



★ A POEM ★

Deck us all with Boston Charlie  
Walla Walla, Wash., & Kalamazoo?  
Nora's freezing on the trolley,  
Swaller dollar cauliflower, alley-garoo?

Don't we know archaic barrel,  
Lullaby, Lilla-boy, Louisville Lou?  
Trolley Molly don't love Harold,  
Boola boola Pensacoola Hullabaloo?

~ Watt Kelly ~

# Christmas Cards and Other Type Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

For three long years I have been reading this garbage which the editors have the audacity to label "news." Without question, one could obtain more knowledgeable information on the walls of a urinal.

An excellent example was the article entitled "To Be Young, Black, and Busted." For a starter, two of the key words in the heading are completely irrelevant to the situation at hand. What does being young and being black have to do with the price of eggs in China? The law could care less if the dude was 95 and purple, the fact is that he broke the law. Maybe the law is somewhat outdated and nonapplicable, but it is still the law, and like all laws, they are made to be obeyed. Sure, he's in a bad situation, but who is responsible? What was done is illegal and it's Robert's baby.

This is not a personal vendetta against Blacks, dope, or Roberts, but against this paper, which takes up space with an article which condones breaking the law!

Sincerely Disgusted  
To Be White, Anglo-Saxon,  
And Disgusted

Dear Disgust(ing)ed,

For three long months I have read the "garbage" which has been turned into this paper (known technically as "copy," I don't wish to overextend your vocabulary) and tried, accomplished, in many cases, to turn it into news. Within the workings of a newspaper there is a specific type of article called "a human interest story," in which people talk about other people, their joys, disappointments, crises, and other things which are included to stir emotion in the reader, (i.e., sorrow, pleasure, etc.) and may even be said to touch the soul or bring about a certain empathy with this person or persons in question.

It is unfortunate, even a pity, that you are too caught up in the literary (too broad a term, perhaps "journalistic") aspect of this article to see its worth. Admittedly it is simply an insignificant article in a small college newspaper about a nobody black working for a school food service, who happened to get arrested and his future destroyed. Below this (or perhaps above) lies a story of human

worth, whose value you may decide.

As for this paper condoning those who "break the law" you have made almost as broad a statement as when you classified what we print as simply "news" and much more non-specific than our printing of the title "To Be Young, Black, and Busted" which at least was descriptive of the matter at hand. Since you wrote us a letter, apparently ripped off during a boring class (the three mistakes were corrected), I assume you are a student here and are familiar with an American writer named Henry David Thoreau and his views on civil disobedience. If not, you should read it (included in his essays), and if you have, reread it — only this time think.

Our paper is not by any means a perfect mirror of the world, but we can only try to reflect the happenings around campus, Memphis, and the world in general and give the facts as we and our writers see them, be it distorted or not. In a working, alive, viable mind, facts must always lead to a discernment of truth; facts are truth, the mind makes them

what they will. In what is apparently your white, middle class complacency it appears that your mind has stagnated to such an extent that you are unable to discern what is in fact "true" or "false" but only accept the conventional values (the one in question being a law dated back to the '30's) which are at hand and easily identified with.

In conclusion I must refute your claim that we "condone breaking of the law." All we want is to perhaps help point out a few social injustices, and if we come over trite, read **The Commercial Appeal** interior fillers—you'll puké.

Sincerely,

Andy Branham—copy editor  
P.S. You'll find my name in the staff box. Yours was not signed, which was probably a good idea.

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Dear Editor:

Teaching people how to combat crime can be training lessons for the would-be criminal. Maybe it would be better to remind them of all the disadvantages of being in jail and of all the things they would be missing.

William R. Sullivan

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Dear Editor:

I would like to respond to the 20 or so **Sou'wester** clippings in the Suggestion Box prompted by the article on the campus parking situation, which is not quite as grim as she would lead us to believe. The gym parking lot stands virtually empty at all times, and with demands upon the College's financial resources so pressing as to have resulted in departmental cutbacks, inadequate salaries, and the postponement of much needed renovations of the Refectory and older dorms, it would appear an unwise irresponsible use of funds

to build another parking lot. The most frequent complaint of using the gym area is that it is too far to walk, but I should much rather have that complaint than the ones of "no trees" or irresponsibility toward the College's educational goals.

There are alternatives to the **status quo** to which I would appreciate reactions and/or additions. (1) All lots could be zoned and selected at registration with the first choice going to seniors, juniors, sophomores, and then freshmen. Zoning might be on a 24 hour basis or perhaps enforced between 7:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M., when the crush is greatest. The gym parking lot would be one of the zoned lots.

(2) Certain lots could be zoned for town students, others for resident students between the 7:30 and 5:00 limits. If the gym lot were designated "Town Parking," those lots nearest the dorms would be left for residents; this arrangement would answer some of the security problems of leaving one's car in the lighted, but more isolated, gym lot and getting back to one's dorm at night. I see no reason to extend the zoning into the evening when parking is more readily available.

(3) Parking areas could be assigned a fee with the more convenient ones costing significantly more for a permit than others.

These are only a few suggestions and there may be more. It should be realized though that a new parking lot is not an option given the financial and ecological costs and the existing, but often forgotten, gym parking.

Thank you and please let me have your reactions to these and other means of allocating the available space.

Sincerely,  
Susan Smith  
Business Manager

## Academic Aspects Of AFROTC Reviewed

by Leslie Copeland

Information concerning the introduction of Air Force ROTC at Southwestern was presented Tuesday at the first of two open meetings of the Curriculum Standards and Standing Committees. Major Dawson and Captain Carol Habgood, two AFROTC instructors from Memphis State University, spoke for over an hour and answered questions concerning the program.

Committee chairperson Jack Russell warned those present that the purpose of the meeting was "to elicit information" and not to debate the matter. "Informal debate" will be allowed at the second open meeting which is scheduled for early January, Russell stated. In addition to the ROTC presentation, the heads of the economics, international studies, and political studies departments gave their evaluation of the course material as it was related (or not) to their department. Dr. William Daniels portrayed a survey of schools ranking academically above Southwestern as a "kaleidoscope" with some schools having ROTC, some not having ROTC, and some having dropped ROTC within the last three years.

Russell stated after the meeting that no investigation had been made of why a number of those schools surveyed had dropped the ROTC program during the last three years. He added that no such investigation is being planned before the next meeting.

The AFROTC program can extend either over two or four years. In the four year program, the freshmen and sophomores take courses that concern "organization, missions and doctrines" of the military, and a "thorough analysis of the history of air power," Dawson said. At MSU these ROTC courses earn one hour's credit per term and exempt the student from the Physical Education requirements. During these first two years the student is "under no obligation" to continue the program or join the Air Force, Habgood stated.

If preferred, the student may take the introductory courses during a six week "field exercise" the summer before the junior year, Dawson said. A four week course is required of the regular four year people. The six week course earns 6 hours of credit and the four week course earns 4 credits.

Both introductory programs make the students eligible for application for the last two years of AFROTC. The applicant must pass the Air Force Officer qualifying test, a medical exam, an interview and receive a recommendation from his instructor of aerospace studies, Dawson explained.

The third and fourth ROTC student is contracted with the Air Force. The contract provides that upon graduation, the student will be commissioned a second lieutenant and is obligated to serve in the Air Force for four years of active duty, or for six years if he becomes a flyer, Dawson said. The student receives \$100 monthly allowance. Several scholarships covering tuition, room, board and other expenses are also available.

The contract is automatically broken if the ROTC student fails a course, Dawson said. However, Captain Habgood added that if it is evident that a person is "deliberately trying to get out of it," he will be required to serve his active duty time as an enlisted man.

ROTC courses are open to non-contracted students also. The pursuing student may take the first two year courses for college credit without obligation to the ROTC. A "special student" is one who takes the advanced ROTC courses without signing a contract and without abiding by the dress code, Captain Habgood said.

The ROTC student is usually a science major or interested in some technical area, said Dawson. "Traditionally, 5% come from the Humanities," he estimated.

The amount of credit Dawson mentioned is that accepted by MSU. Some institutions that have ROTC do not give credit

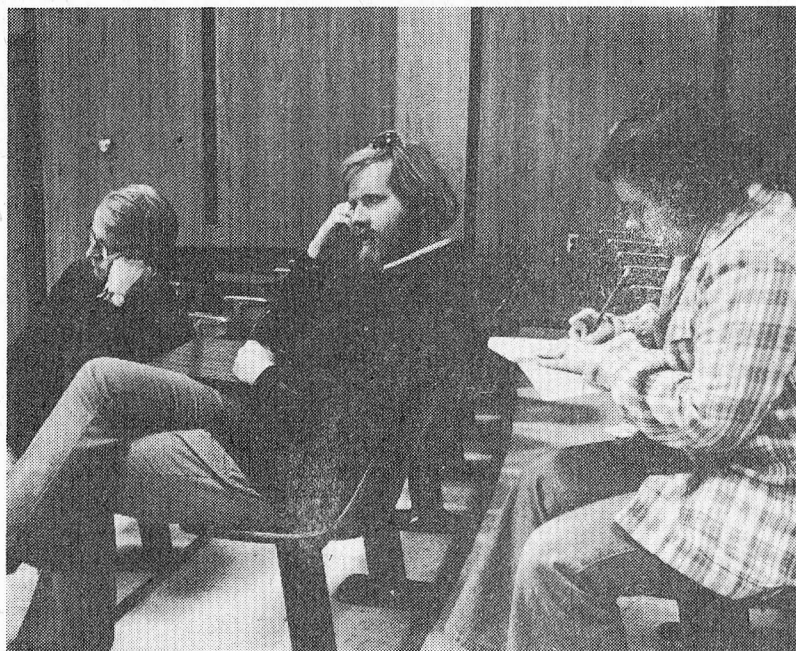
for the courses. However, Dawson said, "It is important for the college to give credit because it shows how the university thinks they are important and have value." He said that the Air Force would negotiate with Southwestern on the matter.

Courses must be published in the college catalogue, he said, but the college would have some editorial power.

Dawson opened his presentation with the general philosophy of the ROTC program. The purpose of AFROTC is to "find, identify, and select commissioned officers," he said. The reason the Air Force solicits from colleges and universities is to get "a high grade of students who are acquiring technical and managerial skills," he added.

The ROTC is interested in Southwestern "because of the value orientations of your more liberal outlook diffused in the officer core" in order to "have a cross section of society." Such a cross section requires "educated officers and part of an educated officer deals with the humanities."

In the second phase of the Curriculum Committee meeting George Harmon evaluated the courses he reviewed as "quite respectable, academically equal to many courses at Southwestern" and "not Mickey Mouse stuff at all." Harmon, head of the Economics department, said he would accept the courses on administration, management and leadership as electives, but not as courses required for a major in his department. Dr. David Likes, head of the International Studies department, complimented the material but also suggested that the courses be accepted only as electives. The Political Science Department said in a written statement by Dr. Wilmer Sweetser, Chairman, that no AFROTC course "could be added to the Political Science curriculum without a reorientation of departmental objectives beyond the recognized format in a college of liberal arts and sciences."



Deans, professors, and students gathered Tuesday afternoon to hear the AFROTC presentation.

This week's holiday harpies:

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Thomas Nast's protegees: Jed Jackson and Deb Martin.  
Special Thanks to Larry Rice.

# The Christmas Story

Christmas is probably the most popular holiday of the church year. Few modern celebrators, however, are aware of the history, or the richness and diversity of tradition which has gone into making this modern holiday.

Christmas observances are attended with secular customs which are drawn from sources predating and conflicting with Christianity. Both Christmas and Epiphany, which falls on January 6, are transformed celebrations of the winter solstice. Christmas on December 25 is

first known to have been celebrated in Rome in the second quarter of the 4th century. December 25 had been the date of a Roman festival, chosen in A.D. 274 by the emperor Aurelian as the birthday of the unconquered sun, which at the winter solstice begins again to show an increase of light.

At some point before A.D. 336 the church at Rome established the commemoration of the birthday of Christ at this same date.

Gnostics in Egypt celebrated Jan. 6 as both the day of

Christ's birth, and the day of his baptism until the 4th century A.D. All through the Eastern Roman Empire, with its capital at Constantinople, there was great opposition to changing from Jan. 6 to Dec. 25 for celebrating Christmas.

Constantinople and Antioch came to celebrate Christmas around the mid-4th century A.D. in Jerusalem. It was not until the 6th century that the Nativity was detached from Jan. 6 and celebrated on Dec. 25. In the Armenian church Christmas is still celebrated on Jan. 6.

The traditional customs connected with Christmas have been derived from several sources.

In the Roman world Saturnalia (Dec. 17-24) was a time of merrymaking and exchange of presents. The Roman celebration of the birthday of the Sun (Dec. 25) was observed by the decoration of houses with greenery and lights and by the giving of presents to children and the poor.

Upon the movement of Christianity into Western Europe, Germano-Celtic yule rites influenced the celebration of Christmas. Special food and good fellowship, the Yule log and Yule cakes, greenery and fir trees, wassailing gifts and greetings, all were yuletide traditions which came to be incorporated in the celebration of Christmas.

Fires and lights, symbols of warmth and lasting life, have always been associated with the winter festival, both pagan and Christian. Evergreens, as symbols of survival, were worshipped by Western Europeans long before their use was incorporated into the celebration of Christmas.

Harvard theologian Harvey Cox has said that during festive times, men are able to express their joy in life in the deepest sense. At such times, we are able to affirm life and gaiety despite the facts of failure and death.

As one can see by looking at the traditions which have become incorporated in our impending holiday, the time of Christmas has through many ages and many different cultures been a time of merry-making, happiness, sympathy for one's fellowman, thankfulness for life, and hope for the future.

## Fred Hay

# The "Newgrass" — Still Green

Red, White, and Blue(grass) is a group of young country/bluegrass/folk musicians from central Alabama. The group is one of the new stock of bluegrass bands, termed "Newgrass" or commercial bluegrass.

"Newgrass," as defined by the Red, White, and Blue(grass) band, constitutes different chord structures, some lyric rearrangement, and the use of instruments at times that are not ordinarily associated with traditional bluegrass, like strings and electric bass.

All of the above assertions on the nature of "Newgrass" are valid, excepting the presence of more complex vocal harmonies. The vocal harmonies of the Bill Monroe band, Flatt and Scruggs, and the Stanley brothers, have never been equalled in the postwar, country and western and bluegrass vein. The more contemporary vocal har-



Christmas dinner ala SAGA. Fill the cup and don't say when.

## THE SECOND COMING

Turning and turning in the widening gyre  
The falcon cannot hear the falconer;  
Things fall apart; the centre cannot hold;  
Mere anarchy is loosed upon the world,  
The blood-dimmed tide is loosed, and everywhere  
The ceremony of innocence is drowned;  
The best lack all conviction, while the worst  
Are full of passionate intensity.

Surely some revelation is at hand;  
Surely the Second Coming is at hand.  
When a vast image out of *Spiritus Mundi*  
Troubles my sight: somewhere in the sands of the desert  
A shape with lion body and the head of a man,  
A gaze blank and pitiless as the sun,  
Is moving its slow thighs, while all about it  
Reel shadows of the indignant desert birds.  
The darkness drops again; but now I know  
That twenty centuries of stony sleep  
Were vexed to nightmare by a rocking cradle,  
And what rough beast, its hour come round at last,  
Slouches towards Bethlehem to be born?

W. B. Yeats



Jane Richardson fills the room with the sounds of music during the Christmas concert held Wednesday in the refectory.

## Lair Snags Munchers

The plague of the ten o'clock munchies presents a recurring problem for Southwestern students. SAGA is offering a cheap cure, as well as an aid to the energy crisis: the Lynx Lair is now open Monday through Friday from 8 AM to 11:30 PM.

According to Bill McCurdy, one of the regular workers behind the counter, the Lair only grossed eight to ten dollars a night when it closed at 7:30 PM. Now, it averages about 55 dollars a night, with about a hundred people enjoying the generous portions and cheap prices during the new hours. Bob Emory, a SAGA employee, stated that they are more or less breaking even.

McCurdy added, "My assessment is that the new hours are a good service to Southwestern. It would help if everybody would clean off their tables."

Occasionally the food supply runs low, but the creative cooks have improvised by giving out hot apple cider and patty melts on toast (i.e. "a cheeseburger that doesn't melt because it doesn't have any cheese on it"). The kitchen squad includes McCurdy, Steve Berger, Mike Godwin, and Paula Taylor.

McCurdy reported that sometime in the future, the Lair is going to have beer and maybe a game night once a week.

From a random survey of approximately twenty-five customers, predominantly male, present Monday night at 10 PM, *The Sou'wester* received overwhelming positive response about the new hours.

"I'm all for it," said Mary

Ann Bradley. The group sitting in the back cried, "We love it."

Economy and convenience seem to be the two biggest drawing cards for the Lair.

"It's handy and it makes you feel less guilty when you take a study break," remarked Curt Baldwin. "What it lacks for quality it makes up in convenience," Bruce Martin philosophically mused. Scott Sutherland added that he doesn't go out anymore because "it's too convenient." On the average, the students polled frequent the joint two or three nights a week.

On economy, Larry Adams, a Southwestern graduate and a WLYX personality, claimed the Lynx Lair has "one of the cheapest cheeseburgers plates in town." (A mere 65c for a cheeseburger and french fries.) Curt Baldwin commented that the reasonable prices allow the student "to keep his pocketbook in shape."

In spite of the general good feelings about the hours, several students indicated a need for some improvements in food service. The service table, which furnishes the ketchup, mayonnaise, mustard, and free running salt, received most of the criticism. Mark Janson indicated a need for plastic forks and individual packets of mustard and ketchup to cut down on usage and prevent spoilage. Laura Watson, a regular at the Lair, said her only complaint was with the greasy grilled cheese sandwiches. And, of course, many cried, "Beer, beer, beer."

Linton Weeks had no comment.

Rhys Scholes

# Peoples Hall—Phact or Phantasy?

The nose of the Bob-O-Plane juts over the banister in the midst of the main entrance. Above it, on the wall a sign bids you "Welcome to the Peoples Phantasy Phactory." The phenomenon is known as Peoples Hall. It features a variety of humorous, educational, and inspirational displays. The collection is located in the interconnecting third floor corridors of Southwestern's White and Ellett men's dormitories.

Many of the exhibits have a distinctly political flavor. The removal of Richard Nixon from the presidency and the liberation of marijuana are recurring themes in the hall. Posters promoting coming events, (most of which have long since come and gone) make up another large segment of the display. The quantity of photographs in the hall is evidence of the many photographers who live there.

The origin of the term "Peoples Hall" is shrouded in uncertainty. Larry Rice, hall resident, SGA Welfare Commissioner and veteran advocate of liberal causes, suggested that the name was an attempt to link the hall with "various people's movements." He went on to observe that the name had a "buoyant happy sound" and that it was "one of those spontaneous things that just happen." We asked Rice to comment on the

"Jesus Christ Superstar" sign which has recently appeared in the Hall just over his door. He said, "I didn't put the sign there; perhaps it is a final testament to an old activist in his dying days."

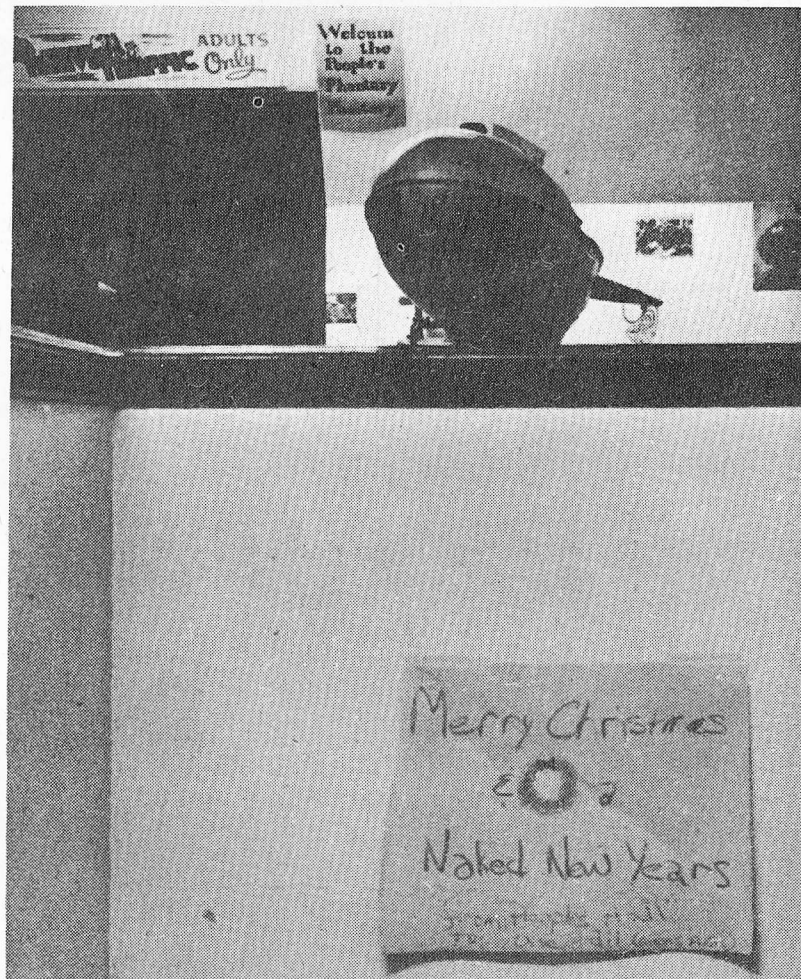
The motivation behind Peoples Hall is a subject of some disagreement among its residents and curators. Rice theorized that people had placed material in the hall because "they didn't want to put all the shit in their rooms." John "Furry" Lewis, another Hall resident and a co-proprietor of Radio Free Roophball took a contrary view — "the people decided to stop being selfish and express themselves." John McMillin, *Ginger* editor, and creator of the Bob-O-Plane suggested another reason for the creative outpouring. He attributed it to an "urge for non-utilitarian embellishment of one's domicile to reflect one's public and private obsessions."

The Bob-O-Plane is currently the only venture into 3 dimensional art in the Hall. The plane, a large sculpture done in a pseudo-technological style, may be a link with the never-existing, now defunct non-organization — Bob Elfirt. The two dimensional art is quite extensive. The dominant media consists of clippings from newspapers and magazines arranged on the walls in clever ar-

tistic juxtaposition.

There was more disagreement on the subject of the future of Peoples Hall and the possibility that the concept will spread across the campus. Rice expressed his opinion that it is the "last of a dying generation," as he termed it a sort of "dinosaur iconoclast." Furry Lewis expressed his hopes that the spirit of "brotherhood" expressed in the Hall might extend further. He cited the first floor of Bellingrath Hall, where a project similar to Peoples Hall is underway. Lewis added however, that the Bellingrath women's heavy reliance on commercially produced posters has caused their effort to be known in some circles as Bourgeoisie Hall. John McMillin took a middle road in expressing his expectations for the Hall when he forecast, "progress and decadence in equal measure."

In any event, there was one question that everyone seemed to agree on. When asked who was ultimately responsible for the project, the unanimous answer was, "The People."



People's Hall: a "non-utilitarian embellishment of one's domicile to reflect one's public and private obsessions" or something like that.

## Women's Chorale Wins Praise

by Brad Copeland

The Southwestern Women's Chorale brought an end to their 1973 season last Sunday evening

with the performance of Benjamin Britten's "A Ceremony of Carols." The work was presented with a great deal of poise and musical maturity, and was a singular achievement for the young group, organized just last year by Director Tony Lee Garner. Junior Elizabeth Cobb accompanied the work on the harp, and proved herself a very fine musician as well.

Soloists for the Christmas piece were Ms. Paula Block, alto, and Ms. Margaret Robinson, soprano, both of whom added much to the overall effect of the piece. Prof. Garner deserves warm congratulations for bringing the chorale so far along in so short a time. The "Ceremony of Carols" was both energetic and reverent, a combination which made the evening more than just a concert.

The Southwestern Singers will present Francis Poulenc's "Mass in C Major" at Evergreen Presbyterian Church this Sunday evening at 7 PM. The Mass, an ambitious undertaking for the Singers, who presented two major works just one month ago, is a difficult work to perform, but most powerful in its effect. The Southwestern community is cordially invited to attend what promises to be another notable evening of choral music.

The works presently on display in the Clough-Hanson gallery are something of a departure from the paintings and drawings which Sturm has exhibited in the past. These new pieces, which will be on display through December 9th, were done with a combination of metal, glass, and enamel, a mixture of materials which Sturm says, "Is unique with me as far as I know." The form of these works reflects the biologist in the artist. Sturm says that she has "been very definitely influenced" by things she has viewed through a microscope over the years. Works done in charcoal, Sturm's favorite material, are also included in the exhibition.

Sturm has been a teacher at the Memphis Academy of Arts for more than twenty years. She feels that "teaching is a necessity" because "art is learned process." She adds, however, that "sometimes I am restricted by the system."

Sturm has also continued to work in the field of biology throughout her life and has had writings published in biological journals. She is currently employed by Abbot Laboratories where she does work with blood cells.

Sturm admits that there were times in her life when she was torn between art and biology, but now she says "I feel they complement one another." She described her art work as an attempt "to push the synthesis of all the things I've done a little further."

"I only have a few years left to summarize my life," Sturm says, "and I want to know who I am."

If you want to know who Dorothy Sturm is, visit the Clough-Hanson gallery between now and December 9.

The following are this fall's KA pledges: David Frensky, Bill Gooch, John McDonald, Carter Rogers, Phil Starling, Bill Van-Cleaze. Due to a technical error and human malfunctioning, these names were omitted from the previous Greek list.

## Ma Decks The Hall

Dear Ma,  
Isn't it interesting that Lake Titicaca has nothing to do with tits or caca?

Scatological Sam  
Dear Sam,  
No. So Scat.

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Dear Ma Frickertt,  
What is the difference between a man who has been to Niagara Falls, a man who hasn't, and a side of bacon?

Concerned Sophomore  
Dear Cerned Soph,  
A man who has been to Niagara Falls has seen the mist. A man who hasn't has missed the scene.

\* \* \*  
Dear Ma,  
What about the bacon?  
Dear Soph,  
That's for you to bite on.

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Dear Ma Frickertt,  
When is a hat not a hat? Please answer quickly, I have a problem with a head.

Frosh Tart  
Dear Frosh,  
When it becomes a girl. Now, stop hanging around strange johns.

\* \* \*  
Dear Ma,  
My philosophy professor says that if I want to make an A instead of a B, I'll have to, well, come across. He says this will show I have real love of knowledge, or knowledge of love, or something like that. What should I do?

Mary Worth  
Dear Ms. Worth,  
When you find yourself in times of trouble, let Mother Frickertt come to thee, whispering words of wisdom: take a B, take a B.

Love for now,  
Ma



## Dorothy Sturm: Artist, Biologist, Teacher

The Clough-Hanson Art gallery on the west side of Clough Hall is currently featuring the works of a biologist.

No, the biology department has not taken over Clough Hall. It just so happens that the biologist in question is also a very fine artist. She is Dorothy Sturm, art teacher at the Memphis Academy of Arts and biologist for Abbot Laboratories.

Sturm's interest in art began long before her talents in biology had an opportunity to develop. "I remember as a very tiny child I was spanked repeatedly for unravling anything that was colorful," she said. Sturm

was born in Memphis and also received her first art training here at James Lee Academy. She has also resided in Colorado and Texas. Most of her life, however, has been spent in Memphis and New York City where she earned a BS in biology from Columbia University. As for home, Sturm says, "I don't call any place home."

Sturm's works have enjoyed extensive showings in both this country and Europe. She has the honor of having had one of her drawings purchased by the Museum of Modern Art in New York. She also has a work at Brooks Art gallery.

### Food For Thought

## Burrow: Hot Bed Of Liberals?

by Tom Kibby

Have you ever wondered how the terms "right" and "left" came to mean two sides of the political fence? After much investigation, your *Sou'wester* is pleased to announce the answer lies right here in Catherine Burrow Refectory: the "rights" and the "lefts" associate to a striking degree on their separate sides at meals.

The research was in the form of a survey taken at Saturday dinner and was the term project of Tommy Sims, Lynn Langdon, and Lauri Marlowe for Educational Psychology. Having noticed this social phenomenon, they set out to see if there was any tangible evidence to prove what we've suspected all along. The questions were of a general nature asking mainly about habits, consistency, reasons and most of all a rating by the subject for political views (conservative, middle-of-the-road, liberal) of himself, his side and the other side. Well — of the 160 returned

surveys, it was noted that 80 were sorority or fraternity members, yet of these, less than one-fourth sat on the left side. As for political leanings, the people on the right rated themselves conservative to middle-of-the-road in equal proportions, with few liberals. Those on the left rated themselves middle-of-the-road to liberal, also in equal proportions and with only one self-rated conservative. As for rating the sides as a whole, both sides considered the right side slightly more moderate than conservative (three to two). The left, however, viewed its own side as more liberal than each left individual viewed himself (four to one, liberal), yet the right side wrote off the left as liberal, eight to one.

If this is not sufficient evidence of a dichotomy, then this may convince you: of all those surveyed, most would go to the other line if their usual one is crowded, but the majority would not sit there.

Faculty Corner

# Energy Crisis Centers On Supply And Demand

by Mark McMahon and Chuck Orvis

The United States is presently experiencing a shortage of energy which is likely to get worse as winter comes in earnest. The problem is one of "supply and demand." At present prices, the amount of energy (in the form of gasoline, fuel oil, etc.) supplied is less than the amount of energy that consumers would like to buy, and that their incomes would enable them to buy, if the supply were available.

The market system is quite capable of handling such a problem. If a shortage exists, the price in a competitive market will rise enough to choke off some of the demand by less desirous and/or less prosperous consumers. In the market for an essential commodity like energy, however, the market solution may require a large increase in price. To the extent that this increase simply cuts down on the consumption of energy in marginal uses producing little satisfaction to the consumer (e.g., the Sunday afternoon pleasure cruise), there is nothing inherently undesirable in this solution. However, the price rise can have a substantial, adverse effect upon those who are least able to afford the increased price. The market system is extremely efficient, but it can also be inequitable (in the everyday sense of the word).

As an alternative to a rising price (all or most of which the government could capture through taxation) "rationing" has been advocated. What is actually meant by "rationing" in this context is governmental determination of who will get how much energy at the artificially low price. A rise in the price, as previously described, will itself serve to "ration" the supply of energy; only those willing and able to pay the higher price will receive the limited supply. Under governmental rationing some criteria other than ability and willingness to pay would presumably be used.

The obvious problem in governmental rationing is what other criteria to use. If we decide to allocate energy according to "need," who determines need and upon what basis? Simple solutions such as, for the case of gasoline, allocating x number of gallons per registered automobile, are usually not considered equitable. Different people "need" different amounts of gasoline. However, more elaborate systems that try to account for commuting distance, occupation, age structure of the family, and any other special requirements are costly to administer, costly (and perhaps, impossible) to enforce, confusing to public, and quite likely to break down. Governmental rationing almost inevitably leads to black markets.

The conclusion is inescapable: governmental rationing is itself likely to be inequitable, it is costly, and it rarely works. To the extent that governmental rationing worked during World War II, its success was largely the result of an appeal to patriotism. Such an appeal today would likely fall upon deaf ears.

What, then can be done? Barring the unlikely prospect of a reversal of U.S. policy in the Middle East (which would only

postpone the day of reckoning), a possible short run solution is one recently advocated by Paul W. McCracken. Dr. McCracken is the gentleman who resigned from the chairmanship of President Nixon's Council of Economic Advisors, reportedly because of his distaste for price controls. In the *Wall Street Journal* of Monday, November 26, Dr. McCracken proposed governmental rationing under which the ration tickets, once distributed, would be sold on an organized, legal market (as opposed to a black market). The advantage of such a scheme would be the assurance of a minimum amount of gasoline to everyone at the going price. At the same time the plan would allow those who want additional gasoline (above the minimum) to purchase additional tickets from other ticket owners at a price agreed upon by both the purchaser and the seller. The outcome would assure that the sacrifice of the seller would be offset by the receipt of the purchase price, and the sacrifice of the buyer would be offset by the satisfaction of

driving a bit more. (The interested reader is urged to examine Dr. McCracken's article.)

It is, of course, quite true that Dr. McCracken's suggestion is not without fault. The most obvious problem is that it bypasses the question of the initial allocation of the ration tickets. We would only add that the allocation rule must be simple and straightforward with reliance upon the redistribution of its tickets through their purchase and sale to allocate the "extra" tickets according to most urgent need.

The long run solution will be much more complicated. In the long run, through a combination of policies designed to affect both the supply of and the demand for energy, we need to bring our current standard of living into line with our desire for a high standard of living for our children. To the extent that we decide to try to insure the future of the children of all nations, this may require a significant reduction in our current level of consumption.

But that's another story.

## Term II To Bring Masters, Ellsburg

Next term promises to offer a wide variety of speakers for the Southwestern community. Dilemma has announced the following lecturers: Daniel Ellsberg—of the Pentagon Papers; William Rusher — an editor of *National Review*; and Andrew Young — a black congressman from Atlanta. Other speakers are still to be announced.

W. H. Masters, co-author of *Human Sexual Response*, is being contacted by the Welfare Commission and the Women's Group in hopes of featuring him

during a "Human Sexuality" program to be held in January. Final verification from Masters has not been received but commissioner Larry Rice and women's activist Jenny Hackemeyer are confident that final negotiations will be successful.

First term did have some highlights. Most notably, the Student Center Executive Board unanimously issued a statement opposing ROTC on campus. In part, the statement read that "we believe the efforts of the US military is in

direct contradiction with Southwestern's view of man. Created in the image of God, man's purpose is to understand, not to act willfully; to create, not to destroy; and to love, not to kill." This statement was submitted to the Educational Development Committee (EDC) which was considering the philosophy of ROTC. The EDC turned down the ROTC proposal. However, the academic value of the ROTC courses is still being examined by the Curriculum Committee. (See related article, page Turtledoves.)

A Women's Group was organized first term by Jenny Hackemeyer. The group has formed Consciousness Raising Groups and is co-sponsoring the aforementioned "Human Sexuality" program. The group took a survey on infirmity services and plans to release their findings early next term.

The Welfare Commission failed in its attempt to get a Birth Control Clinic on campus but managed to get "Playboy" in the library, summarized Commissioner Rice.

Plans to convert the razed Art Shack into a playground were rejected, according to Athletic Commissioner Jeff Perkins. An alternative of landscaping the area is being considered by the Buildings and Ground Committee. The commission is not giving any funding to the soccer team or to the women's varsity sports but will consider their requests under next year's budget if need is presented in the spring.

The SRC has revised its constitution and will submit these revisions to a student referendum early next term. A co-ed dorm survey has been taken but the findings have not yet been assessed. The SRC proposal to relinquish its jurisdiction over alcoholic consumption in areas where athletic events take place was rejected by the administration's "management team."

Course evaluations from last year have been put on reserve

in the library, courtesy of the hard working Education Commission. Led by Wendy Ashcroft, they have started a library featuring education magazines.

Credit for editors? That's the hope of Publications Commissioner Wilda Dodson who is writing to other campuses to survey what kind of and how much academic credit is given to editors. (Ed. note: Southwestern has long been infamous for its overworked, underpaid editors who at present receive no academic credit.) *Faces* and the *Student Directory* are at the printers but won't be ready for distribution until after Christmas.

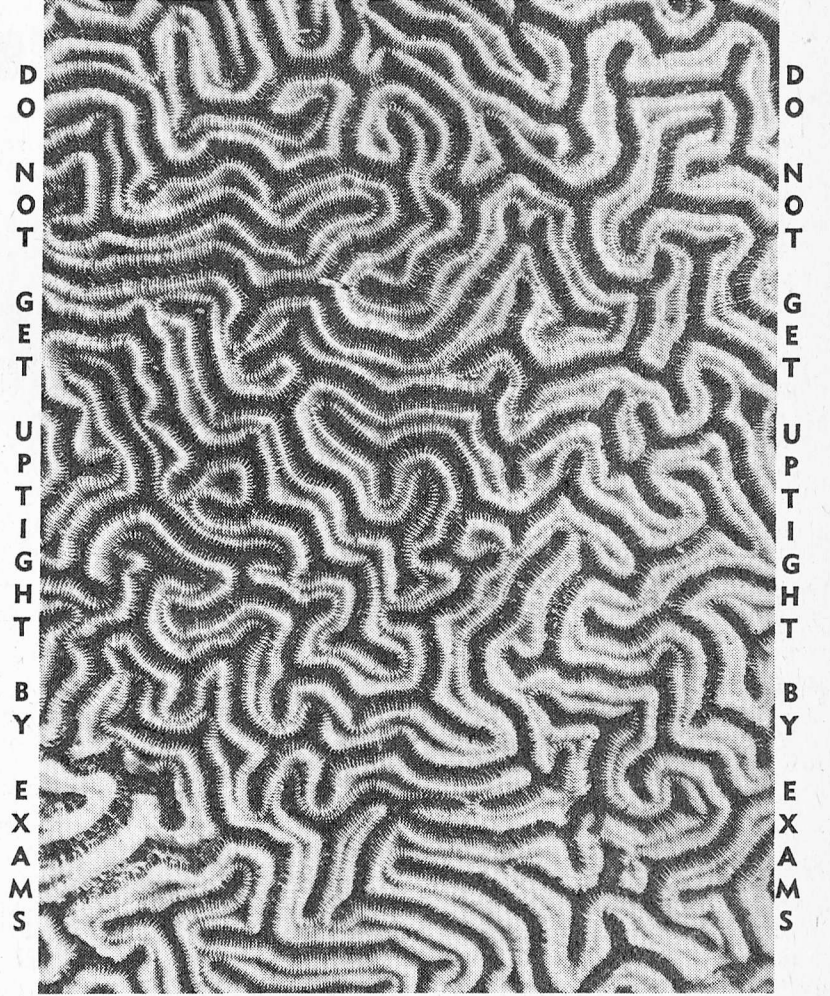
The Religious Commission, guided by Ann Richardson, has been sponsoring a series of weekly convocations. These were concluded Wednesday with President Daughdrill's Christmas convocation. Due to a lack of student support, the "busing" program to churches on Sunday mornings will be discontinued next term.

A "Flash Gordon" series will be presented along with other movies next term on Wednesdays by the Social Commission. Four more Common Houses are also slated.

Bruce Allbright, Student Center Director, stated that the center was unable to accomplish as much as they wished because of "conflicting schedules with the sororities and fraternities, and general GDI apathy." There have been a number of successful free beer busts.

The question of selection of student representation on faculty committees still remains unresolved, according to SGA president Steve Sharpe. In reviewing first term, he stated, that "There have been some exceptionally active commissions, but I would like to see more people interested and active in the commissions."

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## SW at Nashville UN

Although Model UN sessions are nothing new to college or even high school students, Southwestern's appearance at the session in Nashville during the weekend of November 15-17 proved to be stimulating as well as quite exciting in lieu of today's world situation as a whole.

Southwestern was represented by two delegations: the United States delegation and the Brazil delegation. Other schools represented included Princeton, West Point, Georgetown, John Hopkin's Institute of Advanced International Studies, and the University of Pennsylvania. The nine members of the Southwestern delegation participated in block meetings in which delegations of countries with common interests meet and work out proposals. These proposals are presented as resolutions to three committees—the General Assembly, the Security Council, and the Economics and Social Council where they are debated, amended and passed or rejected.

Delegates often worked until the early hours of the morning, but there was also play—parties every night with a Mondo bash on the last night.

The major issues of this model UN were Rhodesia, Korea, Panama International Terrorism, the admission of new states, and nuclear disarmament.

The head of the Southwestern

delegation, Vicki Landon, said that the model UN involved a lot of preparation including practice debates and studying of current issues.

No prizes were awarded at this particular model UN but Landon said that the general consensus had Southwestern as one of the top delegations present. Southwestern consistently ranks among the top 5% of schools at the model UN's that they attend.

Southwestern also plans to send delegates to model UN's at the University of Oklahoma February 6-9, the Deep South UN at Mobile, Alabama during the first week of April, to the Mid-West model UN at St. Louis on February 27, and hopefully, a select delegation to the national model UN at Harvard University early in the third term. The national model UN is attended by invitation only, and Southwestern has received an invitation.

Because Southwestern's delegation receives no school fees, they are holding a raffle to raise money for coming trips. Two cases of Coors beer and a case of mixed liquors will be raffled off Monday in the refectory, and tickets can be bought from any delegation member or through the International Studies Department, care of Colonel Likes.

Greg Oldham

# Slowly But Surely . . .

The Town Student Commission is getting it on, comparatively speaking. The long, slow trip of raising town student involvement is finally under way. At the moment we're getting the very minimum of interest and involvement (5 people at the last meeting), but the general feeling is one of building a base to work from.

First, we are getting lockers for town students. I think this is a good start, since a locker will allow cross-campus romping and a suitable place (the Student Center) for socializing. What lockers we get will be in the downstairs hallway of the Student Center, and they will be rented to any town students who want them (or, as the case may be, to as many as can get them). I find that most town students I talk to resent having to rent the lockers, but believe me, the rent is not only reasonable, but we're damn lucky to get the money in the first place, especially on a pay-it-back-as-you-go basis. So we can't really complain, can we? Rent is tentatively set at \$3 for the rest of this year and \$5 for a full year. Pretty cheap, considering the cost of these things. Also, you'll have to get your own lock. Sharing lockers is strongly recommended, espe-

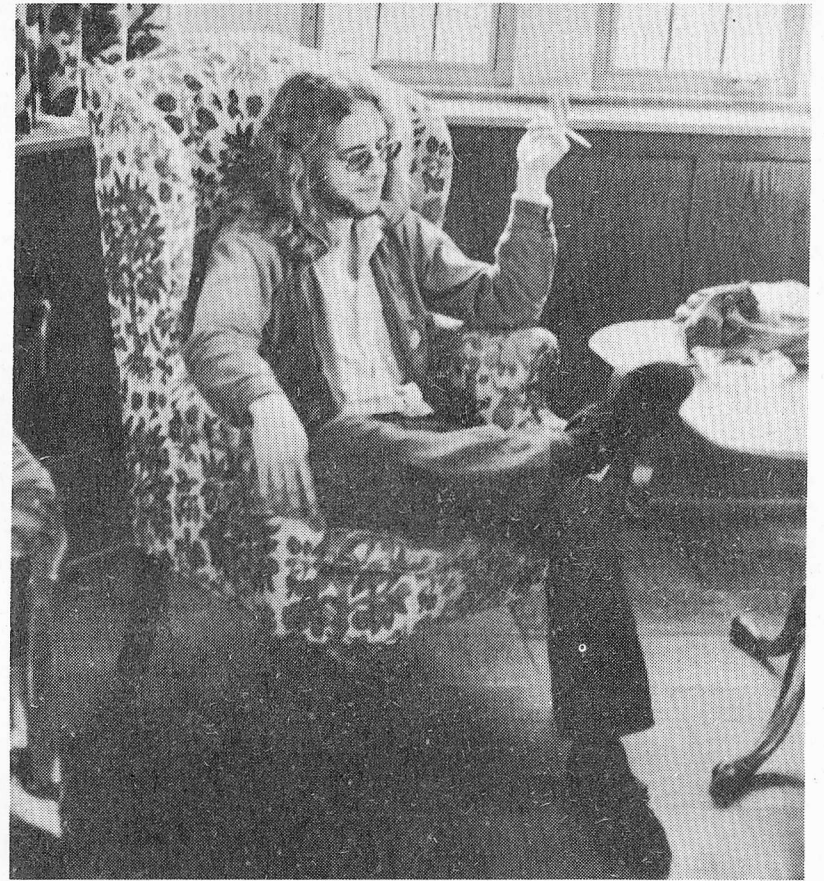
cially since there may not be enough to go around. If the response is good enough—WHICH IT HAD BETTER BE!!

Another thing I'm (I hate that, but I have no help among the town students, friends) trying to do is get campus mail distributed to town students. Oh, yes, friends, if it weren't for Dean Williford none of this would be coming off, y'know? It sure helps to have a friend. I've given up the idea of mailboxes—nobody is willing to do the extra work involved. We're having a little box made instead. This little box will sit on one of the tables in the lobby of the Student Center, beginning at the start of Term II. In this little box I hope to see piles and piles of campus mail. Hear that, campus mailers? Why not run off 50-100 extra copies of your notices and drop them in that little box? You might get a pleasing response from the townies if you'd take the trouble to let them know what's happening. Ignorance may be bliss, but I don't think that applies to a lonely townie who doesn't get involved simply because he has to grub around in wastebaskets to find out about things. That is a rather humiliating thing to have to do, in case you haven't

tried it. Especially when you fall in.

Finally, we're—I'm—trying to get up an apartment directory. It's impossible with no help, and due to bad timing (I continually misjudge Uncle John's Band—I mean, uh, er . . . registration) the best chance is gone. Any volunteers? I can't pull it off at all without help and an apartment directory in the Dean's office would be an immense help to those of us who prefer apartments to those filthy dorms. Really. It can't come off at all without help.

At any rate, if you're at all interested in any of the stuff I'm trying to do, or if you have any suggestions that a \$25 budget can absorb, let me know. My name is Greg Oldham (I think . . . at least sometimes), and I live at 276-6081 and in the Student Center. Find me. Help. Suggest. Rap. I don't care, just SHOW SOMETHING!! Apathy is vegetation. (Rutabaga? ed.)



Town Student Commissioner Greg Oldham pensively smokes and plots future plans for getting it on with his constituents.

## High Cotton Flowers on Dilemma

The Dilemma program has found a friend in Mr. Julien Hohenberg, a leading Memphis cotton merchant.

The steering committee, headed by John Sites and Paula Block, has met with Hohenberg twice to seek advice about raising money. He told the group that a friend on a backpacking trip in North Georgia had informed him about Dilemma's financial problems and that he was upset because some past contributors were hesitant to renew support due to several controversial people who have been invited to speak, including Daniel Ellsberg. Hohenberg espoused his philosophy, with respects to Voltaire, that "I disapprove of what you say, but I will defend to the death your right to say it." He added that Dilemma is involved with essentially two rights: "The right of anyone to speak, and the right of students to make choices without the community controlling it by saying 'No' to money."

After expressing enthusiasm about the program and giving the group some business advice, Hohenberg made a challenge to stimulate more financial response: For every subsequent contribution, he pledged to match it with half the amount. Since he made this challenge

over \$2000 has been raised.

Hohenberg, who is president of Hohenberg Brothers Company, recently returned from a ten-day trip to China as a guest of National Textile, a Chinese import-export corporation based in Peking. He made his first sale to the Chinese in March and wanted to observe Chinese cotton merchandising firsthand. In an interview with *The Commercial Appeal* after his trip, Hohenberg reported that he had

found the Chinese receptive and "easy to negotiate with." (November 18, 1973). An editorial appeared in the newspaper two days after commending Hohenberg's initiative to "take the trouble to study foreign markets on the spot."

Hohenberg has taken the initiative to help Dilemma's financial situation, and even though funds are still needed, it is a positive step in the right direction.



Dan Anderson shoots as Barry Rhodes gets set for the rebound. Despite such leaping efforts, the Lynxcats dropped the first two of the season.

## Lynx Fall to Belhaven, Centre

The fighting Lynxcat Basketball team has begun the young season on a dismal note as they lost their first two games. The opener was against Belhaven with the final score 82-67 in favor of the Clansmen. The Lynx then traveled to Centre College and dropped a 106-74 decision to the Colonels.

The Belhaven game was much closer than the score indicated as the game seesawed for 38 minutes. Then with 2 minutes to go and the score 69-66, the Clansmen outscored Southwestern 13-1 and won the game. The Lynx were led by sophomore transfer Kirk Collins who dropped in 17 points.

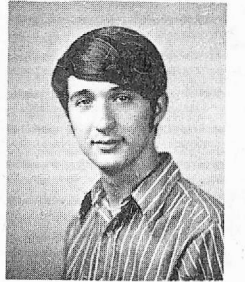
The Colonels had six players in double figures to lead the rout of the Lynx in a College

Athletic Conference game.

The Lynx were led by Dave Hesi with 14 points. Anderson and Collier added 12 points each, and Steve Rast collected 10.

BELHAVEN			SOUTHWESTERN				
G	FT	T	G	FT	T		
E'berger	3	0-0	6	Fields	5	3-4	13
Burton	10	1-2	21	Coley	1	0-2	2
Windham	0	0-0	0	Rast	4	5-7	13
Hampton	2	6-7	10	Meals	0	0-0	0
Cad'head	7	2-2	16	Collier	8	1-1	17
Gunn	10	1-3	21	Anderson	9	2-3	20
Parker	0	0-0	0	Hesi	1	0-0	2
Brady	2	0-0	4	Rhodes	0	0-0	0
Townsend	1	2-2	4				
Totals	35	12-16	82	Totals	28	11-17	67

CENTRE			SOUTHWESTERN				
G	FT	T	G	FT	T		
Pharris	6	4-4	16	Anderson	5	2-8	12
Williams	5	2-3	12	Coley	2	0-0	4
Fowler	3	0-2	6	Collier	5	2-2	12
Bingham	5	1-2	11	Fields	3	2-2	8
Butler	8	0-1	16	Hesi	6	2-3	14
Suth'land	1	4-4	6	Meals	2	2-5	6
Rich'dson	6	0-0	12	Rast	3	4-4	10
Burks	6	0-0	12	Rhodes	1	2-3	4
M. Knight	1	2-2	6	Ross	0	4-5	4
E. Knight	1	3-4	5				
Darnell	1	0-0	2				
Sens'bah	1	0-0	2				
Anderson	0	0-0	0				
Totals	45	16-23	106	Totals	27	20-32	74



This week's Corned Beef House Personality of the Week is Welfare Commissioner George Lawrence Rice III. Larry, as a few intimate friends and roaches call him, is former Ass. Ed. for the Sou'wester, Editor of this year's Student Handbook, King of S.C.R.E.W., and was selected to both ODK and Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities this year. He is noted for his seriousness and dedication, especially when expressing his mandibles on a Hickory Burger.

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