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## Junior Class Extends Invitation to Carousel

### At Raymond Band at Sunnybrook

The Junior Class cordially invited you to the Carousel on Friday, March 5, at Sunnybrook, from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Dress is semi-formal and admission is free. Music will be provided by Al Raymond's band led by Paul Edwards.

At the class meeting last week eleven girls were nominated for Junior Prom Queen. After lunch on Monday all Juniors voted preferentially for five girls. On Wednesday, March 3, members of the Junior Class will vote again on the top five girls and select one for queen; the other four will be members of the

court. The girls nominated are: Georgia Brenner, Barbara Burhans, Debbie Glassmoyer, Anne Harris, Mary Ann Holmgren, Jane Larson, Janet Printz, Dee Schmidt, Jayne Sugg, Ann Will-ever, and Carol Wolfe.

Carol Wolfe and Rich Herman are in charge of decorations which promise to be original as well as colorful. Fran Miller will supervise table decorations, Jim Bear will head the publicity committee, Barb Stevens and Anne Stauffer will take care of programs and Neil Edgell will take care of lighting.



Juniors decorate for their prom.

## Students to Dramatize "Un-American" Hearing

Tomorrow evening, Tuesday, March 2 at 6:30 p.m. in Bomberger Chapel the Political Science Department, with the cooperation of the Curtain Club will present the annual hearing of the Subcommittee of the House of Un-American Activities. The hearing is presented yearly for the benefit of the Political Science students of Dr. Zucker but all interested students are welcome as the hearing is a rather enlightening look at a little known aspect of American government.

The hearing takes place in the Old House Office Building in Washington, D.C., in April, 1954. It is actually a continuation of the hearings held in Chicago in September, 1952, when the subcommittee was looking into

Communist activity in relation to labor unions. At that time two men whom the subcommittee wanted as witnesses were either unavailable or in hiding. These two men were found and subpoenaed to appear before the subcommittee.

The hearing to be presented tomorrow night is the actual transcript of the questioning of one of these men, John Watkins, as to his participation in the Communist Party. Although the actual transcript is used, there are parts of it which are humorous and revealing. The outcome of the hearing is quite surprising too in that it involves a reversal of decision by the United States Supreme Court.

The hearing in general is well worth the hour involved to see it, so why not plan to attend.

## Collegeville Coffee House Provides Weekend Activity

by Carlton Dingman



The Far Corners opened on Friday evening to the strum of guitars, songs, small talk and various and assorted facial expressions.

If the objective of Mr. and Mrs. Clark was to provide a haven for bored students they succeeded admirably. Bored students, from the spawning ground of that peculiar illness just up the hill, arrived right and left—looking bored as blazes and finally letting it wear off after the cafe conleche and the Danish pastry got to them. It didn't take all that long, either, because when American students man-

age to get in the same room, noise must result, however, inane and uncultured.

For those who wished, there was always the shop itself to browse in or a slightly quiet corner to retreat to. If one concentrated he might almost forget that UC existed.

Those students who helped the Far Corners into existence deserve a note of thanks from the rest of us who will use it in the future. A change of pace often helps as a diversion and a balm to weary souls. Visit the Far Corners. It may make a Lazarus of you some evening.

## Pi Nu Epsilon Sponsors Annual Greek Song Fest

by Helen Simmons

The Ursinus Chapter of Pi Nu Epsilon, the national honorary music fraternity, is again sponsoring the annual Interfraternity Intersorority Songfest. This year it will be held in Bomberger Hall on Monday, March 8 at 7 p.m.

The student body feels that this event is very enjoyable, both for the fraternities and sororities which participate and for those who attend. It is hoped that as many fraternities and sororities as possible will participate.

### Several Stipulations

There are several stipulations in this event. The fraternity or sorority is required to have two-thirds of its active members participating. Each group must sing two songs, one of which must be a fraternity or sorority song. No solo numbers will be considered.

The groups are judged on general appearance, originality, or presentation, choice of music, and the caliber of the performance.

The fraternity and sorority receiving the highest number of points will receive a plaque to keep for one year. Last years winners were Alpha Sigma Nu and Zeta Chi.

## WSGA Plans to Adopt A Child

Under a program sponsored by the Christian Children's Fund of Richmond, Virginia, the WSGA council voted in one of the last meetings of the 1964 year to "adopt" a child.

The organization provides a program in which an individual or a group can contribute \$120 toward the support of a child and be considered to have adopted him. The contributing group can then have active contact with the child through pictures and letters. According to the CCF in Richmond, there are pictures and case histories for each of the 44,721 children aided by the program. Each child is an innocent victim of some kind of tragedy: war, disaster, irresponsible parents, or poverty.

The WSGA is sponsoring this program because its members feel that the women students would be interested in helping such a child, and because they would like to see the range of the WSGA broadened.

To raise funds for the project and to give women students an opportunity to participate, the WSGA is sponsoring a fashion show on April 8 at 8:00 p.m. This show will be presented by Penny's Department Store. Ursinus women will model the clothing. The models will be chosen by the four classes at a later date. The \$25 admission will be used exclusively for the support of the child.

## Whitians Greet Scholastic Women In Biannual Tea

The Whitians, the women's honorary society of Ursinus College held its tea for the semester on Sunday, February 28, from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. in Paisley Reception room.

All women students who have attained an academic average of at least 85 for the past semester were invited to the tea.

The present members of the Whitians are thirteen in number with senior, Jean Hunter as president. Other senior members are Edith Clouse, Judith Esterline, Barbara Klie, and Mary Ann Weunschel. The eight new junior members received at the Lorelei are Nancy Dyer, Gail Glasser, Mary Ann Holmgren, Darlene Miller, Marianne Murphy, Judy Noyes, Janet Printz, and Susan Yost.

Much to the disappointment of many new members, Koolade and Girl Scout cookies were not the fare; it seems that coffee, tea and petit four were more decorous and better suited to the occasion.

# Students and Faculty Contribute to Art Show

## Prizes Awarded to Varied Entries In 3 Day Exhibit

Last Friday room 7 was transformed into an art gallery with the aid of APO, Mary Auer, Judy Fryer, Sue Hartenstine, Barbara Zucker, and 24 students and 6 faculty artists of Ursinus.

Sketches and paintings were of varied media: from the outstanding pencil portrait done by Roy Horten (Best in Show) to the yellow fields by Joy E. Windle (2nd Prize—Oil) which adorned the walls.



Dr. and Mrs. Zucker view College Art Show.

It is impossible to describe adequately the many fine entries. Dick Bennington's clever assembly of paper sculpture cartoon characters (1st Prize—Other than oil) drew this comment from a faculty member. "I don't know quite what to make of it, but the more I look at it, the more I like it."

The unusual cartoon submitted by Barry Feirman (1st Prize—Oil) and the colorful water-color landscape by Sue Hartenstine (2nd Prize—Other than oil) were two more highlights of the show.

The judge, Sidney Quinn, a local illustrator and former tennis coach, had a difficult time deciding which among the great variety of works entered should be honored with the red, old gold, and black tags. He based his decisions on quality, originality, expressiveness, and uniqueness. In order to distribute the awards most fairly, no artist was given more than one.

Honorary mentions went to Mary Auer for a snow-covered village done in pastels; Craig Bennett for his pen and ink "Rhythm Section," Lois Fritchman for a stormy harbor done in oils, Liz Krehbiel for her pen and ink Mexican drummer, William Mattson for a wooden head of an old man, Cynthia Neel for a charcoal sketch of a park, Robert Shaw for his tempera "Road to Yesteryear" (a locomotive chugging full speed ahead), Pam Tanneberg for a pen and ink tree, and Barbara Zucker for her charcoal still life.

Special thanks go to Dr. Helfferich for contributing the prize money.

Although Dr. Vorrath was ineligible for an award as a faculty member, Mr. Quinn wanted him to be honorably mentioned for his effective cartoons based on a certain Weekly editorial appearing February 15, of this year. These plus the thought-provoking sculptures by Dr. Creager, the beautifully decorated settee of Dean Petit and decoupage of Mrs. Helfferich and Mrs. Petit, and the fine oil paintings by Dean Petit and Dr. Fletcher were the sole faculty contributions.

Perhaps the next year more people will have dusted off their old paints and paintings in an effort to overwhelm the art show committee with entries.

## Baseball Season Starts Tomorrow

Baseball practice will begin Tuesday, March 2. All candidates should report to the New Gym at 4 p.m. Be prepared to practice indoors or outdoors if the weather permits. Anyone interested in acting as manager for the team should also report at this time.

### NOTICE

The Psychology Club will hold its meeting tomorrow night, Tuesday, at 9:00 p.m. in S-12. The speaker, James Hake is a 1964 graduate of Ursinus and is currently a social worker in Philadelphia under the Dept. of Public Assistance.

He is presently working in the area of Diamond Street in Philadelphia, which has had frequent gang wars and murders. His talk should prove to be interesting to sociology and psychology students. All interested students are urged to attend.

## Spring Festival Adopts South Pacific Theme, Selects Committees

Under the co-chairmanship of Jane Heyen and Pam Riley the Spring Festival to be presented Saturday, May 8, has adopted the theme South Pacific.

Mrs. Connie Poley will again undertake the over-all direction of the event and coordinate the choreography with the work of the student dance leaders.

Committee heads for the eight committees have been announced: Debbie Glassmoyer, sets and grounds; Cathie Malise, properties; Rita Hauk, publicity; Anne Shissler and Sue McCorkle, programs; Sharon Rothenberger

and Marian Meade, hospitality; Pat Smith, dance; Helen Simmons, chorus; and Bob Almond, band.

Monday evening, February 22, a meeting was held in which this year's committee heads were presented. Forms were made available for those interested in participating in the Spring Festival. Women who have not done so may still obtain forms in room 232 Paisley.

Tryouts for the various dance routines will be held March 22 at 6:30 p.m. in the New gym and March 23 at 4:00 p.m. in the old gym.

## Rushing or -- A Puzzled Frosh Asks, "Why Am I So Popular?"

by Frank Sheeder

If you haven't noticed by now, the fraternities this past week have been acting suspiciously like fraternities. To replace departing members (due to graduation or to administrative action) and to refill depleted treasuries, the frats are engaging in the annual Ursinus spring livestock round-up, politely known as Rushing (with a capital R).

The "Legal" festivities started on Washington's Birthday when Delta Pi threw a reportedly grand party for their rushees. This week approximately 50 of Ursinus' eligible fine young men are to be subjected to various gourmet delights: from a Trio Diner hoagie dinner to Beta Sig's "hor d'ouerved" buffet mit Lowenbrau, that's German milk.

The entertainment at these impressive affairs (provided with absolutely no regard to cost by the open-walletted fraternities) ranges from quiet conversation through stimulating audiovisual aids to a living seminar in Biology 18.

### Schedule of Stags

To enlighten the many confused rushees who are being rushed by more than one fraternity (evidently pointing up a lack of fraternity types among the frosh), we are publishing the schedule of remaining legal rushing stage: Monday, March 1—Apes; Tuesday, March 2—Beta Sig; Wednesday, March 3—Sig Rho; Thursday, March 4—ZX.

In addition several "bootleg" parties have already been held while more are in the offing: Beta Sig and Delta Pi arranged

informal "getting-to-know-you" parties this past weekend and ZX had a tea and krimpets party Monday afternoon. Sig Rho is planning to whet the dry appetites of of their rushees with various potable potions on Friday night.

The week of gala festivity comes to a dramatic conclusion on Sunday night when the fraternities meet to decide who, if anyone, is worthy enough to be accepted into the particular elite in-group. Worthiness of a rushee can be measured by any one of the following criteria: friendliness (Is he or isn't he?); athletic ability (Can he or can't he?); social awareness (Does he or doesn't he?); or academic achievement (Will he make it or won't he?)

In addition it is rumored that the easiest way to get a bid from a certain fraternity is to be either a drop-out from another college or over age for your class or ineligible for at least one semester. If you possess all three qualifications, this same fraternity makes you an officer.

### Bids Issued

When the shouting is finally over, the fraternities issue their prized bids. Following a 12-hour period of silence (from midnight Sunday to noon Monday which, as you can see, is a 12 hour period), the eager rushees line up outside of the library after lunch and file silently past that foreboding line of fraternity presidents who hand them their bids.

Having made their choice, the new pledges parade proudly out

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EDITORIAL

Cheating

Recently national headlines were made by a cheating scandal at the Air Force Academy in Colorado. Here at Ursinus almost every semester, especially around examination time, there are widespread rumors about different kinds of cheating going on.

The first answer that strikes most of our minds is "pressure." Students cheat because there is so much pressure on them to get good grades—because grades are the all-important thing—because grades affect to some degree the rest of one's life by affecting the graduate schools to which he is accepted, the jobs he can get, and so on.

We believe, though, that the reason for cheating goes far deeper than that. It is our contention that college cheating is a result of widespread conflicts embedded in our society. One of the most notorious of these conflicts is our society's according honor and respect to men who have become business tycoons by robbing and stealing from others.

There are more subtle conflicts in our society also, but they are just as strong. One example which occurs in almost every family is where one parent gives a child an ultimatum, then as soon as he disappears, the other parent will help the child "get around" what has just been said (eg. one parent will allow the child to stay up when the other has told him to go to bed, or in latter years, one parent will allow his child to smoke behind the back of the other who has forbidden it).

By the Way ...

by John Bradley

It's about time that someone retorted the charge that Ursinus students are apathetic. I've heard the charge so many times that I almost started to believe it. But then I decided to make a few calls from the Weekly office to find out what answers I could have for the cynics.

THE "Y"

The first group I contacted was the most obvious, the "Y." Craig Heller, the President, gave me a list of the commissions which do service to the college community and the surrounding neighborhood.

The first, The Public Affairs Commission handles evening speaker programs and Kaffee Klatch. The Student Worship Commission handles Bible Study, Ash Wednesday Services, and bringing the Bishop Players for morality plays.

The Human Relations Commission initiated a program by which the apathetic students of Ursinus could give up their evenings to go to Norristown to tutor underprivileged children.

The Social Responsibilities Commission does such apathetic work as volunteer work at St. Gabriels and Penhurst. The volunteers don't do anything special, except to bring joy to others who might not have any enjoyment were it not for the apathetics.

What about the Membership and Reception and the Publicity Commissions? I imagine some cynic will accuse me of stretching a point, but these belong with the other commissions. Without the administrative functions that these commissions perform, the apathetic programs might not be so forceful.

But these are the old standbys. Not really glamorous enough. What about dynamic programs? Well, the "Y", realizing the need for a better customs program initiated a pre-registration camp for freshmen to introduce them to the many programs on the Campus.

Convinced yet? Well, I'm just getting started. There are many others who are in the student body called apathetic.

APO

Practically everybody is aware of the role that the frats and sororities play in giving parties for the less fortunate during Christmas, and the great job that they do during Campus Chest Drive. But why do they do it? Doesn't everybody know that frats and sororities are concerned only with parties?

There is one in particular that should be pointed out, APO. Here is a fraternity which is a combination of a service and social frat. They do such things as set up chairs for the concerts, clean up work for area camps, and all things that any apathetic student would be glad to do.

Not too many of us like chapel, but there are those who try to make it as pleasant as possible. I'm talking about Chapel Choir. Now why would anybody do a thing like that?

And what about the members of the Curtain Club who spend many hours learning line after

In Our Mailbox ...

Dear Editor, In response to the letter of "An Ursinus Male" concerning the "mesh (I don't know the technical name for them) stockings," we would like to ask that he take a long look at the attire of the Ursinus male before registering a personal complaint against one particular aspect of the women's dress.

Peace Treaty

Dear Sir, The Viet Nam crisis produces reams of controversy but very little common sense.

Much is made of the fact that we are in an awful dilemma there: If we "escalate" we face destruction (along with a lot of other people) in a probably atomic World War III.

But doesn't it occur to ANYBODY to look behind all this? If we are in such a blind, what got us there?

What other than a mistaken foreign policy? A policy that leads up this kind of blind alley HAS to be wrong.

The only question is, have we the guts enough to reappraise our foreign policy, regardless of who in the Department of State or elsewhere emerges with a very red face?

Our present policy in 1965 is based on conditions as they were in 1945, 1940, 1933, 1918 and points farther back. The "hawks" are dodos. Any fighting will be and is being done by the youngsters of today.

Incontrovertible Facts

Here is a partial list of facts, incontrovertible facts, that our present foreign policy seems to ignore utterly:

1. Mainland China comprises roughly one quarter of the human race. If 50 million Frenchmen can't be wrong, draw your own conclusions about 700,000,000 Chinese.

2. Mainland China, despite popular belief to the contrary, is a going concern, showing no signs of collapse, backwardness, starvation, pestilence, or popular dissension.

3. Our power, wealth, and undoubtedly good intentions, misdirected as they now are, have utterly failed to impress an increasing number of people around the world.

4. Call it what we like, the presence of our armed forces in Viet Nam, Japan, Taiwan, Korea, Turkey, Germany, Spain, the Philippines— to mention a few— does LOOK awfully like imperialism to some (roughly a billion) people!

5. Communism is no more inherently evil than is Americanism. We are the victims of serious semantic befuddlement as shown by the fact that the word Communism has come to be equated with Evil in most American minds.

6. Nobody, if pinned down, seems able to state in so many coldly factual, non-emotional, unpadding words just what Communism or Americanism really mean.

7. Our side is just as loose in its semantics as the other side is— words like Freedom, Justice, Democracy, Warmonger, Imperialist, Puppet Regime are used with equal vehemence and equal disregard for facts in Peking,

Dear Editor, On behalf of the Inter-Fraternity and Inter-Sorority Councils, I would like to thank your staff for the publicity which they gave our First Annual Winter-Weekend.

I also want to mention a few others, who, without their help this weekend would not have been completed. Lew Linet and the Agency, my Secretary-Treasurer of IFC Ky Coon and the "brain" of the IFC, Bob Campbell.

For those who did not attend the weekend, they will have another chance this spring to see what an Ursinus weekend can be like.

William L. Lettinger President Interfraternity Council

Vietnam

Dear Sirs: In the February 22 Weekly John Bradley concludes his article, "Victory in South Vietnam—Is it Worth The Price?"

with the kind of question which must cause President Johnson to give an extra fitful toss in bed during his four and one-half hour detachment from the Oval Room, and which probably reminds Secretary McNamara, as it does on many evenings, that there are more reasons than the greater salary why he should have remained in the automobile business.

But John is not exploring the intricacies of the political mind of our Washington leaders; he is serving us a bald and ominous notice: "Each of us has to decide," he says, "and soon." This sort of statement has a way of raising itself in your consciousness at odd times, and the effect is not altogether pleasing.

For those with sufficient concern, a few older books are available in our library (Joseph Buttinger's The Smaller Dragon, 1958, and Bernard B. Fall's The Two Viet-Nams, 1963), and a formidable pile of articles grows by the week.

Customs: Its Development and Its Demise

by Carlton Dingman

As the faculty has recently elected to do away with the traditional customs program at Ursinus, I thought it might be interesting and informative to produce a history of customs at UC. Admittedly this study is eclectic and sketchy but I have researched the Weekly editions of recent years and can trace the recent developments fairly accurately.

The first mention of customs that I could find in the early Weekly's is an editorial comment on October 30, 1903 about "Class Rushes." These appear to have been pitched battles between sophomores and freshmen which in 1902 had gotten completely out of hand—thus precipitating reform.

Athletic Contests

This reform seems to have led to athletic contests between the two classes and the controversy faded. Indeed, until the 1923 program, little is noted about customs. Then a "Freshman week" was introduced which was "an innovation at Ursinus. Through out the week the first year girls were subject to a set of regulations specified by a committee."

1923, then, was the start of the customs program form with which we are familiar. The rules were a little different, however. In 1927 the front page of the Weekly gave voice to the "new rules." Dinks were to be worn until spring exams; black ties and black socks for the men were proper dress; men were to carry matches and run errands for upperclassmen; they were to work at the athletic field; answer phones in Freeland; and a long list of other petty regulations which I'm sure were most annoying.

Frosh to Receive Colors in Annual Ceremony

Color Day will be held on Thursday, March 4 at 5 o'clock in Bomberger Chapel. This impressive ceremony which was begun by Dean Elizabeth White to explain the meaning and significance of the Red, Old Gold, and Black to the Freshmen Women, has become an Ursinus Tradition.

The welcome will be delivered by Dean Rothenberger after which Darlene Miller will explain the meaning of the colors. The Freshmen women representatives to campus organizations will then be presented with their charges from the presidents of the WSGA, YWCA, and WAA.

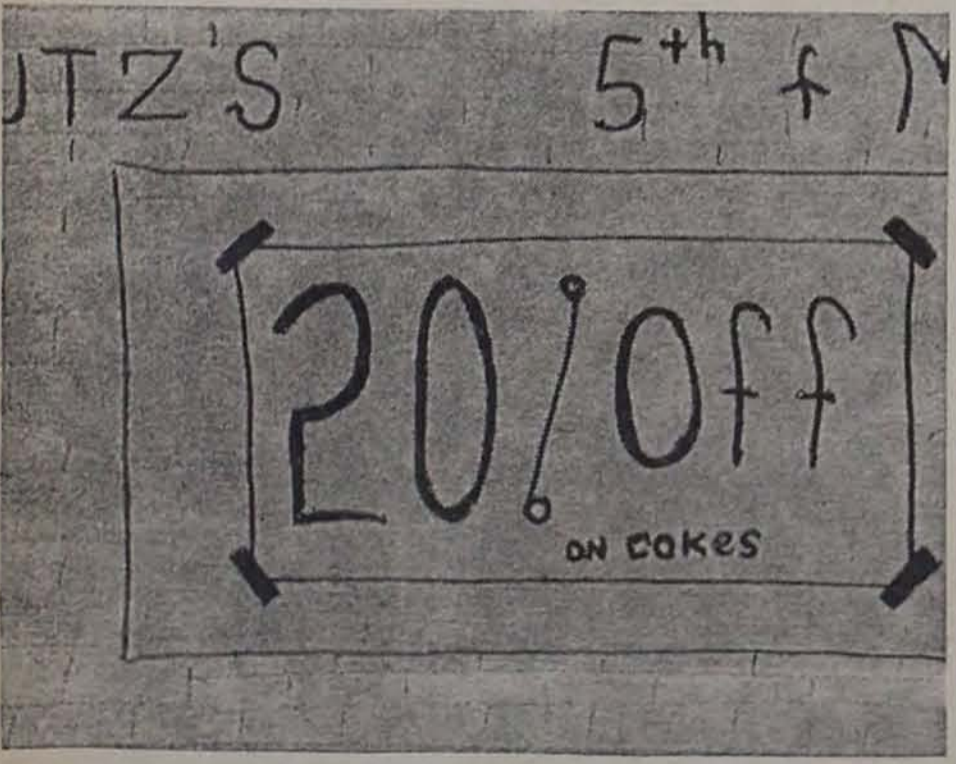
The speaker will be Mrs. Paul Streich. An Ursinus graduate, Mrs. Streich has recently returned from Ecuador where she and her husband have been serving as missionaries to the Andean Indians at a mission supported by the United Church of Christ.

UC Grad, Speaker

Following the address, Judy Noyes, the head of the Freshmen Advisor program for this year will present the colors to the new women faculty members: Mrs. Marthe Williams, Mrs. Nancy Mayers, and Mrs. Elaine Teune, the two new resident heads; Mrs. Edith Schlegel and Mrs. Mary Woodmansee; and to the women transfer students.

The Freshmen Advisors will then present the colors to the Freshmen Women.

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# Bears End Week 1 for 2 Finish Season 8-9 Troster and Parker Standouts

**Muhlenberg**  
In its last game of the season the Ursinus basketball team lost to Muhlenberg 80-68, thus closing their log at a not-so sensational 8-9 record. Though the Bears were not predicted to win, it seems that with a little more team effort and a little more fan support, the dribblers could have pulled off a mild upset. Barry Troster and Jack Parker again led the cagers, with Barry getting 30 points to be high scorer for the night and Jack adding 16 to the cause, 13 of the points coming in the second half. Besides Troster and Parker the other Bears had a rather bad night.

Dribbling Butch Hofmann was constantly harassed in the backcourt by John Heck and Gary Spengler; Mike Pollock, running scared all evening, had trouble doing anything right and Buddy Krum had to stay back guarding against fast breaks and thus could not use his shooting ability to its fullest extent.

The score doesn't exactly indicate the type of game, because Barry's and Jack's good plays seemed to make-up for the play of the others. Probably the worst tribute for Coach Fry's team was the defense, as 4 of 5 Mule starters hit double figures with Spengler canning 29. Ursinus also had trouble on the foul-line, sinking only 16 of 30 shots.

To add to the misery was the complete lack of fan support. It

definitely was not "The Little Palestra" on Saturday night. Being down 18 points there is nothing to cheer about, but being down six points and coming on strong there is something to cheer about and there was no cheering. Thus climaxed a rather poor showing on the part of the team and, sad as it may seem, the years as well.

**Drew**

Although only favored by 6 points, the Bears soundly defeated the Indians from Drew 85-52 last Wednesday night. The first half was marked by sloppy play by both teams. It appeared as though the Bears had played their game on the bus ride up to Madison as they repeatedly made ball handling mistakes and refused to run when fast break opportunities presented themselves.

However, due to Barry Troster's 18 point first half, the Bears led 31-26 at half-time. The Bears put together a 54-point second half as the rest of the team picked up. Jack Parker and Butch Hofmann got 15 and 12 points apiece in the second half. "Bone" Pollock and Buddy Krum were very effective on the boards and on defense as the Bears pulled away in the second half. Dick Gierman played one of his better games as he got several key rebounds and made several nice shots including a "dunk" at the end of the game.

# Ursinus Splits Two Games Beats Beaver Loses to W.C. Illness & Bad Breaks = Downfall



Let's Kill 'em.

## Beaver Falls 55-33, W. C. Jinx Holds— Day Scores 22 Pts. Win Streak Stops

On Thursday, February 25, the Snellbells trounced Beaver College 59-33. The first quarter looked like the score was going to be outrageous as Ursinus dominated the boards and the scoring column. However, in the second quarter, Beaver began to fight back as they found the range and closed the scoring.

The third quarter was fairly close but in the fourth quarter, Ursinus began to move the ball and play very tough defense and they widened the score and completely dominated play. Ursinus was 43 percent from the floor and 56 percent from the line. Beaver was 39 percent from the floor but they only took a total of thirty-three shots.

Sue Day played her best game of the season pouring in 23 points and playing very good defense. Pat Holmes did a fine job defensively and pulled in four key rebounds. Lee Bush made several fine interceptions and contributed four points to the cause. Judy Smiley scored four points on outside push shots and Dianne Register added ten points on her patented corner set shot. Karen Kohn scored eighteen and pulled in fifteen rebounds off the offensive boards.

The JVs won their game by the unbelievable score of 74-12. They could do no wrong, everything they threw up went in. Donna Albright scored fourteen points in the last quarter. The JV added another victory to its string when they won on Tuesday night.

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What happens when the basketball team goes to West Chester? Well, for three years, they have gone down to defeat. Ursinus lost again on Friday, February 26.

We had good support from the home fans. There were at least fifty people there from Ursinus not counting the members of the team. And they were vocal in their support of the team. We had our chance and we blew it. We started out like a house-a-fire. We scored the first two points on a two hand set by Dianne Register. West Chester couldn't seem to get started, they were missing shots and making mistakes which gave us the ball. Every member of the team could feel that we were better and at this point we were playing better basketball. We ended the first quarter with a one-point lead. We played a hard second quarter but so did West Chester and the half ended with West Chester up by one point 25-24.

Then we proceeded to give the game away, in the third quarter West Chester scored fifteen points and Ursinus scored six. We stood around on offense as though we had a twenty-point lead and could afford to take no shots and be content to just pass the ball around. The defense didn't seem to profit by its mistakes as West Chester used the same pattern into the pivot and drive off the pivot to score. Starting the fourth quarter we were down 40-30. We got the score to a seven-point difference with four minutes to go when Karen Kohn fouled out. Then with two minutes to go Sue Day fouled out and that so to speak was the old ball game. The final score was 53-41.

Sue Day was high scorer with twenty-two points. Dianne Register and Karen Kohn each had eight; Judy Smiley had two and Pat Holmes had one.

## A Year in Review

The Bears Basketball team has just completed a rather frustrating season with an 8-9 season. What appeared to be a very promising season was greatly hurt by two early season one-point losses to Philadelphia Pharmacy and F. & M. The Bears were never able to put two good halves together and were hurt in several games by the opposition playing a 1-2 zone with a man on Troster and

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# Sniper's Niche

by Karen Kohn

## "Reflections of a Loser"

This was to have been a pompous, gloating editorial about the superiority of the girl's basketball team. We were determined to smash West Chester. The way the game started it looked as though we were going to do just that—win. Even when we were down at the half, we all felt that we could win; we weren't beaten but neither was West Chester; they came out and took the game in the third quarter and never gave it back to us. We certainly didn't challenge them and the way we played, the only way we could have won was if they gave it to us.

It is very hard for a member of the team to write objectively and clearly about the game and therefore what follows is only this writer's opinion and is to be accepted or rejected on that merit alone.

We threw-up the lump. We had the game and just gave it away. Why? Well, to begin with, let's analyze past performance and put it up against performance in this game. Sue Day has been averaging about sixteen points a game and she had twenty-two; defensively she has been doing a fine job and she played very well against West Chester. She played up to her ability. Pat Holmes has been doing an outstanding job defensively and she played very well in this game getting a good many rebounds. Judy Smiley contributed her two points and she has been averaging about five a game and so she equalled past performance. Lee Bush played her usual game of tough defense but failed to get her usual number of interceptions. Diane Register fell short of her scoring average but not by much. Karen Kohn who has been averaging eighteen points a game and fifteen rebounds, scored eight and took eight rebounds. So individually that is the picture.

Basketball is a team game. The team played its worst game of the season. The passing particularly in the second half was slow and meaningless. The offense passed the ball around and around with no purpose; the zone wasn't moved, cuts were not made, and drives were not taken. The defense allowed West Chester to set up and take their outside shots and to drive continually off the pivot. Ten points is not a large deficit to overcome and yet Ursinus acted as though it were insurmountable. We needed the ball and yet we didn't go for the interceptions. We needed the points and we didn't take the shots. Two starters fouled out but this is not the reason we couldn't seem to get going.

We just didn't come through in the clutch. We had the game and we lost it. We can say we were better but we did nothing to prove it. All our promises were as empty as a vacuum. Actions speak louder than words and West Chester thundered over Ursinus. Ursinus strolled through the game while West Chester ran.

# Ursinus Matmen Lose Two Swath. & Drexel are Close

**Swarthmore**

Last Tuesday the Bear grapplers traveled to Swarthmore and lost a heart-breaking match and lost a heart-breaking match again, this time to Drexel, 15-11. Absent this time were Fred Struthers, in the 137 lb. class, where we lost, and again Tony Motto, in the heavyweight class, when we lost too. Leading only once, 5-3, after undefeated Ken Dean got a half nelson pin with only :01 left in the first period, the Bears came close at 11-12 with only one match to go, but could not quite gain the win. Jack Van Doren, 123, and Ray Mosman, 147, continued undefeated for the Engineers by winning decisions, Mosman's coming via riding time. UC's other six points came on decisions by Mark Moser, 167, and Joe Rhile, 177, while the visitors won their other points on decisions too, in the 137, 157, and the heavyweight classes.

**Drexel**

An interesting sidelight occurred after the match when the winning coach instead of the losing coach as per usual complained to the referee about his poor officiating.

## Badminton Team

The Badminton Team has just completed its first three matches of the season. Although the only win has been against Penn, all the games have been close and many times three games were needed to complete the set. Badminton is an exciting sport and one which requires skill as well as wit. With some more game experience and practice the term hopes to turn their early defeats into victories. The next game is March 9 and will be played on our home court. Come on down and watch.

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**:: In the Mail ::**

**Peace Treaty . . .**

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Havana, Washington, et al.  
8. War today on a large scale ("escalated") means automatic destruction not only of what both sides stand for, but also of both sides, period.

9. America (and I love America despite her tactical errors as I see them) does not stand lily-white and innocent before the world any more than many others. They have their concentration camps. We had ours, for the Japanese-Americans of California in 1942. We have a less-than-spotless conscience about Texas, California and the country between and its acquisition from Mexico. We have a not-too-pretty sight to show the world in the position of the American Negro, the American Indian, and the plight of the migrant workers and slum-dwellers in this Earthly Paradise we are so proud of.

What does this all add up to? Frantic measures of desperation and reprisal in Viet Nam and Laos and pitiful wails about the future of Cambodia and Thailand? Or a sober if anguished reappraisal of where we stand in the world? Call it what you will, negotiation, Summit Meeting, promulgation of a saner foreign policy.

Are we really so great if we permit ourselves to be driven to desperate acts of folly by people we claim to be ideologically inferior?

If we are in trouble, our policy MUST be wrong. Who are we, God?

Let us not make the colossal blunder of assuming that Justice necessarily means Victory for Our Side. Small minds demand victory no matter what. Now that victory is proved to be an impossibility, shall these small minds be allowed to demand that which spells certain defeat?

Let's have the peace treaty before the war instead of after.  
Dr. Allan Lake Rice

**Vietnam . . .**

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Committee (14 February) and "We Must Choose—(1) 'Bug Out' (2) Negotiate (3) Fight" by Hanson W. Baldwin, military editor for the Times will be of special interest to the person who feels an unpleasant grip upon his inwards from pondering John Bradley's question.

There seems to be little disagreement even among the extremists on two questions about Vietnam: we cannot undo the past—for better or worse we came to the aid of the falling French war effort through military and technical assistance beginning in the early 1950's and have been there ever since. We stayed after the French nightmare in the Plaine des Jarres and Dien Bien Phu, to oversee the Geneva agreement which was to entail a temporary separation of North and South Vietnam at the 17th Parallel, but also measures for eventual unification. Second, we have need for a more decisive foreign policy in Asia, whatever that policy may be. If there is accord on those points, it extends no further.

Even the most fundamental issue—that of the strategic importance of Vietnam to the U.S.—is disputed. Views range all the way from a prewar isolationist insistence on complete withdrawal or "nonintervention" in all lands whose borders are not contiguous with ours, or those of our closest allies (because such "outposts" are ultimately unstable, even traitorous, and because they are indefensible without a damaging proliferation of our military forces and prestige), to cries for full-scale intervention (because all noncommunist governments must be supported even at great risk to ourselves to prevent a chain reaction of disaster). The metaphor is that of "fallen dominoes": if Vietnam goes, so will go Thailand, Malaysia—thus bringing a veritable halt to shipping through Indonesian waters—and eventually Pakistan, Burma, and who knows, perhaps even India and Australia. Beyond that, few people care to speculate, except those intrepid theorists who sel-

dom speak with the soothing voice of the aspirin spiels: "we had better honor our commitments and treaties or pretty soon we'll find the Reds in Hawaii, and then California." The idea runs on that we should increase the intensity of the war: send in half a million American soldiers, continue heavy bombing of supply depots and routes, and keep air superiority—in short, open another Korean conflict, because no policy short of that will either win the war or allow us to save face.

Supposing that either strategy carried to the extreme will invite serious, perhaps inextricable and "escalating" circumstances, can some tenable position be found between? It is at this point that everything breaks down. A frequently discussed view is that of "containment": surround Red China with buffer states, as Russia is surrounded on her western boundaries with increasingly autonomous states and Western Allies, thus damming up the floods of Chinese which are swelling the lower banks of the Chinese-Indo-Chinese border, threatening to spill into the rich rice fields of the south. The reason why such a solution is spurious is again that no one can agree on a strategy of "containment." Many Americans—perhaps most—are in favor of negotiated settlement of Vietnam, a guaranteed "neutrality" of the whole Indo-Chinese peninsula. Peace marchers are calling for immediate negotiations; the military men want to wait until we have a sufficiently powerful military posture from which to state our terms for settlement. This confusion, to return to an earlier point, is the inevitable result of a poorly defined Far-East foreign policy.

So we must be left for a time with John's vexing question. But one thing, as Senator Church clearly shows in his article in the Times, must be understood by us sooner or later, easily or tragically: the countries of Asia and Africa have as little concern for the ideological struggle between communism and democracy as we have, say, for the tribal and religious struggles in those countries. What concerns these distant peoples is their own self-realization, and this demands on the one hand, a certain coolheadedness in our distribution of economic and technical assistance abroad—a facing up to the reality of political instability and an attempt to cope with it—and, on the other hand, the good sense not to rush into every failing colonial territory and find ourselves by substitution in the exact position of the hated and dying colonists. It does not matter how much aid we sink into a struggling nation. If we do not have popular support the cause will sooner or later be written off the books. Occasionally, as Senator Church points out, "heavy-handed" colonialism works in our favor, as in Guinea where the Russians were asked to recall a diplomat after communist political pressure was stepped up. But too often we commit the same error. At least one facet of our foreign policy ought to be the building of stable governments abroad, and this should come before democratic or pro-Western governments.

John's question does not call for an immediate answer; that would be to ask for the improbable. What he is calling for—what we are all calling for—is a better definition of our aims in relation to the new nations abroad. The wars against communism, against illiteracy, against starvation, all will come to nought if we do not know why we are fighting them.

Sincerely yours,  
Michael K. Foster

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**Dear Ursula: Advice Column**



Ursula

Dear Ursula,

I am a freshman and, to the best of my knowledge, have not been invited to attend any of the fall rushing stags to be held next week. Do you think . . . could it be possible . . . I mean, is there a chance I have bad breath or something.

—Worried

Dear Worried,

**Fear not of thy oral hygiene—'tis only that thee have not as yet mastered that fine art of kissing a southerly exposure standing in a northerly direction.**

**Basketball Review . . .**

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one on Hofmann. No one from Coach Fry to "Bell" was able to tell what kind of ball the team was going to play. At times they played like the best in the league while at others they looked like the worst.

What started out as a very good team spirit turned into one of constant friction between certain members of the team and Coach Fry took a good while for the team to regain its forces with the addition of Buddy Krum being a very important addition and one of the main reasons the team played good ball during the second semester.

Barry Troster played excellent ball throughout the year. Mike Pollock played well for a freshman and should have a great future at Ursinus. Jack Parker played well and came on well at the end of the season. Dick Gierman was a major disappointment and must improve his attitude to be of help in the future. Buddy Krum played well and should be of great help next year. Jerry Rosenberger played well throughout the year as did Mike Znotens. Bob Sovisal played well as a back court replacement and Bob Bair filled in well when he could remember his uniform. Earl Pieffer played well in his first year out as a senior. Butch Hofmann played his usual game throughout the season.

Next year's team should be a very good one. With many returning players, a good attitude on the part of some of the players, and good school spirit, UC should be in the running for the MAC title.

**Color Day . . .**

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**Customs**

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There were firebrands during this formative period who wanted even stiffer rules. "Probably one way to remedy this condition (listlessness and slipshod work) would be to increase the rivalry between Freshmen and Sophomores." They wanted "good wholesome class struggles."

**Innovations in the '30's**

The 1930's saw a few toes stepped on, some complaints and some innovations like PJ parades and bull sessions which were personal hazing sessions of certain un-cooperative frosh. Interrupted by the war, customs came back with a vengeance in 1947. The girls were laying eggs in S-12, "melting like chocolate," and putting on step shows. The men were praying for rain and taking long night walks improperly attired.

Then in 1957 something serious happened. An editorial on October 14 questioned the value of customs and evidently there was a reason because two weeks later, on the eve of the Freshman Barguet, sophomore frosh competition degenerated into a battle royal. The following year the great debate was on. Freshmen began to write against the customs program—the first time that this is noted. And people—sophomores and upperclassmen began to defend customs.

In 1960, Gail Moritz set the standard for defense when she wrote that customs aided the frosh in getting to know people, to grow up, to practice time allotment, and primarily to produce leaders, unity and spirit. That same year a report on customs was submitted to the MSGA.

**Lull Before the Storm**

1961 was the lull before the storm. Customs was more lenient then ever if upperclassmen are to be believed. In 1962 customs deteriorated some more.

In an attempt to call attention to this a lively correspondence sprang up in the Weekly between the Head Soph Ruler, students—freshmen and others, and finally a whole chapel talk was devoted to labeling Soph Rulers as "tyrants, sadists" and various other endearments.

1963 and '64 witnessed the final collapse of customs as an institution and tradition at Ursinus.

As commentary on this situation I would like to point to a few features of the heated and not so heated exchanges of 1962.

The Head Soph Ruler report which was published in the Weekly contains some interesting observations in light of recent events.

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**Rushing . . .**

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of the west door of the library and amid the cheers of the hopeful fraternities walk, run, trip, skip, or slip (one year their was ice and snow on the ground), to their chosen future fraternity brothers who are standing in traditional order around the little quad between the library and Bomberger. The new pledge is greeted with much hand shaking and back-slapping which soon ends with pledging—but that's quite another story.

He commented that customs had been a failure that year and that it was dying a rather painful death. He requested some sort of rehabilitation or he asked for the program to be shot "mercifully." He pointed to new ideas which had been introduced and suggested further that much was needed to rehabilitate the program into a useful organ of orientation. He asked for faculty help in planning and more time with which to work with the frosh—preferably before school started. He wanted "an enlightening program with set objectives and faculty approval."

No reply came from any source until the chapel talk in which the sophomores were accused of their crime, of aiding homesickness and lacking originality and creativity. Some felt that this was somewhat narrow of the speaker considering the suggestions of the report.

In reply to the chapel talk a frosh and a future Head Soph Ruler said: "I do not think it would take creativity to make customs easier. Anyone can break something down." Constructive criticism was asked for.

A new type of orientation program is now to be tried under the guidance of the faculty. They killed the tradition of customs as was anticipated in 1962 and they now have the responsibility of acclimating incoming freshmen to campus. One wonders what would have happened if the suggestions of a past Soph Ruler had been listened to. If "an enlightening" orientation program had been cultivated from the old idea of customs. Good luck, gentlemen.

**By the Way . . .**

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line of script to present it for the entertainment of the student body? What about the Agency? Why don't the members wait around until the school brings entertainment? At least they do something about it.

What about the members of Messiah and Meistersingers? What great benefit do they get? Apathetic students don't do anything unless they get something out of it.

Convinced yet? Even if you are, I'm not finished.

Let's not forget the people who run the literary productions of the campus. A great many hours are spent by the staff of the Weekly in putting out a single issue. Week after week, the novelty wears off, but the students keep working. There is no pay. Some apathy! What about the staff of the Lantern and the Ruby. That's a lot of hours to spend to see your name in print.

But perhaps I've left the best argument until last. Besides the numerous athletic participators, we have a host of scholarship participators. These people came to Ursinus because Ursinus is noted for its scholarship. Self-gratification, you say. These people will be rewarded when they apply and get good jobs? They will be rewarded, but not particularly in the financial sense. Look at the number of teachers which Ursinus produces. Is this profession noted for high pay? Look at the number of medical personnel Ursinus turns out. Sure, they get good pay, but something else is needed to keep pushing in order to make it through all those years of schooling. The apathetic just don't have it.

There are more arguments: There is the spirit committee, trying only to increase school spirit. There are students who are trying to make a go of a coffee house in Collegeville so that students will have someplace to go on the weekends to talk and socialize. But if you aren't convinced yet, I'm afraid I'll have to turn an apathetic ear to your complaints.

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