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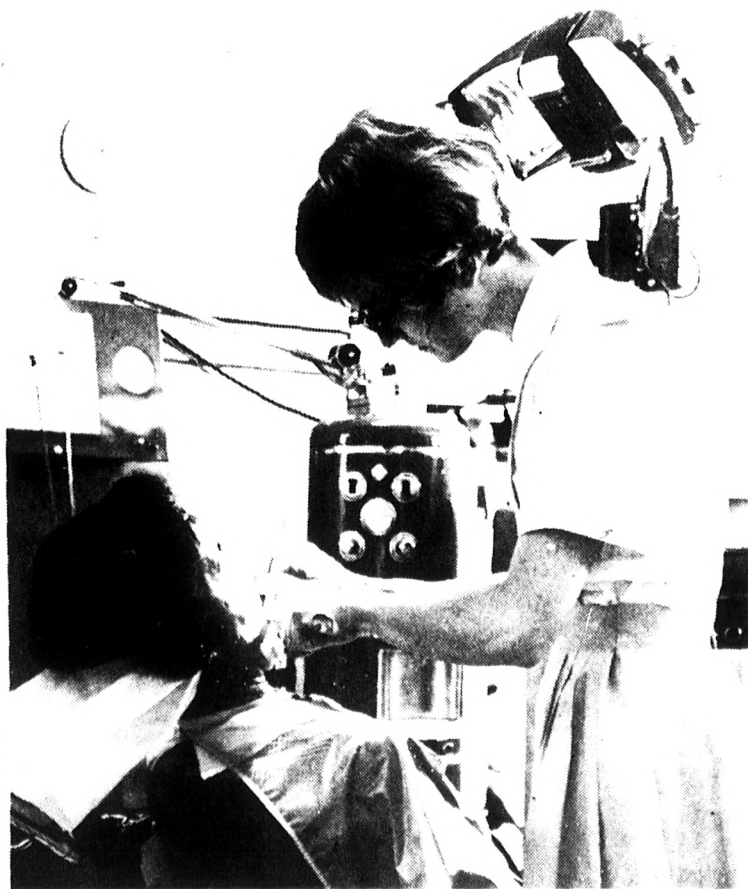
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'Recreating our Humanity'**Port Chicago Vigil**

Health Professionals for Peace, a group which grew out of the Vietnam protest rally at Millberry Union in January, organized a caravan of supporters for the napalm vigil at Port Chicago, on March 12. Many students and staff of the U.C. Medical Center participated in this caravan. The following is an account of the vigil by one of the participants, Editor.

by Stewart H. Perry
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School of Nursing

A few people walk up and down outside the gates of a military supply depot. For about 200 days, they have paced slowly back and forth, or stood quietly, waiting in the fog, in the rain, or in a sunshine that brightens those dingy gates and glints from the aluminum trucks passing by. What does the presence of these people mean?

I would like to try to answer that question. My answer has two parts, and it explains why members of the Health Professions come to those same gates in a caravan of cars, on pilgrimage to Port Chicago.

First, the simple presence of those people tells everyone that Americans still are human with the capacity to feel sympathy and to recognize their own mistakes. Each day of that vigil renews and recreates our own humanity as Americans -- yours and mine! It tells the world and it tells us each, as individuals, that despite the terrible mistake in which we Americans have entangled ourselves in Vietnam, somehow somewhere, this nation also knows it is wrong. We know it is wrong simply because we are human beings, and we can feel and understand in horror and in sympathy the ordeal that the Vietnamese people are going through. Port Chicago reminds us of that. It reminds us that in this day of America's mass media and America's mass society, it is important to the individual to be a human being, in addition to their obligations as a citizen -- for us to be people, as well as Americans. It reminds us that although we have not been able to stop our nation's part in the war today, nevertheless, even today we are redeemed in our humanity by the unending vigil. The conscience of America is maintained and renewed daily by the Port Chicago vigilers. That is one reason why we join them. We want to strengthen that vigil of conscience because it strengthens each of us as human beings.

There is a second meaning to the vigil. It continues, in the midst of war, a valiant protest against that war, and our nation accepts and even protects it -- true, a bit uncertainly, but it still continues to permit that vigil as an expression of freedom of conscience. That in itself makes one proud to be an American, and so the vigil gives us pride in the freedom possible in our own country today.

Certainly, much of the credit for the continued vigil must go to the

vigilers themselves, their sturdiness and their strong faith. They have been reviled and misunderstood; they have been attacked and beaten, and they continue. When was freedom ever an easy thing to defend -- even in America? Their courage is essential. But I think we need to remember also, that by the very continuance of that vigil America itself justifies its heritage, despite the war.

Our country still, despite its hysteria and ignorant immoralities has another feature -- a wonderful one that has not disappeared even in these troubled times. So long as America in its guilt can still tolerate the vigil -- so long as the vigilers are not driven from the scene by what is wrong in America -- their presence testifies to what is right in our country's heritage and what will in the end help terminate a mistaken war. God help us if there ever comes a time when that vigil will not be tolerated. Then shall pass all pride from a shaken citizenry.

Let me turn now to why we as Health Professionals join in the support of the vigil. We are a group of people who work with the ill, with those in pain and distress, with those who may face the ultimate crisis of death. Some of these professionals struggled directly with these medical problems; others, like myself, a medical sociologist, work in ways and places a few steps removed from the anxious clinical arena, but we all work in support of the care of people. All of us then are concerned about people; we are concerned about the people on vigil at Port Chicago, and we are concerned about people tormented in Vietnam. Perhaps it is particularly our concern about patients and how to care for them that makes us especially vulnerable to the pain in Vietnam -- the pain of the Vietnamese mangled by foreign rains of napalm, white phosphorus, fragmentation bombs, dum-dum bullets; and also the pain of American soldiers sacrificed in mind and body on a foreign battlefield for reasons foreign to their own and their country's basic values.

It is because we are members of the health professions that we are especially interested in the human problems of Vietnam and of America, but it is as human beings ourselves that we planned this caravan to Port Chicago. For the Port Chicago vigil makes us all human again in the face of this monstrous war, and it testifies to the freedom, however in jeopardy by the war, that lives on in the American tradition. That is the meaning of the vigil before the gates of Port Chicago.

'Medical Education To Suffer' --Fleming

By Ronald Townsend
"Even with the proposed budget of \$255 million for the University, doctors graduating in 1968 will not be as well educated as those graduating in 1967." These are the words of Dr. Willard F. Fleming, Chancellor of the Medical Center.

The Reagan administration originally planned to reduce the uni-

versity budget from a proposed \$278 million to \$234 million. The present "compromise" figure of \$255 million, agreed upon by the Regents, still endangers the quality of education at the Med Center.

But Dr. Fleming harbors three hopes that may enable quality to survive the current crisis in education. "The ever increasing high

caliber of students may receive a good education in spite of the increased student-faculty ratio. The faculty and Bay Area professional societies may try even harder to fill the gap created by lack of funds. Finally, the Legislature may relent and provide the necessary resources."

It is true, according to Dr. Fleming, that a certain amount of excess fat can be trimmed from the budget. But with cuts of the magnitude which Governor Reagan demands, two alternatives remain. The University must either reduce the number of students or reduce the quality of education as more students enroll.

This is particularly true of medical education, where a low student-faculty ratio, particularly in the clinical years, is mandatory. One cannot teach the skills required in examining and handling patients with mass production techniques. So any shortage of clinical teachers results in some students not receiving the training they ought to have before seeing patients in an unsupervised setting. This is what is meant by the quality of medical education suffering from an insufficient budget.

The UCLA Medical School, given the choice of cutting quantity or quality, chose to cease admitting students in January. Thus, their plans for expansion from 81 to 128 students have been postponed. Next fall's class at UCLA will have approximately 100 students. The openings of medical schools at the Davis and San Diego campuses have been postponed for a year.

This school, however, cannot cut the quantity of students. The classes graduating in 1968 through 1970 are already here. The class of 1971 has been selected. These four classes of 128 medical students are considerably larger than the previous classes of 96. The state has committed itself to these students. New faculty hirings have been mostly in basic sciences to accommodate the first two years of training for the larger classes. Now the school must hire additional clinical and surgical instructors. The commitment was made three years ago, and now, with the Reagan administration's restrictive budget, these commitments cannot be met as planned.

Rather than 10 new faculty members in the Medical School, only 5 can be hired. Additions to the Pharmacy and Nursing faculties must also be curtailed. New equipment for the hospital, such as Radiological instruments, beneficial to both patient care and medical training, cannot be bought.

So given the alternatives of cutting quantity or quality, this school, because of commitments started three years ago, is forced to choose the latter. Only the "three hopes" of Dr. Fleming offer a chance of avoiding this difficulty.

Anti Viet War March Planned For April 15th

San Francisco and New York City are the two cities which have been chosen as the sites for a massive protest against the war in Viet Nam by the Spring Mobilization Committee.

New York, and particularly the United Nations in that city will be the focus for the demonstration on the east coast. San Francisco is the focus for the activity on the west coast and was chosen because of its relation to the United Nations. The organizers of the Mobilization have chosen to focus on the United Nations because of the mockery made of that institution by the unilateral action of our Government.

The protest will take place on April 15th and will take the form of a March from 2nd and Market Streets to Kezar Stadium. A rally with speeches and entertainment will be held at the destination.

A meeting was held on Tuesday, March 27th on the Med Center Campus. At this meeting, people interested in planning campus activities between now and April 15th convened. A debate occurred as to whether or not there should be a contingent to the march leaving from the Medical Center and joining the march along its route. It was finally decided that

this was not in order and the decision was made that those from the Med Center who wanted would meet at a location near the assembly point of the March under a UCMC banner. The group stated that further details would be issued in the form of posters and leaflets. Other activities decided upon by the group were two noon hour programs concerning the War. The first was on Tuesday, April 4th and featured attorney Francis Heisler speaking on legal alternatives to the draft. The second will be on Friday, April 14th, the day before the protest march and will feature Dr. J. Nielsens, Professor of Biochemistry at Berkeley, who has just returned from North Viet Nam and who will speak on his findings here. An interview with Professor Nielsens is on page 3 of this issue.

Also there will be a pictorial display concerning the war. This will appear during the week preceding the March.

The group is of the opinion that this demonstration will be by far the largest expression of public opposition to the war yet voiced in the United States and that it was therefore of great importance that all who do oppose this war use the opportunity to demonstrate their feeling.

First Campus wide ASUC Elections Upcoming Soon

The new ASUCMC Constitution will be presented to the students of the San Francisco Medical Center Campus for ratification between April 4 and 7. Copies of the new constitution have been given to class presidents and it is hoped all students will read and become acquainted with the changes and new proposals being presented. All returns must be in by 5 P.M., April 7, and the results will be posted on the Associated Students Bulletin Board in Millberry Union.

Upon ratification of the new constitution, those students interested in running for the offices of President and Vice-President shall present, by 5 P.M., April 14 a petition signed by 25 students, to either Sharon Mindlin, ASUCMC President, or Milanna Mickliss, Room 238, Millberry Union. Those students petitioning for the office of President must be full-time students and at least in their Sophomore Year. Candidates for Vice-President must be full-time students, enrolled as such since October, 1966.

A Question of Administration Truth in the War

A Startling Interview with a UC Professor

The following article is based on a telephone interview with Dr. Nielsands, Professor of Biochemistry at UC Berkeley. Dr. Nielsands has just returned from a one week visit to North Vietnam, traveling there at the invitation of the International War Crimes Tribunal as a member of one of the committees investigating United States war crimes in Vietnam. He was there to investigate Crimes against humanity (as opposed to war crimes against the general peace, i.e. crimes of aggression by any country), and focused mainly on problems dealing with genocide, chemical warfare, and attacks directed specifically on civilian populations.

Dr. Nielsands stated that he felt he has undeniable evidence of deliberate bombing of civilian populations with anti-personnel devices. He visited approximately 12 hamlets where he saw and photographed not only the victims, but also the remains of the devices that delivered the devastating damage. The main device was in the form of "Guava" bombs; these are small bombs which are carried by planes in canisters, with 600-700 bombs per canister. When the "Guava" bomb explodes it releases approximately 265 pellets the size of a small pea in all directions. Four canisters can be dropped per plane, with a total effect of about 700,000 pellets.

During the week that Dr. Nielsands was in North Vietnam, President Johnson was addressing the Tennessee Legislature, and in that address he stated that the United States has "...never deliberately bombed cities nor attacked any target with the purpose of inflicting civilian casualties." With this statement in mind, Synapse asked Dr. Nielsands the following questions:

Q. "Can the Government maintain that these are not anti-personnel bombs?"

A. "They haven't got a leg to stand on, that's the only purpose of these things, they are very ineffectual against any kind of



Dr. Nielsands speaks with North Vietnamese Villagers.

structure, doing very little damage to steel or concrete. If they land near a masonry wall they'll make little chips in it and I've got photographs of one that exploded near the parapet of a hamlet wall, and you can see patterns of chips taken out, but in fact, they only penetrate about a half inch into wood, although they are quite capable of passing entirely through the human body."

Q. "Is there any proof to substantiate the Government's US claim that these are accidental, misplaced bombs?"

A. "It is very difficult to avoid the conclusion that they (Govt.) are deliberately trying to harass the civilian population with these bombs. In several hamlets inspected I saw no buildings other than the hamlet huts and nothing around the huts except rice paddies, no military targets and these things ('guava' bombs) are not effective against military targets anyway. The victims I saw are women and children because the men work in the fields while the women and children stay around the hamlets; if they don't get into shelter when the canisters are dropped they've had it."

In addition to seeing and photographing many of the victims, Dr. Nielsands also obtained the complete medical records of various victims in one area. Among the

injuries was a young boy who had an artery grazed by one of these pellets and developed an aneurism; a 12 year old girl who had one optic nerve severed by a pellet and lost the eye; a young boy who had the left side of his brain pierced by some pellets and was paralyzed on the right side of his body; a woman who was completely paralyzed. These are a few of the civilian casualties inflicted by these strictly anti-personnel bombs, dropped in strictly civilian areas.

Dr. Nielsands also spoke briefly about the Medical facilities in North Vietnam and said that another member of the committee, J. N. Krivine, is still in North Vietnam working his way down to the 17th parallel doing a thorough investigation. Mr. Krivine feels he has evidence that the US Government is trying to systematically eliminate the medical facilities (field hospitals) in North Vietnam. He says a Lepersarium has been bombed 35 times, a provincial hospital has been bombed 17 times. The burden of his report will be that it is part of US policy to knock out all the medical facilities in North Vietnam.

Dr. Nielsands in coming to speak on this campus on Friday, April 14, at noon and plans to elaborate this topic at that time.

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Contraceptives not Prescribed

Student Health And 'The Pill'

By Dan Miller

The Student Health Service at UC Med Center will not prescribe contraceptive pills for purposes of birth control to any student, married or single, according to Dr. John B. Lagen, Director of Student Health.

In a recent interview with the Synapse, Dr. Lagen said that this unwritten policy was arrived at by agreement with the Student Health Directors of the other UC campuses and is the same on each of those campuses.

Asked what happens to girls that request the pill at Student Health, Dr. Lagen said that they are referred to one of a list of local MD's or to Planned Parenthood at Presbyterian Hospital, where any woman over 18 can receive birth control information and equipment for less than \$15 per year.

Although there is no rigid control over the Student health directors, Dr. Lagen feels no need to change the present policy. "The purpose of Student Health is to get sick students back into school, and to practice whatever preventive medicine necessary to keep them from missing school because of illness. Giving contraceptives fits into neither of these functions," he said.

The whole issue of giving the pill to young women is filled with

"so many emotional overtones" that the Student Health Directors have chosen to avoid criticism from parents and citizens by not giving the pill to any student, for birth control purposes.

"The world as a whole is not ready for it," said Dr. Lagen. "even though this attitude is a hang-over from the Victorian period."

Medication designed for use as birth control pills is, however, sometimes given at Student Health for other medical purposes, such as irregular menses, pain with menstruation, or acne. Under these conditions, however, a consultation with the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology is first obtained.

It is interesting to note that UC's policy on the pill is subscribed to by only 7% of the nation's 315 campus Student Health Departments, according to a study done by Dr. Ralph M. Butterworth of Washington State University. This study showed:

55% do not prescribe contraceptive pills;

26% prescribe only to married women students;

8% prescribe for single women with intent to marry;

7% prescribe only for medical purposes (UC included);

4% prescribe for unmarried women.

New Anesthesiology Chief Appointed



Dr. William K. Hamilton

Chancellor Willard C. Fleming and Dean Stuart C. Cullen announce the appointment of William K. Hamilton, M.D., as Professor and Chairman of the Department of Anesthesia in the School of Medicine at the University of California San Francisco Medical Center. His appointment is effective July 1, 1967. He is currently Chairman of the Department of Anesthesia at the University of Iowa College of Medicine, a position he has held since 1958.

Dr. Hamilton, a native of Guthrie, Iowa, is an alumnus of the University of Iowa where he

received his medical degree. He interned at St. Luke's Hospital in Duluth, Minnesota, and returned to the University of Iowa after his military service to complete his residency. He was appointed to the faculty of the College of Medicine, there, in 1951. He was also Chief, Section of Anesthesiology, at the Veterans Hospital in Iowa City from 1951 to 1953.

Dr. Hamilton is a Director of the American Board of Anesthesiology; a member of the Committee on Anesthesia, National Research Council; and an associate editor of the journal, Survey of Anesthesiology.

EDITORIAL

Dear Abby advises many of her correspondents with sexual problems to "see your doctors for help." This seems reasonable, for doctors have traditionally been considered experts, trained to deal with such problems.

Thus, it came as quite a shock to the School of Medicine class of 1959 to find when they entered that they should someday have this reputation and responsibility without ever receiving any formal training to prepare them for such practice.

Concerned, a group of the students got together, wrote a petition which more than 85% of the class signed asking for the establishment of a course dealing with sexual problems encountered in practice. The petition was submitted to the faculty curriculum committee, which agreed as to the need for the course.

Organization was turned over to Dr. Herbert E. Vandervoort, who, working with the students and Dept. of Psychiatry, assembled an outstanding elective course running two quarters for the sophomore medical students.

The evolution of this course is a beautiful demonstration of how concerned and interested students can effect and alter their curriculum, and how willingly the faculty will entertain student ideas and how diligently they will work to make them a reality.

All too often at dinner in Millberry Union one can hear bitter complaints on existing courses and vague wishes for the presentation of material not now included in the various Med Center schools. But here students can do more than complain and dream. By getting together, speaking with classmates, pooling and consolidating ideas, important information can be conveyed to the faculties. Increasingly the faculties have been realizing that this sort of feedback can be a valuable asset in accessing their programs.

Over the past two years the School of Medicine faculty and student body have moved much closer together, exchanging views and information regularly. The School of Nursing has also set up a program of bringing students and faculty together for regular discussion.

This trend bodes well for the Med Center. The initial lecturer in the Med student's sex course, Dr. Lawrence Z. Freedman of the University of Chicago, termed this campus "almost unique" and progressive in its presentation of such an elective. Continued and increased interchange between the faculty and students will lead to improvement for all, since students are sensitive to elements in the curriculum that even the most attuned faculty aren't aware of, and the policy of the expert and experienced teaching staff and their overall goals can be made clear to the students when the students really want to know, rather than months or years later.

School and the DH

Future dental hygiene programs can and are moving in two directions. A dental hygienist is educated in either a two year certificate program or a four year bachelor's program. There is much controversy over which of these two directions new programs will take.

The majority of the senior dental hygiene class at UC seem to feel that the two year program is an inferior one in that the quality of care delivered to the patient will be lower, and the image of the dental hygiene profession will be lowered if the trend continues for the development of more two year schools. I am of the minority.

A question recently asked of the class was, "How many of you girls would consider teaching in dental hygiene schools in the future?" The general response was, "In a two year program? Never!" One of the objections of the two year programs, especially now that there are plans for many new two year schools, was that this would permit quantity of care at the expense of quality. The graduates of the four year program obviously provide quality while the quantity of hygienists is lacking because the standards for admission are kept high. One point illustrates this. I commented to one of my classmates that I believed that the quality of an oral prophylaxis administered by a four year graduate as opposed to a two year graduate would be equal. She pointed out that I was wrong, in regards to total patient care, because we four year graduates are more highly trained to recognize pathologic changes in the mouth. For example, if a patient with acute monocytic leukemia came for a prophylaxis, a two year graduate would probably go ahead and scale, not having been trained to recognize the gingival manifestations of

the disease. We four year graduates would recognize the signs and consult the doctor, since we are more highly trained in this area. How many slides have we seen of the gingiva of a patient with acute monocytic leukemia? At least three--or was it two?

A hygienist should be trained to recognize oral pathology in both the two year and four year programs. But there is no basis to say that the quality of total patient care will be lower if the hygienist is a two year graduate. It is not up to the profession to condemn a school for not having a good course in oral pathology. It is up to the profession to make sure that it is in the curriculum. The job of the profession is to keep the quality of work high and produce dental hygienists in quantity. For it is a fact that quantity is needed.

By age 45, 97-100% of adults have periodontal disease. If two year schools produce more dental hygienists, therefore making care available to more people, how can the quality be lower than the previous state of no care at all? If four year schools continue to produce fewer hygienists, and fewer people receive care, how can quality be high where there is no care given?

One last point was that two year schools, since the length of education is shorter, put dental hygiene into the category of a vocation, and the image of the profession will suffer if the trend continues toward two year schools. I submit that if we in the profession worried more about the patient, giving him the best care possible, and reaching the most people possible, rather than worrying about our theoretical professional image, our actual professional image would improve greatly.

Marilyn Andrews
Dental Hygiene

Goddard's Article Attacked

In answer to the historical novel published in your, 20 Feb 67 edition, titled, "The American Revolution, Would the U.S. Have Opposed It?"

Another article poorly presented, in that less than half of the facts are presented, in an effort poorly disguised to sway the reader in spite of the facts.

Aid from other countries did not FLOW into the country, supplies may have, but not aid. The King of France for one was opposed to the Revolution, in the face of his problems with the British he dragged his heels on aid to the Rebels. "Later in the war, the French sent armies and fleets...for the final decisive battle of Yorktown." One fleet and one army and with reluctance.

As for Thomas Paine being a radical, perhaps, what defines a radical?

Terrorism, the Boston Massacre I suppose was not to Mr. Goddard an act of terror, or the acts of the British Navy landings and burnings and the confiscation of all food etc, by the Navy and the Tories for that matter, in the areas where they had the strength to do so. In armed conflict excesses occur from lack of intelligence on both sides; both military and human intelligence that is.

Opposition, if from one third to one half of the total population were Loyalist, an equal number at least, in England, were pro-rebel including the Military and the Gov-

ernment. Further, the bulk of the Rebels started out as a kind of Loyal Opposition and were forced into rebellion by events rather than persuasion of a human political posture, there were men fighting in the Continental Army and in the Militia that were opposed to actual Rebellion, but even more opposed to the oppressions of the British Colonial Office.

The United States is not opposed to revolution in other countries, only the taking over of a revolution by an outside force -- two very different situations indeed. We did not interfere with Tito, Sukarno or even Fidel when they were local revolutionaries, we even supported Uncle Ho until he started using bullets for ballets with his own people. How can we do more in Vietnam to help them set up their own independant coun-

try than defend those we can, where we can, from the outside interventions that are now historical such as the Geneva Accord or whatever, wherein not one of the contending countries, North V., South V. or the U.S. was involved. This Accord is like asking France, Egypt and the Union of South Africa to sit and divide the U.S. along the Mason Dixon Line, and go along with the decision.

How about pointing out a few bright spots in our foreign affairs for a change, they do exist though it is rather hard to find anyone that will admit it.

Incidentally Mr. Goddard, in the picture illustrating your article, who fired the houses? Tories or Loyalists or Rebels or Troops of the Crown?

Douglas J. Craig

One More Letter (?)

The recent regents meeting produced more victors than spoils. If they would like to live a quiet, peaceful, uneventful life, they are living at the wrong time.

Although the regents talent makes them respectable, only tact will make them respected.

The university's success has turned the regents heads. They now face failure.

The governor says the nation's richest state is suddenly poor. He knows you can't fool all the

people all the time; it isn't necessary. A majority will do.

After Government takes enough to balance its budget, the taxpayer has the job of budgeting the balance.

The new computers can do everything but think; they are very similar to state administrators.

The Governor "speaks straight from the shoulder" his aide noted. Too bad these speeches can't originate a little higher up.

Perhaps California government needs less grafting rather than more pruning.

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POETAS

AEQUINIMITAS

When would-be friends make my days grim,
and subject me to ev'ry whim,
I do not seethe with bitter hate,
And wish them dark infernal fate;

I fix my gaze on my life-long dream,
With faith in Him and a love supreme.
When I lay supine on a bed of affliction,
And wretched indeed is my dismal condition,
I do not resign,
And think of decline;

I fix my gaze on my life-long dream,
With faith in Him and a love supreme.
When the old Grim Reaper comes round the bend
And takes up the soul of my time-tried friend,
I do not wail and moan hour-by-hour
And doubt the ways of the Unseen Pow'r;
I fix my gaze on my life-long dream,
With faith in Him and a love supreme.

J. Curtiss Jones

MY OLD DOG

Furry black paws with fingernail claws
Padding up the steps to my door:

I knew that it was my old dog---
though he'd gone so long before.
Oh, he wasn't pretty, and not very bright
To others, perhaps, a piteous sight,
But to me he was the best old friend
Ever brightened a lonely night.

I can still see him playing---
Chasing, biting his tail
Barking, running through the grass
Or sniffing at my pail.
Wagging, laughing, curly friend
Like no other could ever be,
Even now, though years have past,
He seems the same to me.

Though other dogs and birds and cats
Have come to fill his place
I still can see that good old dog---
My heart still knows his face.
And on nights like this
When I'm all alone
He comes again to call,
Smiling, barking, telling me he'd never gone at all. (really).

r. convese

Tired of poems by the "same old names"?
You can have only yourself to blame.
All efforts accepted at the Synapse door,
S.U. 249---send us some more!

Pleasant Dictatorship? *Opinion by Peter Lipton*

Most of us live with the unchallenged feeling that we live in a Democracy in the United States. In fact, almost all of us, if asked to define a democracy would base much of our definition on the familiar institutions of our country. Free elections, freedom of speech, freedom of dissent, freedom of the press, free enterprise, trial by Jury are among the more important of these. We rest content that in these areas we exemplify the major concepts of democracy. There is, however, a question which arises when discussion of democracy proceeds further, that is the question as to whether we live under Capitalism or in a Democracy.

The answer to this is generally that the two are concerned with entirely separate spheres of our existence and that they do not interfere with each other. Thus, democracy describes our political and legal system - Capitalism describes the economic laws under which we live. If there are, areas in which the two overlap it is generally felt that they are compatible. In fact, our notions of Democracy really implicitly include the existence of capitalism. Very few of us ever separate the two titles in our thinking. America? Well, this is a democracy, free enterprise is merely one aspect.

However - a contrary idea could well be maintained. It is that free enterprise, or Capitalism, exists not within our democracy but rather that it is Capitalism which forms the basic structure of our social institutions and that what we mean when we say democracy is actually a special form of political structure which is peculiar to the United States but, more significantly, is peculiar to Capitalism.

This idea is not readily acceptable but many important consequences follow from it. If Cap-

italism dictates the form of our political system then it would follow that the personification of capitalism, that is the Capitalist classes have a role far out of proportion to their size in influencing the form of our democracy.

The manifestations of this are many but there are two very important ones; the first is that the major institutions of our democracy apply not to the total population but rather to those groups nearest to the capitalist classes in social and economic status, that is the upper and middle classes - with a steady decline in their effectiveness as the groups become further removed from the upper classes. The second is that the actual power to affect the decision making processes of these institutions resides almost exclusively in these capitalist classes and their close allies (the military, for example). It is interesting that this factor of power - clearly the most crucial - in a democracy, should have been easily omitted from our basic notions of a democracy. And yet, without this power in the hands of the population at large the notion of democracy becomes redundant. The liberty to do things which have no ability to effect changes is a liberty of very doubtful value.

It should be clear that these two factors are essentially true. The access of the lower classes in the United States to our democratic institutions is essentially non-existent. Whether by design or accident - and a small percentage of this class exercise their freedom to vote. Freedom of the press and of speech are insignificant to these groups who have almost no access, and certainly no control, over the communication media. For many reasons, malicious, social or financial their treatment before the law is less blessed than those of the higher classes. Most of the real advances of these classes have been in spite of rather than because of our democratic institutions and have required bloodshed.

We, most of us members of the middle classes must be well aware of the second factor. Our lack of ability to affect decision making is apparent to us all as witnessed by the fact that this

country shows the lowest percentage vote of any of the western nations. Indeed, the relationship between our actions at the poll box every year or two and what is actually done by our governments is one of the most tenuous there is. This frustration, or just impotence, has led to the almost total apoliticization of the population of the United States. If Aristotle's definition of an Idiot as an apolitical man is so we have become a nation of these. So convinced are we of our lack of ability to meaningfully affect policy that we can readily leave the concept of such action out of our definition of democracy and we have become almost totally apathetic or acquiescent towards the policy of our government. The failure of democracy ensues at all levels. At the level of the University where students take little part in influencing their education, at the highest level of government where no meaningful debate has taken place by the people of this country to determine the actions in Viet Nam - actions which may well lead to the destruction of mankind. Indeed, to maintain that the actions of the major institutions of our country are taken after a democratic consensus has been reached is bordering on the farcical. If democracy does not exist this does not mean that decisions are not made. Decisions are taken by the men in power. What exists, then, is an effective dictatorship of these capitalist classes.

This vacuum of power which these classes fill did not occur spontaneously. Apathy is not in-born, or in deed is silent acquiescence. Both arise as different reactions to a realization of ones inability to be effectual. Human beings are rarely apathetic in situations in which they have a chance of having an influence. This impotence, is itself not inform. It is a direct consequence of the nature of our political structure - one in which all positions of real influence and power are held by the capitalist classes and in which all the major means of communication are also largely held by these groups. What we live in is, then, quite far from a democracy - rather it could well be maintained it is a particular form of dictatorship - extremely pleasant to those of us who have even a small ability to change it.

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COBRA - Its Influence In Art

A Background Note on the Forthcoming Millberry Union Art Exhibit

In the history of European painting since World War two, there is a movement whose importance has kept growing although it has only lasted officially from 1948 to 1951. It is called COBRA, word whose letters evoke three towns that contributed initially to the creation of the group: Copenhagen, Brussels Amsterdam. Cobra, however knew a much wider expansion, overflowing those frontiers as well as persisting to survive over time.

The work of Jean Raine displayed from April 10th through the 28th in the lounge of the Millberry Union is testimony of the

vitality still animating COBRA. Jean Raine was borne in Belgium in 1927, first known as a poet and movie director, he was progressively led to search in plastic creation for the means to translate a poetry whose essence is often better embodied by graphic image than word. In the titles he gives to his works, one feels the constant reference to literature. Jean Raine considers his paintings as poems and his large India ink compositions, as fragments of tragedies played by actors reduced to silence and motionless in their dramatic situation. It is not in vain that the artist

was preciously impregnated by the plays of Corneille and Racine and, even more, by those of Michel de Ghelderode, where violence reaches a sanguinary baroqueism.

Jean Raine's humanism is at the opposite pole from a soulless classicism. The passions, the anxiety, the humor which does not try to camouflage the tragic of the human condition, the place that death and night occupy in this work which is nevertheless illuminated whenever reason is likely to throw a light — all this leads the spectator to regard the essential values of surrealism adopted by Jean Raine. With him particu-

larly one can see how much COBRA is in continuity with the movement promoted by Andre Breton and understand his affinity — not on a formal level but on one of deep inquiry — with such artists as Rene Magritte or Victor Brauner.

For Jean Raine, the act of cre-

ation brings the world perpetually in question: it must indeed explore the domain of the possible until the limit where our efforts fade away as waves on the sand, leaving but the moving and tenuous trace of foam which expires at our confines.

Dr. A. Choppin de Genvry



"Fugue Sans Illusion" - Raine

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Delano Health Clinic

Farmworkers Dedicate Land

By Greg Goddard

At the first anniversary of the Easter March from Delano to Sacramento, farmworkers and supporters gathered in Delano. Strikers who have been all over California picketing against distributors of Perelli - Minetti products came home to celebrate Easter with their families. Perelli - Minetti is a grower who the United Farm Workers are now concentrating on. There are also about 30 other growers in the Delano area who are being struck.

Perhaps 2000 people paraded from Delano to a 20 acre plot of land on the outskirts of town. This is the future site of the future site of the farmworkers co-op complex. It will contain a garage for auto repairs, a health clinic, and credit union and several other services.

The Medical and Dental Clinic is currently housed in a set of trailers -- one each for medical and dental services. The clinic has hired a full-time physician, but the rest of the personnel is strictly voluntary. Dentistry is done whenever dentists volunteer time to serve in the clinic.

As soon as the new building for the clinic is built, then the clinic will be moved into it. It will probably offer a pre-paid fee plan and a regular fee for service plan. From what started as a "kitchen clinic" has in one single year evolved into a pro-



Photo Jon Lewis
March starts in city of Delano.

gram that has the possibility of fulfilling a great need by providing health care to a segment of the population that has been without it.

It is because of the close integration of the Clinic with the Union that it has the possibility of being a success. It is the Union that is raising the economic power of the farmworkers to a point where they can now afford one of the most basic necessities -- health care.



Above — Farmworkers Gather At Site of Future Co-op Complex During an Easter Sunrise Service

Right — Marchers Arrive After Two-Mile Walk

SAMA Convention

The Student American Medical Association (SAMA) held its annual regional convention here at the Medical Center over the weekend of April 1st and 2nd. Some thirty delegates from seven medical schools in California, Oregon, Washington and Utah met here to discuss local chapter activities, resolutions to be submitted to

national convention and to select candidates for national office. The two-day meeting was highlighted by a luncheon held in the Faculty Club of the Student Union. The luncheon was sponsored by the California Medical Association and featured Ron Levant, second year medical student as guest speaker.

Why I Won't Serve In Vietnam!

The following is the text of the speech given by James Jones at the 2nd Anti-War Rally held on campus last February.



James C. Jones.

America - "One nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all." All men are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights ... life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

Fellow students, ladies and gentlemen, I want to make it unmistakably clear at the outset that I fully subscribe to the view recently championed by Dr. Oscar Rambo. For I do believe that the Vietnam war is against humanitarian principles and that it is an insult to the intellect of this nation to resort to armed conflict as a means of settling differences. However, if I am honest with myself I must admit that these considerations are not sufficient to prevent my serving in Vietnam in some capacity. Hence, my main purpose here today is to present what I consider a more compelling argument for my unwillingness to serve in that war.

How does America explain the brutal murders of Medgar Evers, Emmet Till, and the three civil rights workers in Mississippi? What about the fatal bombing of three little innocent Negro girls at worship in a Birmingham church? Why have the murders not been brought to justice?

What about the death of Dr. Charles Drew, pioneer in the development of the blood bank? Seriously wounded in an automobile accident in Maryland, he was taken to the nearest hospital. The medical personnel, upon recognizing his color, refused to give him the transfusion upon which his life hung. Rather, they suggested to his colleagues that they take him to the hospital just across town. And that hospital was just far enough away for Dr. Drew to die of vascular collapse.

Why wasn't the investigation of the murder of Malcolm X more thorough and extensive? Why did a humanitarian and peace-loving America fail to bring to justice those U.S. citizens involved in the castration of a Negro youth?

Why did America stand by and let the seeds of riot develop in Atlanta, Philadelphia, Los An-

geles, Harlem, and Hunter's Point? Why has America not made more than token and guilt-assuaging efforts at preventing their recurrence? Why does an America which can afford such huge outlays in Vietnam not clean up its own backyard of slums and marginal existence? Why does America delude itself into believing that some mysterious heat-wave, not abject living conditions, creates riots?

Why is the Negro armed-services reenlistment rate so disproportionately high? Can it be the siren call of sex in foreign capitals? For it seems to be common knowledge that Negroes, especially males, are preoccupied with, thrive on, and expert at, that. Why does America label Martin Luther King a communist and Stokely Carmichael an insolent rebel given to inciting riots? Why is there so much Gerrymandering and reapportionment in areas of potential Negro Political power?

Why does liberal and free-thinking America tell me that I must give up most of my own values and adopt others if I expect to share in the American dream? Why does America say it is not a sign of breeding and culture to appreciate B. B. King, James Brown, and Bo Diddley?

Why did a Civil Rights Bill have to be passed? I never doubted that I was human, but America had to pass a bill to begin realizing that fact.

Why couldn't Private Milton Olive -- posthumous Medal of Honor winner in the Vietnam War -- be interred in the cemetery initially designated by his mother? Why didn't Dr. Ernest Just, pioneer in the biology of the cell surface, receive proper recognition of, and support for, his work? Why does a white physician in my native South Carolina tell an obese Negro patient that he is obese because he has been drinking too much water?

Why did certain school authorities in Oakland summarily dismiss a Negro school teacher when she refused to follow the mandate that she teach the white children but only keep the Negro children hap-

py? Why did I get out-of-date text books as a high school student? Yes, I got the hand-me-downs which were considered too obsolete for the white kids but just right for me. Why do white farm-owners in my beautiful native South compel their Negro tenants to keep the tenants' children out of school to work in the fields while the farm-owners' children never miss a day?

Why did composer and director Dean Dixon have to go to Europe to gain the recognition due him? Why did authors Richard Wright, James Baldwin, and Frank Yerby choose to live in Europe? Surely, it was not the luscious sex-kittens of Paris or the rains in Spain.

If America can just begin to explain these and similar things in humanitarian terms, I certainly will begin to consider serving in Vietnam under the aegis of the U.S. But I do not dwell in a twilight zone of far-fetched dreams; I do not believe America has either the will or capacity to accomplish such a feat.

In a word, I cannot serve this country in some far-away land. For such an act would redound neither to the dignity and human worth of Negroes living in these United States now, nor to the sacred memory of those gone on. Furthermore, I cannot expose myself to the risk of dying for a country which is not yet my own: I am not a mercenary. I was born when the time was out of joint and I have inherited the wind.

James C. Jones



arts and entertainment

Triumph Of The Will

The Arts Used as Political Propaganda

In many ways, TRIUMPH OF THE WILL represents the high point of the art of political propaganda. Its footage was plundered during the war for American counter-propaganda, and more recently, for television use. But it challenges, "has not yet been met . . . the ideological artillery of America has yet to demonstrate that it can destroy, by matching, the psychic world which she (Leni Riefenstahl) created out of nothing by camera and shears."

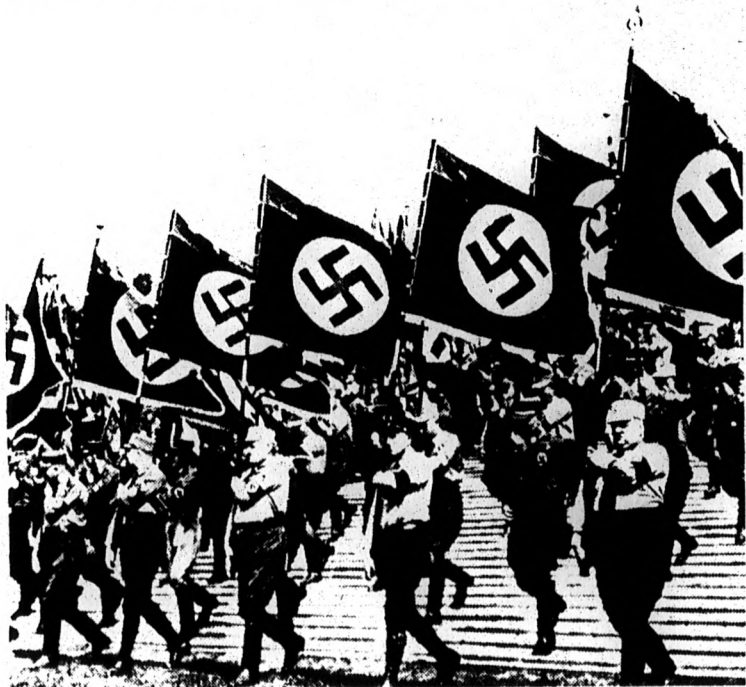
The first Nazi film was shown exactly two months after Hitler claimed the Chancellorship in January of 1933. In April, Dr. Goebbels made the future of German films clear: "Let no one think for a moment that the national revolution in government and general culture will not effect the film. . . ." He spoke of Eisenstein's POTEMKIN as "an incomparable cinema art" which "shows that propaganda can very well be contained in a work of art and that

even the worst tendencies can be propagated if the work of art in which they are embodied is sufficiently convincing." But he went on to warn that "Spirit alone cannot make a film unless combined with technical ability. Then can the German film become a world force the limits of which are today not yet visible. The sharper the national contours of a film, the greater will be its possibilities for conquering the world."

From the opening of the film the audience is caught up in the creation of a myth: Hitler descends from the clouds, his plane casting its shadow on Nuremberg like the Nazis black eagle. The New Messiah makes his way through streets transformed by banners, amid scenes of quasi-religious adoration in which even a cat, an old statue and children are worshippers. The parallel with Christ could not be more explicit.

Another major theme throughout the film is the continuity of German history, the implication that Germany's past has served primarily as a foundation for the Third Reich. The film seeks to perpetuate the political turbulence of the time before Hitler's accession to power, in an attempt to preserve the old militant urgency which led Germans to join the party.

Filming, Friday, April 21, 7:30 Medical Sciences Aud. . . . This extraordinary performance -- to often caricatured during the years to follow -- makes clear the remarkable power of the personality and speeches which were to enslave millions.



Scene From Triumph of The Will

Ballad Of A Soldier

The Psychological Toll of War

Friday, April 7, 7:30 PM, Medical Sciences Auditorium, the Friday Night Film Committee will present the Cannes Film Festival

tire concept of war through a "sense of poetry and pictorial excitement" of youth and love in wartime. Chukhrai's primary purpose for making the film was to make his characters emotionally compelling and to create "some awareness of the pity involved in human encounters when one cannot take hold of life and experience it fully because of war."

The following week, April 14, the film series will "take a break" and present one of the brilliant British comedies of the late forties' and early fifties' -- KIND HEARTS AND CORONETS.

Known under the collective title of "Ealing comedies" from the name of the studio where they were made, KIND HEARTS AND CORONETS stars Alex Guinness playing eight roles; a precedent of sorts.

Elegant trick photography, brilliant humor, an able cast (Dennis Price, Valrie Hobson and Joan Greenwood -- TOM JONES), combine to make KIND HEARTS an enjoyable evening of "comic perfection."



Award Winner, Grigori Chukhrai's BALLAD OF A SOLDIER. Representing a new era in the Russian cinema BALLAD OF A SOLDIER points out that there is no longer any reason to believe that governmental or party restrictions can place controls on the authenticity of works produced by individual artistry. It aims to defy the en-

Expression Through Leather

This Spring Quarter there will be a new "happening" in the instructional classes. The long lost art of working with leather will be revitalized on the UC campus in Millberry Union's SANDAL MAKING CLASS.

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Miss Leslie Chappelle

own sandals; all materials and tools are included in the registration fee.

Miss Chappelle has been a sandal making craftswoman for over fifteen years. Previous training in design and related fields, have led to further study with well-versed craftsmen residing in the south and Mexico. Now maintaining Chappelle and Associates, Inc. In Sausalito, Miss Chappelle has time and again proven her skills and talent. Her enthusiasm and delight in performing her craft is apparent. Leather is a wonderful material to work with. Its texture, its workability and flexibility provide a challenge -- yet on the other hand a therapeutic outlet. "Leather as a medium of expression is as ancient as cave dwellers and as new as tomorrow's fashions. Appreciation of leather is as real as its origin. It lives and it lasts."

Classes will be held Thursday, 7:15 PM to 9:00 PM in the Millberry Union Public Cafeteria. Sign-ups are at the Millberry Union Central Desk through April 13,

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The Millberry Singers Rehearse

The Millberry Singers celebrated their one year anniversary February 21. With the conclusion of that one year, a variety of new and exciting things have been happening.

First on the list and not to be overlooked, is the fact that the "Singers" have lasted. With one attempt after another, it seemed that the University would never see the day when she could boost her own choral society.

However, under the superb direction of Dale Blackburn (who had the nerve to "stick with it"), good music and above all students who found the priceless element -- time, the group has grown. First

performing during May Fair 1966, the "Singers" were a smash hit! To date they are on their way with appearances for a recent Faculty function (hosting over 150 participants) a return to May Fair and two other prospective appearances.

What makes this combination work? A great Director, and a "fun loving" -- "song singing" group of 35 students who want to "get away" for enough time to relax.

You're next -- come join us -- Any Thursday, 5:30 PM - 7 PM in the Music Room, Millberry Union. We'll welcome you at any time.

Meridian West Brings City to Our Doorstep



Miss Jean Ball,
Folk Singer and Guitarist

In most cases, local artists are anxious to present a brief "sample" of their program -- be it jazz, chamber music or drama. Past Meridian West performers known to most city dwellers, have included such names as Jack Aranson (City Theatre), The World of Dylan Thomas, Larry Hankin (The Committee), and the Lamp-lighters (Gilbert and Sullivan) to name a few.

This quarter's activities will be no exception -- April 6, Thursday, noon, in the Millberry Union lounge, the Millberry Union Board of Governors will present San Francisco's musical comedy THE FANTASTICKS. Most if not all the musical numbers (TRY TO REMEMBER, AND NEVER SAY NO) will be performed by the original cast. -- Admission free.

On April 20, Thursday noon, Millberry Union lounge, Jean Ball, folk singer, will make a return performance to the UC campus with an afternoon of traditional folk songs and an array of original compositions.

Drawing, Painting, Guitar Classes Are Continuing

Life drawing and life painting classes will again be instructed by Art Grant (who by now could be claimed as Millberry Union's own). Both classes provide a learning experience for the participant in expressionistic drawing or painting.

Art Grant's philosophy stems from the concept that "anyone can do it" and he encourages all to at least once, try ones hand at drawing or painting -- Once you try, you will be eager to continue. Classes will be held Wednesday evenings; drawing 7:15 PM to 8:45 PM and painting 8:45 PM to 10:15 PM in the Public Cafeteria.

For those who wish to add one more amenity to their list, Folk Guitar classes will be offered on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Beginning guitar classes will be held on Tuesday or Thursday evenings from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM Intermediate from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM, Tuesday and Advanced Thursday from 8:30 to 10:00 PM. In the Madrone Room, Millberry Union. All one needs is a six string guitar -- sheet music is provided by the Millberry Union.

Sign-ups for both life drawing/painting and guitar can be made at the Millberry Union Central



Desk up until classes are in session.

Bacchus Is Near

May Fair is drawing near and so is the need for student involvement. Jan Harney, Nursing student, is the Bacchus Dance chairman and eager to make the function a grand affair.


The central theme for this year's May Fair will revolve around the "Dynamics of Change" in art, music, theatre, etc. Not to mention what fantastic ideas can be done with the Bacchus dance.

The Bacchus trophy will be up for grabs once again, however, Kappa Psi fraternity has kept it in their hands for over two years, with Ken Horowitz maintaining the King Bacchus title for the house last year.

If interested in becoming involved in this year's Bacchus Dance contact June Harney through the Program Department, Millberry Union, ex 2019.




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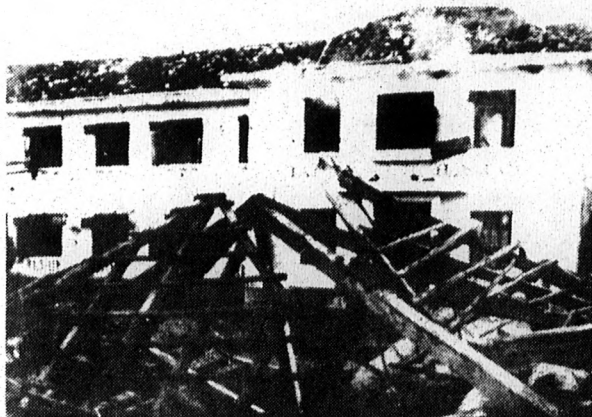
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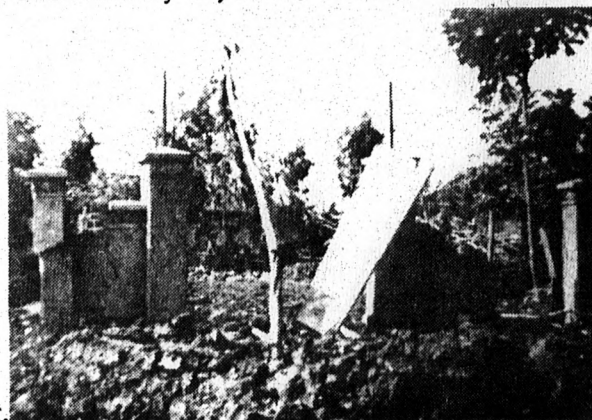
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Anti-War Proposition on November Ballot in S.F.



Provincial Hospital of Ha Tinh after raid on July 30, 1965.



High School in Tu Ky Hamlet in Van Dien, a suburb of Hanoi - Bombed Dec. 13, 1966.

Ngoc Bao, child of Mrs. Le Thi Khuong, was struck by a bomb fragment while still in her mother's womb, Hup Hoa, July 31, 1966.

A new organization, Citizens for a Vote on Vietnam, announced today it intends to place the issue of withdrawal of U.S. troops from Vietnam on San Francisco's November ballot by the initiative process.

Modeled after a measure which appeared on the ballot in Dearborn, Michigan, in November of 1966, where it was supported by over 40 per cent of those voting, the petition to be circulated will declare that, "It is the policy of the people of the City and County of San Francisco that there be an immediate cease fire and withdrawal of U.S. troops from Vietnam so that the Vietnamese people can settle their own problems."

Edward J. Farley, spokesman for the group, said, "We believe that the people of San Francisco have the right to vote on the war in Vietnam, and we intend to circulate petitions to permit them to exercise that right. We will start circulating petitions on April 15, at the Spring Mobilization march that day in San Francisco, beginning at Second and Market

Streets."

Following a news conference at the Sun-Reporter Building, a Notice of Intention to Circulate Petition was filed with the Registrar of Voters of City Hall, fulfilling the preliminary requirements for circulating the petition.

Signatures of 12,000 registered voters are required to qualify the Declaration of Policy for the ballot, Farley said.

Among the representatives of the new group present today were Lawrence B. Auerbach, Michael Schneider, Marylouise Lovett, Burton Axelrod and Farley, of the Pacific Democrats; Frances Shaskan of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom; Gloria Feldman and Serena Jutkovitz of Women for Peace; Ron Levant, Committee for Independent Political Action; (U.C. Medical Center) Peter L. Petrakis, Health Sciences Committee on Problems of War and Peace; (U.C. Medical Center) Zaide Kirtley, New America Democratic Club; and Bob Davis.

The Literature table sponsored by the Committee for Independent Political Action continues this quarter. It distributes and sells material on the war in Viet Nam (including buttons) and is set up every Tuesday and Thursday in the Millberry Union front entrance during the noon hour.

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Health Students Meet, Discuss Problems, Roles

by Marty Lebowitz

Eight students from the Medical Center, active in various campus programs, recently attended the second annual Convocation of Health Student Organizations held in New York City to develop student projects and discuss current health issues. Below is a report by one of them on the New York Conference. Editor

Reports from New York contained news of a giant snowstorm and 5 degree weather for the Lincoln's Birthday Weekend, but this only made my spirits gayer as I embarked for the second annual convocation of Student Health Organizations.

Nevertheless it was with an underlying feeling of pessimism that I undertook the trip. I anticipated the usual kind of ballyhoo and festivities and sham importance which such meetings engender, with students discussing issues as though they could easily be solved over a soda in the neighborhood ice cream parlor if you could only get the right people to sit down together. However, to my surprise I encountered a most provocative three days of discussion endowed with a seriousness and critical perspective that probed deep into the heart of contemporary health problems. And even more important I discovered a community of health sciences students committed to create social changes necessary to meet them.

Two themes were dominant throughout our ruminations -- that

the health professions currently are inadequately meeting the health needs of people in this country and secondly that students have a role to play in orienting their education toward these needs and in creating or participating on projects aimed at solutions.

It is hard to convey my reaction as I listened to the questions that were being raised. Perhaps there was slight amazement that students from 65 medical schools, 20 nursing schools, 4 dental schools, and several social work schools -- over 300 in all -- were seeking ideas on questions only beginning to make ripples in the larger society. What kind of social structure are we aiming for and what will be the quality of life in that society? Why have the health professions failed to penetrate the ghettos and provide services where most needed? Why have the high standards of ethics and idealism of the medical profession fallen victim to a gross materialism and inertia of a health establishment bureaucracy? These were our concerns.

The Convocation was designed as an arena for discussion of these important health and social issues as well as description of student projects already underway or pos-

sible for schools without an existing health students group. The workshops that were held thus provided the major focus for actual planning and reports on existing projects. The Mission Project of the CIPA group here drew much attention and those of us there from the Med Center were often asked our ideas and techniques of organizing. Most students left the workshops encouraged to try to establish projects on their own campuses.

After workshop reports had been given, the remainder of the meeting concentrated on setting up a communications chain for health student organizations with publication, and plans for a third convocation at a yet to be determined date next year. Whoever undertakes the burden of organizing the next convocation will be hard put to match the efforts of the N.Y. students who took care of the physical arrangements and they made the meeting an overwhelming success.

I found at the conclusion I was left with two main questions. How had health students from very diverse interests and backgrounds voiced such a common dissatisfaction with professional medicine,

the government, and the health

establishment and what had created such determination on the part of these students to analyze in depth our system of health care and work towards altering the system where change was necessary? Perhaps this would mark the beginning of a generation of physicians with the conviction that human values can be preserved in our increasing more complex society only if the health professionals are prepared to meet their social and political responsi-

bility.

As we boarded the plane to return, we all felt that our stay in N.Y. had been more than a pleasant interlude. It had made our future professional roles a momentary reality and had provided us with an enriching educational experience. And there was a touch of sadness present in leaving behind newly-made friends in the health sciences who shared a similar concern about issues relevant to our education and our future professional endeavors.



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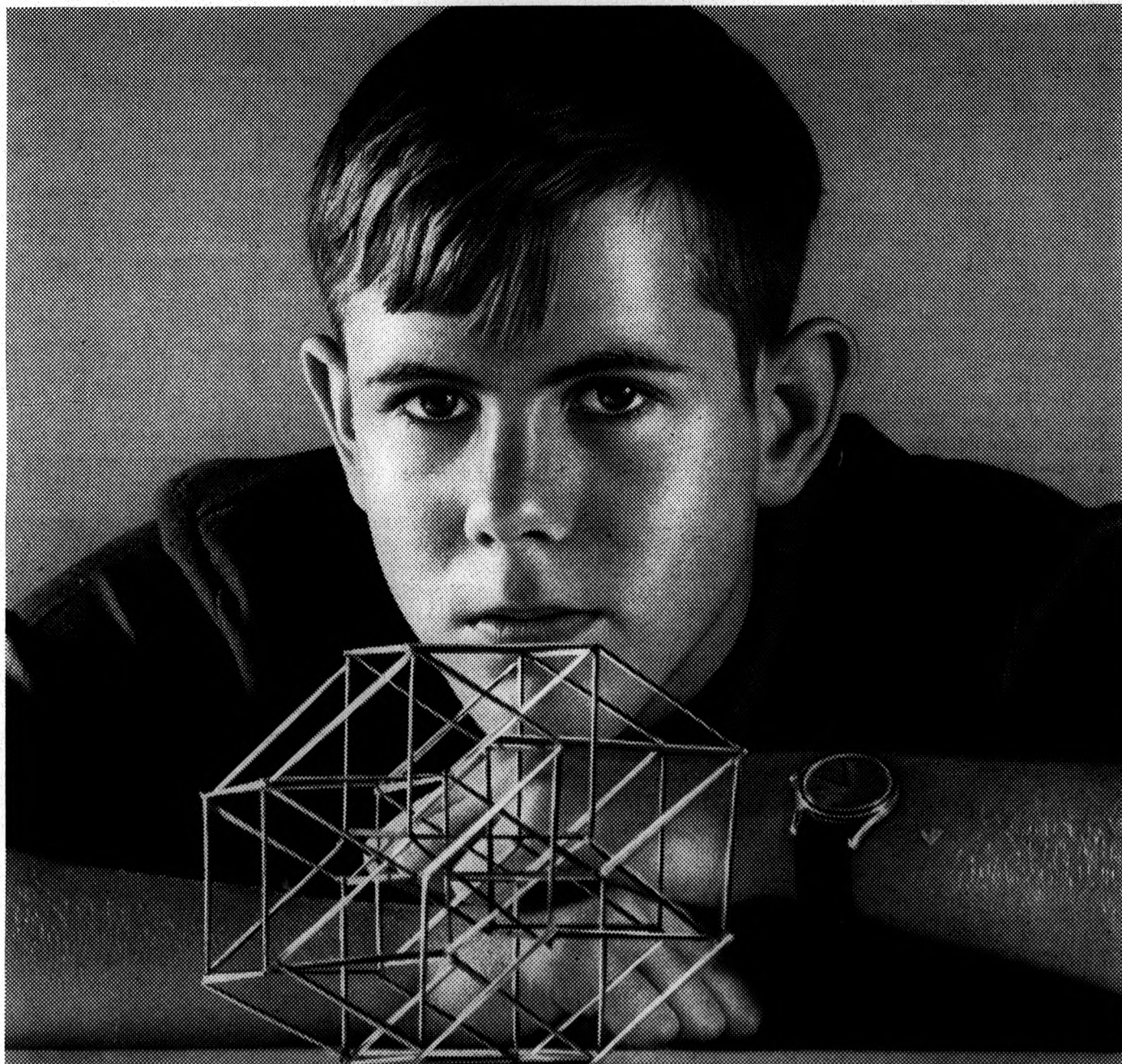
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Medics End Up Season

The UCMC "Medics" lost out in their bid to defend their Northern California A.A.U. Basketball title.

They were defeated by the San Francisco Athletic Club in a thriller at Kezar Pavillion, 83-80. These two cage giants met in the semi-final round and it proved to be the deciding game of the tournament as the SFAC went on to win handily in the final contest. It was a well played game with both teams hitting the hoop consistently from the outside most of the game.

However, the "medics" hit a cold spell midway in the second half and went behind by 12 points. Although they put on a valiant finish they just couldn't quite catch up to the clutch shooting SFAC team.

The game started out fast with the Med Center five hitting on long outside jump shots. But SFAC

matched this shooting with middle distant shots and tip-ins and pulled out as half time to lead 45-39. The second half started slowly and with eight minutes to go in the game the SFAC team was ahead by 12 points.

Then the Medics began to rally. Doug Clemetson and Brian Kniff hit a pair of long jump shots and Steve and Jim Smith hit a pair of free throws and with just two and half minutes to go the Medics were down by one point. But clutch shooting by former Cal players Dan Wolthers and Don Lauer enabled the Athletic Club to remain on top.

Dave Lee, the 6'8" center for SFAC led all scorers with 20 points. He was followed in the victors column by Dan Wolthers with 19 points and Don Lauer with 12. The "Medics" got balanced scoring but it just wasn't

quite good enough. Steve Smith led the Med Center with 17 points followed by Brian Kniff's 15.

The "Medics" return four starters next year along with former Stanford players Kent Hinckley and Jack Gilbert, and ex-B.Y.U. cager Bob Quinney.

On March 18- and 19, the "Medics" played in the first annual Santa Rosa Area Optimist Invitational Basketball Tournament. Eight teams were entered in the two day tournament. Three teams from San Francisco entered, along with Mike Salta Pontiac of Sacramento and a team as far away as Eureka. The "Medics" played two games on Saturday; one at 2:30 and again at 9, so needless to say, they slept well that night!

In the first game they played The Perich Contractors from Sacramento, a team which boasted a 98-86 victory over the Japanese National Basketball team earlier in the year. The Medics' led at half 46-40, and went on to win a high scoring contest 103-96.

The 9:30 game saw the "Medics" drop a double overtime, heart-stopping thriller to Spicer's Body Shop of Richmond, 108-103.

Sunday afternoon the U.C.M.C. five returned for its third game in 26 hours and met defeat at the hands of Francis Realty of Santa Rosa. Jim Smith led the "Medics" with 22 points.

Around the Locker Room

Al Kerr has just announced that the top four finishers in each league will hold a play off to see which team is the 1967 Spring intramural basketball champion. The play off schedule sounds familiar to the professional leagues post-season playoffs. The Senior Dents are currently leading the Tuesday night league with a six win and no loss record. The Frosh Meds lead the Thursday night league with a 5 win and no loss record. The standings are as follows:

Tuesday		
	Win	Loss
1. Senior Dents	6	0
2. Old Man's A.C.	4	2
3. Junior Meds	3	3
4. Soph Meds	3	3
5. Surgeons	3	3
6. Frosh Pharm	2	4
7. The Blanks	1	5
8. Sopwith Camels	1	5
Thursday		
	Win	Loss
1. Frosh Meds	5	0
2. Phi Delta Ki	4	1
3. Delta Sigma Delta	3	2
4. Rho Pi Phi	2	3
5. Ourselves	2	3
6. B.V.T.A.C.	2	3
7. Kappa Psi	2	3
8. Pharm II	1	4

INTRAMURAL SPORTS SIGN UPS

There are immediate sign ups for the following intramural sports and tournaments: Ping-Pong, Billiards, Handball and Squash.

If anyone is interested in a little fun and exercise and would like to sign up for one of these sports

please see Al Kerr at the Athletic Control Desk located at the Swim Pool.

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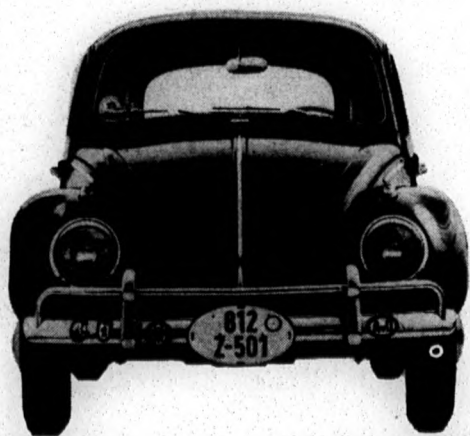
UCMC Victory at Davis

The Med Center was one of the eight University of California campuses that participated in the annual Sports Festival held at the Davis Campus. The two day festival was held in order to bring intramural sports representatives from all the campuses together.

The coed festival featured such varied sports as softball, table tennis (singles & doubles), bowling, volleyball, badminton (singles & doubles), and tennis (singles & doubles). The women also participated in basketball and swimming.

UCMC'ers took first place in men's softball and men's singles tennis. The softball team was made up from the Senior Dents, the campus intramural champions. This was the second year in a row that the softball title was won by the Med Center. The team was led by Skip Lawrence, Stan Crawford, Ralph Landerman and "Boom boom" Beumer. Other members were Lee Harmon, Chris Thompson, Jan "Motor-mouth" Swanson, Bruce Orsborn, Norm "Turkey neck" Jacobson, Tom Habu, and Jay Pearson.

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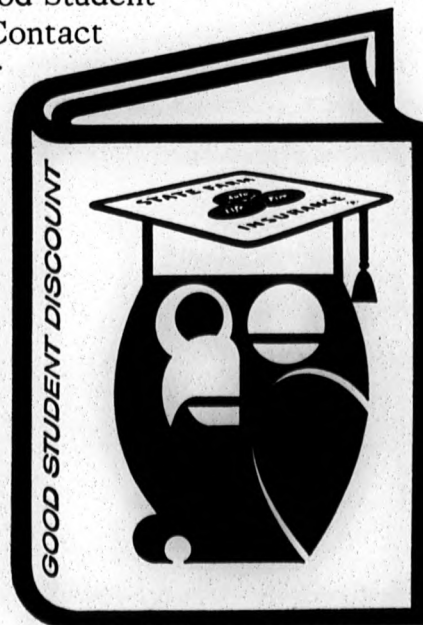


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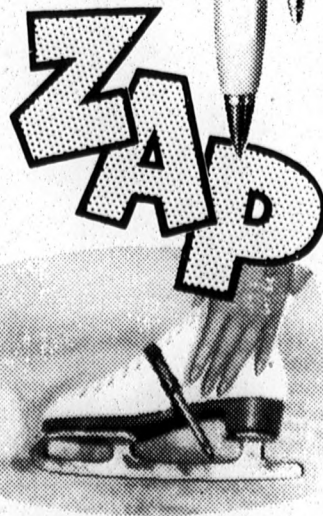
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Nursing School's Soph 'Withdrawal Syndrome'

There is evidence of "withdrawal syndrome" in the second year class of the School of Nursing. Six students have left during this academic year out of a September class of 55. Total attrition since the class of '68 entered is about 20 per cent.

Though this is not necessarily a high percentage when compared with the percentage of dropouts in other schools of nursing throughout the state or country, it is still of significance and concern to some of the class members remaining. Each person left for separate and personal reasons, but some of the general reasons that they gave included the following:

One girl felt that she did not like nursing and wanted another field.

Another felt that the lack of transition between the first and second years affected her decision to drop out. In the first year (she felt) the focus of instruction had been primarily on psychological theory: communication skills and interpersonal relationships. The following year she found that she

was suddenly expected to "know" procedures and techniques of working with the physically, acutely ill patients, and that she was unprepared.

Another felt that she simply did not like UC's program. Had she known, more specifically, the philosophy of the program before she entered, she said she would probably have selected another school from the beginning.

Still others complained of difficult schedules, having to travel throughout the City and Bay Area for clinical experiences and having to spend many hours in tiresome seminars.

Several students felt they were having problems with specific instructors and withdrew for these reasons.

One girl found it difficult to adapt to the educational method of the school. She found that, having come from a large campus, with classes filled with hundreds of students, it was difficult for her to suddenly adjust to the close faculty-student ratio.

Another student felt that she

was not allowed enough independence for creativity in areas that she was interested. Though she thought the school attempted to foster independence, in practicality, this "independence" had been confined within a very limited structure. Schedules and clinical areas tended to be imposed rather than selected, and she did not have the choice in selecting areas of study which were most interesting to her. In essence, the school determined the situations in which she was to be independent. An exception to this might be the elective course in which the student is free to select a field of interest and do independent research in the area. This elective may be carried every quarter if approved by the student's faculty advisor.

From the school's point of view, it has a responsibility to affiliating agencies for scheduling of clinical times, and for providing student supervision during these times. Also, the school must require a minimum number of clinical and class hours of study per

week in order to maintain accreditation.

The present senior class has lost fourteen students in two and one half years. Still, the class has felt the freedom to voice its protests to the faculty and bring to the discussion table the problems that concern it. In this manner, some changes have been initiated.

A student-faculty forum was set up in the School of Nursing consisting of several student representatives from each class, representative teachers from each of the classes, and the dean of the school. The purpose of this forum is to improve communication up and down the ladder and to discuss some of the very kinds of problems that were mentioned above. Hopefully, some constructive results will emerge from this forum.

One of the problems that is already being discussed is the need for transition between the first and second years. The last quarter of the first year is being modified in order to better pre-

pare the present first year students for their experiences next October.

Also, the first year students themselves have begun work on a letter to all of next fall's entering freshmen. The letter is to give the accepted students some idea about the kind of program at U.C.: of the school's philosophy, of its integrated program rather than the traditional block program, etc. Therefore, the students should have a somewhat clearer idea about the program and can then decide whether it is one that will suit their desire.

The feeling of being "over-seminared" is one of the most consistent complaints. Since seminars seem to be here to stay, something has to be done to make them more interesting, stimulating and valuable.

Though dropouts in the second year are not unusual and certainly not peculiar to this year's class, they are still significant, since many of the concerns of those who drop out are shared by those who remain.



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