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Ford Announces Honors Program

Last weekend the Ford Foundation announced a grant to Allegheny College in the amount of $75,000 to help finance a newly developed study program. In announcing the grant, the Ford Foundation explained that the money will be used for the same purpose in two other small liberal arts colleges—Lake Forest and Colorado College.

The essence of the program is to permit twenty-five students admitted to Allegheny next year to follow a program of independent study.

This program, which will continue through the four years that the students attend Allegheny, will exempt them from following the usual curriculum.

Free selection of courses, under the guidance of faculty advisors, will highlight this unique program. Class attendance , grades and credits will not be required of the students.

In order to advise the students in their programs, four faculty members will devote their full time to the guidance and implementation of the program. The goal of the program is to allow members of this revolutionary program to pursue advanced studies without limitations imposed by group requirements. By dispensing with the usual system of exams, the students will be able to concentrate on the learning process, rather than being more concerned with the accumulative average. At the end of the first two years of the program, the students will be examined as to the education progress recorded at the end of this period. An outside board of educators will examine the participants at the conclusion of the four year program.

Clarence Faust, a vice president of the Ford Foundation explained the program as follows: 'The experiment being assisted by the foundation under the grants announced, is intended to stimulate thought and innovation leading to better patterns of ecucation the nation's ablest young minds.'

Allegheny has contributed an amount that is approximately half the amount given to it by the Ford Foundation. The students who will participate in the program will be chosen by a national selection committee.

Student Wage Suggestions Made

The long awaited student wage recommendation was passed unanimously at the November 24 meeting of ASG. Lengthy discussion preceded the passing of several amendments.

The first of two major amendments concerned the wages of library student assistants. Woody Thiesson '66, assistant ASG treasurer, reported that little or no complaints could be found concerning present library wages. Several library assistants at the meeting stated that this was because many felt that in relation to other wages on campus, they were being paid fairly. Also it was noted that the library has shown a willingness to cooperate concerning wages, and that already a yearly increment in student wages has been instituted.

ASG then passed an amendment stating: 'AUC feels that the present wage structure for library student assistants is adequate for the present time. However, library wages should be kept under continual review and increased in proportion to rising college costs in the future.'

The second amendment concerned the figuring of pay of dining hall workers in relation to years served. The AUC recommendation was amended to read: 'The years used in figuring increase of student pay include those years of service prior to implementation of the plan.'

A motion from Roger Rice, chairman of the traffic committee, was passed that no student parking be allowed in the Carr Hall parking lot at any time, and a fine of one dollar was set for each violation.

Freshman class president, Larry Foss recommended that the gym facilities be made available for use by students on weekends. The recommendation was passed that ASG would cooperate in any way mutually convenient to the athletic and business departments to bring about extended hours.



The highlight of this year's ROTC Military Ball was the Coronation of queen Elli Botti by last year's queen Nancy Gilmore with Johnny McAuliffe as the Crown Bearer.

Dr. Reichel, Trustee, Dies

Dr. Frank H. Reichel, 67, a native of Saegertown and Allegheny Trustee died Saturday at at his home in Villanova, Pa.

Dr. Reichel was chairman of the board and president of the former American Viscose Corp., and became chairman of the board of Avisco in 1963 when it merged with FMC Corporation as a holding company. Dr. Reichel was also a director of FMC Corporation.

Dr. Reichel graduated from Allegheny in 1915 at the age of 18, the youngest graduate of the college up to that date. In 1947, Allegheny conferred an honorary doctorate of science upon Dr. Reichel as 'one of the nation's leading research chemists.'

He received his M.S. from Harvard University, and his Ph.S. from the University of Geneva, Switzerland, in 1921.

TAKE NOTE

Peace Corps placement tests will be given at 3 p.m. on Monday, December 7, at test centers across the country. To take the test, applicants must bring with them a questionnaire which is available at all post offices and from the Peace Corps Headquarters, Washington 25, D.C.

Kappa Delta Epsilon

Kappa Delta Epsilon, national education honorary fraternity, initiated eight new members in a ceremony Tuesday evening.

They are: Jane Angelo, '66, Candy Campbell, '65, Peggy Kessler, '66, A.J. Laird, '65, Betsy Myers, '66, Carole Pozzani, '66, Marjorie Sears, '66, and Ann Stoops, '65.

Theta Chi

Last Saturday afternoon the brothers of Theta Chi, aided by their pinmates, held a party for 40 children of the Odd Fellows Home. After 'Uncle Lud' and 'Uncle Bozo' led in such activities as a sack race and musical chairs, they served refreshments with gingerbread men and ice cream topping the menu. Following refreshments there was a folksing where such old favorites as Farmer in the Dell and I Love My Rooster were sung.

Allegheny Alum Goes to Chile

Sally Johnston, 1964 graduate of Allegheny College, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Johnston, 611 Stanton St., Greensburg, Pa. is one of 39 Peace Corps Volunteers now on home leave prior to leaving December 4 for Chile. They will work in conjunction with the Chilean agency 'Corporation de la Vivienda' (the Chilean Housing Corporation), which administers educational and welfare services in the larger cities.

They will assist the agency in its plan to construct low and medium cost housing using public funds. The agency maintains a social service section which helps new home owners make adjustments to their new environment. Services and programs include community centers, nursery schools, health and maternal clinics.

The volunteers will use their individual technical skills as well as the general one of community development which is taught them in training. The group trained for 12 weeks at California State College at Los Angeles.

Some 9,000 Americans are now serving as Peace Corps Volunteers in 46 nations of Asia, Africa and Latin America. More Volunteers are needed. Applicants interested in winter or spring training are urged to obtain Peace Corps Questionnaires (available at your local post office) and take the Corp's Placement Test, given the second Saturday of each month wherever federal service examinations are held.

Any student not planning to return to college second term should notify the Dean of Students' Office immediately.

The test for second-term College Reading will be given on Monday, January 11, at 7:00 p.m. Those wishing to take this test should register in Dr. Ross's office no later than January 8.

Frosh Group, Dean Meet Weekly



Freshman Class President Larry Foss meets with Dean McKean in the weekly meeting of the Freshman Class Council.

Each week, the seventeen representatives of freshman dorm sections meet with John R.O. McKean, Dean of Students, to discuss and clarify points of college policy.

The council, Dean McKean explains, serves to help the freshmen learn more about college procedures and traditions, and at the same time familiarizes the Administration with the specific problems of the freshmen.

To illustrate how the council may work—several weeks ago, members of the council asked why the gym could not be opened on weekends; the dean suggested that A.S.G. might be able to work out such an arrangement; as a result, Larry Foss, freshman class president, requested A.S.G. to consider the matter, which it is now doing.

Other subjects discussed in council this year are the 'snowball policy,' Honor system, and dining hall dress rules.

Through the freshman council, the dean explains, problems which do not concern upperclassmen can be straightened out.

Summer "Dig" In UK Announced

A new and exciting opportunity in England is now offered to College students wanting to spend next summer in Europe in an interesting way.

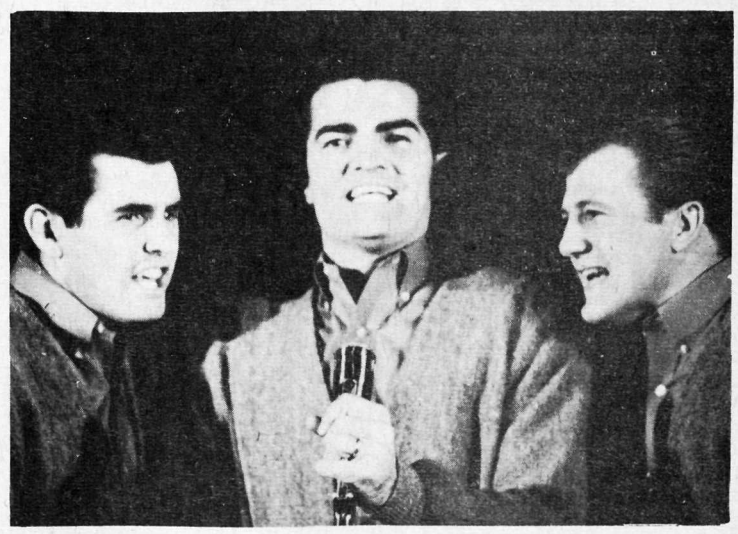
You may help to reveal the secrets of a Roman villa, an iron-age hill fort or the structure of a medieval town or Anglo-Saxon cathedral before they disappear, perhaps for ever. Expanding housing programs, city centre redevelopment and new highway projects in Britain today have opened up many new possibilities for archaeological investigation.

You may help in this important work, earn credits, make international friends and receive valuable training in archaeology by joining a program sponsored by the Association for Cultural Exchange, the British non-profit organisation.

Volunteers first join a three-week seminar for training in British archaeology and excavation techniques at Westminster College, Oxford. They then split up into small groups for three or more weeks "digging" on an archaeological site. Total cost of the program is $575.00 including round-trip air transportation from New York. Part scholarships are available to suitable students with a "B" plus average.

Write now for further details to hon. United States Representative: Dr. John H. Slocum, Association for Cultural Exchange, 202 West 10th Street, New York. Closing application date is expected to be January 8th, 1965.

Lettermen Perform in Concert



The Lettermen provide entertainment for the Thanksgiving Weekend returning for their second visit to Allegheny's campus

EDITORIAL

(Ed. Note: This is the last of a series of editorials on Allegheny's 'public image.')

There has been much criticism of the ASG Activities committee for bringing 'The Lettermen' here for the second time in three years, and rightly so. The groups and artists who perform here contribute either directly or indirectly to the Allegheny image. The kind of people we invite reflects the taste of our campus.

Why, when we shoot for the top academically, do we settle for the same high-school level entertaining group which almost one-half of the student body heard only two years ago on this campus? A better understanding of the duties and limitations of the Activities Committee may help us to avoid similar unfortunate developments in future years.

The committee consists of an ASG-appointed chairman and twenty-five members selected by the previous committee members from ASG committee applications. The committee operates on a yearly budget of $5,650 allotted from ASG. Some revenue is received from townspeople on the concerts free to the college. Also, sometimes a nominal admission price has been charged for the Spring concert in order to supplement the funds and therefore obtain a higher priced group.

The ASG Activities Committee has many functions to provide for within this budget. Besides two concerts, there are the opening Fall dance, May weekend, the senior week dances, two smaller dances second term (tentative), three movies--a new project; and this year the committee purchased some sound equipment for entertainment.

Obviously the financial situation imposes a strangling limitation upon the activities committee. Most entertainment groups of high rating start at $4000. A second difficulty is the method of securing groups. All the arrangements are made through an agent. Group prices are not definite until the final contract is drawn up. Also a group's prices vary depending upon whether they are in the area and upon other variables.

Considering these problems, what can be done to improve the quality of our big-weekend entertainment? First, we should obtain social calendars from other schools in the Pennsylvania-Ohio-New York area so that we will have an idea of what groups will be in the area, and perhaps we will find a group that we really want whose rate will be lower. There are rumors that a 'clearing house' in this geographical area may be started within the next few years, but until that time, why not contact some of these schools ourselves?

Second, the group could be engaged for a concert-dance or a dance alone in Brooks, and the money usually spent for the dance band could be applied to the cost of this group.

Third, there are many locally-known groups without significant national publicity who are excellent in their fields. If publicity were well-organized and extensive, such groups could draw as many college students as a more well-known group. Many students who did not know of Maynard Ferguson attended the concert, because those who did know recommended his music highly.

A last and important recommendation is an increase in the activities committee budget. Perhaps this is possible only by raising the student activity fee which has remained constant while other college expenses have risen in the past few years.

Money here is not available for the asking alone, but if the committee demonstrates the enthusiasm and initiative to make the most of their limited funds, then perhaps ASG will see the way to allowing additional money in order to prevent the thwarting of imaginative ideas in entertainment.

LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

I would like to compare and contrast the 15 week semester with our present 10 week semester in the light of a few principles established by the psychology of learning. The data I use is hypothetical. It is intended to give the student an insight into his own situation.

Joe Smith is a conscientious student. Hypothetically he spends two hours outside of class for every hour spent in class.

Let us examine the time spent per class per semester under the 15 week semester: he spends, @ 50 minutes a class period, 2 1/2 hours in a class per week. Therefore, he would spend, under our assumption: 2 1/2 X 2 X 15 equals 75 hours a semester per class.

Under the present system, he spends: @ 70 minutes a class period, 3 1/2 hours in a class per week. Therefore, he would spend: 3 1/2 X 2 X 10 equals 70 hours a semester per class.

We also would keep proportionately constant the amount of material the professor covers in a class period, i.e. Joe's professor covers 7/5 equals 1.4 times the amount of material per class in the 10 week semester than he did under the 15 week program. It is our judgment that this estimate is much too high.

In analysis we would make the following points:

1. Learning is much better, for a given subject, when it is spaced over a period of time than when it is masses. Under the old system Joe spread his 75 hours of study over a period larger than 15 weeks, if we count vacation time. Under the present system he is spreading 70 of study over 10 weeks.

2. When learning is accomplished in small steps it is retained longer and is better integrated than when it is taken in huge chunks. Under the 15 week semester professors were able to give more short quizzes spread over a longer period of time than they are now able to give.

This makes it possible for the student to see his relative class standing and comprehension of the course material before a major mid-term examination.

3. Learning is much better when there is immediate feedback of results. What this boils down to is the sooner you get your test back the better the effect of the reinforcement, be it reward for studying of punishment for not studying.

In reference to point two, the greater number of small quizzes spread over a large interval allows for immediate feedback, i.e. more reinforcement per unit of time.

The references made to learning theory are the core of the information which has led to the development of programmed learning and the teaching machine. I hope the generalizations drawn here are valid enough to provide for serious questioning of the present system.

Sincerely,
Henry B. Winkler '65

To the Editor:

As an Allegheny student at the University of Edinburgh, I have seen a tradition that the students of Allegheny might well adopt. The British dignity and reserve so often read about is a true thing--at least until students get into a classroom. Here they make full use of the old buildings which dominate the campus, with their hollow wooden floors and walls in which every sound echoes.

If the students like or agree especially with something that the lecturer says, they stomp their feet. If, however, they disagree or do not like something that the lecturer says, they hiss as loudly as possible.

This has several distinct advantages. First, it tends to keep the lecturer on his toes and helps eliminate boring lectures. It insures that the lecturer's jokes will at least be bearable.

Finally, it helps the student release his tension, boredom, frustration, or any other problems, and gives him something to do besides taking notes, at any rate.

As for the professors, I suppose they can always get their revenge at the exams.

Randy Pock, '66

To the Editor:

Last year ASG voted decisively to drop Allegheny's affiliation with Who's Who because because of a general disagreement with the methods of selection which invariably disappoint many and create widespread dissension.

The joint faculty student Student afairs committee, however, in direct opposition to the will of the students as voiced through their elected representatives, voted to retain affiliation and revised the selection process.

Students may judge for themselves whether this--or any--procedure of selection is actually fair. My question is rather, is there any valid justification for continuing Allegheny's affiliation with the institution? Proponents argue that election to Who's Who provides an impressive addition to the individual's achievement record. I would reply that those selected have usually compiled such an outstanding list of accomplishments that the presence or absence of this addition an hardly by significant.

If Allegheny dropped its standing with Who's Who a student could be neither helped nor hindered dered by it. Furthermore the actual value of this "honor" as far as graduate schools and employment opportunities are concerned is highly questionable. Proponents argue that the college gains prestige and publicity through its connection with this national organization-extremely doubtful, since the average person does not possess a copy of "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities", nor is is mentioned in college directories.

Finally I submit that regardless of the benefits--real or imaginary-- which are used to justify the persistence of Who's Who from year to year, they cannot excuse the unfair, even idiotic, selection procedure whi ch by its nature makes a mockery of whatever honor might have been intended to the recipients.

I do not question the qualifications of any of this year's members (or of at least as many others who were not selected). Their leadership, their service, and their many accomplishments will honor them long after the books which list their names have become obscure, unread volumes on dusty shelves.

Sincerely,
Anne Lyndall '67

Editorial Policy

Editorials which are written by members of the editorial board are unsigned and represent the consensus of opinion of the board.

Editorials written by other students which present views with which the editorial board concurs are signed with the writer's initials, and the writer will be identified on request.

All signed letters to the editor will be printed; the editors reserve the right to edit letters to conform with requirements of space, style, grammar and good taste.

Letters or articles of a controversial nature will be published if the writer desires under the title "The Hot Line."

Opinions expressed in signed columns do not necessarily represent the views of the editors.

Dorms to Close Before Vacation

All students are to leave campus within 24 hours of their last examination. This applies to those men who live in off-campus rooms and apartments as well as fraternity and dormitory residents.

All dormitories and fraternities will close at 10:00 p.m. Friday, December 11. Women's dormitories and upperclass men's dormitories will reopen at 8:00 a.m., Sunday, January 3, 1965.

Because of fraternity rushing, Baldwin Hall and freshman sections of Caflisch Hall will repoen at 8:00 a.m. Saturday, January 2. For the convenience of these residents, the College Union will open at 7:00 p.m. Saturday, January 2, and the grill will serve from 7:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., Sunday, January 3.



Second Term Registration

January 4, 1965

C through E	9:00 - 9:30
F through H	9:30 - 10:00
I through L	10:00 - 10:30
M through N	10:30 - 11:00
O through R	1:30 - 2:00
S through T	2:00 - 2:30
U through Z and A	2:30 - 3:00
B	3:00 - 3:30

Registration will be on an alphabetical basis only, and students reporting out of line will be charged a late registration fee.

Students should plan to complete their registration during the time allowed for their particular alphabetic group.

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THE ROAD TO KOORANG IS A ROAD TO EXCITEMENT

By John 'Scotty' Corbett, '65

To the members of the 1964 Experiment group in Iran the trip to Koorang represents the high point of our stay. Koorang is a small village at the headwaters of the Zyandeh Rud high in the Zargos Mountains. It differs from thousands of other villages only in that it is the site of a large American aid project to improve the water supply in central Iran.

A tunnel seven feet in diameter runs four miles under a great mountain range. Water from mountain snowfields is diverted into the Zyandeh Rud to improve downstream irrigation and to supply Isfahan with water. More than one million people depend on the river for water, and until the tunnel was finished, faced the possibility of gradual starvation. A five-year drought had severely diminished agricultural production.

POOR ROADS

At the invitation of the American Consul in Isfahan, nine Americans and some of our Iranian hosts made the 10 hour, 150 mile journey. The average speed of fifteen miles per hour gives you some idea of the road conditions. In some places the roads were so badly pot holed or blocked by rocks that our drivers left the road to cut across open country or drive up stream beds.

INVITATION TO DRINK

An ambassador from Randolph-Macon College and I rode with three Iranian gendarmes, national police charged with keeping order in the rural areas. Our gendarmes could speak no English, and we could speak but little Persian. Nevertheless, we got along famously. They would sing a song in Persian, then we would sing a song in English. This went on for two or three hours, during which time our repetoire ran from Bach to the Beatles. Greatly pleased, they invited us to go drinking with them. Unfortunately, our group leader decided that would have been stretching the concept of the Experiment too far.

ROCK GASHES TIRE

Such trips are never free from mishap and ours was no exception. A large rock cut a gash six inches long and an inch wide in our right rear tire. We changed to the spare and drove on to the next village where we were able to have the tube, (but not the tire) repaired. Forty miles further the left rear tire went soft.

OVERINFLATED TIRE

Stopping near a group of farmers while we pumped up the tire proved a serious mistake. After we had pumped the tire sufficiently each of the farmers - who had never seen a tire pump - had to take a turn. Result: overinflated tire. Well, you know what happens to an over-inflated tire driven over rocks the size of grapefruits. It did. BANG! There we were, early in the evening, in boondock Iran with no food, no shelter, no nothing--busily calculating how far we would have to walk in the dark with no map and no compass (37 miles).

KOORANG — FINALLY!

The gendarmes replaced the ruined tire with the one with the six-inch gash. Reason would have dictated slow, careful driving. But no, our driver became an Iranian Stirling Moss, pushing the jeep at speeds up to sixty miles per hour. In some places we were 300 feet above the river on trails seemingly too narrow for a goat. We were quite sure our group would return home minus two members. Switching to four-wheel drive, we plunged down sand banks, splashed through streams, bounced across ruts as we raced toward Koorang.

Just as the sun disappeared behind the mountains the camp-fires of Koorang came into view. Our friends lamented our misfortunes. But for us it was the most exciting experience of the summer.

ASG Offers Fund To Creative Student

Got an idea? Need money? ASG may be able to help the student who has an idea for a creative project which requires money to carry out. Last spring, Norman Greene of the class of 1964 had such an idea--to experiment with 'Theater-in-the-Round' at Allegheny. He came to ASG and received a grant to help buy the rights to produce Rogers and Hammerstein's musical 'Me and Juliet.' A group of students was recruited and the show was put on in the South Lounge of the College Union.

The production was so successful that many felt that the idea should be continued. Consequently, Mr. Greene asked that ASG set up a special fund in coming years to be used exclusively for student projects of this type. A fund of $200 was established and designated as the 'Creative Student Endeavor Fund.'

So far this year, there have been no requests from students for this money, according to Ward Lyndall, ASG president. The $200 is not restricted to putting on plays, Mr. Lyndall says. Creative projects in the area of scientific research, and any of the arts are possible uses of the fund. The only stipulation is that the student who receives the money shall report to the student body the results of his project. In a research area this could be done by writing feature articles for the Campus. In other fields it might involve a student exhibit in the Pine Room or even a lecture in Henderson Auditorium.

The possibilities are extensive and the Creative Student Endeavor Fund is available to all students. Whether it be a play, an art exhibit or a scientific project, Mr. Lyndall says, 'ASG stands ready and willing to assist students in broadening their intellectual horizons.' Requests for money from the Fund should be made to any officer of ASG, preferably early in the winter term.

Pitt Offers M. B.

Representatives will be on campus Wednesday, December 2 to interview students interested in the one-year Master of Business Administration program at Pitt. This does not require previous courses in business subjects, and is open to students with any major.

Wednesday, December 2 - 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Please make appointments with Mrs. Jenkins, Placement Office, Bentley.

JOB CENTER

A number of seniors from Allegheny College are reported enrolling for the 'First Annual Job Center for 1965 College Graduates,' to be conducted during the Christmas holidays at the Sheraton-Cleveland Hotel.

Student applications for interviews are being received from many Ohio colleges and others outside the state.

Cleveland area college seniors who will be home for the Christmas holidays will have a unique offer to explore placement opportunities with more than 100 employers who are interested in recruiting graduates in the Class of June 1965.

Information and application forms are available at the college placement office in Bentley Hall.

The Fantasticks Fight Boredom With Fun

By Dr. J. E. Helmreich Assistant Professor of History

The Fantasticks were fun. Brief moments after the musical began, it was obvious that the Fantasticks were fun for the actors. Their delight in the whimsy they were portraying was soon conveyed to the audience. By the time Rolf Arentzen and Arthur Skoy, as the two fathers, had revealed the secrets of paternal pedagogy, audience and actors alike were thoroughly immersed in their enjoyment.



Rolf Arentzen and Art Skoy "Never Say No" to their offspring's "Fantastick" behavior.

This was just as well, for the plot of the piece contained little to ponder. Perhaps only Robert Frost's New England Neanderthal would have found a serious message in the somewhat trite fairy tale. Yet there was interest in the way this triteness was spoofed by the author of the book and lyrics, Tom Jones.

The music by Harvey Schmidt was pleasant, as attractive ballads such as 'Soon It's Gonna Rain,' 'I Can See It,' and 'They Were You' were balanced by lively numbers, the most successful of which were 'Never Say No' and 'It Depends on What You Pay.'

Music Improves

While the quality of the music was consistently good and better than that in Act II, the greatest strength of the book lay in the first portion. After the uproarious climax attained before the intermission, it is not surprising that the second act was something of a let down, despite the best efforts of the performers.

Beverly Arrowsmith, as the girl, sang and acted well, if not with quite the free-spirited abandon she desired to portray. Miss Arrowsmith was particularly effective in the duets in the second act.

Don Rudick, as her admirer, revealed a pleasing and well controlled voice. Although a bit stiff in his speaking parts, he became relaxed and confident when breaking into song.

Enlivening Performance

This was also true in the first act of William Buchanan, the narrator - bandit. His rhymed monologues were delivered in a prosaic manner, but his musical performance was enlivening indeed, particularly in the excellent 'It Depends on What You Pay.'

Mr. Buchanan's mellow baritone added considerable richness to the ensemble and was apparently the only voice which had maintained its full strength throughout the week of performances.

It was the comedy which gave the musical its fantastic quality. The performance moved adequately from the start, but as soon as Arentzen and Skoy began their antics, the whole show took on increased vitality. The applause they received was well merited.

Skoy's contortions and grimaces were amusing and his sense of comic timing excellent. His performance marked another step in his steady improvement as an actor.

Rolf Arentzen proved a good match for Skoy, and the two did well in their duets. If a few notes wandered astray and if Arentzen's voice showed signs of fatigue, it mattered not a whit.

Firstrate Entertainment

John Jones as usual gave a fine performance, with just the right mixture of spoof and self-seriousness to give his part additional interest as well as humor.

And it was worth the entire production to see Tony Ardelia die in his red flannels. Not once, however, were the slapstick and pratfalls allowed to get out of hand.

The skill of the direction and of the stage planning was evident throughout. No better example can be found than that Steve Willig, as the mute, was omnipresent yet never in the way. His careful control of his movements and quizzical facial exments andquizzical facial expressions contributed much which at first glance might have been overlooked.

The musical direction and piano accompaniment was ably accomplished by Donna Renton, while George Tarr made skillful and subtle use of the percussion.

The Playhouse and the Fantasticks have given Allegheny College and the community first-rate entertainment. We owe them our thanks

Mireille Feels DeGaulle Is "Too Old Fashioned"

Patricia Cobun '68

In December of this year, Mireille Fournier will celebrate her twenty-first birthday. Mireille, Allegheny's French foreign student, will be able to vote in France's next national election. Coming from a different country, with different customs and attitudes, Mireille, nevertheless expresses a few political ideas that are shared by many American students.

Mireille comes to Allegheny from Tence, a small village in Southeast France. In Tence, and later at the lycee, Mireille studied English for a total of eight years. Here at Allegheny, she is taking courses in English and American literature and also making tapes for the foreign language department.

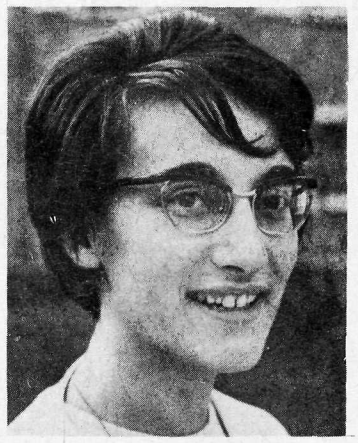
The Fournier family is quite large. Mireille has six brothers and five sisters. When asked about politics in France, she explained that her family rarely discusses politics at home because an argument between her father, brother, and herself usually ensues.

Mr. Fournier, according to his daughter, does not like DeGaulle, but he is in favor of the governmental regime and its policies. On the other hand, Mireille says that the General lives in the past and is seeking to recapture the power and glory once possessed by France. Both she and her brother think that DeGaulle's ideas and policies are 'too old fashioned.'

Like many other French citizens, Mireille is worried about what will happen after DeGaulle's death. According to Mireille, the laws in France now give too much power to the President. If DeGaulle's successor was tyrannically minded, France could possibly become a dictatorship similar to Franco's Spain.

As of now there is no one with DeGaulle's popularity or experience. The only man Mireille could name who might have some degree of public appeal and political experience is Gaston Deferre, the present mayor of Marseille. Deferre, who will probably be a candidate in next year's national election, is more liberal than DeGaulle. However, Deferre has only had experience in local government and Mireille does not think his speeches are very straightforward and understandable.

The possibility of anyone but DeGaulle winning is very minute. In fact there is no such possibility. Mireille explained that DeGaulle, being President, has much more exposure and a greater opportunity to influence public appeal. In France, there is no such thing as equal television time. The television is operated by the government, thus it is definitely for DeGaulle.



Mireille Fournier

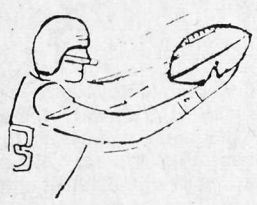
Mireille reported that DeGaulle's renowned popularity is not an actual fact. She said that all the people speak unfavorably of DeGaulle, but they vote for him nevertheless. This is because there is no other possible candidate. As for Mireille, she says that, 'I'd never go one kilometer to see him.'

When asked about Mme DeGaulle, Mireille laughed and said that the French call her 'Auntie Yvonne.' Since she never appears on television or attends any public functions, the French students have decided that 'all she does is sit home and knit.'

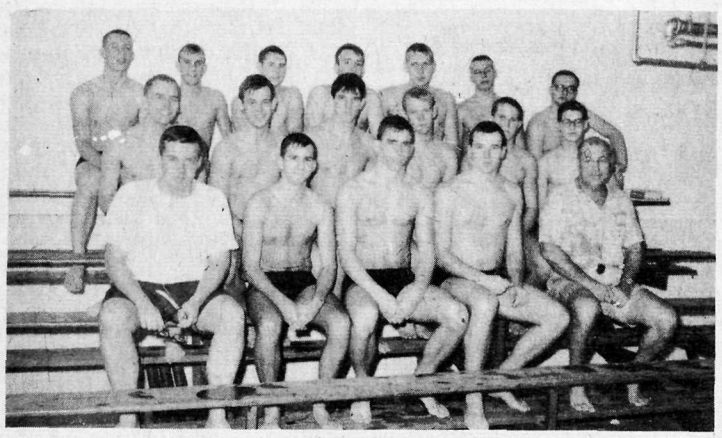
Mireille doesn't agree with DeGaulle's policy of keeping England out of the Common Market. She feels that England is an important part of Europe, and that it is imperative that Europe become more united. This is one subject upon which Mireille, her father, and her brother agree.

When DeGaulle recognized Red China, Mireille was in agreement with him. She thinks it is 'silly to recognize one little island and ignore a huge country.'

It is evident that Mireille has a few definite ideas about her country's government and its policies. This is the situation of many college students today. However, Mireille requested that she be quoted as saying, 'I am no politician.'



SPORT highlights



First Row: Tim Canty, Mgr., Jim Zeeb, Craig Toedtman, co-capt., Wayne Wolfram, Mr. Bill Hanson, coach. Second Row: Quinn Powell, Rick Harris, Lou Schultz, Dave Olson, Bill DeWitt, Paul Walis. Third Row: Bill McGranahan, Jerry Leuffenburger, Bill Bond, Jim Reilly, Bill Kloeben, John Young, Doug Dayton. Missing: Dave Ludwick, co-capt.

Swimmers Show Power at Fenn

With nine returning lettermen, Allegheny swimmers opened its 1964-65 season by drowning Fenn College, 65 - 30. Bill DeWitt, freshman backstroke ace from Syracuse, N.Y., Craig Toedtman, returning for his third year swimming breast stroke, Wayne Wolfram, sophomore butterfly and freestyle specialist, and Dave Olson, sophomore freestyler, teamed up to gain the Gators' first win in the opening event. The lead was never lost.

DeWitt took firsts in the 200-yd individual medly, and 200-yd backstroke with Bill Bond, a promising freshman from Berea, Ohio, and Lou Schultz, back for his third year swimming backstroke, following DeWitt for third place in their respective events. Bond also placed second behind Toedtman in the 200-yd butterfly.

Jim Zeeb, sophomore distance freestyler, took firsts in the 500-yd freestyle and in the 200-yd freestyle, in which Junior Rick Harris followed closely for a second.

Wolfram and Quinn Powell added another 1-2 punch in the 100-yd.nfreestyle. Powell, sophomore sprint specialist, gained a first in the 50-yd freestyle, and was followed by Jerry Lauffenburger, freshman from Warren, Pa., who placed third.

The 400-yd freestyle relay, a team composed of Lauffenburger, Olson, Harris and Toedtman, turned in the ninth win in eleven events.

This year's swim team, behind the coaching of William Hanson, hopes to improve on last year's respectable 9-3 win-loss record. Troublemakers promise to be Grove City, W & J, and Wayne State.

Gunners Lose

Last week the Allegheny Rifle Team suffered its first loss of the season to Washington and Jefferson. The three way match between Allegheny, W & J, and Duquesne was held at Duquesne in Pittsburgh. The score at the end of the match was W & J 1394, Allegheny 1390, and Duquesne 1369.

With this loss and the win over Duquesne, the gunners closed the first half of their season with a 4 and 1 record.

Turkey Trot Results

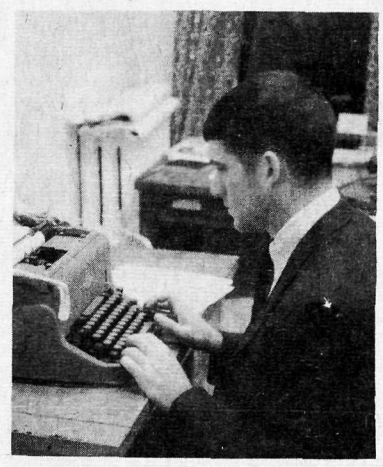
On Friday, November 21, the athletic field was the scene of the annual inter-fraternity Turkey Trot. The race saw a powerful Phi Gam team led by Lou Phillips (fourth place) run away with first place.

Individual honors were captured by SAE's Dick Alfred, who won in the record time of 7:14:3.

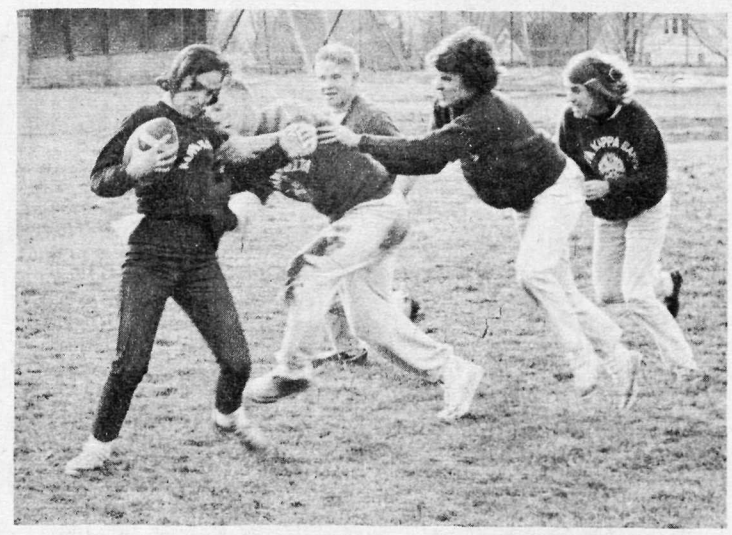
1-	Alfred	SAE
2-	Zeeb	Phi Delt
3-	Harris	AXP
4-	Phillips	Fiji
5-	B. Mulchin	Theta Chi
6-	Nickerson	Fiji
7-	Robinson	Phi Psi
8-	Morrison	Fiji
9-	Orellona	AXP
10-	West	Phi Psi
11-	Wilcox	Phi Psi
12-	Arden	Theta Chi
13-	McCormack	Phi Delt
14-	Schwartz	Phi Delt
15-	Kidder	Delt

Team Standings

Place	Fraternity	Points
First	Phi Gamma Delta	18
Second	Phi Kappa Psi	28
Third	Phi Delta Theta	29
Fourth	Alpha Chi Rho	35
Fifth	Delta Tau Delta	59
Sixth	Sigma Alpha Epsilon	70
Seventh	Independents	103



Sports Editor John Barbera types out Christmas Greetings to all our sports.



Carol Barnes crashes threw Figi line

Fijis Upset Kappas

A determined Fijigridiron team managed to squeak out an unexpected victory against a strong Kappa Kappa Gamma eleven in the Thanksgiving Day contest.

The Kappas' took the opening kickoff and after seven plays sent powerful Carole Barnes around right end for the score.

The Fiji's came back hard in ten plays with a long pass from Fabitz to Schwartz. The game continued in a seesaw with the Kappa's mounting 14 points from two touchdowns and a safety while the Phi Gams pulled out three touchdowns. The gun went off as a strong Fiji defense was making a stand on their own goalline.

WAA Playoffs

In a well-played game, the French Twists overpowered the Bengal Tigers to capture the championship for the girls' volleyball tournament last Tuesday night.

The French Twists, captained by Ginger Bredehorn, had an undefeated record when they became Tuesday's championship team. In the clash with the Wednesday champs, the Bengal Tigers, captained by Sandy Caughie, the French Twists racked up a score of 14-5 in the first game and 15-1 in the second.

Members of the French Twists include Ginger Bredehorn, Julie Hillis, Suzie Reed, Julie Rothe, Peggy Cartwright and Cathie Arnold. Playing on the Bengal Tigers are Sandy Caughie, Linda Bartlett, Maryann Spitzform, Karen Lichtenstein.

Wrestlers Look Good

Coach Bernie Sabol seemed pleased and optimistic over the performance of his grapplers at Edinboro College. Monday night the Gator matmen showed both endurance and tenacity in tieing heavily favored Edinboro 13-13.

Victorious matmen were Denny Andrews, Ken Miller, Dick Pears and Gil Gray while David Rowe and John Zacharias produced ties. The only disappointment of the evening was Bob Kunz's 2-1 loss to the Edinboro heavy weight.

Coach Sabol believes his team is on the threshhold of a much improved season this winter.

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