

Freshmen Circulate Petition; Equality for Women Sought

A petition to be presented to SRC is now being circulated which is seeking to abolish compulsory dorm hours for freshmen women. Men have never had any such restrictions.

Freshmen women are required to signify by use of a card system their departure from the dorm after 8 PM and their destination. Freshmen women are required to return to the dorm by midnight Monday through Thursday and 2 AM on the weekend nights although they can opt to spend eight "overnights."

Proponents of the petition feel the current practice of compulsory hours for women but not for men is discriminatory.

Dean of Women Anne Marie Williford believes hours are not a question of responsibility, but rather a "regularity device to impose some order on their lives (incoming freshmen women)." She stated that "for a short period, some structure in their environment is helpful."

The 1972-73 Rogues Gallery is here. Copies can be picked up at the Business Office between the hours of 8:30 and 5.

Dean Williford feels that certainly some of the incoming women can "easily manage free choice of hours," but that the "majority benefit from hours."

When questioned about whether or not she felt freshmen men needed hours, Williford stated "I don't make decisions about men's dorms." She did state that "Freshmen men might profit from them," adding that "men have never had hours imposed on them."

Incoming women, Williford believes, are "generally facing a heavier academic load plus new social situations."

Williford seeks to achieve in women's dorms a "secure, safe, quiet environment" that can be a "sanctuary when wanted."

Dean of the College, Robert G Patterson, when questioned about the petition, stated that "The issue is one which I have not faced" and about which he will keep an "open mind" and hear what the SRC recommends.

He stated that the practice of freshmen women having hours and men not having hours "reflects a traditional difference in our society." He admitted that the practice "seems discriminatory, but this discrimination is not unique to Southwestern."

Patterson believes there is "Some basis for traditions. Traditions are not purely irrational," adding that traditions are part of society and part of societal expectations.

Patterson said, "Of course, there is a basis in physical fact. It is a fact that women are more subject to attack by men than men are to women," adding that "the result of an attack on a woman leaves child with her."

The point was brought out by *The Sou'wester* that 18-year-olds are adult by law and it seems incongruous to regulate dorm hours for responsible, women adults. Patterson rebuked this stating that anytime you have a group living situation it is "perfectly possible for the host organization to set up rules," adding that "the nature of the rule is determined by the substance of the rule." He did state that "I do think the legal position (of the students) as adults has had some effect on school policies."

Sponsors of the petition are planning to present the petition to SRC before Thanksgiving. Response has been very favorable, according to Cecilia Schardt, one of the petition's major proponents.



Pat Jones (l) and Frannie Taylor, recently elected editors of *Ginger*, look over material for their first issue. Anyone interested in submitting material or working on *Ginger* should contact one of them.

Pub Board Elects Co-Editors: Jones, Taylor To Head *Ginger*

The Publications Board reconvened on Thursday, November 2, opening with a discussion of the two applications for the *Ginger* editorship and concluding with the election of Pat Jones and Franny Taylor as the new co-editors. Their only opposition was Larry Rice, who is presently serving as the assistant editor of *The Sou'wester*.

The Board first interviewed Rice, who advocated having a "literate" magazine with short stories, poetry, art, and experimental forms of creativity. He stated that *Ginger* should "be a showcase of the literary side of the school" with contributions from both faculty and students.

Ms. Jones and Ms. Taylor then presented their ideas to the Board, emphasizing the need for a "literary" magazine. They proposed that since the *Ginger* "has been put out by a clique in the past, all creative works will be read and graded by a group of readers who represent all classes and viewpoints." They also said that

they "want *Ginger* to be a product of the Southwestern community," and that they "will try to get as many different people as possible involved in *Ginger*." They projected February 16 as the deadline for receipt of all potential copy, and they promised the distribution of *Ginger* by the end of second term.

After further discussion on the applicants' ideas and after F Clark Williams' proposal to abolish *Ginger* failed, a vote was taken, and Ms. Jones and Ms. Taylor were elected.

At the meeting, Mary Frachia gave a report on the *Rogues Gallery*, which is the supplement to the annual containing class pictures. The proofs were delayed in the mail, she said, but the *Gallery* should be out by next week.

Andy Scott, business manager for *The Sou'wester*, also reported that the Alumni Office is now responsible for the mailing of *The Sou'westers*. The past few issues should be mailed out soon, he said.

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SRC Approves Pet Policy, Hears Petition

by Leslie Copeland

The Social Regulations Council approved a policy on campus pets and the Bellingrath open dorm petition at its November meeting.

The proposed policy on campus pets states that "the SRC will not attempt to interfere with the possession of pets on campus" on the condition that small animals are to be housed in appropriate cages or aquariums in the room of the owner, provided the roommate agrees, and "large animals, i.e., dogs and cats, must be kept outside the dormitories and other school buildings."

Violation of these conditions of this policy represents a social offense by the owner and must be dealt with by the Social Regulations Council and/or the Administrative Deans." The proposal had not received Administrative approval as of Tuesday.

Dean of Women Anne Marie Williford explained the lack of immediate action by stating that "the Administration has delayed approval pending its development of a clear statement as to the position of the institution concerning animals on campus." Such a statement will voice administrative views on such things as proper vaccination of dogs, housing on campus other than in dorms, and liability to supplement the SRC position on the social offensiveness of animals on campus.

SRC president Kathi McClain said at the meeting that "some kind of an official statement" declaring the council's intention

to enforce the new policy would accompany its announcement. Offenders will be tried by the Council when an official complaint is made.

The Council first read the petition at its October meeting. After further research, discussion and amendment in committee, the final form of the proposal was adopted at the November meeting.

Also approved by the SRC was the petition from Bellingrath residents seeking open visitation. At the advice of the Council after the October reading, dorm leaders amended the petition slightly to clarify the four week trial period beginning January 1, 1973. If residents vote to retain such hours after the trial period, the decision will again pend SRC and administrative approval.

Attention German students: The German Department is sponsoring another Third Term in Germany, departing Memphis on April 1, 1973. The course will last two months. Weekend trips to various parts of Germany are a mandatory requirement of the course. Option to remain in Germany for summer travel/work. For information, contact Dr. John A Bruhwiler or Dr. Alvin Overbeck. Deadline for submission of applications: December 1, 1972. An all inclusive cost has been approximated to be \$800.

McClain said she planned to present the petition to President A V Pritchard and Dean of the College Robert G Patterson this morning. Their approval or veto within the next five school days will determine the fate of the proposal.



Woodcuts by Edward Faires receive the thoughtful criticism of two Memphians. Two for Twenty, Faires' exhibit of twenty years of work, is on display at Clough-Hanson Gallery at Southwestern and at the Memphis Academy of Art Through November 22.

BSA Proposals Stumble Through Channels

The fourteen proposals submitted by the BSA to the Analytical Studies Committee third term last year continue to slowly jerk their way through committees and administration in an effort to rid Southwestern of "academic, financial and social frustrations placed upon its minority segment."

"They (administration) want to deal in what is said and what is set up, and not what is practiced," observed Tony Haygood, one of the triumvirate heads of BSA. "It seems we take three steps forward and 2½ steps backward, so we only go one-half step every time we move."

The Analytical Studies Committee, headed by Dean Marshall Jones, reviewed the proposals and made recommendations to appropriate administrators.

Five of the proposals relating to the admissions policies were referred to the Committee on Problems of Black Students. This committee—composed of faculty, administration and students—and headed by Professor James Lanier—evaluated the grievances and made recommendations to the Admissions Committee in a September 26 memorandum. No official action has been taken on their recommendations as of yet.

PROPOSAL 1: Increase the number of black freshmen who are offered scholarships, with

less emphasis on loans and work-study.

Reflecting on the request for an increase in scholarships, Dean of Admissions Ray Allen assured that "this increase has been made each year."

Semi-finalists of the National Achievement Scholarship Program for Outstanding Negro Students in the mid-south and surrounding states have received letters for several years. Lists sent by the NSSFNS (National Scholarship Services and Fund for Negro Students) are also used and the number of names received increases yearly.

Dean Allen also suggested that Southwestern become involved in the National Merit Scholarship's other program, the National Achievement Award. This scholarship, available only to black students, is "based on other than strictly academic criteria." Dean Anne Marie Williford noted that Southwestern is now trying to institute this program.

Director of Financial Aid Bill Jones stated that "there is no way to place less emphasis on work-study and loans with the limited resources offered us unless we set priorities with the funds available to us."

According to Dean Allen, anyone with full financial aid gets a "package deal"—work-study, grant and loan. "Black students

are not alone in wanting to avoid loans if they can get grants."

PROPOSAL 4: Give preference to those students already enrolled at Southwestern who are economically handicapped to be given financial aid to live on campus if so requested.

Jones noted that this, too, was a matter of priorities. "I don't think enough of this has been done . . . at the present time we aren't willing to use money for this to make it a priority." Dean Allen said simply that "this proposal has been done for black students."

PROPOSAL 6: Expand the recruitment program in black communities.

The Admissions Committee allotted money for Jones and two students—one male and one female of the BSA's choice—to attend four NSSFNS programs throughout the country which are aimed at bringing in high school students to meet with reps from various colleges.

Jones and BSA reps Joyce Flowers and Elijah Walker, as well as Galloway Beck and Rose Owens (who paid their own expenses) attended a conference in Houston last weekend.

Haygood, who attended two such conventions last year, sees them as merely an introduction—"the major role is that of the Admissions and Financial Aid office in offering something to the student to make him want to come here."

A committee—including Johnetta Johnson, Jones, Lanier, Herman Morris, Loyd Templeton and Dean Allen—met Wednesday to begin work on a brochure to promote Southwestern to prospective black students. Deadline for the pamphlet was set as January 1, 1973.

PROPOSAL 7: Work toward increasing the number of black resident and commuting students, while at the same time eliminate any and all quotas concerning the number of black students at Southwestern.

Here again as in Proposal 4, lack of funds is a crucial factor, coupled with lack of space, in increasing numbers of resident black students.

The additional request to eliminate quotas, according to Jones, "presupposes that there are quotas," to which Dean Allen added that "the Committee on Admissions and Financial Aid has never had a quota of black students."

Two years ago, the Admissions Committee set its goal for blacks at ten men and ten women in the residence halls. (There are currently six males and eight females living on campus.) Jones felt that some people had accepted these minimum goals as quotas.

A view held jointly by Jones, Allen, Patterson and Ms. Owens is that the quota issue was a misunderstanding.

PROPOSAL 8: Have black representatives on the Committee on Admissions, Committee on Financial Aid, and Board of Trustees and as many other administrative positions as possible.

In response to this proposal, Dean Allen noted that the first student ever to be on the Admissions and Student Financial Aid Committee was black and that one of the two current student members of this committee is black—Herman Morris.

Dean Jones stated that he was

"not aware of anything that is being done" to get black representatives on the Board of Trustees and other administrative positions.

The remaining proposals were referred to various other committees and administrators for review.

PROPOSAL 2: Guarantee a percentage of financial aid the student will receive for four years, and in case of status change, increase the percentage.

This guarantee was not considered, according to Dean Allen. "All financial aid is renewable annually and is based on financial need. It is guaranteed so long as the student continues to have the need and to maintain the grades."

Jones agreed, adding that "we would have difficulty operating with that budget breakdown." Haygood, however, stated that "the money is not issued in the best proportional sense as far as need."

PROPOSAL 3: Work toward the institution of a Stabilized Tuition Program insuring that the tuition for students would not be increased after their freshman year, even if it did go up later for incoming students.

Dean Jones maintained that it was "unlikely" that such a program would be adopted. "No careful consideration has been given to this option; in long-range planning it would prove to be impractical."

PROPOSAL 5: Enforce the promises made to eliminate those discriminating groups on campus.

In meeting the request, Dean Williford seeks "to eliminate not the groups but the discriminatory policies within the groups." In September the four sororities who were not in compliance with the school policy were given an extended deadline (December) to comply with the non-discriminatory standard. Those who do not comply at that time will not be allowed to pledge new members.

Ms. Owens and Haygood commented that, contrary to popular myth, the BSA is not a discriminatory group, but is open to all interested students and has included white membership in the past.

PROPOSAL 9: Enlarge the number of black professors on this campus.

An October memorandum from Dean Patterson dealt directly with this proposal, although there were also "other reasons" for the statement which said that it is "desirable to increase the proportion of non-whites and women on the Southwestern faculty."

Patterson called for non-discriminatory applicant pools and selection processes (avoiding reverse discrimination) and set the goal as at least one woman and one black appointee in a year when the school fills five or six permanent full-time faculty slots.

According to Patterson, there are currently four black instructors at Southwestern: one full-time professor, Carl Johnson, and three part-time professors, George Brown, Joseph Westbrook and Clarence Chritian.

PROPOSAL 12: More courses directed toward the black community and taught by professors who meet the approval of the black students.

Ms. Owens feels that "there

aren't any black studies courses as such—the closest thing seems to be a DI or the anthro course on poverty and culture."

Patterson, however, maintains that there is a course offered through the Greater Memphis Consortium on teaching in an integrated classroom. He added that Law and Social Change (Political Science 414), which was taught by Mike Cody and George Brown, will be offered again.

An "open possibility" for another course directed toward the black community is being considered by Patterson and Lanier.

PROPOSAL 10: Provide for a new black house with adequate facilities.

Since members of the BSA spill out of the two, small adjoining rooms in the Student Center basement and the "supporting wall" in between makes hearing virtually impossible, the location was deemed unsuitable.

The Board of Directors considered the feelings of the BSA and designated a committee—Galloway Beck, F Clark Williams, Superintendent of Maintenance Roy Twaddle, and Business Manager Fred Young—to investigate alternative locations for a new Black house, and report to the Executive Committee.

The BSA also designated a committee—Denise Springfield, Ms. Flowers, Haygood and Ms. Owens—to report to the Executive Committee. Although they have "several places in mind," no action has been taken.

PROPOSAL 11: A thorough review of the Honor Council procedures, regulations, and powers invested in them.

This proposal was dropped by the BSA.

PROPOSAL 13: Faculty and administration shall give support and approval to a student review board, with representatives from the BSA, to investigate alleged unethical policies of professors.

Patterson did not know of any plans "to develop any institutional structures other than those in existence. Any such complaint should be directed to me and I will take the necessary action."

PROPOSAL 14: Provide adequate black counselors.

Dean Patterson stated that there "has been some consideration on providing a black counselor; however, according to Dr. Fred Pultz, Director of the Counseling Service, the hiring of a professional black counselor is not being considered at this time. Pultz said that his offers to hire a part-time black counselor in a graduate student met lukewarm response with black students because they would rather talk to a qualified white Ph.D. than a student working on his degree.

As Lanier stated, "There's not a lot to show yet, but at least we are trying to see that each proposal is considered by the appropriate body or administrator and that some proposals are implemented

Half-step by half-step, they're getting there.



Trio To Play Common House This Week

by Emmy Jenson

The Common House will open its doors again next Monday through Wednesday, November 13-15, at 8:30 PM. A Canadian trio called Edward, Harding and George from the Coffee House Circuit will spend a week in Memphis at Southwestern and MSU.

The trio is touring colleges in the United States to gain exposure. Reactions have ranged from "great" and "excellent" to "best group we've had all year." They play a good combination of original material and material that has been popularized by others. Their style is somewhat like Crosby, Stills,

Nash and Young; Simon and Garfunkle; and the Beatles; if such a combination can be believed.

Edward, Harding and George have cut several records including an album called **Half and Half** on Celebration Records.

Don Owen plays acoustic steel string guitar, Bill Candy plays acoustic classical electric and George Korenko adds the bass; sometimes an electric and sometimes a string.

Edward, Harding and George will perform November 13-15 beginning at 8:30 PM in the Student Center. Admission is free, so this could be a very different, but nice kind of study break.

Indeed I tremble for my country when I reflect that God is just.

—Thomas Jefferson

Anti-Discriminatory Laws Sought

by Jenny Hackemeyer

"I am here to officially launch the Human Development Commission's new legislation to put for the first time laws on the Tennessee books that will prohibit discrimination," Ms. Jocelyn Wurzburg, a member of that commission, announced Tuesday to the NOW (National Organization for Women) meeting at the UT Interfaith Center.

According to Ms. Wurzburg this legislation will prohibit discrimination due to "race, creed, color, religion, sex, or national origin in fields including employment, training programs, labor unions, and publicity."

Ms. Wurzburg went on to explain that HDC was extremely concerned about "swift justice." Since the EOCC has proved to be so slow in the trying of individual cases, the HDC Commission, if the law is passed, would become the enforcement agency on an administration level, thus replacing the EOCC in discriminatory matters that demand expediency.

A report followed on the Maternity and Memphis Education Board by the Employment Committee. On October 9, members of NOW and interested

non-members staged a "maternity march" decked out in smock shirts at the Board meeting.

Three demands were voiced at this meeting by NOW members. They were to 1) begin an immediate review of Board policies in terms of sex discrimination, beginning with the maternity leave policy, 2) enlist the aid of EEOC officials in the policy review, 3) suspend enforcement of the maternity leave policy during the interim period of revision.

The policy adopted by the Memphis Board of Education coincides with the first two de-

mands by NOW and set a national precedent for local school boards.

"Teachers may now teach up to six months' pregnancy and then receive extensions beyond that time with a doctor's statement. Teachers without tenure are now eligible for leave and do not have to resign. Pregnant teachers may now begin to teach a new semester if they can complete a six week period." Although no mention was made of suspending the maternity policy, the new policy will come into effect on January 7, in time for the start of the new semester.

Prexy Hopeful McKeeferey To Be On Campus Monday

This Monday morning during the break, Dr. William J McKeeferey, a candidate for the Southwestern presidency, will meet with any interested members of the Southwestern community in Room 200, Clough Hall.

Dr. McKeeferey is an ordained Presbyterian minister and has been executive vice-president of Virginia Polytechnic Institute since 1969. Before coming to VPI, he was dean of academic affairs at Southern Illinois University Carbondale (1961-9) vice-president of Washburn University (1958-61), and dean of Alama College (1950-58).

Dr. McKeeferey also served as coordinator of liberal arts study for the North Central Association of Colleges during 1951-8. He was moderator of the Saginaw Presbytery in 1955-6 and president of the Michigan College Association during 1955-7.

He is a Rotarian, and a member of Kappa Delta Pi (Honorary society for men and women in education) and Tau Beta Pi (engineering honor society). He is also listed in the current edition of *Who's Who in America*.

Dr. McKeeferey received a B.S. from the University of Pennsylvania in 1941, a M. Div. from Princeton in 1945, and his Ph.D. from Columbia in 1949. He is the author of *Parameters of Learning perspectives in Higher Education Today* and a contributor to professional journals. He is married, with three children.

Chip Eastham

The Zen Baptist Steps Out

Walk with me for a while. I know it's hard to think in here, but I only know a little bit about how to leave, and you don't look like you know anything at all.

Doesn't it seem like most people don't want to have an election this year? I've done a little bit of door-to-dooring, and people seemed irritated that they had to make a decision. Maybe they're getting tired of making self-government.

But if you took a poll they wouldn't say so. It's just that we've made some bad mistakes, and it's hard to admit you're wrong, especially when it's about things you've pretended

all your life to understand, but really didn't.

What good is freedom?
What good is free enterprise?
What good is killing enemies?
What should I do?

Now the answers to these questions are simple, but to answer them in a way that tells me I have lived a good life, that tells you you have lived a good life, that says America is good . . . that requires confusion. It's easier to say how bad our enemies are and how America has never lost a war.

So let us pretend we are sociologists and we're examining everybody else, and afterwards we'll come back and see about us.

If you took a survey, people would say that Yes, it's important to be well informed so you can vote right. But then if you asked them how they informed themselves, what they read and studied, what they knew about the War, the national debt, the balance of trade deficit they would mostly give poor answers.

I remember that a survey in 1966 showed a majority of Americans didn't know who the Viet Cong were.

I don't think a majority know now that the Republicans have actively sabotaged Democratic campaigns.

I don't think they know that the American government drops

leaflets on Vietnamese villages after they bomb them, leaflets that say it was their (the Vietnamese's) fault the bombs fell and that if they don't leave and go to the South, they'll be killed by the next bombing. The reverse side has a picture of a bomb crater.

Isn't that terrorism?
I don't think Americans know that the bombing is not to stop supplies from moving south in Vietnam. That isn't possible, according to American intelligence. They only need, at a generous estimate, to move 75 tons a week, too little to be adequately blocked.

I don't know why, but they don't know that any industry North Vietnam had was long since bombed away. But the bombs keep falling.

I don't think they know that the purpose of the economy was originally to feed people. They think it's to make money.

They could have seen these things: they could see them now. But they say there's no way to know the truth these days.

And if the truth depended on these sorts of things, they might be right. There's no logical fallacy in being completely paranoid. But I think we ought to search for the truth, even if we don't know whether we can find it. Maybe it will find us.

Now go search. Is there anything more important?



"Four more years!"

Letter to the Editor

Dear Sir:

I read with interest, the account of the intruder on the campus of Southwestern the night of October 19, 1972. Police believing the man responsible for the attack is also responsible for sixteen homosexual attacks in the mid-town area.

I regret this savage, brutal, uncivilized human being is cruising the streets of our city and attempting attack on any of you fine men.

According to the news media, many members of the Southwestern security force have been keeping watch on the campus.

May I suggest your remedy? South Central Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company has a plan they use against accused homosexuals.

By use of Micro waves, Radio waves, Sattelite or Laser beams (silent, invisible rays) the operators of their security department are able to focus this beam at any location and upon any person they choose, throw a "charge" on him, "tune into" his mind for a complete picture of his thoughts and intentions, entire body photographed, and a recording of his every word spoken.

I am sending articles that will enlighten your thinking on waves and beams, that you may understand Bell's more advanced discovery of science.

Good luck to you fellows:

Yours truly,
Darcy E. Shelby

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"God Bless America"



Little Lily Lives in the Hole

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How I learned to Stop Sleep- ing and love studying in the Bathroom.

The letter had plainly said "Voorhies Ground Floor Suite"; I was to be surrounded by nineteen other "carefully chosen girls" in this living arrangement devised due to the "demand for dorm space." Somehow these phrases had not prepared me nor my parents, who were paying the room and board, for the disaster area that greeted us the day of our arrival on the Southwestern campus.

As we descended below the earth, the first fears of cement and pipes flooded our minds only to be fulfilled with the sight of plumbing, two-toned brown walls, and cubicles formed by "wafer walls" of metal closets and folding partitions. Everyone official was smiling—telling of the future of larger partitions and new wardrobes (lockers). There was no mention of temporary quarters: this was it.

Here I was beginning my first extended separation from family and friends faced with a corner of a BASEMENT. To call it a suite was to defy the definition of the word "hole": one could not close out any noise with a door—there were no walls to encase one; privacy was a thing of the past; showers and toilets were at the end of the hall, containing washrooms for three dorms.

The "chance for community spirit," "common interests like music and sports," "relaxed study habits"—these phrases attempted to answer the prevailing question: "WHY?" The positive aspects that kept overriding any suggestion of problems were soon pointed out as: instant friends, private air-conditioned study room, close laundry facilities, and, of course, the feeling of being a "community" unto itself.

Orientation was a party: no schedules, no tests, no papers. You did share a common experience with 17 other people as well as 425 people. The fact that the experience was nerve-racking, mentally depressing, and insensitive to any serenity was forgotten. However, when classes started, personality differences, study habits, sleeping patterns were discovered as definite problems as well as flooding, thefts, oversexed male invaders, legions of insects, and next to no airconditioning.

Everyone learned to give and take but mostly take. However, factions appeared as people made their opinions of the "ground-floor suite" known. Matters were not improved any by the intense heat of the day, the constant rumble of radios and voices, and the overhead lights controlled by two switches which obliged us to get up and go to sleep as teams of 10.

Naps were soon outlawed: tourists were soon given discount rates to view the warped tiles after the flood, unclothed freshwomen and desks which were used as night tables since studying was done in the library or not at all.

So it goes and
goes and goes

Kathi Dailey

An Assistant Editorial

Dear wimps, yes you, Mr. Southwestern, you contemporary young intellectual snob for three long years I've heard you whine about not having a girl friend. For three long years, fall, winter, and spring, you wimps have been whining in your dorms, or drinking with your chums so you could whine to them. It's time you faced up to the situation and did something about it.

This campus is flooded with luscious ladies who have been sitting in their dorms just as long as you. Upperclasswomen are by far Southwestern's greatest unrealized assets. These lovely damsels have been around here for some

time. However, the popular belief that once a woman graduates from the freshman class she automatically is fit for tilling the fields, fighting Indians, and/or for Motherhood, has caused a decline in the dating activities of upperclasswomen.

So wimps, ask out two women for this weekend (one for each hand or one on each side, or one for you and one for your roommate, but I recommend one for each night). I'm tired of listening to you whine, but I'm even more tired of listening to women whine.

Strike a blow for immorality today!

Died: Bob Elfirt, 151 years old

On Monday, November 6, 1972, Bob Elfirt, president of Bob Dorm, quietly passed away at approximately 20 minutes of midnight. Robert was a charter member of the "Bob" club, and Corned Beef House personality of the week. He was an active roof ball player, ghost writer for the Bob Elfirt wise-saying-for-the-day, and always answered his door with a friendly, "What the hell do you want?"

His passing away brought a great flurry of words to the lips of his friends waiting impatiently at his bedside. I heard such sympathetic comments as, "He was a jerk!" "Didn't know his head from a hole in the ground."

Dean Diehl commented credulously, "Who the hell is Bob Elfirt?"

When his mother was informed of his death she replied with tears in her eyes, "I always knew he would amount to a big zero," which was followed by a string of curses that welded together all the moving parts in our cassette recorder. We relayed Bob's passing away to his neighbors that knew him when he was a youngster and these are some of the comments: Mrs. Baxter: "I remem-

ber when he used to hammer two or three hundred nails into the sidewalk at a time. He was a really weird kid."

Mr. Weaver, who drove the mosquito fogging truck through town in the summer, said, "He would follow me around for hours on his bicycle and would inevitably crash into a large bush or house when I made a sharp turn."

Jim (ham) String, the town constable, related this anecdote to us. "One halloween, that rascal climbed up into a large pine tree and would wait until some girls came by then dive out on his head. The third time he landed on a rather large rock and had to be taken to the hospital. Heh, Heh, he had 23 stitches."

Bob, in his last moments on earth, struggled to sit up, and laying a dying hand on his close friend (who wishes to remain anonymous because of bad vibes) whispered, "Last tag," and expired. In his will he named all of his "friends" that were involved in "suspicious" activities. Narcotic agents are presently investigating.

Bob is survived only by his hamster, Spot. Spot had no comment.

Critics Corner

Holy Bible

It's time for higher criticism of the memoirs of the ultimate in casebook schizophrenia, the Bible. Composed of "little books," it is a mock attempt at applying the half-baked psychological concepts of an author who changes his name at the drop of a crown, to whimsical situations.

This book has, however, sold at a phenomenal rate which testifies to the gullibility of the praying public. Not since **Naked Came the Stranger** has an anthology made such major profits. Not since **War and Peace** have there been so many efforts at historical revelation. And not since **Webster's New World Dictionary** have there been so many made-up words.

While the author's commanding style gives the illusion of infallibility, it becomes obvious under examination that it is the result of the combined efforts of several authors. Proverbs bears the unmistakable pen of Hesse and Rod McKuen lends his limp wrist to the sentiments of Psalms.

The far-fetched creation epic found in the opening book is definitely Vonnegutesque. Dreiser casts his melancholy pall over the book of Job. The Noah story is unquestionably Dr. Seuss. And finally, the strained story of a slave becoming second to the Pharaoh is certainly the fantasy work of Horatio Alger.

Due to poor planning on G's part, Jesus, the main character, does not make an appearance until late in the story. This overt imitation of John Lennon cannot possibly deceive an intellectually aware reader. And one will easily be able to see right through the messianic complex of this lead Lipster.

The implications of extreme martyrdom, unfounded empathy, and somewhat eccentric behavior (imagine 12 little men following you around) were so self-evident that no God-fearing person would overlook them. Jung came to grips with God better than perhaps he came to grips with himself. "G" also attempts to create a Kahlil Gibranish character, whom the drug-oriented culture can identify with, who is full of passivism, sweet words, and hip garb.

"G" demonstrates the inevitable failure of the laymen in the fields of psychology and sociology. He works fruitlessly at childish attempts to demonstrate several psychological devices. The obvious references to projection when the main character creates man "in his own image" are the work of a rank amateur.

Further, this pretentious attempt at a contrived best-seller makes its bow to the new radical chic by focusing the early portion of the book on an oppressed minority group and its struggle for freedom. This blatant such attempts at "revelance" as the obviously drug-induced vision on some mythical Pepperland called Patmus.

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Conscience of a Convention Goer

Editor's note—As anyone who is a member of or affiliated with any organization on campus realizes, 9/10ths of the fun is getting to go to the conventions. For all of you that aren't fortunate enough to be able to go to conventions, The Sou'wester asked Linton Weeks to write an account of the Student Center Union convention at Southern Illinois University last week-end. What follows is a typical account of a typical convention.

by Linton Weeks

Oh, glorious day when this small fish was asked to represent such a big pond as Southwestern at the Annual Region Nine Conference of Association of College Unions at Southern Illinois University and all I had done was roll a few red and green streamers for the 1950's dance and they were supposed to be red and black.

Imagine, me, a nobody freshman, put in such a state. "It's only Illinois," quipped one of my wisecrack ex-friends. But I prepared myself by reading Peale, Carnegie and Lennon.

After a snappy meal of tube steaks and leeks, I juked on over to the student center, gaining confidence belch by belch.

Once there, I received an HIS Southwestern blazer and in turn became one. Then the other merry-andrews arrived and we lost ourselves in the monotonous linear dimension of asphalt, a true leap into faith.

We arrived promptly at SIU in Carbondale not only to find that the conference was 2½ hours away on the SIU campus in Edwardsville, but that we

were in the home of the world famous Carbondale terriers. With tears in our hearts and a song in our eyes, we traipsed to the correct SIU, chortling all the way at our unbelievable stupidity.

First, we turned into a gas station. Then we turned back into students. The gas station attendant had been too correct when he surmised, "You're at the wrong place." So we left that ingrate's station.

We registered a couple of hours late, were fed a cold supper and heard the last two points of the speaker's ten point speech.

If you could see the size of their student union 1) You would be proud to be Lithuanian or 2) You would not. It is large.

We then met with our inter-action group leader who attempted to lead a discussion on the crux of the speaker's speech. O, dearth of response. "No," we carefully explained to him, "we are not autistic, we didn't hear the speech."

Next we were to place on our left breast the three things we were most proud of. F Clark put down "my eyes" and so what . . . Then we went to the

party. There was so much I didn't understand going on all the time — girls touching boys on their shoulders, people slurring their speech, funny gyrations, acid rock by Three Dog Night. I guess it was groovy because F Clark told me it was.

We missed breakfast the next morning and watched Ruff 'n' Reddy instead.

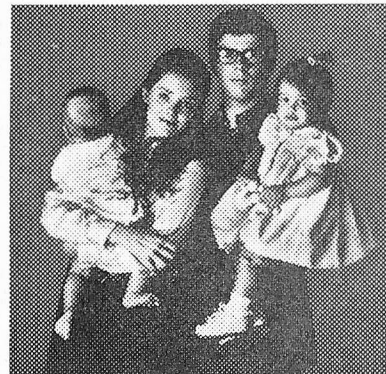
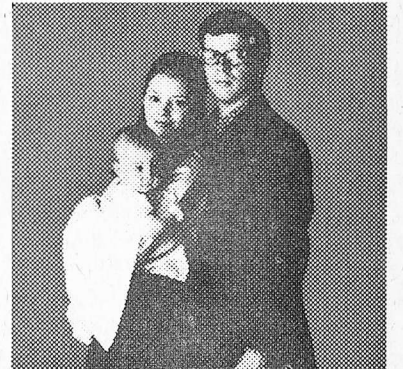
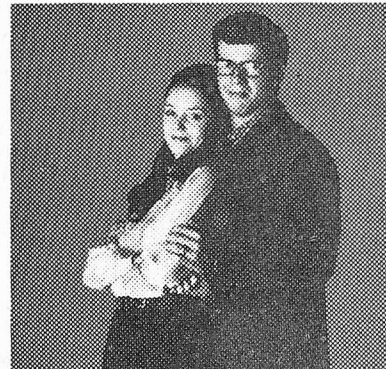
Now that I understood (?), I went to a workshop on ordering films. I didn't realize all that it involved, like writing or telling time must take a President's mentality. A lady from Swank Films led the discussion and she was tremendous; her speech was mediocre.

I came home with a reel awareness that Swank Films was in no way affiliated with the intellectual digest bearing the same name.

We heard a decent post-meal address and split up into our discussion groups. We centered on lack of spontaneity found at most schools. I defended Southwestern until F Clark came and told me we had decided to leave on the spur of the moment.

So I did, we did, and always shall. You should too, if you feel moved.

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Prof. Wasfy Iskander received his doctorate in economics from Indiana University November 7. Congratulations, Wasfy, you did good.

VECAA Stabilizes Community

by Pat Jones

VECAA—Vollintine Evergreen Community Action Association is an organization of concerned citizens in the area bounded by Watkins, N Parkway, Vollintine, and Trezevant. Its purpose is to "maintain and enhance a stable bi-racial community."

Many persons from Southwestern are active members of his group. It has been successful in sustaining a community threatened with rapid change which would have led to a great deal of devaluation of property and the lessening of community services such as schools, community groups, etc.

VECAA has accomplished its purpose by establishing a strong sense of community through its information sheet, the **Evergreen News** (edited for several months by John Bruhwiler, a Southwestern professor). This newspaper demonstrated to the V/E area residents that they had a viable stake in a "community" and that the activities of certain realtors was against not individuals but a whole community.

This was due to the influx of blacks who began moving into the community in 1968. As usual, real estate interests playing on the racial and economic fears of white homeowners used unscrupulous activities called "blockbusting" so as to make enormous profit off of the newly sold homes.

Several of the churches in the area saw that this was happening and organized a group which could combat this. VECAA was an outgrowth of this activity.

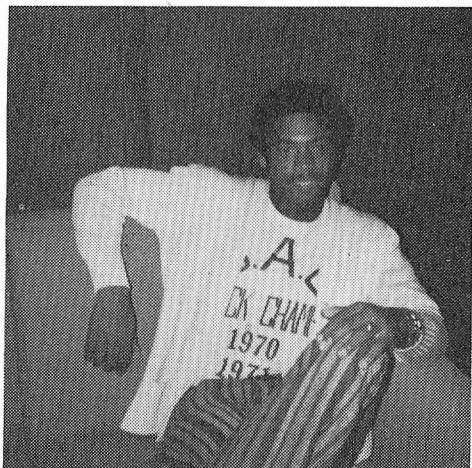
Backed by VECAA the **Evergreen News** began to do battle with blockbusters. The newspaper listed all of the realtors who were using blockbusting techniques and encouraged neighborhood people to not make race the dominant reason for moving if they were planning to move.

Although several realtors tried to continue their tactics and fought VECAA's claims (the organization was threatened with a suit by one exposed realtor), the community held together and is one of the most affluent and stable communities in Memphis.

Also, VECAA is concerned with maintaining excellence in community services such as schools, etc. The group is trying to change the boundaries set for Northside which is 99 percent

black so as to facilitate some integration and to convince both black and white middleclass parents of Northside's value as a school. Although it is technically oriented, it has a general program comparable to other schools in the Memphis System.

Thus, the group is trying to change Northside's image as a poor black school so as to make it attractive to parents of adolescents. Also, it has been legally represented before the school board on this and other school questions which are of interest to the community.



This week's Corned Beef House Personality is Ralph Allen. Ralph, a senior communications arts major from Memphis, is one of the best all-around athletes ever to attend Southwestern, a former dorm president and The Sou'wester's star cartoonist.

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Lynx Crush Colonels, 14-0

Southwestern's intimidating defense mauled Washington and Lee, carrying the Lynx to a 14-0 win last Saturday at home. Tom Jones scampered 74 yards on a punt return and James Kifer streaked 36 yards with a pass interception to account for both of the Lynx touchdowns.

The Lynx offense moved the ball well at times, especially through the air. Mike Hanna completed 13 of 25 for 140 yards, and could have bettered that mark with a couple of breaks. Ralph Allen and Rik Talley both turned in outstanding performances from the wide receiver post.

Even though the Lynx could not put the ball in the end zone, they left W & L with poor field position throughout the game. One drive ended on the five and another on the 17 where a field goal try failed. Andy Chunn got off a couple of outstanding punts leaving the Generals with even worse field position.

At times Washington and Lee badgered the Lynx defense, but when it came to a crucial situation, the Lynx defense rose

to the occasion. With no score in the second quarter, the Lynx held in W & L territory. Tommy Jones fielded the ensuing punt on the run, broke two tackles, then scampered 74 yards behind a wall of blockers. With the conversion, the Lynx led 7-0.

In the third quarter the Lynx put together several sustained drives. With a first and ten on the 11 yard line, the Lynx could not score. Later, Ernie James missed on a 35 yard field goal attempt. While the offense was threatening, the defense was holding.

The final quarter saw time running out on Steve Fluharty and his Generals. With just more than two minutes left in the game, W & L had to go strictly to the air. On a down and out, James Kifer cut in front of the receiver and sprinted 36 yards down the sideline with the interception. Ernie James' extra point was good and the Lynx led 14-0.

The final General drive ended as Ken LeBlanc picked off an errant Fluharty pass and insured the Lynx shutout. It was the Lynx' second shutout of the

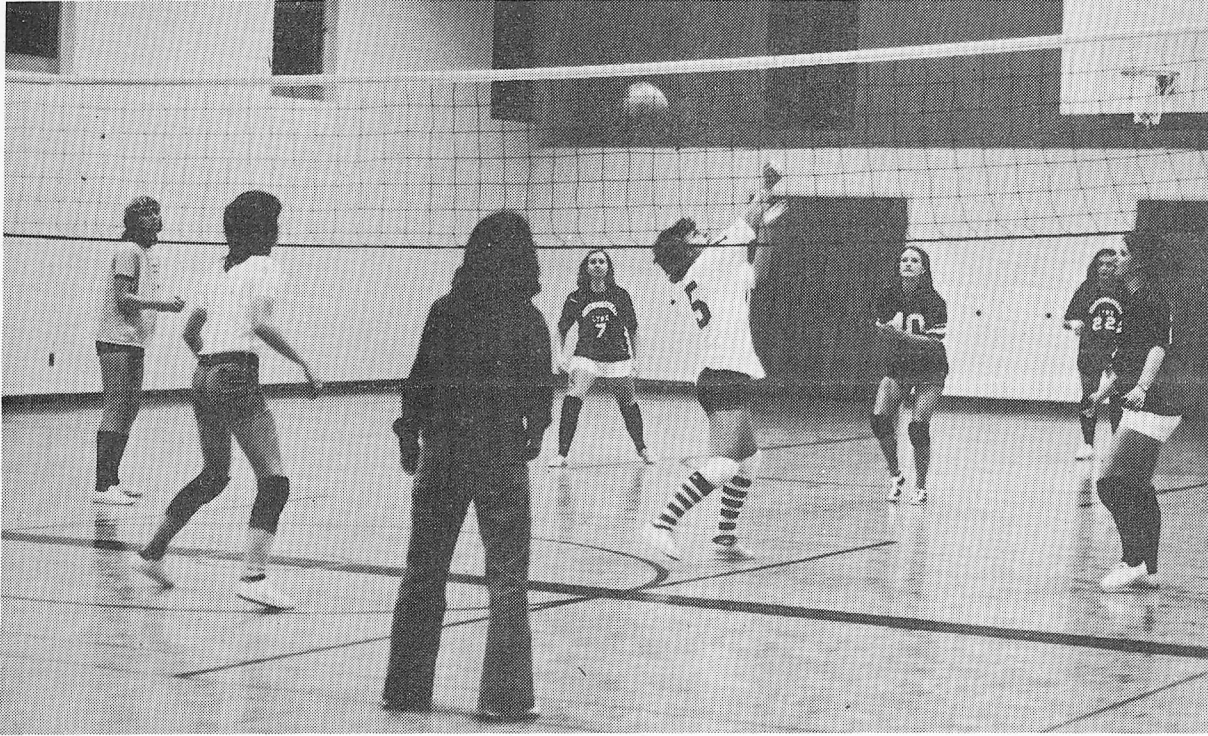
year and the win upped the Lynx record to 4-3. This conference win gave the Lynx a 1-2 mark in the conference, good enough for a three-way tie for second in the CAC.

Next week the Lynx travel to Maryville, Tennessee, where they play Maryville College. A win next week could give the Lynx their third consecutive winning season.

SN2 edged SAE1, 6-5 1/3 in the championship game of intramural flagball. Mike Walden, Andy Pouncy, and Ed Davis all turned in outstanding performances for the Snakes. The E's, loser in a playoff in first round, came back to win second round without a loss. Roger Dew turned in an excellent performance to lead SAE2's into the playoffs. KS and SN1 were the only other two teams to seriously threaten these two teams.



Quarterback Mike Hanno looks for receiver as guard Bob Haugh provides pass protection.



Emily Ruffin and Anne Stepp await Jane Thomas's return during an intramural volleyball game while her freshman teammates — Meny Knott, Julie Allen, Laurel Price, Terry Patterson and Nancy Nolan — look on. Competition in both A and B leagues is well underway. A-league is playing round-robin but B-league, because of the number of teams entered, is playing double-elimination.

Predictions Of The Week

After an 8-2 week, your The Sou'wester sports editors overall percentage right changed to 79.3%. This week they should be:

- Alabama over LSU by 9
 - Arkansas over Rice by 27
 - Nebraska over Iowa St by 18
 - Oklahoma over Missouri by 11
 - Colorado over Kansas by 24
 - Texas Tech over TCU by 11
 - Ohio State over Michigan St by 14
 - Penn St over NC State by 14
 - Ga Tech over Boston College by 23
- Upset of the week:
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