

Flat Hat 'Obscenities' Spark Continuing Controversy

By Bill Sizemore
FLAT HAT Executive Editor

Reaction to the Flat Hat's printing of alleged "obscenities" two weeks ago continued to mount this week, and the issue promised to burgeon into a controversy of major proportions.

Central to the matter is a hearing before the publications committee of the Board of Student Affairs, the body which has jurisdiction over the student media, stemming from complaints from the administration and two professors that the Feb. 12 issue of the Flat Hat "contained certain obscenities."

The hearing, originally scheduled for last Wednesday, was continued as the result of a request by Editor-in-Chief Tom McDonald, who told the committee he had not had time to work up an adequate defense. The hearing is now set for next Tuesday at 8 pm in Campus Center rooms A and B.

At Wednesday's meeting of the committee, Chairman Emeric Fischer, a law professor, read the letters of complaint to a room packed with spectators before adjourning the meeting on a motion by McDonald.

The most comprehensive complaint came from James P. Whyte, dean of the law school. His letter made specific refer-

ence to a story and headline on page 1 concerning the Student Association Senate meeting of the night before, another story on page 1 on the SA birth control information center and an editorial cartoon on page 2.

Whyte based his complaint about those two items on two points: first, that they contain "expressions which are unwelcome in my home"; and second, that the alleged obscenities "are words arousing an emotional response which, in turn, is strong enough to obscure the thrust of the story in which they appear."

His objection to the birth control story, Whyte's letter continued, concerns a quote by SA President Winn Legerton: "Considering the ignorance on this campus about birth control methods . . . and also the number of women students who have had abortions this year, we sincerely hope that the information service will prove beneficial."

Of the quote, Whyte had this to say: "From this it is possible to infer that many William and Mary coeds have had abortions during this school year. I have no idea whether or not this is true nor, I suspect, does Miss Legerton (sic) or THE FLAT HAT . . . For one in any way to imply that a significant number of

William and Mary coeds, much less one, have been engaged in this tawdry business is, unless substantiated, a most insulting example of gossip."

A second complaint, from Burton M. Woodward, associate professor of business administration, charged that the issue contained "vulgar and obscene language."

Woodward's letter continued: "I think that if this type of 'blue' journalism continues the Board of Student Affairs should remove support from the newspaper and let it make its own way." He concluded by recommending that if the Flat Hat's editor "fails to realize the damage he has done to the image (sic) of the College of William and Mary community, he should be relieved of his post."

The third complaint, originated by Executive Vice-President Carter O. Lowance and submitted through the office of Vice-President for Student Affairs J. Wilfred Lambert, simply calls for the committee to "examine the content of the . . . issue with respect to student publications policies enunciated in the current Student Handbook, particularly with reference to material which may violate the canons on obscenity and bad taste." (For complete texts of complaints, see page 2.)

The College's "Statement of Rights

and Responsibilities," which is published in the Student Handbook, requires that editors of campus publications "shall avoid printing any material that is obscene, or otherwise not in good taste."

College policy does not define obscenity; the committee therefore has no concrete guidelines on which to base its decision. The US Supreme Court has defined obscenity as material which appeals to prurient interest, violates community standards of good taste and is utterly without redeeming social value. To be declared legally obscene, the material must meet all three criteria.

Fischer, however, told the Flat Hat in an interview last week that the committee would not be bound by the Supreme Court guidelines in its deliberations.

Another legal issue, beyond the question of whether the material is obscene, is whether the College has the right to place sanctions on the Flat Hat at all. Although the paper is partially supported by funds from the student activities fee, the right of a college administration to exert financial pressure on a student newspaper has been seriously questioned recently in the courts.

A federal district court in Massachusetts ruled last year that there is no right to editorial control of a campus

newspaper by the administration of a state college flowing from the fact that the newspaper is college-sponsored and thus state-supported, in the absence of a showing by the administration of circumstances in the college environment which make the restrictions necessary.

This does not mean that an administration cannot keep a paper from printing obscenities, since obscenity does not fall within the area of constitutionally protected speech. But the Massachusetts decision makes clear that there must be procedural safeguards.

The publications committee's findings will be in the form of a recommendation to the BSA, which will in turn issue a recommendation to President Davis Y. Paschall for final disposition. Disciplinary action can range from a reprimand to removal of McDonald from the editorship to a cutoff of funds.

Besides the committee hearing, the Flat Hat is facing significant recriminations from its advertisers. The paper has suffered a substantial loss of advertising since the issue with the alleged obscenities, and several advertisers have indicated they will discontinue all their advertising unless they receive assurances that the paper will print no more "obscenities."

In the face of that situation, there has been talk from some students this week of a student boycott of those merchants who remove their advertising.

The obscenity issue was also a primary factor behind the resignations this week of Flat Hat Business Manager Rob Jolly and Advertising Manager Holly Patterson.

In his letter of resignation, Jolly said, "My decision to resign was based upon the seeming incompatibility of the views held by the majority of the Flat Hat staff and those held by myself on a number of issues of present concern to the Flat Hat. Among those issues upon which we most strongly disagree are the following: the inclusion and/or exclusion of certain items of news for publication, the 'tone and direction' of selected editorials, the use of certain language in the paper, and the general attitudinal orientations of the Flat Hat toward the various members of the College 'family' and community."

Voting members of the publications committee besides Fischer and McDonald are Acting Dean of Men W. Samuel Sadler, Assistant Professor of English John W. Conlee and Womens' Dormitory President Mary Woodward.

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Chicago 7's Davis Plans Mar. Speech

By Chris Taaffe
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Ex-Chicago Seven defendant Rennie Davis is among the speakers who will appear at an all-day College Counter-Conference on Peace and Justice set for March 11. The counter-conference is scheduled to coincide with President Richard M. Nixon's visit to the National Conference on the Judiciary in Williamsburg the same day.

Sponsored by the Moratorium Committee, the Student Association and the Free University, the conference will be held in the Sunken Garden. Speeches on various aspects of peace and justice in America will continue throughout the day from 9 am to 6 pm.

Groups staging the event plan to contact Nixon and present the National Student Association peace treaty calling for an end to the Indo-China war. At a planning session Wednesday, the groups considered inviting Nixon or Attorney General John Mitchell, who also will attend the conference, to the counter-conference.

"The purpose of Peace and Justice Day is to consider an alternative view of peace and justice at an open conference where people can express a variety of opinions," stated one of the coordinators Suzanne Bisset. "One of the major focuses of Peace and Justice Day is to promote the NSA people's peace treaty at William and Mary and the Williamsburg area."

Other events in the counter-conference schedule include the showing of movies on Laos, Vietnam and Bobby Seale on March 10 in the Campus Center Little Theatre at 7:00 pm.

According to one of the coordinators Bruce Shatswell, "We hope to attract a large variety of persons from a number of occupations. We want a wide range of opinions."

Davis, a key figure in the newly-formed Peace and Justice Coalition, is involved in the planned "May Day Collective." This drive is also part of the Spring Offensive, a group of demonstrations beginning May 1, including a commemoration of the Kent State killings on May 5.

House Delegates Pass Resolution

The Virginia House of Delegates approved yesterday by a voice vote a resolution introduced by State Senator Herbert H. Bateman calling for review and revision of open housing regulations at state-supported colleges and universities.

The resolution "seeks to restore the standards of morality, public decency and decorum which are indispensable for a stable well-ordered society" by directing college administrators and governing bodies to review their visitation regulations.

The resolution is not binding on the colleges as a specific set of guidelines but rather serves as a directive to state college administrators. The only stipulation the resolution calls for is "prior consent of the parents of any student under 21 years of age" before visitation is allowed.

The Newport News Senator is an alumnus of William and Mary and wanted it made clear that the purpose of the resolution was not to pinpoint the College as the central "problem school" but rather that he worries "about all our institutions."

The resolution was passed unanimously by the Senate last Friday.

Filing Deadlines

Filing for Student Association offices and class offices will continue this week, closing at 5 pm Wednesday, March 3. Candidates for Honor Council posts may file for office until Sunday, March 7 at 5 pm.

Petitions for all offices should be filed in the SA office, Campus Center.



Alinsky: 'Jewish Robin Hood' Photo by Mille Arthur

Alinsky on Power—You Must Organize, Then Act

By Mary Edwards
FLAT HAT Features Editor

"We have got to have power," declared Professional Radical Saul Alinsky at his Reading-Program-sponsored speech last night in the Campus Center. "Power means 'the ability to act' . . . and if we as a people are to have it, we must organize."

"Anything without organization meaningless, and a movement without organization is nothing but a bowel movement. The word organization is a synonym for power."

Alinsky speaks from experience, having spent a lifetime organizing people to fight for their interests, and training more organizers to expand the operation. Among the celebrated graduates of his school for radicals are Cesar Chavez, head of the United Farm Workers, and Nicholas von Hoffman, now a vitriolic humor columnist for the Washington Post.

His words of advice on organizing are clipped and precise, from many years of condensation and repetition. "The goals should be specific, immediate and realizable . . . And you must begin with the world as it is, not as you'd like it to be. After all, people don't fight out of altruism, but out of self-interest."

There are cardinal rules for tactics as well, including always working within the law, doing what you can with what you've got, and forcing the opposition to "live up to its book of rules." "All tactics have to be outside the experience of the opposition," says Alinsky, "and if you make the Establishment live up to the rules you are going outside their experience, because they have never lived up to their own rules . . ."

Above all, the tactics must involve action, and action that the people enjoy. "You must have tactics that are so much of an adventure and are so expressive of personality that the issue almost becomes a rationale for the tactic you are using. At the Boston Tea Party, for example, 'no taxation' was the rationale; the big thing was that the people were having a ball. It's the tactics that give the drama."

He cited the example of one of his organization's rather unorthodox tactics in the attack on Eastman Kodak in Rochester, N.Y.—an attack which eventually forced the company to open a job training program for blacks. Alinsky's Rochester group, called FIGHT, bought 60 seats at a symphony sponsored by Eastman Kodak, and peopled them with ghetto blacks who had just been treated with a three-and-a-half hour dinner of baked beans.

The tactic was highly effective, largely

because of the "cool logic" behind it. Explained Alinsky, "They couldn't very well be arrested for it, and if anyone in the audience complained about it, everybody would crack up." In addition, he noted, the symphony was also sponsored by the Junior League, whose members undoubtedly exerted pressure on their husbands over breakfast to give in to FIGHT's demands, no matter what they were, in order to preserve the pure atmosphere of future cultural presentations.

In his speech Alinsky referred to pollution—"and the word 'pollution' includes pollution of the Pentagon, of the White House and other political pollution as well. It involves not just crap in the streets but crap in your state legislature—like that senator from this area . . ."

In an interview before the speech Alinsky commented on Newport News State Senator Herbert Bateman's recent attacks on the use of "obscenities" in the Flat Hat. "Anyone knows that a particular four-letter word beginning with 'f' has completely lost all its original meaning. It's so ironic—if you want to be erotic about it you talk about having 'intimate relations' instead. Two weeks ago even the New York Times printed 'fuck' in its Sunday magazine. If Bateman is so concerned about 'obscenity,' he should have stopped every copy from reaching Williamsburg."

Most of the so-called "obscene" words have really been reduced to meaningless expletives, he said, and illustrated his point with a story about a speech he gave recently at the University of South Dakota. Two previous speaking engagements that day at the Universities of Michigan and Minnesota had left him somewhat confused as to geographic names by the time he hit the small South Dakota university town at 8 pm. During the speech he halted at the phrase "here in ——" and couldn't remember the town he was in.

"People were making signs to me from the front row, but they just didn't get through to me. I looked around on stage for help and the only one close enough was the president of the college. I covered the mike with my hand, leaned over and said, 'What the fuck's the name of this chickenshit town anyway?'" How was I to know the school had just had its big annual play the night before and two live mikes were left hanging over my head? It went out loud and clear through the whole auditorium. There was a moment of silence and then everybody cracked up. I laughed so hard I doubled up over the mike. The only one who didn't crack up was the

BSA Endorses Radical Changes In College Dormitory Policies

By Bill Witting
FLAT HAT Staff Writer

In an unusual flurry of activity, the Board of Student Affairs yesterday voted on four motions of the Environment Committee which, if approved by the President of the College, will result in a radical change in dormitory life at the College.

The proposals, four of a series of seven, concerned extension of the Open House Policy from three to seven days per week, abandonment of the policy of separation of freshmen from upperclass students with regard to residence halls, conversion of the Ludwell apartment units into apartments to be rented to both male and female upperclassmen, conversion of the Stith and Dawson Houses of Bryan Complex into women's dorms, and extension of the opportunity to live off-campus to junior class students.

Only the motion for abolishing "separate residence halls for freshmen students and upperclass students" was defeated, by a vote of 8 to 6.

Without exception, every one of the seven new proposals was worded as a suggestion, a reminder that the only real power of the BSA is to "recommend to the Vice-President for Student Affairs and

the President of the College."

All the proposals depend on the President for final approval.

The first motion, concerning extension of the existing open house policy, was supported by a Student Association referendum taken last December among all dormitory residents. The referendum results supported the extension by a vote of 1533 to 399.

Open house policy presently permits visitation by members of the opposite sex in dormitory rooms from noon to curfew on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays.

The proposal, already under study by the Dean of Students at the request of the President, was passed by a vote of 11 to 5.

The second motion, calling for the integration of freshman and upperclass dormitories, was intended to benefit "both freshmen and upperclass students . . . from the exchange and communication of living in the same residences."

It was also suggested in the motion that "adjustment to and assimilation into College life would come more readily for freshman students with this change."

The defeat of the motion came after a prolonged discussion of the effects of such action on the sorority rush system.

The motion calling for changes in the residence assignments in Ludwell and Bryan Complex elicited concern from Vice-President for Business Affairs Robert T. English over the lack of investigation of problems such changes would cause.

Ed Crapol of the History Department remarked that "In the past, whenever the BSA has recommended anything, the President has set up a study of the recommendation and I think we can safely assume that he will do the same in this case."

The motion was approved 11 to 4. Arguing that, with the gradually increasing number of freshman and sophomore students and the limited number of off-campus housing units, permitting juniors to live off-campus "will not prevent the College from securing the proper optimal occupancy of its residence units," Environment Committee Chairman Kacie Carlson obtained passage of this recommendation by a vote of 12 to 3.

Forced to adjourn because of a lack of time, the BSA postponed discussion of the three remaining proposals until its meeting next week.

These proposals provide for the granting of equal rights to women and men with respect to curfew regulations, the appointment of Resident Assistants with equal responsibilities in men's and women's dormitories to replace the house presidents and dorm managers in their managerial responsibilities, and for the replacement of the term "open house" with "parietal hour" with regard to the policy regarding visitation in residence units by members of the opposite sex.

In other business, Emeric Fischer of the Law School reported that the Publications Committee will hold a hearing next Tuesday to assess three charges from members of the administration and faculty that the Flat Hat allegedly used obscenities in its February 12 issue (see related story, this page).

Discussion of the Community of Students proposal was also tabled until next week, due to lack of time and to the absence of its chief proponent, SA President Winn Legerton.

English Refuses Truck

Students Plan Recycling Program

By Mary Timmins
FLAT HAT Staff Writer

Williamsburg's rising pollution problem may soon be offset at least partially by a recently-conceived project of the Student Association Environment Committee. The project, planned by Physics Graduate Student Bruce Buckheit, calls for the recycling of useful waste materials such as paper, tin, glass and aluminum.

The system would act as a stop-gap measure until industries in the Williamsburg area implement their own large-scale recycling and anti-pollution projects. The plan, however, has met with several problems, the most important of which is obtaining a truck to transport the waste materials. The Environment Committee's request for a truck was referred from Vice-President Carter O. Lowance to Vice-President for Business Affairs Robert T. English Jr. and was subsequently denied.

Recycling is a process by which certain waste materials are salvaged and reused by industries. By returning materials for reuse, recycling cuts down the amount of material which must be disposed of in other ways.

At the same time, it is economical for industries to reuse materials they would ordinarily produce "from scratch," and is ultimately much less of a drain on natural resources.

Collected waste materials which are not recycled are generally disposed of in four other ways: dumped, buried in sanitary landfills, converted into compost or incinerated. For inorganic materials such as paper, tin, glass and aluminum, conversion into compost is impossible. In-

cineration poses difficulties with metal and glass materials, in addition to contributing to air pollution.

Such materials must be placed in dumps or sanitary landfills if they are not recycled. (Sanitary landfills are areas in which refuse is placed in the ground in layers alternated with sand or soil.)

The general problems posed by dumps and landfills (fire hazards, germ and rodent breeding, ground pollution, unsightliness and generation of methane gas) are supplemented by the specific problems of the Williamsburg area.

These problems are summarized in a study done last May by the Solid Waste Study Group of the Department of Biology at the College. The study, entitled Solid Waste Pollution—A Brief Study, indicated that the present level of waste production in the Williamsburg area (700,000 tons per 1970) would more than double by 1985. In addition, the Williamsburg landfill area was found to be quite inadequate in efficiently handling the city's ever-increasing amounts of waste. Although the city does have an incinerator, the large amounts of non-combustible materials are straining the landfill's capacity.

Familiar with similar projects done in Los Angeles and San Francisco this summer, Buckheit sees recycling as the obvious and necessary solution to waste-handling problems. Industries in Richmond, Newport News and Baltimore have indicated their willingness to purchase materials for recycling.

However, the recycling project is encountering difficulties not only with the transportation of the material, but with collection and storage. Buckheit feels that a publicity campaign to gain the coopera-

tion of the community in separating and contributing recyclable materials is necessary.

Spokesmen for the committee said last night they hope to buy a truck for the project. A meeting to plan a fund-raising drive will be held Sunday at 8 pm in the Environment Center in Stith basement.



Buckheit

Obscenity Is in the Eye of the Editor

What constitutes obscenity has puzzled the United States Supreme Court for years. It is not surprising that members of the College community also have differing opinions, but we cannot accept the judgment of isolated individuals as our own.

The February 12 issue of the Flat Hat was not, in our editorial judgment, obscene. Obviously, there was no attempt to debauch the minds of

William and Mary students. The articles did not aim to arouse anyone's prurient interest or corrupt anyone's teenage children. Even Senator Bateman would probably agree that the moral balance of the College was not upset by the issue.

We do not deny that certain people may have been offended by language they deem "profane" or "in bad taste." We have never intentionally pro-

posed to violate anyone's sensibilities; if the February 12 edition did so we are sincerely sorry, but we will not renounce our earlier decision. The words in question and the article concerning the student association birth control service were not published for shock value. Their purpose was informative, not sensational.

Many of the specific charges levelled against the newspaper verge on the absurd and are easily refuted. We do not believe that the articles involved served to make the student body appear uneducated or indecent. We do not share Dean Whyte's astonishment that "otherwise educated students" would use what he terms "properly labelled, gutter language." The stories were accurate in their reporting of events, and literal quotations from student leaders evaluating the primary thrust of a student meeting cannot validly be labelled irrelevant or inaccurate. Lastly, we do not accept the classification of birth control and abortion referral as "tawdry business," nor do we think that publishing information about student activities concerning such prominent social questions is at all demeaning to the College of William and Mary as a "first rate" academic institution.

The issue of bad taste is more difficult to assess--indeed, it defies definition. Surely no intelligent, well-educated person can claim to be a competent judge of what is or is not in good

taste. One can cogently argue that the appearance of articles describing the College-HEW controversy was in poor taste, since it may have adversely affected our image in the minds of the general public or hurt the proposed Hampton exchange. It may offend people to report a gruesome murder. In the absence of any competent authority to judge all such matters, the decision to print remains exclusively an editorial one. Ex post facto censorship, through public condemnation by an "official" body or economic pressure, encroaches upon this editorial responsibility and should not be permitted in a free society.

At best it is meddling and dangerous, at worst it is hypocritical and repressive to withdraw verbal or financial support from selected publications contingent upon the renunciation of proper freedoms and responsibilities.

The Publications Committee should acknowledge its inadequacy to deal with such highly delicate matters of taste and dismiss complaints against the Flat Hat. At the same time, we ask those of our advertisers who have indicated that they will cease patronage, unless the staff promise never to print anything in the future that they might find in poor taste, to re-instate their accounts.

Certainly there are limits to freedom of press and speech. We do not believe the Flat Hat has exceeded those bounds, nor do we propose to act irresponsibly in the future. Editorial judgments are not lightly or capriciously made. We have agreed to hear and consider all points of view, professional and public, in making such decisions of taste.

In light of these determinations and the College's avowed dedication to truth and liberty, we urge our adversaries to recognise the potential danger of their position and the validity of our response. We do not shrink from their charges but feel professional and capable enough to meet them.

Texts of Complaints

Lowance

After an absence of several days because of illness, I returned to the office today to find a copy of the Friday, February 12, issue of the "Flat Hat."

On behalf of the Administration, I hereby request that you, as Chairman of the Board of Student Affairs, have the Student Publications Committee examine the content of the above-mentioned issue with respect to student publications policies enunciated in the current Student Handbook, particularly with reference to material which may violate the canons on obscenity and bad taste. The Committee's report will be appreciated as soon as practicable.

Carter O. Lowance

Whyte

As a member of the faculty of the Marshall-Wythe School of Law, College of William and Mary, I hereby make complaint concerning the headline and article appearing in subject publication, page 1, right hand column; concerning the article relating to birth control service, page 1; and the cartoon appearing on page 2 upper right hand corner.

As faculty member, and in a larger sense as a member of the College community, I find the wording of the headline and language used in the text of the right hand column offensive. The same applies to language used in the last panel of the cartoon on page 2.

As to these two items, my complaint is based on two factors: 1. For many years THE FLAT HAT has been, in a popular sense, an official organ of the College of William and Mary. As such it finds its way into my home and is frequently available for reading by my wife and three teen-age sons. The language used in the column and in the cartoon contains expressions which are unwelcome in my home. In past years THE FLAT HAT has served as a valuable organ for disseminating college news to members of my family and, from time to time, we have been most pleased with some stimulating editorials and other types of journalistic comment. As such, THE FLAT HAT has served to picture William and Mary as an important factor in our lives and has provoked from my children a great deal of loyalty and enthusiasm. The use of the language about which I complain, however, tends to destroy the image my family has heretofore had of William and Mary students as educated, responsible and decent College citizens.

2. As an educator I find the use of certain language in the right-hand column and in the cartoon offensive. Even though some of the objectionable words and phrases are quoted, and presumably with accuracy, they are words arousing an emotional response which, in turn, is strong enough to obscure the thrust of the story in which they appear. If one of the purposes of a newspaper is to communicate facts or ideas, there has been a complete failure. Whatever happened in the Senate meeting which the story reports to cover is lost by one's astonishment that otherwise educated students would speak, much less reuse in print, in terms which are properly labeled "gutter language." In my opinion it is naive to think that the accuracy gained in repeating such language in print is justified merely because the quote may be precise. This kind of reporting is actually inaccurate for it takes the reader's attention

far away from the overall thrust of the story.

My objection to the article on birth control service concerns the paragraph where SA President Winn Leggerton (sic) is quoted:

"Considering the ignorance on this campus about birth control methods . . . and also the number of women students who have had abortions this year, we sincerely hope that the information service will prove beneficial."

From this it is possible to infer that many William and Mary coeds have had abortions during this school year. I have no idea whether or not this is true nor, I suspect, does Miss Leggerton or THE FLAT HAT. Abortion may be a subject of current social and political interest. But this does not mean that it is no longer regarded as a very tawdry business. For one in any way to imply that a significant number of William and Mary coeds, much less one, have been engaged in this tawdry business is, unless substantiated, a most insulting example of gossip.

Perhaps this complaint is really more of a statement of regret than anything else. I regret that THE FLAT HAT demeans the College community by use of unnecessarily offensive language. I regret that the demeaning of the College community unjustifiably tends to destroy the image of a first-rate educational institution. I regret that my sons who have always shown interest in becoming active members of the College community are given opportunity to know that the level of language employed by an important college publication is no higher than that heard in the "gutter." I, therefore, request the Publications Committee to take whatever steps are necessary to insure that such language will not be repeated in future issues of THE FLAT HAT.

James P. Whyte

Woodward

I wish to file a protest on the vulgar and obscene language used in the issue of THE FLAT HAT of Friday, February 12, 1971. I make specific reference to the words "bullshit", "bullshits", and "fuck".

Although I realize that obscene language may be heard in the theaters and read in books purchased at news stands, I do not feel that such language is in keeping with an academic environment. People that attend an X rated movie are looking for a specific type of entertainment. The purchaser of a paperback book can form a judgment of the contents from excerpts printed on the cover. Students receiving THE FLAT HAT have not indicated that they want their reading to be spiced with filthy words. I think that if this type of "blue" journalism continues the Board of Student Affairs should remove support from the newspaper and let it make its own way.

Today we hear on all sides that the student is mature and wants to accept responsibility. I think that the editor of THE FLAT HAT should recognize that he has failed to perform in a responsible manner and resign his post. If he fails to realize the damage he has done to the image (sic) of the College of William and Mary community, he should be relieved of his post.

Burton Woodward

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Editorial Page

LETTERS

Obscene Show Draws Fire

To the Editor:

It has come to my attention that the theatre and speech department at the College of William and Mary has elected to produce a musical show, portions of which can only be viewed as obscene and in bad taste.

I refer specifically to three scenes. In the first example, five male actors simulate a gang-rape on one actress. A viewing of the rehearsals revealed lewd and lascivious groupings and can in no way be construed as art. Such filth masquerading as Art can only lead to increased instability on the college campus and can only increase the number of assaults committed upon the female students.

Another scene displays three "belly dancers", scantily clad and writhing erotically. One of the dancers takes the hands of a male actor and places them upon her breasts. This suggestiveness cannot be allowed to besmirch the fine name of the theatre at William and Mary.

The final example is almost too obscene to relate. However, in the interest of community morals, I continue. The actress playing the part of Dulcinea (a lady of easy virtue) reaches over to one of the men leering at her, pulls open his trousers, peers inside and laughs scornfully: "Wait until it grows up!"

As if these scenes were not foul enough, the lyrics to the songs in the play also refer to acts of sexual congress and to illegitimate children. These songs can only enhance the luridness of the play in the mind of the average viewer. Frequent references to dung also offend the patron's sensibilities. Since the play masquerades as a musical version of Don Quixote, most patrons will probably not expect such trash to be heaped upon them, expecting instead a family show of a knight-errant tilting at windmills.

For the sake of the reputation of the College, and for the protection of the morals of the student body, I implore you to prevent the showing of this lewd, bawdy play and to seek aid from Senator Bateman in insuring that such dirt is never again foisted upon the state school with which he remains so concerned.

Bruce Shatswell
Class of '72

Repression Stalks the Flat Hat

To the Editor:

Repression can come in many forms and is neither unique to the South nor a stranger to William and Mary. Your recent headline articles in the Feb.

12 edition of the Flat Hat makes that perfectly clear.

The "people of Virginia," so says a legislature that must resort to tongueless political maneuverings to remove all opposition in its ranks, require furiously strict moral standards. Ban open housing. Ban dissemination of information to young sweet co-eds in trouble.

These same kinds of ludicrous standards when applied to prevent this newspaper from using words of common usage, become most dangerous. If this College is to turn out distinguished members of the community, it will be argued by some evangelical moralists, there can be no place for such godawful "profanities." Better that our leaders uphold our standards with an effete impudent snob or pusillanimous pussyfoot to you.

In a school that chooses to fight in Court to perpetrate inequality, that has to serve as fluent apologists for having enrolled less black students than the Kennedy family has children, it is not too difficult to comprehend their consternation.

They should not Spirognize a free press in an area that has served as a battleground for such inalienable freedoms. Oh, it is very lucky that Justice is blind, for should she remove her blindfold at William and Mary, she would have to weep.

C. Samuel Rael
School of Law

Learning to Spell

To the Editor:

Thank you for assuring us once and for all:

1. that the Flat Hat knows how to spell eight-letter words; and
2. that the Flat Hat is not afraid to use the same poor taste in quoting Miss Leggerton that she showed in making such a statement to "the press."

Aren't freedom of speech and freedom of the press wonderful?

Wynne Whitehurst
Graduate student

Restitute

Immorality

To the Editor:

During the past few weeks, the Student Association has directly or indirectly supported, organized, and financed pro-birth control and pro-abortion speakers, literature and offices.

Funds for these activities have come from the Student Activity Fee, which is contributed to by all students of the College. As president of Newman Club and therefore on be-

half of the Catholic students at William and Mary, I protest your allocation of our funds for these causes; we cannot in good conscience ignore the explicit teachings of the Church that the sacred miracle of human life must neither be terminated nor frustrated by man.

I therefore call for three actions on your part: a complete and public accounting of these funds, restitution to those students who object of all of their funds so allocated, and a future abstinence from all support, financial or moral, of causes which are morally repugnant not only to students whom you represent, but to men of faith and thought everywhere.

If you are unable or unwilling to meet the spirit and intent of these requests, I personally, all concerned William and Mary students, and the Catholic Church, will take all appropriate and necessary action of stopping this illegal, immoral abuse of funds and power.

Douglas K. Clark
Class of '72

Fairness in Parking

To the Editor:

I question Chuck Sullivan's idea of "fairness" as described in his letter in the Feb. 19th Flat Hat concerning the shortage of parking spaces. "First come, first served" isn't necessarily the "fairest" way to distribute scarce resources.

There are many situations in which "fairness" might be better served if the actual needs of individuals involved were examined and used as a basis for determining who gets what or how much. Mr. Sullivan would do well to give a little thought to the reasons he and other members of the academic community need or wish to operate cars here before he starts to put publicly about his own inconvenience.

Perhaps then he might come up with a more constructive suggestion for improving the situation.

Most students live on campus within easy walking distance of all campus buildings and campus bus stops. Most faculty and staff live off campus--many too far away to walk.

Faculty and staff have a greater need for motor transportation to get to and from their places of work than do students on campus.

"Fairness" in this case, I think, would require those who can make do with their own two feet to refrain from using cars on campus and thereby allow those who must drive to use the limited parking facilities.

Kathryn Blue
Assist. Catalog Librarian

C of S Endangers Free Press

To the Editor:

I was appalled when I read of the amendment to the Community of Students Constitution that vested the Community Senate with the power to approve editors of student publications supported by the student activities fee. I was even further appalled when I read of the Senate's unanimous endorsement of the amendment.

This amendment not only represents an outright threat to freedom of the press, but is also contradictory in spirit to that basic right called individual freedom of speech.

Perhaps my argument would best be made in separate points.

1. The present method of selecting publications editors is by the Publications Committee of the BSA. Although this method is far from perfect, its greatest merit is its relative isolation from grass roots political activity. To require approval by a Senate body would neutralize this isolation because it would call for judgement from those most actively engaged in pushing a particular viewpoint.

2. The Press has traditionally provided a great check on the powers of government because it could act without fear of political reprisal. Such an amendment literally puts publications at the mercy of student government by making it all too possible that competent students would be precluded from editorships because of their political opinions.

Thus, this amendment represents a means of manipulation of the student press.

3. The most appropriate vehicle of governmental criticism is the press. If this channel can be effectively blocked off, any government is free to pursue an unchallenged course.

4. The Senate has not proved itself to be an especially representative nor responsible body this year, i.e. lack of quorums, and the "discussion" that occurred over Mr. Quenstadt's recent resolution. I realize of course that we elected them and therefore must live with them; however, I seriously question the true representativeness of the Senate and the amount of general support that it enjoys on campus.

I see no reason why so peculiar a body should exercise any authority over publications that serve not only the campus, but the outside community as well.

Finally, I must admit that I find it amusing (and a bit frightening) that a Senate which is constantly accusing the Administration of centering too much power in the hands of too few, finds no fault in employing those same tactics for its own institutional gain.

Harriett Stanley
Class of '72
Colonial Echo

Hyphenate Obscenities!

By Bill Sizemore

FLAT HAT Executive Editor

The Flat Hat has been getting a lot of guff lately about printing "obscene" words. The criticism got so heavy this past week that we started to get a little sensitive about it, so we decided to get some advice from a professional--someone outside the cloistered walls of William and Mary who makes it his business to deal with such issues on a regular basis.

We found out, somewhat to our surprise, that this thing is just as big a headache for the professional press as it is for us. So much so that the New York Times pays a full-time employee to check their copy for words of questionable taste. He is Mr. Elmer Nurdle, Special Editor in charge of Salacity, Obscenity and Bawdiness, known in the newsroom as the SOB. Mr. Nurdle is a small, gnomelike man with hunched shoulders, a balding head and small, owlish eyes behind huge horn-rim glasses, who looks like he ought to be running a pornography stand on 42nd Street.

We asked him what the Times policy would be in a situation like the Flat Hat found itself in a couple of weeks ago, when we ran a story on a public meeting in which an official resolution and a quote by a major newsmaker included "obscenities."

"Hyphens," Mr. Nurdle said quickly, peering at us through his glasses with a look of calm assurance.

Hyphens?

"Hyphens. You see, it's not the words themselves that offend people so much as the fact that you spell them out in stark black and white. Most people have been hearing these words all their lives and probably use them themselves. It's just when they see them spelled out on paper that they get upset--all those dirty little letters, you know."

We asked Mr. Nurdle if he seriously meant to imply that it's the letters, not the words, that bother people.

"Of course. The Times has been running four-letter words for years. By strategically putting hyphens in the place of the most offensive letters, we've never gotten a complaint."

By now we were incredulous. Did he mean to tell us that some letters are more offensive than others?

"By all means. The vowels are the worst. There's something about a vowel in an obscenity that drives people up the wall."

Thus enlightened, we asked him what the policy would be on the four-letter word for sexual intercourse.

"Well, of course, it all depends on how tolerant your readership is. If you go out to a bunch of prudes, you'd better stick with 'f---.' If your audience is reasonably liberal, you're probably pretty safe with 'f--k.' If they're really swingers, you can pull out all the stops and hit 'em with 'f--ck.'"

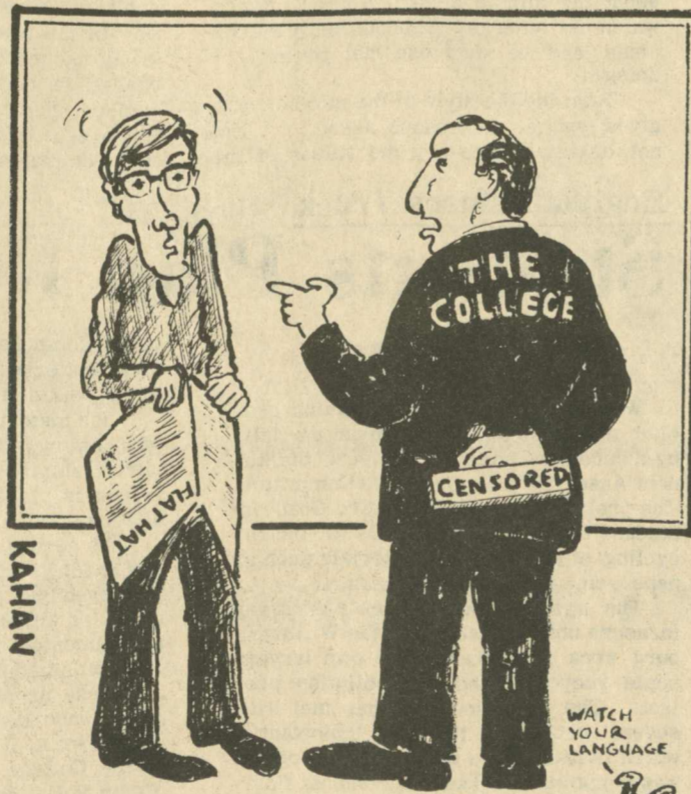
Our next question was how we should have dealt with the other "obscenity" in our in-

famous story, the eight-letter word for bull excrement.

Mr. Nurdle's pinched face lit up like a schoolboy's. "Oh, you've got all kinds of possibilities with that one. You can't print it 'b-----,' because that leaves too much question as to what it is, and there's nothing that makes people any madder than seeing an

obscenity that they can't figure out. Usually it's safe to go with 'bulls--t,' but I wouldn't go any further than that. Seven out of eight letters really gets the adrenalin flowing."

We thanked Mr. Nurdle, and assured him we would try out his method on our readers. "Any time. Don't let 'em give you any s--t."



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FLAT HAT SPORTS

Sports Scene

By Glen Conrad

Virginia residents may be familiar with the following anecdote. It is reported that each athlete at one particular state institution is given a calf at the beginning of his college career. If the unfortunate creature is alive after four years, the keeper is allowed to graduate.

This story is not intended to insinuate anything in particular. Rather, this entire state of affairs offers a striking contrast to athletics at William and Mary. It is a little known fact that proportionately fewer athletes are forced to leave this school due to academic deficiencies than all students as a group. This simple condition has evolved into a tradition to which all coaches faithfully adhere.

The first qualification listed for potential William and Mary athletic recruits is his academic standing. There is, of course, a pragmatic twist to this scholastic perfection. All potential athletes must be first approved by the admissions department before they may be signed to a grant in aid.

What is the significance of these facts? One major consideration is solicitation of student athletes, better known as recruiting. Obviously, higher standards of admittance require all coaching staffs to extend the radius of their recruiting efforts beyond that which normally be established. Therefore, the significant funding of athletic recruiting is crucial to William and Mary's athletic program.

The attitude of Head Football Coach Lou Holtz is particularly admirable. He appears sold on William and Mary in many of its academic and athletic phases. This, in itself, is refreshing. Furthermore, he seems committed to the prospect of maintaining academic superiority while expanding the goals of the football program. The success of the Lou Holtz variety of William and Mary football remains to be seen. However, Holtz's refusal to compromise certain aspects of the program to achieve a consistently winning team is certain. If vitality and dedication in presenting and promoting William and Mary's many positive points is a rewardable virtue, Lou Holtz is destined to be a winner.

Many individuals are skeptical about the notion of the scholar athlete. An examination by these individuals of the William and Mary athletic program would prove that they are fooling only themselves in this judgement.

Defeat Pi Lam, Lambda Chi

Kappa Sig Grabs F.L. Lead

Kappa Sig all but wrapped up the fraternity league intramural basketball crown last night as they handed Pi Lambda Chi its second loss of the season 64-56. With Monday being the last day of regular season games, Kappa Sig only has to defeat Pi Kappa Alpha to remain undefeated and clinch the title.

Pi Lambda Chi, who upset league powerhouse Lambda Chi earlier this season, grabbed an early 7-2 lead. But Kappa Sig took advantage of poor Pi Lambda shooting and rebounding to tie the score at 11.

For the next five minutes Pi Lambda experienced a severe slump which gave Kappa Sig a 12 point lead early in the second quarter. Although Pi Lambda pulled within six in the final minutes, a consistently alert Kappa Sig team never lost control of the game.

Kappa Sig's Steve Moore was the game's leading scorer with 17 points.

Lambda Chi, who fell to Kappa Sig, 85-63 in a key game on Wednesday night, overcame an early Pi Kappa Alpha lead to stay near the top of the intramural standings with a 69-52 win. Shooting poorly and behind 17-11 in the opening quarter, Lambda Chi caught fire in the second quarter and from then on dominated the game.

In other action in the F.L., Sigma Pi ran over Sig Epsilon 73-53. Theta Delta retained its second spot in the league by downing Sigma Chi, 77-51, and Pi Kappa Alpha easily topped last place Sigma Epsilon, 54-34.

Monday's games will decide whether Theta Delta will be able to keep second place when they go up against Lambda Chi. If they should win, they would join Kappa Sig in the All-College play-offs next week.

Green Lantern (7-0) and the Kappa Snakes (6-1) will represent the Independent League in the play-offs, while the Intellectuals will send the Colonials (7-0) and the Bench (6-1). The Globetrotters (7-1) and the winner of the play-off game between Excalibur and Somethings will come from the Dorm League.



Michael Graham (left) receives the Physical Fitness Trophy for the first semester of 1970-71 from roommate Warren Winston, the first student to win the award twice. Graham, who placed second in the SC in pole vault and third in

triple jump and ran a leg in the Indians' championship 440 relay team, scored a total of 695 of 700 in the AAHPER test, which ties the record set by Richard Conway in 1966-67.

Photo by Thomas L. Williams

Tribe to Face Spiders In Search of Second

By Jim Rees

FLAT HAT Asst. Sports Editor The William and Mary varsity cagers will close out the 1970-71 season tomorrow night against the University of Richmond in an effort to capture their first second place finish in Southern Conference history.

With the conference tournament coming up in two weeks, the Indians hope to avoid the Davidson Wildcats by capturing second place. A win over the spiders would clinch the runner-up spot.

If UR should prove victorious, the winner of the East Carolina-Citadel game would take second, and the Tribe would take third place for the fifth time since the S.C. was founded.

The Indians now sport a 6-3 record and have defeated the Spiders on three occasions this year. But Richmond, which was a preseason pick to finish near the top, has played better recently, partly due to an excellent sophomore, Mike Anastasio.

Tribe Coach Warren Mitchell also considers the UR game as a testing ground for the S.C. tourney. To actually be a threat to Davidson, the Indians must improve in almost every aspect.

Steve Dodge, the Indians' sharpest shooter on the road, has perked up from a January slump but has yet to have a hot shooting hand in W&M Hall.

And the Tribe rebounding must improve considerably, although Mitchell recognized the fact that "Tom Jasper has vastly improved over last year in rebounding."

W&M's big man under the boards, however, is Jim Warns, who Mitchell says "has the potential to rebound in double figures, which he's got to do if we want to take the S.C. crown. He's worked hard in practice and we hope he'll make a good start towards double figures this Saturday night."

The Tribe's defense has improved recently, probably due to the play of Jerry Fisher. "Jerry gives us some speed and helps us stop the fast breaks which hurt us at the start of the season," commented Mitchell. Fisher played one of his best games last Saturday in his

Tribe's 65-56 loss to ECU, holding league leading scorer Jim Gregory to 13 points.

Mitchell will also look for good performances from Jeff Trammel, who is looking better after a January slump, and Neil Gewirtzman and George Spack, who continue to perform well at the point.

Tomorrow night the Indians will hopefully do something that Mitchell says the Spiders haven't been able to do all year--"put it all together." UR is definitely going to be, as Mitchell puts it, "a pretty good foe." Richmond has been anything but consistent this season. They upset VPI, who the Indians have lost to three times, but were stunned by the hapless VMI Keydets, who the Indians easily defeated less than two weeks ago, 85-69.

If the Tribe does win as expected tomorrow night, the final score will definitely not tell the whole story. Mitchell will be looking to see if Warns can pull down the rebounds, if Dodge can finally shoot well in the new arena, and if the Tribe has the overall look of Southern Conference champions.

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Wrestlers to Host Conference Tourney

By Drew Christensen

FLAT HAT Sports Editor Southern Conference Champions for the past three years, the William and Mary Indian Matmen will for the first time host the SC Championship Tourney tonight and Saturday in Blow Gym.

Quarter Finals for the Tourney start 7 pm tonight. At 8 pm the Semi-finals begin. Tomorrow, Saturday, at 2 pm the first round of the consolation round starts. Then at 7:30 pm the Finals of the Consolation Match take place. Eight o'clock is the time for the Tourney Championship Matches.

The 1970 Southern Conference mat meet was mainly a dual between the Pirates of ECU and the Tribe. Last year the ECU team stopped the Green and Gold in a dual meet 19-16. The Tribe wrestlers, however, came back into the Conference Meet, overcoming ECU and winning the Championship.

This year's dual meet with ECU was different. A surprising performance by the Tribe allowed them to hold the ECU Pirates 20-12. After the dual meet last week, Coach John Wilburne of ECU reminded the Tribe's Dick Besnier of recent history. Whether or not history will repeat itself and the winner of the dual meet will lose in the Championships should add interest to the Tourney.

The Indians will be trying to prove history wrong tonight and tomorrow. To accomplish this historical reversal the Tribe will be looking to a team with talent. Topping the squad's list of fine performers are five Southern Conference Champions: Lonnie Parker, John Kalla, Greg Giordano, Bob Hobson and Scott Moyer.

In addition to these fine performers, W&M fans can expect to see the Green and Gold's other top wrestlers, Tony Christ, Greg Freaney, Kevin Hazard, Bill Hogan, Tom Monday, Bill Nagata, Jim Ryan

and Brad Smallwood.

Commenting on the mental readiness of the Tribe, Coach Besnier noted, "We're high as a kite. The ECU victory gave a big boost to team morale. All week we've had good workouts; that's a good indication of spirit. We're really ready for the Tourney."

Besnier added that the Indians are strong enough to be contenders in every weight class in the Tourney.

Leading the field at 118 lbs. are SC champ Parker and his ECU foe of last week, Ronnie Williams. Parker, three times SC champ, decisioned Williams last week and is favored to repeat his performance.

Favored in the 126 lb. event is the Pirates' Danny Monroe. However Nagata or Ryan of Wil-

liam and Mary is expected to give Monroe a good match. The 134 lb. event will see Kalla and his arch rival from ECU, Steve Mogan, competing for top honors. Mogan topped Kalla in last year's dual meet but Kalla overcame Mogan in the Tourney and in this year's meet.

Favored to win the 142 lb. affair is the Pirates' Mike Spohn. The Tribe's excellent 142 pounder, Smallwood, has a good chance of upsetting Spohn, however.

Jim Bailey of VMI is the top 190 pounder at the Tourney. Crist of W&M should give him some competition though.

Though favored to win, W&M will find the going rough with first rate opposition in all weights.

Va. Track Champs Head for Delaware

Fresh from a victory in the State Collegiate meet, William and Mary's indoor track team journeys to Delaware University this weekend to participate in the Delaware Invitational. The meet will help serve as a tuneup for next weekend's Southern Conference Championships, where the Indians will be after their sixth consecutive conference title.

Last year at the Delaware Invitational, the Indians' distance medley team set a world, American and collegiate record. The time of 9:42.6 for the distance broke the old record set by Kansas State in 1967. The team was anchored by All-American Howell Michael's 4:00.7 mile, third fastest indoor relay mile ever run.

Michael also heads this year's list of participants. Also

expected to compete are pole vaulters Charles Strode and Chris Harvey, high jumper Flip Toepeke, sprinter Mike Frattkin, middle distance runner Charles Duckworth, and distance runner Steve Snyder.

Next weekend, W&M travels to Lexington, Va., for the Southern Conference Championships. Last year the Tribe put on an awesome display of strength, winning eight of sixteen events and scoring a meet-record 105 points to 48 for runner-up Furman. The Indians return defending champions in four events: Dennis Cambal in the shot put, Charles Strode in the pole vault, and Howell Michael in the 1,000 and mile. This year the Indians' strength makes them a shoe-in once again, as no other team appears to be able to mount a serious threat.

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SA OKs Election Bill, Endorses Justice Day

By John Quenstedt
FLAT HAT Staff Writer

The Student Association Senate last night approved the proposed Elections Bill and passed resolutions dealing with a variety of issues, including off-campus housing for juniors and the upcoming Peace and Justice Day.

The Elections Bill, which had passed the week before but which required approval by two consecutive meetings, breezed through the Senate by a vote of 25-0.

In conjunction with the bill, the Senate adopted a resolution providing that the alternative vote system be used in spring elections.

Passage of this resolution, by a vote of 15-8, represented a stunning reversal by the Senate, which had defeated the alternative vote system twice during its Feb. 18 meeting.

A subsequent resolution recommended "that junior class students who receive parental permission be granted the right to live off campus under the same policy as now exists for senior class students."

Though saying he favored the resolution, Speaker John Pagan, a Pi Lam, pointed out that granting such a right to juniors might make it difficult for the fraternities to fill their houses, and that payment for the empty rooms "comes out of our pockets." Sophomore class president Kacie Carlson replied, "I don't really care." The resolution passed unanimously.

Also endorsed were recommendations regarding Ludwell Apartments and Bryan Complex passed earlier in the day by the Board of Student Affairs

(see related story, page 1).

The Senate gave strong endorsement to Peace and Justice Day (March 11), urging faculty to support the day's activities in various ways, including cancelling classes and cancelling or postponing mid-term exams.

In addition, the Senate designated that SA profits from the Hoi Polloi for March 5 and 6 be donated to the Committee on Peace and Justice.

The meeting was marked by the objections of Pagan to its

coverage by the Flat Hat. Upon noticing the reporter, a former SA senator, Pagan interrupted to declare, "How can we ever receive unbiased reporting? For the record, I'm going to object to the Flat Hat about this."

Carlson remarked to Pagan, "I object to your speaking from the chair like that and ask you to retract your statement." Pagan replied, "I agree that I was out of order, but I will not retract my statement."



Stanners

Stanners Declares For SA President

By Charlie Gambler
FLAT HAT Staff Writer

"I am running for the SA presidency because there is no candidate now who will stand up for student determination of student life," Bob Stanners, the third announced candidate for the top Student Association post, said this week.

Stanners, a former station manager of campus radio station WCWM, is chairman of the Cooperative Governing Council, a study committee of students, faculty and administrators set up last semester to review the governance of the College.

Stanners, who has been influential in the development of the proposed Community of Students constitution, remarked, "My first commitment is to do everything possible to put social regulations, the student activities fee and every other aspect of student life on this campus in the hands of the students."

Commenting on the resolution passed by the Virginia General Assembly this week decrying student visitation policies which are "inimical to... standards of morality, public

decency and decorum," Stanners replied, "It is my opinion that the internal regulations of a college should be left up to that college, since the state legislature is not in a position to be fully informed of the entire situation on a campus."

Stanners believes that the present dormitory situation needs to be changed if the students are to be allowed a greater degree of freedom in governing their own lives. He stated, "There is no reason why sophomores and juniors should not be allowed to live off campus."

For the freshmen, Stanners believes that they should be integrated with the upperclassmen in their living facilities. "The system of segregated freshman dormitories should be abolished. There is a lot to be gained by mixing in the freshmen with the upperclassmen; they would be much more quickly integrated into the College community," he stated.

"If elected," Stanners stated, "I will set up a corporation to be controlled by the SA. I think it is very important that a corporation, run by the student government, be set up. Right now, the College has to approve SA financial arrangements and co-sign our contracts. With a non-profit corporation, we could attain financial independence to a great extent."

He continued, "Another advantage of the corporation is that it would help in the establishment of some positive services for the student body: copiers to sell records and books, or food, a legal aid fund to provide quick loans for bail and assist students bringing lawsuits against the College, or sponsoring of speakers that might be vetoed by the College if the money had to come from the regular SA budget."

Walsh Pushes SA Relevance, Student Power

Mike Walsh, candidate for SA president, has outlined a series of proposals to "make the SA more relevant to the William and Mary student body."

"Last year there were more than 80 Student Association representatives. This year there are less than half that number. And next year, if we allow the new Community of Students to be approved, there will be but 20. Clearly power has been becoming more and more concentrated into fewer and fewer hands. Government and power have been flowing away from the people."

Walsh proposed that suggestion boxes be set up around the campus to gather the ideas of the students and see what they believe to be the problems of the campus. "Another possible cure would be to publish the agenda of the SA meeting in the Tuesday paper so that students can learn when a subject that might be of special interest to them is going to be brought up."

Walsh would fight to extend car privileges to sophomores and all students forced to live out in James Blair Terrace.

"In today's modern world, a car is very much an essential. It is especially necessary for those living out at JBT. The bus service out there is terrible much of the time, and even when it is on time it still costs passengers about twenty minutes of study time each way."

"Many people will ask where we would find room for all of the cars. That is simple. We remove the 'Faculty-Staff' restrictions now needlessly imposed about campus—especially at the library. The moving of the bus stop to its current location uses up about six spaces on Richmond Road that could be used again if the buses were to return to their old stop over by the Law School."

"The FSA 'will be made up of any aggregate of students who wish to join,'" including not only those students whose dormitories have seceded from the SA but also including individual students whose dormitories as a whole may or may not have left the SA.

When asked how the FSA's rules will go into effect, Schauer pointed to a basic difference between the foundations of the FSA and the SA. "The SA was formed a long time ago under the auspices of the College. It has basically been an administrative tool since then," he said. "But our basic tenet is that we are free and independent."

Faculty Retains 'D' Grade, Examines Course Systems

By Mark Reynolds
FLAT HAT Asst. News Editor

In a special meeting Tuesday afternoon, the Faculty of Arts and Sciences voted tentatively to retain the "D" grade which they had formerly voted to abolish.

Harold L. Fowler, dean of the Faculty, said, "The Faculty did vote to restore the 'D' grade. However, if you restore this grade, meaning 'passing' as opposed to 'satisfactory,' this fouls up the idea of taking courses on a pass-fail basis."

"In restoring the 'D' grade there is a state of contradiction," he added. "The 'P' for a pass-fail course could mean an 'A' or a 'D' (something less than satisfactory). We ended up with a motion whereby I am to refer this question to an appropriate committee which will report back to the Faculty. We hope to have this settled by the Faculty meeting

on March 9."

Citing reasons given for restoring the grade, Fowler noted, "First, there are certain members of the Faculty who feel that abolishing the 'D' makes it more difficult for them to make a distinction in their grading."

"They want to know what happens to those students who formerly fell into the 'D' range," he explained. "They find it difficult to make this sharp, tough decision."

"The stronger argument is that the 'D' grade is a useful, legitimate grade in its own right," Fowler concluded. "It is better to have four steps above failing than three. The 'D' grade is useful for those people who just skim by—their work is not really satisfactory, but neither does it merit failing."

Although the 4-1-4 system, calling for a one-month January semester, is virtually dead, the

Faculty's curriculum committee is still working on the possibility of a course system as opposed to the present credit-hours system. The 4-1-4, approved by the Faculty last year, was rejected by Fowler and Vice-President for Academic Affairs Melville Jones last fall.

Leroy Smith, chairman of the committee, said it is considering primarily a 32-course system, involving four courses for each of two semesters, or a 36-course system, dividing the academic year into three parts with three courses over each period.

The committee's report should be ready for faculty consideration by the April meeting. However, Smith noted that this is "only the first step. Any decision would have to be okayed by the administration, the State Council of Higher Education and the Office of the Budget in Richmond."

NUC Conference to Study Sexism

By Larry Diehl
FLAT HAT Staff Writer

A new, radically-oriented national organization - the New University Conference - has formed a chapter on campus, and will sponsor a conference here March 13.

"We believe in a university which incorporates radical subject matter into the curriculum," states a pamphlet on the New University Conference, "and which does not hide an implicit counter-revolutionary morality beneath the banner of dispassionate objectivity."

The pamphlet explains the group as the "New University Conference, a national organization of radicals who work in, around and in spite of institutions of higher education. NUC: Formed in a time of imperialist war and domestic repression, NUC is part of the fight for the liberation of all peoples. We commit ourselves to replace a system that is an instrument of class, sexual and racial oppression with one that serves the people."

Graduate student and NUC member Joy Dickinson stated the organization has two main programs nationally - sponsoring the NSA Peace Treaty and working for a better educational

system. "On the local level," explained Edward P. Crapol of the History Department who is connected with the group, "they've worked up a report on sexism in Virginia higher education. There's to be a conference on it."

The report by the New University Conference is entitled "Women in Virginia Higher Education," and is based on an actual public document. Dickinson, who is also a member of the Women's Equality group here, commented, "The report is not that complete but it is interesting. You just can't realize how discriminated against we are."

"Women in Virginia Higher Education" goes into the history of discrimination against women in Virginia and discloses numerous statistics revealing actual discrimination in Virginia's state-supported institutions. It states, "Three of the state's fifteen four-year colleges are predominantly female: Longwood, Mary Washington and Radford. These three colleges have a headcount enrollment of 7,738 out of a total of 70,516 in the fifteen four-year colleges, or about 11.0 percent. Yet these colleges receive about 5.9 per

cent of the state funds.

"On the other hand, three of the fifteen are predominantly male, the University of Virginia, Virginia Military Institute and Virginia Polytechnic Institute. The male colleges have an enrollment of 21,212, three times that of the female colleges, or 30.1 per cent of the total for the fifteen. They receive about 48.2 per cent of the state's funds."

The conference on the report is to be held March

13 in the Campus Center Sit n' Bull Room. "The format is pretty informal," said Dickinson. "The program is limited by design and partly by finances. It's a kind of workshop. People from all over the state; people who might be interested in Women's Studies."

The meeting, sponsored by the NUC and co-sponsored by Women's Equality is open to the public. Registration will begin at 9:00 am Saturday, March 13 in the Campus Center.

'New Dominion' Plans Counter-SA

By Paul Guyton
FLAT HAT Staff Writer

Following their secession from the Student Association last week, students in Old Dominion dormitory are working to reorganize the dorm and to create a new student government association.

The move for reorganization and for the governing assembly were announced in an interview Wednesday with sophomore John Quenstedt, senior Jay Schauer and junior Tim Tomlinson.

According to Schauer, Old Dominion will be reorganized into the New Dominion Free Dormitory, which will be "basically some sort of popular democracy" governed by an "executive board."

"But the important thing

is," Schauer stated, "that OD will be setting up, and hopefully the first to ratify, the Free Student Assembly."

The FSA "will be made up of any aggregate of students who wish to join," including not only those students whose dormitories have seceded from the SA but also including individual students whose dormitories as a whole may or may not have left the SA.

When asked how the FSA's rules will go into effect, Schauer pointed to a basic difference between the foundations of the FSA and the SA. "The SA was formed a long time ago under the auspices of the College. It has basically been an administrative tool since then," he said. "But our basic tenet is that we are free and independent."

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FRIDAY, Feb. 26
Visiting Scholars, Rudolph Arneim - CC Theater, 8:15 pm
Campus Chest Dance - CC Ballroom, 9 pm - 1 am
Wrestling, Southern Conference - Blow Gym, 8 pm
"The Night They Raided Minsky's" - Williamsburg Theater, 4, 7, and 9 pm, two days
"Equinox" - Blane Cinema, 7 and 9 pm, two days
"Tuck Me In" - Blane Cinema II, 7 and 9 pm, five days

SATURDAY, Feb. 27
German Club Party - CC Rooms A and B, 8-12 pm
Phi Alpha Delta Key Party - CC Theater, 1-5 pm
Basketball, W&M vs Richmond - William and Mary Hall, 8 pm

SUNDAY, Feb. 28
Delta Omicron Music Recital - CC Ballroom, 4 pm
Newman Club - CC Room C, 8 pm
"Burn" - Williamsburg Theater, 4, 7 and 9 pm, two days
"AKA-Muhammed Ali" - Blane Cinema I, 7 and 9 pm, three days

MONDAY, March 1
Baltimore County Teachers' Interviews - CC Green Room, 9 am-2 pm
Civilisation Series Film "The Worship of Nature" - Millington Auditorium, 4 pm
"I Love You Alice B. Tokalas" - Blane Cinema, 3 pm

TUESDAY, March 2
Chesapeake Public Schools Teachers' Interviews - CC Green Room, 9:30 am-4:30 pm
Festival Film Society, "Blow-Up" - Botetourt Theater, 4 pm, Millington Auditorium, 8 pm
"Little Fauss and Big Halsy" - Williamsburg Theater, 4, 7 and 9 pm, five days

WEDNESDAY, March 3
Circle K - CC Room C, 7 pm
Mortar Board - CC Lobby, 9:30 am-2:30 pm
"Man of LaMancha" - Phi Beta Kappa Hall, 8:15 pm
Civilisation Series Film, "The Worship of Nature" - Andrews 101, 4, 7 and 8 pm
"Trash" - Blane Cinema I, 7 and 9 pm, one week
"Sexual Practices in Sweden" - Blane Cinema II, 7 and 9 pm, one week

THURSDAY, March 4
SA Senate - CC Theater, 7 pm
Richmond Public Schools Teachers' Interviews - CC Room C, 9:30 am-4:30 pm
Phi Eta Sigma - CC Green Room, 7 pm
"Man of LaMancha" - Phi Beta Kappa Hall, 8:15 pm
Civilisation Series Film, "The Worship of Nature" - Millington Auditorium, 4 pm
Basketball, Southern Conference Tournament - away
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For Spring Semester

Free U. Courses Scheduled

By Pat Mayer
FLAT HAT Staff Writer

The Free University met in an organizational meeting Tuesday night and announced the courses it will offer this semester: playwriting, calligraphy, black music, Firesign Theater, poetry workshop, guitar instruction, and concept of the Free University.

According to Chairman Bruce Shatswell, the Free University is made up of an unstructured group of student-taught courses, supplementing those already offered in the College Curriculum. Single-session seminars will also be offered on relevant topics including Women's Liberation, environment, and the Vietnam war.

"We also hope to have a number of speakers with political viewpoints on various issues," Shatswell commented. A catalog is now being printed listing the courses,

meeting times and leaders.

Larry Raiken will head the playwriting group. Plans for this course involve the writing and critiquing of plays. Raiken stated that free tickets to various theater productions in the area might be made available to participants for the purpose of criticism. Original plays will be produced in the Lab Theater. Raiken added that he would like to "try to start a theater group to take the place of the Premiere Theater."

One of the most popular courses is the Firesign Theater, led by Jay Schauer. Participants will listen to and discuss the records of the group.

On his qualifications as teacher of the course Schauer said, "I'm one of the few Doctors of Firesign Theater is the U.S. Anyone who completes the course will automatically receive a Bachelor of Firesign

Theater degree and a diploma."

The course in calligraphy, taught by Alex McGregor, will concentrate on the methods and art of ornate handwriting.

Doug Green is heading a group on black music, and Bernie Herman will lead discussions in a poetry workshop. The guitar course taught by Kevin Crowe has already been filled.

Students interested in photography will meet with Bruce Nyland. This course will concentrate on the technical aspects of photography and darkroom techniques.

Shatswell is in charge of a general course featuring discussion on the concept of the Free University.

"We hope to set up a more structured organization," Shatswell commented. "If anyone's upset about the education you're getting or that's getting you, here's your chance to do something about it."

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