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# The College News

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BRYN MAWR, PA.

April 23, 1965

ditional and social aspects, were

presented at Monday night's Un-

dergrad meeting by President Pop-

The festivities will begin at 5:15

a.m., April 30, when the sopho-

mores sing their waking song. Then

after visiting Miss McBride's

house, the seniors will gather at

Rock Tower for the coronation of

the May Queen, who is senfor class

At 7:15 breakfast will be served in the halls and coffee and dough-

nuts in the Common Room for the

Haverford Fife and Drum Corps,

which will have played here during

After breakfast, the underclass-

men will line up at Pem Arch while

the seniors get ready to dance

around the five maypoles set upon

Merion Green. Miss McBride, who

will be next to one of the poles,

will give a short speech, as will

the May Queen. At 8:30 the Pem

East juniors will present their

Next, the entire student body

(the seniors having their hoops)

will assemble in Goodhart for a

short sing, and for the distribution

of the academic awards. Then, ac-

companied by more singing, the

president Genie Ladner.

the morning.

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Peter Moskovitz and Andrea Stark rehearse "somewhere I have never troveled" for the Donce Concert. The piece was chareagraphed by Alice Lieb to a poem by e.e. cummings, set to music by Pochabel. The Donce Club, under the direction of Ann Carter Mason, will offer its spring concert Saturday at 8:30 p.m. in Good. hort. Tickets are \$1.00 and may be bought at the door.

## College Mails 394 Acceptances To Prospective Class Of 1969

Acceptances for the Class of 1969 at Bryn Mawr were sent out this week. Partly because of new space in Erdman, the class will be bigger than ever before; but more significant, the Admissions Office feels, is the increased number of students who will hold scholarships, and the increasednumber of Negro students.

Out of 946 applicants, about a hundred more than last year, the College has sent out 394 acceptances, aiming for a freshman class of about 230. Not included in these figures are a small number of non-resident students. Of the 394, 56 were accepted on the Early Decision Plan, nine more than last year, an increase proportional to the increase in size of the entire

Seventy-five of those accepted have been awarded scholarships or loans, but Mrs. T. Robert S. Broughton, Director of Admissions, stresses that 46% of the students accepted applied for scholarships, compared with only 40% last year. Many of the scholarships awarded are proportionally

Through Bryn Mawr's affiliation with the Cooperative Program for Educational Opportunity, an agency sponsored by the Ivy League and the Seven College Conference, and with the National Scholarship Servive and Fund for Negro Students. there has been a large increase in Negro applicants, 17 of whomhave been offered admission, many with scholarships.

In addition to a larger freshman class, the College plans to admit a number of transfer students -- and not only former Bryn Mawrters who have taken a year or more off. This has not been possible recently because of limited space, although the College once regularly admitted 12 to 15 transfer students a year. Mrs. Broughton feels that transfer students, who fill up the spaces left vacant in a class, are also quite valuable to the College as a whole, and is eager to return to the former policy with the help of Erdman space.

Several foreign students, whose applications are being considered now, will also be admitted next year. Among definitely accepted. foreign students are several from

Mexico and South America; one African student has been offered a scholarshiphere through ASPAU, an American scholarship agency for African students, but whether

she will come or not is uncertain.

## Quintet Awarded Funds For Summer Research

grants for summer research in public affairs, through two grants administered by the college. One of the grants is a gift from the Ford Foundation.

The five are Elizabeth Colby and Eve Hitchman, both of whom' will be working in political science; Liesa Stamm, anthropology; Marilyn Craft, sociology, and Melissa McCarty, history. With the money, they will start their honors programs this summer, between, their junior and senior years. Some will largely do library research, while others, such as Llesa, will be working in the field.

The program is designed to further research "relevant to public policy," according to Mr. Eugene Schneider, chairman of the committee of professorswhich judges the students' applications.

## James Umstattd Of Birch Society To Speak May 3

Among the diverse opinions to which Mawrterswill have exposure in up and coming lectures is that of a John Birch Society member, Mr. James Umstattd, an architect making his home on the Main Line. Umstadd, a chapter leader, will be speaking on "The John Birch Society, Why It Exists," May 3 in the Common Room.

The Conservative Club, which is sponsoring him, does not necessarily endorse Society policies, but has invited Umstattd in an attempt to encourage diversities of opinion on campus and let students bear about the Society's aims and beliefs from a member instead somewhat hazy reporters.

Five juniors have received Mr. Schneider is a member of the Sociology Department here. One professor, recompensed by part of the grant, will direct each thesis.

> Students are selected who the committee feels have "tools to carry out the thesis, andtheproper technique" which Mr. Schneider calls simply "intelligence."

## Deanery to Open To Undergraduates On Friday Nights

Mawrters seeking refuge from Friday fare will find a new haven in the Deanery, which will be open to all undergraduates on Friday nights after May 1.

The Deanery Management Committee, working with Self-Gov and with the Deans' offices, has decided to try this plan for the remainder of the year. Deanery dress rules, will still apply on Friday digits-that is, students will be required to wear skirts.

Students using the Deanery and interested in its history will also be able to buy a history of the Deanery shortly after the beginning of May. The book, which has been in preparation for the last two years, was written by Ruth Levy Merriam of the class of 1931. Twenty-five pictures, both old and modern, will be included in the book, which will be on sale in the Deanery for one dollar.

DON'T FORGET! Book Sale continues in the gym until 4 p.m. Friday.

In the Early Mists of Morning Plans for May Day, in its tra- hoops will'be rolled down Senior Row. Later in the day, there will be more dancing on Merion Green, and under consideration are elilier

May Day Revelers to Celebrate

lege Theater. Events of the weekend will continue with a boat ride down the Delaware Friday evening. After the boat ride Applebee Barn will be open for Bryn Mawr students and their dates. There will be food and

a step sing or a play by the Col-

Saturday's schedule is still tentative, with various sports events at Haverford and a picnic at Batten House in the planning stages. Saturday night will feature Fais Domino at the Haverford Field House. Because the program will be in the Field House, girls are cautioned against wearing long dresses, but are encouraged to be as fancy as they like, up to formals.

## Sel-Gov Poll Sounds Opinion On Rhoads, Erdman Smoking

by Allie McDowell, '66 Self-Gov President

At the beginning of next week Self Gov. is submitting a poll to the campus on smoking in the rooms in Rhoads and Erdman in view of their "fire-resistant"

#### Faculty's Oddities To Go On Block In Charity Drive

This year's Campus Fund Drive will spotlight Mrs. Marshall's talents as auctioneer on May 1 when she will sell bits and pieces of the faculty's memoribilia.

The sale was a former feature of the Sophomore Carnival, but this year the procedes will go to charity rather than the sophomore class. According to Eve Hitchman, vice president of League, every faculty member has been contacted and asked if he or she would contribute something that relates in some way to his or ber work or hobbies -- manuscripts and original art, for example, Mrs. Marshall has also promised to give "something funny" but it won't be revealed until the afternoon of the

The auction is to take place outside Taylor at 2:00 if the weather is good, and if not, an alternative spot will be announced. The auction is the culmination of the yearly Fund Drive which will start Monday, April 26. At that time, League reps in each hall will distribute pledge sheets for donations to the ten selected charities. Write-ins are also accepted, but the League board at an open meeting has chosen ten charities which it feels are diversified enough to please almost every student.

The pledge sheets will also have explanations of what each of these ten do: American Friends Service Committee, World University Service, National Scholarship Fund for Negro Students, Childrens' Village, American Cancer Society, American Mental Health Association, Ship HOPE, Save the Children Federation, National Association for Retarded Children, and Migrant

In previous years, the total donations have averaged around \$700. The feeling of League is that the campus is capable of contributing quite a bit more. This increase would come 28 a matter of course if participation were more campus-wide. With publicity and sunshine, this year's Campus Fund Drive should show that increase and the charities will receive more this year than ever before.

construction. There will be separate polls for the campus and for the residents and future residents of Rhoads and Erdman. If a change in the smoking rule is requested, a proposal for the change will have to be approved by the Board of Trustees.

The Executive Board of Self-Gov urges that students seriously consider all aspects of a change in the rule, Hall Presidents, after a joint Advisory Board-Executive Board meeting on Tuesday aight, are fully prepared to answer any questions you may have.

The smoking rule in so far as it pertains to the up-keep and safety of the dormitories is an administrative rule, but the enforcement of the rule fails under the honor system of Self-Gov. A change in the rule, therefore, coocerns not only a convenience in the two halls which a majority of the campus and of the residents in Rhoads and Erdman considers necessary, but the immediate physical safety of those individuals.

in writing out the polls students are encouraged to comment on their decisions. Non-smokers should not support the rule change deprive their friends of a new freedom, but should makethoughtful personal decisions.

## Guest Editorship Awarded MacNair By Mademoiselle

On April 14, Cally MacNair learned she had been named a 1965 Guest Editor by MADAMOI-SELLE magazine. The guest editorship was to include working in New York and becoming eligible for a permanent position with MADEMOISELLE.

Then, not quite a week later, on April 20, a second telegram from the Editor-in-Chief of the magazine informed Cally of additional plans for ber as a Guest Editor. Not only will she work in New York, but she will also fly to Madrid in June.

Cally was one of thousands of entrants in the MADEMOISELLE college competitions in the full She first became a member of the magazine's college board with nearly 2,000 Coalists in the compelition. From this large number of finalists, she was selected as one of the 15 cash prize winners and was later named to the guest editorship.

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#### The March

In the middle of April, 150,000 Americans were in the middle of March, And they weren't behind the times--they were ahead of the game, so to speak, at least in the sense of achieving their purpose.

The March on Washington last Saturday was the crescendo of recent demonstrations to end the war in Vletnam. The U.S. policy in that country is not clearly defined; it has the tendency to mean all things to all people in the course of its contradictions. But that the war there means so much to so many is nothing to ignore. What the march will accomplish in the long run remains to be seen; what it accomplished immediately is at least a civil cognizance of its protest, if not a governmental awareness of its support.

Forward, march.

#### **Smoking**

As students at long last prepare to move into Erdman, an old complaint has achieved a new status. With the completion of the new dorm, two of the residence halls will be "fireproof" buildings, in which smoking in all rooms is at least feasible, even if it proves not to be

The primary reason for approving smoking in Erdman and Rhoads is simply one of convenience. Many smokers like to smoke while studying and this can now be done only in dorm smokers, which have a tendency to become crowded and noisy (even the "silent" ones). Designed primarily for social use, smokers are often lil-lighted and Ill-equipped for study purposes. And studiers asking quiet often disturb those who use the smokers as a place to relax.

For the smoker, then, the only alternatives are to try to concentrate in a smoker, or to study in ber room, taking breaks which destroy her concentration to go downstairs for a cigarette.

For the nonsmoker, it seems unlikely that smoke in her neighbor's room would be unduly disturbing, as long as enough care were taken that she need not worry about fire. It also seems unlikely that every smoker on campus would immediately try to move into Erdman and Rhoads, or that every nonsmoker would flee to another hall.

If, then, insurance arrangements can be satisfactorily made, the NEWS stands in favor of permitting smoking in non-public rooms in Erdman and Rhoads. Such approval, of course, is predicated upon the assumption that sufficient care will be taken by individual students and by the dorms concerned to insure no increase in the danger of fire in the two halls.

#### Timely

As the semester wends its weary way toward the end, we take up a familiar blannual plaint. This is the time when we would appreciate the appearance of the exam schedule. Only three weeks of classes remain, and a concrete reminder of the imminent reckoning would be an invaluable help in end of term planning.

Self-scheduled exams have once again been drowned in the wind, and as May arrives we resign ourselves to a uniform schedule. Time is precious now. A rush of early finals may well demand extra efficiency during the semester; a late program may mean a breathing space between papers and exams. With no information, we will all hope for the best - and that might be disastrous for some.

To many students, the last exam means the day of departure. Those who must make airplane reservations deserve to know when they can leave in time to secure convenient transportation. Others - especially freshmen asked to leave soon after their last final - must make arrangements with parents for the trek home.

The emergence of exam schedule is always a solemn moment. It serves as a sign that little remains before work and plans must be concluded. Our personal schedules depend upon our exams - we deserve the chance to close the year in a burst of orderly existence.

## applebee



midnight

which only the fire captain can foretell

calling us all from our dear little singing and calling and breaking

my head: "come, come with us p what's the fuse?

come get your towel and join in . precentation of the property your eveready batt'ries too yes, we're calling you what's the harm of a little alarm at one 2.m.?" yes, we're prepared we'll ne'er be scared as long as the blazes arrive at seven or twelve-thirtyfive

dedicated to the memory of alice pierce emory class of '53 who resourcefully put out an electrical fire originating in ber flashlight with a pittsburgh hilton towel. applebee

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#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### The March

To the Editor:

While I am still enjoying the spirit of Saturday's March on Washington I hasten to write a personal description of the trip.

I reached the Common Room at 6:45, sleepy, uncommunicative, and a little uncertain as to what I was about to embark upon. We began to board the busses at 7:15, and this operation, so vulnerable to confusion passed smoothly. We could not settle down for the long trip until the Haverford stop was behind us. Once the trip began we occasionally sang, and engaged in political discussion, but mostly the time was passed in napping, and in random conversation.

When we reached the New Jersey Thruway and at last joined the main North-South traffic we noticed other busses carrying participants to the march. But it was not until we had stopped for a coffee break that we realized what was underway. The entire cafeteria was filled with student participants shouting greetings, passing out literature, and devouring hot dogs. When we were on the road again Vicki May suddenly shouted "look behind." We all looked around and there we saw a caravan of our busses stretching out behind us until hidden by a curve of the road. As we rolled into Washington we felt the parade had started on the highway.

We disembarked on the mail before the Washington Monument for we had, apparently, arrived too late to picket the White House. Our group soon became lost in the stream of people beading for the obelisk.

The speeches were, in the main,

fine. I. F. Stone was given a rousing greeting. He admonished youth for putting down liberals for he said he knew our fathers, and even our grandfathers, when they too had been more militant than liberal, and many of them were now attacking from the right, were even F.B.I. informants. He received a long theer. Senator Gruening of Alaska, the lone congressman to come, was an unlikely hero for ourgathering. But be was unequivocal in condemning our Vietnam policy for vlolating the 1954 Genevaagreements and the 33rd Clause of the United Nations Charter. He stated flatly we were responsible for cancelling the 1956 unified election of Vietnam. I thought he was most strong when he tolled the ways of peace called for by the U.N. Charter which we were ignoring; judicial arbitration, regional counsel, direct negotiation, U.N. intervention etc. Potter, the national president of the Students for a Democratic Society, the organization sponsoring the march, gave a speech that fulfilled my worst expectations of politicking. He called for a "movement" to combat the "system." I thought be lived in just such an abstract world that a mind inhabitated by movements and systems allows.

The irritation i felt at his speech was very brief for then the march itself began. The crowd moved from the monument toward the capital at the opposite end of the mall. During the march I tost my companions so I walked along by myself. I noticed many pretty girls, some of whom had pinned cherry blossoms in their bair. There were many Negroes, very unself-conscious and self-possessed. Some men wore bats Identifying them as members of local 1199.

For my part I felt the speakers had convincingly destroyed my faith in the ethics, honesty, and wisdom of my government's Vietnam policy. I had never prevlogsly so seriously scrutinised any policy, nor felt so divorced from my government. Yet never

had I feit so at home with the name American. I had joined my friends to meet thousands of others like ourselves; we had peacefully assembled to petition our government for the redress of grievances.

Stephen Pepper Instructor, History of Art

## **Objectivity**

To the Editor:

It is our understanding that democracy represents full attention to all sides of an argument before a position is taken. Two weeks ago a man spoke at Haverford supporting the United States policy in Vlet-Nam; he was the first representative of the State Department to speak on either campus. There was a blatant lack of Bryn Mawr interest; notably lacking were the members of the SAC and SDS nuclei at Bryn Mawr and other students who have overtly supported the SD6 position. Our confidence in Bryn Mawr objectivity had led us to expect that a large percentage of the marchers already committed to protest of government policy would have informed themselves of the government's position.

If these students are really working to build a democratic society, shouldn't they examine the government's position as intensely as they proclaim their own? If students from this group still consider themselves dedicated to objectivity and a democratic approach, materials presenting State Department policies are now available (free) in Taylor

> Betsy Gemmill, '67 Laurel G. Haag, '66 Grace S. Hamilton, '66 Barbara Mann, '68 Nancy Lee Milner, '65 Debby Unger, '67

## **Easter Spirit**

To the Editor:

This Sunday I heard a sermon which struck me as being most in the Easter spirit. I was a guest in the Union Baptist Church in South Phliadelphia. The church was completely Negro with three or four exceptions. The minister was Negro, and there were Negro women as ushers wearing white dresses with red flowers pinned on them. Therewere pofreshflowers, but petalled bats proved a spring note. Above the pulpit was a large and beautiful pipe organ; the choir sat in the balcony to the left and right of the pulpit. The area around the church was poor--cramped multi-storled houses and nograss, with littered sidewalks. The sidewalks were littered because the city cleans only once a week there. Across from the church was an empty lot, littered with bricks where a house had been leveled to the ground.

The minister, the Rev. Kirkland, gave his address, expressing belief that Good will eventually triumph over Evil, and that be actually believed that God's Kingdom would exist on earth one day. He expressed his faith, in face of the many encroachments and evidences of evil, because he believed in the existence of many good people all over the world, and in the power and force of Good as a power equal to the power of Evil. He saw men progressing towards good, and felt that it must be done on earth -- not on the moon or through development of super-technology.

1 am sure everyone has heard this belief expressed before. But just before the collection, theminister explained what the vacant lot was; it was to be a building of about 40 rooms, for church and community use. It was for Girl Scout and Boy Scout meetings--and the

The minister expressed the church's attitude in saying, "We owe something to this city." The statement is remarkable for the word "city." The minister did not say, "We owe it to ourselves to improve our community," nor did he say, "This would be a good thing for us"; he expressed a feeling of duty and loyalty so surprisingly unselfish that it struck me as being a resurrection of life, just as one would hope to see on Easter morning. The city does very little for these people: it if enything makes life worse for them, and yet they rise up out of stone and sterillty, and identify with the city and give it a rebirth of life. They talk of owing something to the city, and how few of us feel that we owe anything to the sostraction called "city" or even to the people who suffer in that city.

Dorothy Hudig, '68

#### Ire-onic?

To the Editor:

I should like to clarify a situation which has arisen over an article which appeared in the COLLEGE NEWS of April 9, 1965, concerning the resignation of Joe Eyer, Haverford's Council president, and a letier in the NEWS of April 16, 1965, objecting to the journalistic treatment which this issue received.

First, I should like to point out that the article in question was bylined and therefore technically and correctly could contain "copinion." Secondly, the "adequate objective news coverage" requested by Miss Shapiro in ber letter was, I feel, implicit in the article. At publication deadline, the facts of the issue stood as reported. And certainly, my attempts at parable were not intended to malign the individuals concerned.

It seemed to me then, as now, that the unprecedented resignation was an unfortunate event.

In conclusion, I do not feel that the NEWS displayed 'a lack of integrity in its responsibility to its readers." The issue was so charged with emotion that "objective" coverage was a veritable impossibility. The HAVERFORD NEWS article was by-lined also.

The spirit in which the article was written, incidentally, has been subsequently echoed by editorlai commentary in both the Haverford and Bryn Mawr NEWS. In writing about ire and Eyer, I intended only that judgment be withheld until after the lue and cry. Joe Eyer's decision to resign was unfortunate. The fact that my article was misread is unfortunate also.

"Once upon a time, the COL-LEGE NEWS was a better newspaper." In my opinion it still is. Margery Aronson, '65

#### Purpose

To the Editor:

Your editorial on the Committee of 39 indicates that you do not fully understand the purpose of the Committee. The Committee is purely functional, and its representatives serve as information gatherers. It has no powers of decision, and its only attempt at discussion will be to illuminate to its members the issues which are to be presented to their constituencies. The members of the Committee will hand in written reports on their research, describing what each individual within their constituencies which about the issue at hand. The best way I can describe the Committee is to compare at to a group of Galhap poll-takers. As a functional group, the Committee can no more be titled a campus organization than can the fire drill runners, and therefore will not increase "the already sizeable roster" of student groups.

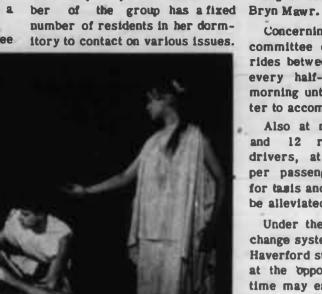
Drewdie Glipin, '68

# Council of 39 Opens for Business Soldier Now in S. Vietnam First Agenda: Rides, Meal Exchange Appeals to BMC for Mail

Bryn Mawr's newly-created Committee of 39 elected Alice Beadle, '67, its chairman at the first meeting Tuesday afternoon in the Roost. Heidi Von Auw, a freshman, will be secretary.

The purpose of the committee

is to bring important issues directly to members of the student body and thus sound out general campus opinion. Each mem-



The HIPPOLYTUS of Euripides will be presented in Greek by Prosopon, the classical drama society of Princeton and Bryn Mawr, Friday at 8:30 p.m. in Goodhart. Tickets ore \$1.25. The production, directed by Cynthia Gardiner, '63, was presented at Princeton in February.

# Varied Techniques, Tone Offered in Lowell Reading

by Koren Durbin

Eminent American poet and playwright Robert Lowell gave Bryn Mawr one of its most enjoyable evenings of the year with a reading from his works Monday night in Goodhart.

Mr. Lowell read with effective dramatic technique from five of his volumes of poetry, interspersed with candid and frequently humorous commentary.

Mr. Lowell's chronologicalpresentation and enlightening comments not only on the individual poems but on his attitudes as a poet at the time of each volume lent the reading a progressive unity and gave his audience the extraordinary feeling of personal insight into the poet's creative ex-

From LORD WEARY'S CASTILE, which won the Pulitzer Prize In 1946, Mr. Lowell read Eve Under Hooker's Statue," and two poems based on incidents in the life of Jonathan Edwards, "After the Surprising Conversions" and "Mr. Edwards and the Spider." The poems, all written during World War II, reflect moods of desolation and bitterness, the last ending on a note of despair.

This mood was sustained in the next selection, "Her Dead Brother" taken from MILLS OF THE KAVANAUGHS. The poem, a dramatic narrative about war and incest, considers the themes of decadence and destruction and was one of the most effective in the program.

Mr. Lowell followed with two Italian love poems, Leopardi's "Sylvia" and Montale's "Dora Markus," from IMITATIONS, his book of translations from French, German, Italian, Greek and Rus-

#### **MEWS AGENCY**

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sian poetry.

In reading three poems from his next volume, LIFE STUDIES, the poet noted a change from traditional metre and rhyme to "something approaching free verse," adding that he "tried not to use any symbolic subjects; if there was a pigeon in a poem, it was a pigeon - not'a Christian." The poems, "Grandparents," "Skunk Hour," and "After Three Months Away," exhibited a more subdued and affirmative tone than the earlier selections.

Mr. Lowell completed the reading with five poems from his latest book, FOR THE UNION DEAD, which hecalled less autobiographical than his previous work. ("It occured to me that you can't go on featuring yourself indefinite-

The poems varied in tone, ranging from the regretful love poem, "Water," to the desolate "Fall 1961," concerning man's possible annihilation by the bomb.

Mr. Lowell concluded the reading with the powerful "For the Union Dead," a complex work with the dominant theme of the increasing sterllity of the modern

#### **PEGGY EVANS SHAGGY SHIRTS**

BRIGHT COLORS **BULKY WEAVES** LOOSE FIT

#### THE PEASANT SHOP

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The topics under consideration this week were the establishment of a ride system and meal exchanges between Haverford and

Concerning ride facilities, the committee discussed having bus rides between the two schools run every half-hour and bour from morning until 7:30 p.m., the latter to accommodate lectures.

Also at night are proposed 10 and 12 rides, run by student drivers, at fares of five cents per passenger. Thus the need for tasis and station wagons might be alleviated.

Under the prospective meal exchange system, any Bryn Mawr or Haverford student who has a class at the opposite school at lunchtime may eat there. A system of sign-ups and assignments, bowever, will be necessary.

The latter system is not so clearly defined as the ride exchanges, which are presumably ready for operation, with approval.

Each member of the committee is now distributing appropriate mimeographed questionnaires to the students she is representing; these will be returned Monday night, tallied, and considered in the plans for the two projects.



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Pop - Classics - Jozz

Bryn Mawr this week from a soldier stationed in Vietnam and was finally given to the COL-LEGE NEWS. We print it not only as on item of topical inferest but in hopes that it will be onswered. It is addressed to you. -- Ed.

April 14, Saigon

I used to get a lot of crisis mail, but lately even an embassy bombing fails to inspire anyone to write. It's hard to understand, too, especially when Vietnam is supposed to be such an Important matter to Americans. I guess it's too far away to concern most of you. That's what most think, and frankly, I am inclined to agree with them.

I really don't think the security of America is horribly threatened by North Vietnam inflitration into the Republic of Vietnam. We're led to believe that, but most of us can't accept such a proposition. Well, regardless of what you or I believe, America is committed, or more precisely, Mr. Johnson has committed America, to Vietnam, and since I am stationed here I am the one most affected by policies of state.

As a soldier it is not mine to question why America is in Vietnam, although as a college graduate I can't help but academically attack the President's posltion. Now, to be sure, this letter is not really concerned with the United States' Far East Asian policy. It is ratherwritten because

SPINET PIANO BARGAIN WANTED: Responsible porty to take over low monthly payments on a spinet plano, Can be seen locally. Write Credit Monager, P.O. Box 35, Cortland,

The following letter orrived of I have little else to do. The problem I encounter most here is that no one ever answers your letters. Maybe it's my bad prose.

The last letter I received was three weeks ago, and that was from a relative. Relatives are well meaning enough, but I'm sincerely not interested in a Mid-Atlantic weather report or other such nonsense. At first I thought it was a ridiculous idea to write to a girls' school, but the more I write, the more appealing such a gamble appears.

To say the very least, I'm 24 years old, a Vietnamese linguist by choice and slightly unhappy by circumstance. I promise to answer all correspondence and as a special incentive to anticipated mall I promise to include at least one photograph of life In Vietnam. With sincere hopes of

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# 100 Students, Faculty Members Protest U.S. Policy in Viet Nam

About one hundred Bryn Mawr' students andfaculty memberswere among the twenty thousand people who demonstrated in Washington last weekend for an end to the war in Vietnam.

The demonstrators picketed the White House in the morning, attended a rally near the Washington monument, and then marched up the mall to present a petition to Congress.

The petition said: "We ... petition Congress to ask an immediate end to the war. You currentlyhave at your disposal many schemes including reconvening the Geneva Conference, negotiations with the National Liberation Front and North Vietnam, immediate withdrawal, and U. N. supervisedelections. Although those among us might differ as to which of these is most desirable, we are unanimously of the opinion that the war must be brought to a halt.

"This war is inflicting untold harm on the people of Vietnam. it is being fought on behalf of succession of unpopular regimes, not for the ideals you proclaim. Our military forces are obviously being defeated, yet we persist in extending the war. The problems of America cry out for attention and our entanglement in Vietnam postpones the confrontation of these issues while prolonging the misery of the people of the war torn land.

"You must act to reverse this sorry state of affairs. We call on you to end, not to extend, the war in Vietnam."

A statement was also sent to President Johnson asking an immediate end to the bombing of North Vietnam and efforts to arrange a cease fire.

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#### Campus Events

Friday, April 23

The HIPPOLYTUS of Euripides will be performed by the Princeton and Bryn Mawr Classical Drama Society. Tickets (\$1.25) will be available the evening of the performance in Goodhart, 8:30

Saturday, April 24

The Bryn Mawr Dance Club, directed by Ann Carter Mason, will present a dance concert. Tichets (\$1.00) will be our sale the evening of the performance Goodhart, 8:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 27

William H. Shelde, Director of the Bach Aria Group, will give a lecture on "J. S. Bach as a Librarian and a Personnel Manager" under the auspices of the Friends of the Library and the Friends of Music at 8:30 p.m. in the Deanery.

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sored by Students for a Democratic Society, with the support of every other peace group in the country, a few labor unions, and the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Commit-

The morning picketing was at times disorganized, largely because SDS anticipated only about half of the peoplewhoparticipated. The picket lines, which often occupled the whole width of the sidewalks, and spilled over into Lafayette Park, sometimes extended four blocks from the White House, trapping unwary tourists and keeping a small army of police running back and forth to direct traffic.

The rally at Sylvan Theater at the foot of the Washington Monument began with satiric protest songs by Phil Ochs and Bill Frederick The SNCC Freedom Singers, Judy Collins, and Joan Baez also participated.

Many of the demonstrators had been involved in civil rights or anti-poverty campaiges, and many of the speakers at the rally stressed the connection between foreign and domestic problems.

The first speaker was Robert Parris (formerly Robert Moses), SNCC project director. He compared our actions in Vietnam to the murder of civil rightsworkers in the South, saying that the Ku Klux Klan in the South and the American forces in Vietnam are defeading all that they value and are willing to kill to protect the status quo. He questioned whether any idea or set of values is worth killing for.

I. F. Stone, Washington journalist, criticized our "overgrown military establishment" and our blind hatred of Red China. Peace in Asia, he said, is impossible without the cooperation of China.

Staughton Lynd, Assistant Professor of History at Yale, spoke "for the professors who have come out of the ivory towers." He compared the American public to the Germans who were silent when Hitier came to power, for we, like they, are liedtobyour government and can "only watch helplessly." He said we have a duty to protest, and the most honorable place to be in a time like this is



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#### in jail. He added that he has refused to pay part of his taxes in

Senator Greuning of Alaska called American policy "a serious and tragic mistake." He said our government is behaving like a totalitarian regime in deceiving the people and going against their wishes. He spoke of our violation of the U.N. charter, and said that if we "win" now in Vietnam we will be faced with a major Asian war which we cannot win. He said that the Chinese have shown "admirable restraint" in the face of our actions, but perhaps we aredoing such a good jobofantagonizing all Asia that China does not need to intervene. He called the "domino theory," which holds that the loss of Vietnam means the loss of all Asia, "utter nonsense," and predicted that if we withdraw Vietnam will form an independent Communist government like Yugoslavia. He called for an immediate end to bombing raids on the North and an effort to arrange a ceasefire with the Viet Cong.

The final speaker was Paul Potter, Chairman of SDS. He linked the Vietnam crisis to our domestic situation, saying that a major war will destroy hope for progress on such problems as civil rights and poverty. He also said that foreign and domestic problems are the results of the whole American system. "What kind of system is it," he asked, that caused slaughter in Vietnam, and racial injustice, materialism, poverty, and restrictions on free speech at home. He concluded that marches and demonstrations are not enough, but that we must have a nationwide movement to reform the whole system, and perhaps must resort to massive nationwide civil dis-

Joan Baez closed the rally by leading the demonstrators in singing "We Shall Overcome" as they began the march to the capitol.

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# H'ford Students' Council Elects **Bok Read Successor to Eyer**

The biatus created by the resignation of Haverford Student Council President Joe Eyer was filled by the election of Bok Read 65, last Friday. Read, who served as junior class representative to this body, feels that the present Council has created much more student interest than in the past, and wishes to "keep this interest in lasues mobile."

Read takes perhaps a more progressive view of change than do many Bryn Mawr students. His opinion is that the only way to provoke student interest is to, "propose an action, and to get people to worry about the possible results." He also quotesa Haverford professor on this problem, who referred to students as, "only trying to get things they know they can get," and this might be taken as a general criticism of Bryn Mawr's often overlycautious methods. He is taking a course at Bryn Mawr, however, Chemistry 303b, and does not find the girla in his class generally apathetic.

The new Council president applies these more courageous methods to the struggle for a particular innovation at Haverford - the possible abolition of grades. He cites an initial meeting of nine

students and eight faculty members on this question.

Read is also interested in several proposed changes which concern Bryn Mawr students. These include mealenchanges, and the possibility of the acquisitioo of Microbuses for inter-college transportation, especially in the tale evening hours. He naturally bopes for increased co-operation between the Haverford-Bryn Mawr Committees of 36 and 39 respectively.

A recent innovation at Haverford announced at Tuesday's Collection, consists of the abolition of the stipulation that a Haverford student must possess an average of above 80 to take a course at Bryn

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