

President Daughdrill fields another question at last week's forum.

Photo by Bobby Reed

Task Force Formed to Revise Alcohol Policy

With the return of 21 as the legal drinking age, Rhodes — like many other colleges and universities — is re-evaluating its policies on alcohol. Some institutions are banning any alcohol consumption on campus at all. Others are ignoring the problem. But the majority are establishing policies that fall somewhere in between.

"Student leaders, student organizations and the administration all face grave liability risks should they choose to ignore under-age and irresponsible drinking," said Tan Hille, dean of students. Courts are coming down hard on those who sell or serve alcohol to someone under 21 or to those obviously intoxicated, holding them responsible when accidents occur, said Dean Hille.

Because of the serious need for a revised drinking policy, President James Daughdrill has established

an Alcohol Task Force of students, faculty and administrators who will meet this spring and recommend a new alcohol policy to go into effect as of fall term, 1987. That committee will make its recommendation to the President by May 20.

The committee will be chaired by Libby Robertson, Ph.D, Rhodes' personal counselor and a person who has done considerable research on the alcohol issue. The student members are Lauren Wellford, David Lusk, Louisa Landwehr, Chris Frazier, Suzanne Mabee, Russell Wigginton, and Mindy Gard. Faculty members Valarie Morris, Randy Martin and Gordon Gilbert will sit on the committee along with Kim Chickney, student activities coordinator.

"Student responsibility and freedom go hand in hand," said Dean Hille. "Our goal is to encourage a

policy that will be both effective and enforceable — one that will give students as much responsibility as possible.

"We want to avoid the administration's having to assume a monitoring role," emphasized Dean Hille. "Furthermore, we want to encourage students' growth in assuming responsibility. That's a critical part of a college education."

Before the late 1960s alcohol was strictly forbidden on campus — the best way, the College reasoned, to comply with the law. Later, when the legal drinking age was lowered from 21 to 18 and the College moved toward greater student self-governance, the alcohol policy was revised to its current state of holding campus groups and individuals responsible for complying with the law as well as with standards of

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President's Forum: Daughdrill Discusses Committees, Enrollment Increase, Comps

By David Monroe

On Wednesday, March 19, Rhodes President Jim Daughdrill held a student forum in Hardie Auditorium to answer general questions about some campus issues and changes that are taking place.

Daughdrill first described some of the work being done by two committees — the 21st-Century Committee and the Project III Committee. The 21st-Century group, made up mostly of young outside leaders connected with the College, has been busy making projections for Rhodes' future according to a "12-year plan" (lasting until the school's 150th anniversary in 1998) and beyond. They have been asked, he said, to "invent Rhodes' future" for the year 2025, dealing with budgetary matters, building

renovations, and other issues.

The Project III committee, Daughdrill said, is working on making the transition to next year's two-term calendar a little easier and some of the changes clearer. Asked his opinion of the calendar and how smooth the transition would be, he answered, "I really don't know how easy it will be. In fact, I was at first not in favor of the change, but I now like it more simply because it is a change. I don't think one calendar is necessarily better than the other." He conceded that there would be some uncertainty as degree and major requirements are changed, but he added that the committees are working to facilitate it.

Responding to a question about the effects of offering fewer courses under the

two-term calendar, he claimed: "I do believe that we can maintain the diversity of a truly liberal-arts school under the semester system. I don't think we need more courses to be diverse; rather, more areas will be covered within the existing courses in the fourteen-week terms." Asked about the opportunities for special trips under the new calendar, he said that another committee is investigating the possibility of split terms in some departments, with part of the semester being spent abroad.

The effects of this year's increased enrollment, such as larger classes and more confused registrations, were also brought up. Pres. Daughdrill said he believes the inconveniences that have appeared have not

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Rhodes Joins Area Colleges For "Carousel of Careers"

By Chris Allen

Combined with Christian Brothers College and LeMoyne-Owen College, Rhodes College will be sponsoring a career fair on April 2 from 6:00-9:30 p.m., which is being hailed as "A Carousel of Careers." The event will be held in de LaSalle Gymnasium on the CBC campus, and will include representatives from approximately thirty companies.

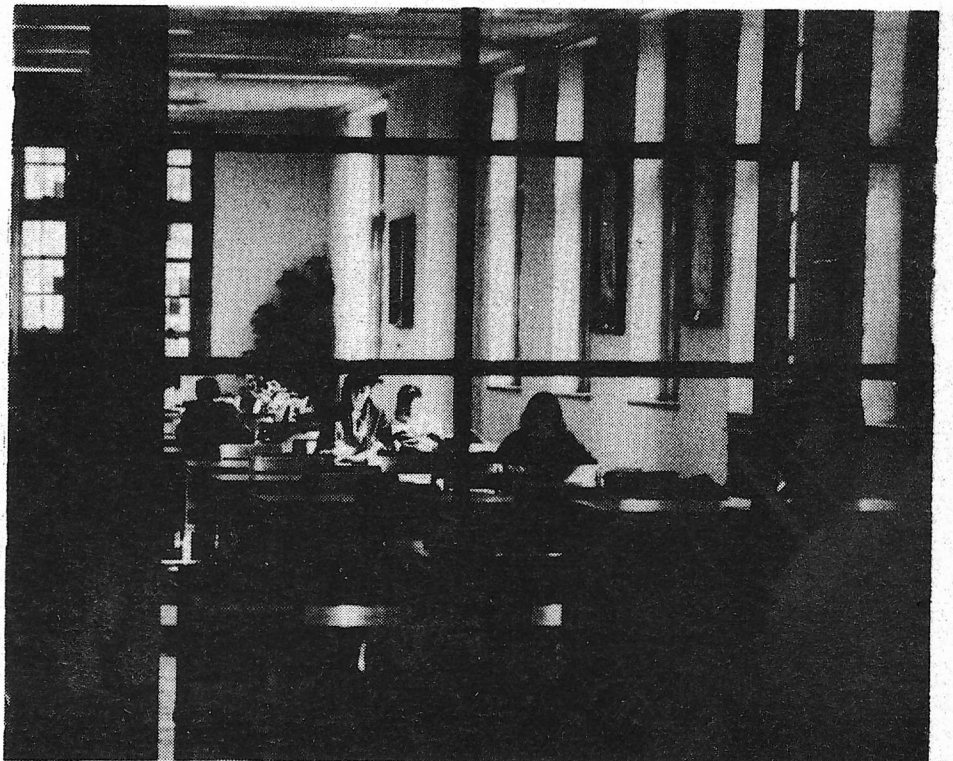
The purpose of the fair is to allow students, not just seniors, to find out about summer and full-time job opportunities. Ostensibly the fair is also an opportunity for students with liberal arts degrees to find out how

to make themselves more marketable and to discover what jobs are available for liberal arts majors. Though there will be no on-the-spot interviews, students are encouraged to bring resumes so that connections can be made. Represented companies will include: Auto Shack, Buckman Laboratories, First American Bank, Holiday Corporation, I.B.M. Corporation, M.C.I., Nestle Foods, and United Parcel Service.

This is the first time that Memphis' three private, liberal arts colleges have worked together to form such an event; the hope is that it will become annual.

Once it becomes obvious how successful it is, connections can be made with a greater number of corporations. The faculty is urged to attend for two reasons. One, companies like to hear faculty input about the type of persons their colleges produce. Second, these meetings can offer valuable connections for providing practical applications for students of class-learned skills.

Transportation is available. Simply contact Tina Fockler in the Placement Center for more information. Reservations for transportation should be made by March 30.



The library reference room, always a popular student abode, grows all the more crowded as end-of-term pressures begin to mount.

Photo by Aaron Kaufman

SGA Corner

BY BETSY HAMILTON
SGA Secretary

Attention students: Elections will held Third Term for students interested in serving on Faculty or Board committees. Petitions will be due April 20. . . more later.

The Career and Counseling Center is putting together a Career Day for students of Rhodes, CBC, LeMoyne Owen College. Look for details soon concerning this event, or check with the Counseling Center located in the top floor of the Student Center.

The newspapers delivered daily to the Security Office are exclusively reserved for SGA dorm representatives to pick up for their respective dorms; please quit swiping the papers if you are not a dorm rep.

Social Commission news: March 28. . . Think as Incas in the Pub. Alas, and alas — Jason and his merry band of Scorchers have canceled out on us. It seems they've been invited to head down under to play for some other bloats. Don't ask me why anyone would pass up a weekend in Memphis for a lousy week in Australia!!! If you have any suggestions, contact Louisa Landwehr, world's most diligent (and patient) Social Commissioner.

Applications will be available next week outside the mailroom for people interested in serving as SGA Secretary for 1987-1988. Please contact Betsy Hamilton (3167) if you are interested in this position.

Editorials

-Alan Harris
My Side

THE LAST HURRAH

My retirement from the world of campus publications drawing ever nearer, I return nostalgically to that night a little over a year ago when I was named Editor of *The Sou'wester*. I was flattered by the honor, excited by the paper's potential, and frightened by the responsibilities it would demand. Not able to study or concentrate, I wandered around the campus and thought about the year lying before me.

Of course, I expected to work — running staff meetings, dreaming up story ideas, enduring the Monday night marathons, and taking trips to the printer.

There would be certain benefits, too — having a whole staff consider me the boss, being a center of attention on campus, putting an impressive title on my resume, and getting to say anything I wanted to (within reason, of course).

But little did I know what else was in store.

When you interview for a job, there are some things they just can't tell you about, or else you'd stay at home. Such things are left to your enlightenment once you've signed your contract.

Here are some things I learned about once that office key was officially mine: incessant phone calls; junk mail; racial scandal; floods in the office; Mondays and Tuesdays filled with everything but study time; circulation directors who leave school; reporters who receive their assignments and then disappear; photographers who cover an entire week's important events without advancing the film in their cameras; people who have never before spoken to me coming up and asking why "and" was misspelled on page 6.

I had to start planning next week's paper before this week's was finished. I knew why I had had that nagging feeling all week when I remembered Monday night I hadn't made that call to get our lead story. While others were earning credit at the pool third term, I was logging in miles on the Poplar corridor. (When the lowest-priced typesetter in town is not really in town but in Collierville, your car can rack up some pretty impressive scores).

And I mastered the first term game of "musical printers." The staff started placing bets not only on who was supposed to print the paper the week in question but also on whether they would really do it.

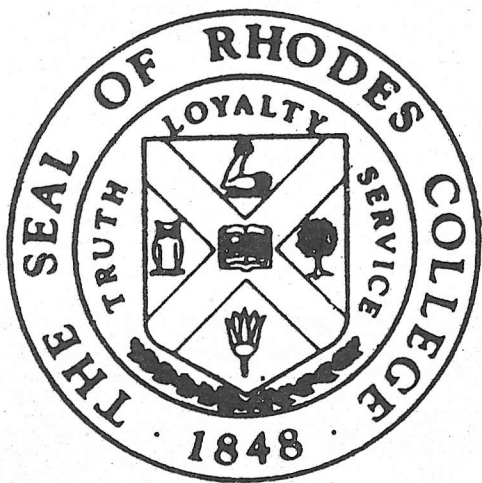
But that wasn't all they didn't tell me about. There were also: hardworking, dedicated staff members; Mr. and Mrs. Hornsby at Hicks Composition Service; administrators who gave advice and support; professors who offered compliments and extended deadlines; friends who answered my phone calls, put off homework for typing, drew last minute cartoons, and brought by Krystals and pub burgers.

I got to poke fun at the bookstore trailer house and the rose garden satellite dish. I met Hal Prince. I walked through the Rat on Thursday nights and saw all heads hidden behind our masthead.

We set out to establish consistency in the newspaper and felt that we achieved it. The work was grueling, the problems continual, the product satisfying, and the benefits beyond measure. This year has been richer than I ever imagined it would be that night. And I thank you all for it.

Now, Chris and I pass the pen to Luke Lampton and Doug Halijan. May their experience be as rewarding as ours has been.

In the meantime, I plan to enjoy my retirement. See you at the pool.



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Voice of Southwestern

—by F. Grant Whittle

State of the Electronic Church, Part Two (The Plot Thickens)

I really didn't intend to write another article about the electronic church, but such a whirlwind of events has enveloped us in the past weeks that I am compelled to take another crack at them.

First, there is the Reverend Oral Roberts who, as you all know, was going to go to his reward if he didn't get the four million or however much it was that he needed. Well, he was over a million dollars short until a dog track owner from Florida with the fear of God in his heart pledged to give dear Oral 1.3 million dollars so he could call it a night. We can't accuse Oral of not knowing his audience. They came through and he, and presumably God, are satisfied. For the time being.

Professor Kamhi and I were discussing the possibilities. What is there to prevent God from deciding that Oral has to raise another four million dollars to build who knows what? I mean, hasn't Oral, by succumbing to this first blackmail attempt, left himself open to more? I figure he might want to change gods before he gets into trouble again. Allah probably doesn't do that sort of thing to his followers, does he?

Well, while Oral Roberts is resting on his laurels in

his relative splendor, Jim and Tammy Bakkar have really been having problems lately. I would not go so far as to say that what we have here is an example of divine justice, but, well I won't even think about it. First Jim and Tammy go on national television to tell the world that poor Tammy has been having trouble with tranquilizers. They talked for nearly an hour on commercial television, and they weren't interrupted by a single commercial. Then someone came on and asked for donations and letters of support for Tammy and Jim in their hour of need. He even promised that five letters would be chosen at random, and those people would be the lucky recipients of an all-expense-paid trip to Heritage USA to welcome Jim and Tammy back to the air. Think of it, you and a friend on national television to greet Jim and Tammy after their great ordeal!

Unfortunately those plans were trashed when Jim up and resigned his position as head of the PTL (Praise the Lord, People that Love, Pass the Loot, take your pick) because of certain indiscretions with prostitutes and a \$115,000 payoff to keep one of his "friends" quiet about it. I suggest that in the future Jim, baby, you pick your

friends more carefully. The stories of his visiting these ladies in a limousine and wearing a blond wig beggar the imagination. Downright weird.

Now Jerry Falwell has taken over the PTL Club, and James Watt (remember him?) sits on the board of directors. What really is strange is that Jerry is a Baptist and Jim is in the Assembly of God, and there are several great rifts between these two churches. How odd. It has been ventured that the PTL was about to be subject to a hostile takeover, and rather than let it fall into the hands of infidels, Jerry Falwell was brought in to save the day. Now he has his own cable network and an amusement park. What can I say? The situation satirizes itself.

Rex Humbard has gotten into the swing of things with what I believe is the most crass gimmick I have seen to date. He has sent out a "prayer mat" to all his followers with the promise that if they pray on this mat and send it back to him with a check for ten dollars, the prayer can come true.

I venture to say that our television ministers have become caricatures of themselves. As long as it sells, it's alright because such are the tides and eddies of the business of religions.

Letters to the Editor

To The Editor:

The contrasting views on the 55 m.p.h. speed limit in the March 12 edition of *The Sou'wester* failed miserably to achieve their goal, which I assume was to provide a thought-provoking debate of the pros and cons of this issue. After learning from the pro 55 m.p.h article that one human life is worth an infinite amount, an argument that would justify the elimination of cars altogether, I searched in vain for the author's second support. All I found was a justification of why the rule should be followed — because it "is a law" — not

why it should be a law in the first place.

The con article enlightened me even less. All I learned from it is that laws such as speed limits are hanged by the president if he's "popular," (what ever happened to checks and balances?), and "freedom loving Americans" exercise their freedom and state their views by breaking laws they don't like. I always thought that our freedom came from our system of representative government, but then again, I'm a "silly left winger."

Besides being poorly written, neither article cited

a source for the statements made about the lives saved or not saved by the 55 m.p.h. law. It is the manner in which these articles were written I object to, not the views presented, as I have not yet formed an opinion on this issue. These articles certainly did not help.

Sara D. Hodges

Dear Editor:

If we have to eat Pizza Joe or Beef Tom Mac again, we will puke.

Sincerely,
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Campus News

Philosophy Club Unites Disciplines

By Ricci Hellman
Have you ever wondered how philosophy relates to biology? If you had attended Dr. Olcese's presentation sponsored by the Philosophy Club, you would know.

Tom Manning, president of the club, said the group "... is trying to increase philosophical awareness"

in all areas of liberal arts interests. The club sponsors programs open to the campus of speakers from other disciplines discussing philosophy in relation to their respective fields. Upcoming on the Philosophy Club agenda is Dr. Queener, speaking on Psychology and Nuclear War. Dr. Queener's pre-

sentation will be April 23. Past speakers for the club included Prof. Wood, Dr. Russell, and Dr. Olcese. Manning said the Philosophy club is open to students from all disciplines. Meetings are held once a month on Wednesday afternoons. For more information, contact Manning or Jason Hood.

Daughdrill

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been a result of increased enrollment, but rather of the school's handling of these new students. He admitted that, since the administration did not count on having this many freshmen come here this fall, they were not well prepared for it in many respects. The school, which accepted 78 percent of its applicants this year, will only accept about 47 percent for next year. As the school continues to grow — and Pres. Daughdrill said he anticipated 1450 students here by 1998 — he is optimistic that the administration will have learned from some of this year's problems.

Another concern was the housing shortage for next year. Daughdrill defended the idea of keeping Glassell Hall a freshman dorm, citing the togetherness in this arrangement and the benefits of putting new students with similar concerns in one place. In regard to the school's growing encouragement to students to

live off campus, Daughdrill said that they must continue to make that option attractive simply because they cannot forecast the attrition rate for this fall. Daughdrill and Dean of Students Tan Hille said that, based on past years, they can say now that next year's sophomores will have rooms. However, since the College does not know when it will hear what the attrition rate is, it also cannot know when students with uncertain living arrangements for next year will be notified of this.

Asked about the possible changes made in next year's comprehensive exams, Daughdrill said that the most major concern of the committees studying this is the unevenness of the comps in the different departments. He said that the school ought to be trying to "sell the philosophy" behind comps — the synthesizing of information — to the students but really is not selling it very well now. Asked about the likelihood

of a change of some kind, he offered: "My guess is they're going to change it drastically."

Other issues addressed included campus parking and construction projects in the near future. Daughdrill said that another committee is currently looking at the parking situation, particularly the commuters' problems, and investigating possibilities such as a commuter lot and the distribution of commuter stickers for nighttime parking. Construction projects mentioned included the townhouses, the renovation of the Pi Kappa Alpha national headquarters, and new office buildings for the growing faculty. Daughdrill also described some of the qualities he is looking for in the College's next Dean, saying that the administration wants "someone who can be a model for the faculty... someone with an exciting mind, who recognizes merit in faculty members while also challenging them to do better."

Alcohol Policy

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socially acceptable conduct.

With the change in the law, the Alcohol Task Force will set new guidelines for acceptable alcohol use on campus. They will consider the new drinking age as well as the increasing culpability being placed on those who serve or sell to minors or allow under-age drinking to occur on their premises.

Once the new policy is established, each and every student will have a responsibility to uphold it, noted Dean Hille. Should violations occur, however, existing student judicial boards — the Social Regulations Council, Panhellenic and the Interfraternity Council — will act upon them.

"This issue is being approached realistically and

responsibly," said Dean Hille. "I think the outcome will be a practical and fair way of dealing with the question of alcohol use on campus."

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Cancer Research Discussed In 4th DILEMMA Installment

By Patty Morris
Cancer. It is a disease that has touched almost everyone's life in one way or another. This year alone, 12 children out of every 100,000 under the age of 15 will contract some form of cancer. In continuing its two year focus on contemporary medical issues, DILEMMA invited the Director of St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Dr. Joseph Simone, to speak about "Progress in Childhood Cancer Research."

On Tuesday evening, March 17, Dr. Simone began his talk with students by introducing some of the most common types of childhood cancer and the increases that have been made in their treatment. Great progress has been made in fighting Lym-

phoblastic leukemia, which is the most common form of leukemia found in children. In the 1950s almost no one survived this disease. It is now common for 50 percent of the individuals with this disease to be cured. Another type of cancer, Wilms' Tumor, found in the kidney, is most common in children between the ages of three and four. In the 1950s only 30 percent of those with this disease survived. Currently, about 80 percent survive.

The progress made in combating childhood diseases is quite impressive. There have been, according to Dr. Simone, several important lessons learned over the past fifteen years. First of all, both the individuals combating the cancer and those that are the victims of it should be

persistent. It is also important to keep an optimistic attitude. His final and perhaps most crucial point is that individuals should be impatient for progress, but patient for success.

St. Jude, currently celebrating its 25th anniversary, is a leader in the field of this type of cancer research. In fact, about one quarter of its 50 million dollar budget comes from research grants awarded by the government. The rest of the budget comes from insurance recoveries and charitable contributions. St. Jude's primary concern is with the patient, and therefore the families are never asked if they can pay. One example of this charity is the one and a half million dollars St. Jude pays towards the traveling expenses for needy families.

Sports

Baseball's Week Disappointing

By David Monroe & Greg Carey

The Rhodes baseball team had a disappointing week, losing three of four doubleheaders. They swept a doubleheader from Earlham here last Sunday but were swept at Lambuth on Tuesday, against Elmhurst here on Friday, and against Stillman here on Saturday.

Down 4-1 in the first game against Earlham, the Lynx came back slowly with one run in the fifth inning, two in the sixth, and one in the seventh to win. The 8 Rhodes hits included home runs by Shawn Carder, Walter Anderson, and Colin Johnson. In the late game, the Lynx won 13-8,

getting only six hits but striking early with two runs in the first inning, five in the second, and five in the third. Carder and Anderson both homered again for Rhodes.

Following the doubleheader loss at Lambuth by scores of 19-0 and 15-12, the Lynx returned here to play Elmhurst. They lost the first Elmhurst game 11-7, scoring six runs in the first inning but allowing Elmhurst nine in the fifth. In the second game, an 8-2 loss, the Lynx were held to two hits — home runs by Carder and Anderson — while Elmhurst collected 11.

Against Stillman, the

Lynx lost 5-3 and 10-3, only managing 10 hits in the doubleheader. Though Stillman only got 4 hits in the opener, they only allowed Rhodes 6, including a home run by Norm Pauley. In the second contest, Stillman took advantage of 4 Rhodes errors, scoring their 10 runs on just 8 hits.

This week's action leaves the Lynx record at 10-11.

This week, Rhodes hosts three doubleheaders: Friday against Illinois Wesleyan, Saturday against Fisk, and Tuesday against Bethel. Wednesday, April 1, the Lynx play two games against Christian Brothers at Millington, beginning at 4:00.

Lynx Track Goes Outdoors

By Jeff Chandler

The Lynx track team began their 1987 outdoor season two weeks ago at Ouachita Baptist in Arkadelphia, AR. Since then they have competed twice; once at home and once this past weekend at Washington University in St. Louis. Their performances have improved each time out, and the whole team is optimistic as they train for the conference meet in May.

The biggest highlight of the season so far came last weekend as distance runner

Richard Brazzel set a new school record in the 3000m steeplechase. Since it is still so early in the season, he is anticipating lowering his time even more. Sprinter Rick Neal also cruised to a win Saturday in the 400m intermediate hurdles. His time of 56.1 was just good enough to nose out the 2nd place finisher. Fellow sprinter John Horne ran an impressive 49.8 in the 400m dash Saturday. While this time was not good enough to make the top six, he is expected to place high in Rhodes' own conference.

Finally, newcomer Charles Holt sprinted to victory last week in the 100m dash. His time was 10.95.

Highlights in the field events came last weekend at Rhodes' first home meet. Freshman Marvin Spears took first place in the high jump with 6'4". David Porter placed 2nd in the javelin with a chunk of 148'5", and Jeff Chandler matched his best jump of last season in the pole vault with 13'6".

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