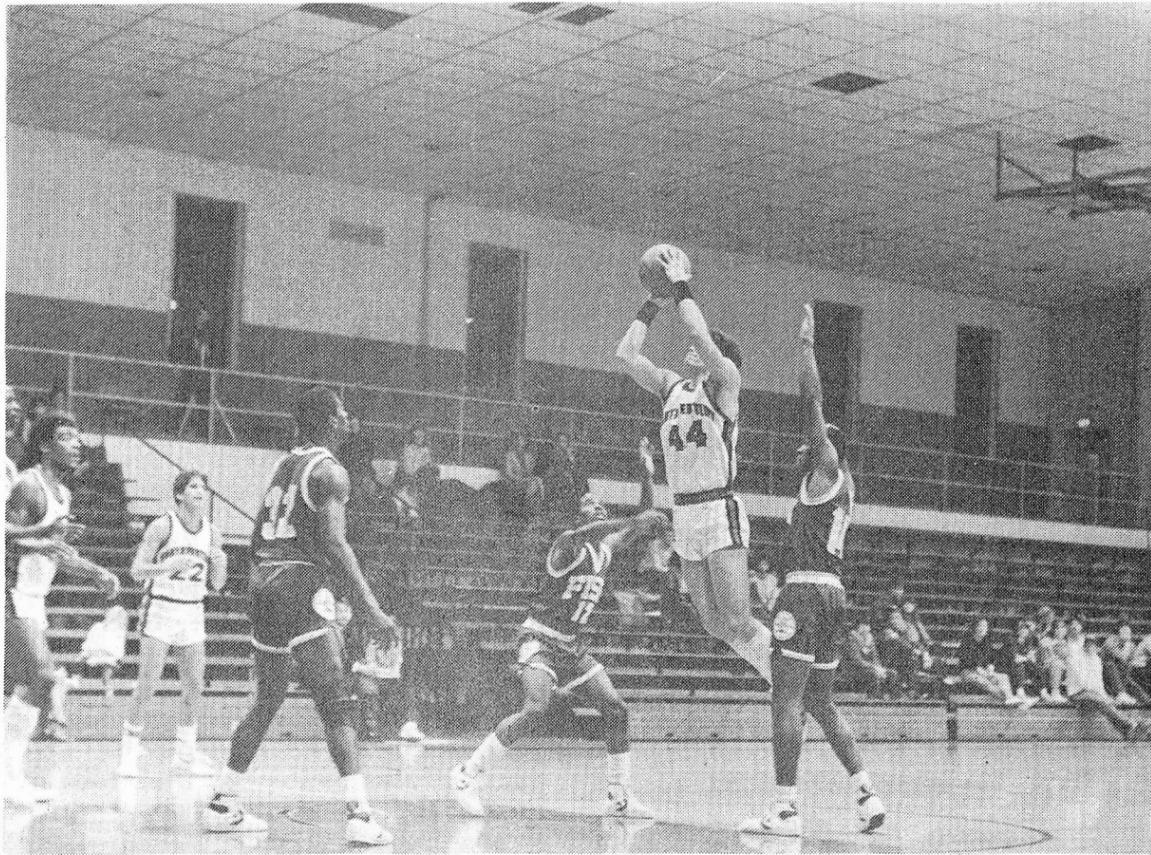
On the other side of the mountain, the Lady Lynx keep rolling on. After beating Millsaps by 18 points early last week, (they had lost by 18 in their first meeting), the women extended their winning streak to five in a row with a solid 65-56 win over Centre. The Lynx (12-4) broke open a close first few minutes due to some crisp passing, scrappy defense, and point guard Tracy Hill's ability to penetrate the Lady Colonels' defense. SAM led at the half, 33-24.

In the second stanza, Centre was able to tie the game at 49-49, but could never get the upper hand — thanks to Ann Webb Betty. The Nashville junior canned several shots from the foul line area that re-opened the margin for the women. Melissa Hayes, who played her usual consistent game, led the scoring with 19 points, while snatching a team-high seven rebounds.

Hill hit several big free throws down the stretch, scoring 18 for the contest, while Betty's strong second half surge saw her finish with 14 points. As a team, the lady Lynx shot over 50% "for the first time I can remember," according to Coach Sara Hatgas.

This year's Division III women's tournament field will have 32 teams as compared with only 16 squads when the Lynx just missed out the last two years. Being ranked fourth in their region presently, the women appear to be in good shape for a much deserved post-season invite. However, you can bet the women will take nothing for granted in the final four games, all of them against teams which have already fallen pray to the Lynx.

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