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Draft Security Lost: Exemptions Ended

Due to recent changes in U.S. conscription policy, the majority of men who graduate from Ursinus this year will not have the security that students in previous years had. Most of the senior graduate students and occasional priorities, including teaching, have been eliminated.

Minority Rights

Due to increasing awareness of the part of minority groups that felt that school draft exemptions were discriminatory and the ever increasing need for men in Vietnam, many effective, the expected increase is fifty or sixty-five percent.

There is growing concern for the effect on higher education. Gustave D. Arri, president of the Council of Graduate Schools in the U.S., said that some of the nation's major universities, all but women and men who are deemed medically unfit by the army. President Johnson announced this action and bombing in Vietnam, the world expects the United States to keep the promise of peace. Johnson's and Nixon's ability to win among the youth. It could boost McCarthy,Kennedy or Rockefeller into their respective party's nomination. Choice 68 could also determine the Republican Vice-Presidential nominee, or bring a lesser candidate such as John Lindsay into prominence. Choice 68 will also help end the older generation's control of American politics and the mess they've made. Johnson, professor at Princeton, says that "If the domination of the older political generation is to be ended, American politics will be looked at in a new way. This is your chance, your choice." Vote on April 24.

For further information see Luther Smith, President of Young Republicans, or John Picconi, President of the Young Democrats, co-chairmen of Choice 68 on campus.

U. C. Holds Primary To Vote '68 Choice

Wednesday, April 24, is the date across the nation when college students will participate in a presidential primary. Termed Choice 68, it will be held on Ursinus campus. The primary is financed by Turn-the-Life Corporation and is to show the nation the views of the American youth. The ballot consists of three referendum questions and thirteen candidates for President. The thirteen are: Democratic candidates--President Johnson, Robert Kennedy, Eugene McCarthy, Republicans, Mark Hatfield, John Lindsay, Richard Nixon, Charles Percy, Nelson Rockefeller, Ronald Reagan, and Harold Stassen; Free Democrats, Socialist Workers; and George C. Wallace, American Independents, and Martin Luther King. The referendum questions are on military action and bombing in Vietnam, and the urban crisis.

Throughout the week, no students seeking security and safety upon graduation from college. President Johnson announced this move to win the hearts of the young people. By the end of that week, 80% of them had signed a petition asking for amnesty in Vietnam. In Black Wednesday, "Mike Pease was one of the 600 students protesting by wearing an armband.

Dismissal of Two Mourned In Black Wednesday Protest

In a month of unprecedented actions, the students of Ursinus have convinced President Heffelrich to reconsider the release of two young faculty members, Wesley Clymer and Gary Waldo.

The first activities began when Mr. Waldo informed some of his friends among the faculty and students that the President told him he couldn't talk to them until next year because of his need for new instructors in order to see a variety of "new faces."

Immediately, a few of these concerned friends began to write and to reconsider. A group of about 30 interested students formed quietly to talk to Dr. Heffelrich, asking him to meet and to discuss what could be done. On February 15, a Weekly op-ed expressed the college students' anger at the President and asked him to reconsider. During the week of March 4, Mr. Waldo announced to his classes that he believed he was being released due to his outspoken desire for reforms. He appealed to the President to help him stay. Other professors and directors confirmed for student leaders that Waldo was being released for his "trouble-making."

Students Protest

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The editor sincerely apologizes to those offended by the "Sex Expert..." story on page 4, 1968. The editor acknowledges its poor taste and regrets its publication.

H. S.

Students to Sponsor Dramatic Productions

In recent weeks and in the weeks to come, Curtain Club has been producing much activity. Students from full scale productions to re-hearings and on campus.

Several weeks ago, the dramatic organization of Gettysburg College presented Shakespeare's Henry IV, Part I, in Bomberger Chapel. Done in full costume, the play was smoothly executed and seemed to fit the chapel surroundings.

Tuesday, March 12, players from the Theater of the Arts, performed Aeschylus' Agamemnon, also in Bomberger. That the production of Agamemnon was played purely in realistic form. It contrasted strikingly with the flamboyant war and court tale by Shakespeare. Greek tragedy takes the form of innumerable speeches by the few principal characters and the chorus, without movement around the stage.

The members of the Curtain Club are also contributing several students to new productions. Last weekend's popular production of Romeo and Juliet was performed on the Bomberger stage. The play was performed in addition to the regularly scheduled spring and fall productions. Students of our last fall's young men, also brought back in Agamemnon appeared on the Ursinus stage last year. Jim Blose starred in last fall's production, and by the Merry Monks of Onnake. Thursday, March 14, a group of students participated in a beautifully appropriate setting.

The Curtain Club has also planned a series of one act plays before the spring production of the Matchmaker. The first one act was performed Tuesday night; Lawrence Furlong acted the alley. Robin Boy is due to appear on the Bomberger stage in a comedy. The production of the Southern woman.
The Reign of Terror has run its prescribed course; and as I lift my head from the rubble, I perceive a refreshing change descending upon my Alma Mater. For the first time in Ursinus' history her students have made a stand, a gallant, a noble stand. Their grievances were displayed boldly, and the fear had fled. Ursinus students gained last week a new dignity, a new importance, and a new power. The power is awesome, for it can topple reputations and careers. We hold that intelligence and moderation will be employed in the future as they were last week.

The Administration likewise acquitted itself with dignity. President Helfferich formulated a most reasonable solution to the Clamyr and Waldo situation, granting the students a satisfactory and highly gratifying sense of accomplishment. The Weekly urges the Board to lend careful consideration to the student delegation's statements.

Well, this is it gang. As I bow out humble and contrite, I shall offer my observations on the Ursinus scene. For the past month or so I have encountered a depression of sorts stemming from my gradual disengagement from Ursinus. The milling faces of the supply store are no longer familiar. From time to time I realize that this is my last Ursinus fall, winter...I am a senior. Though I have blasted this school in fiery editorials, I hold a deep love for Ursinus. I have always criticized in the vein of what Ursinus can become. A work here about my favorite victim. President Helfferich is motivated also by a great love for this school. In many respects he has accomplished a great deal in the expansion and modernization of Ursinus. He too has made mistakes, for he is human. But this editor cannot help but hold fond recollections of this man.

Our college is in a transitional stage, and such a time is filled with troubles. The faculty is torn into two warring camps, the old traditionalists against the young progressives. The Administration too is racked by dreams of tomorrow as typified by Swarthmore and Franklin and Marshall. Ursinus will move towards a freer, cosmopolitan-type college, concerned about Ursinus, and we want to keep those men who are desperately needed and who have contributed so much.

Larvene Wilhelm, '70

Dear Editor,

Concerning the Waldo incident, I would like to bring an amount of power in the hands of the President and the Dean, power that is rare in any university. A larger issue is whether the students and faculty can combine to give their feelings more meaningful in the eyes of the administration, that nebulous body which seems to dominate the college community is supposed to be run by the students.

Maybe I should say "grow up" Ursinus, or at least "wake up." What is your pride worth? Do you know the President appears? Why not? There is a soothing paternostal attitude corrupting your minds. You are fed with material gadgetry for four years.

Consider: Bio book for five minutes ask what kind of education Ursinus College is offering you. Ask why a Mr. Waldo is mysteriously not appearing next fall. If you care about your education, make something of it.

Sincerely,

Barry H. Feiferman '70
Swarthmore College Daily Editor

Congratulations in trying to bring Ursinus kicking and screaming into the 20th Century. Mullerberg College Daily can lend its support to a concerned student body in their struggle to promote the cause of academic freedom and intellectual responsibility.

Good Matthew Naythons
Student Council

JUDY SCHNEIDER

(Continued from Page 1, Col. 1) and highly capable individual, and I feel that the Weekly will greatly prosper under her leadership. Herb also expressed his confidence in the new Associate Editor by asserting, "Fred Jacob has proven himself in years past to be a responsible and dependable editor and writer.

The Ascetic Ursinus Student Retreats In Protest of Faculty Dismissals

By noon of March 15th, the plans were set and the time established.

Robert Heider, '70, of Koggin Hall, would cut himself off from human society and spend a length of time dramatizing through his personal agony the anguish of Ursinus and the impending departure of two excellent professors, Messrs. Waldo and Clamyr.

The refrigerator of Vincent Phillips, of Phillips Hall, was deemed a vault adequate to seal off Heider from the world. At 2:15 P.M. of that day, Heider assumed his Gandhi-like stance in the refrigerator and was never seen by the sight of mankind. He could not open the door by himself. In emergency, Heider telephoned Miss Schneider, who opened the door with the aid of the students by pounding with the walls or shouting. To physically sustain him, a crock in the door provided air, and he had a bottle of milk and a bag of chocolate milk. His spiritual needs were satisfied by an "Ursinus Weekly," a Wonder Warcraft book, and divine other imponderables.

Surrounded by the principal dis­ traits, as Heider later indicated, was not the lack of human fellow­ ship, or of Ursinus social posi­ tion he was forced to maintain. His grown teens called first to comfort him, but the knives drove him out. This brave fellow was in the refrigerator between academic hours two days, depending on which of several cats one could to action. It is a fact that after first being released, Heider returned again and again to his post in the refrigerator--Robert Heider, a young man offering a measure of atonement for the inequities of his world.

Robert Heider '78 baddus into his hands a measure of justice on the injustices of life.

The essential magnificence of Heider's achievement that he prolonged his ordeal past his break­ point (a relatively low one, perhaps, but no less painful). Con­ sequently, his impetuous statement upon emerging from the refrigerator, "To Hell with Waldo," can be discounted as the ravings of a tor­ tured mind. Probably anyway.

James Wyile

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"Okay you fellows - it's time to hit the sack."
Drama, Beauty Make UC-Track Unbeatable

By RUDI HERMAN

The struggle to try to get the best of yourself, individually and as a team, may be at times, afforded the greatest satisfaction in life. Track and field represents an ideal form of that struggle. To a trackman, this “struggle to get the best” represents some of the facets of his life which revolve around a sport which, to anyone who has participated actively, is definitely one of the most exciting athletic competitions in which man may engage. Love of track is like an incurable, spreading disease that, once infected in a person, may want to keep him from the fascination, beauty, and excitement of track, one loses interest in all other sports.

This spring, at our own Patterson Field, one will witness this drama of beauty, and excitement unfold in a fashion which is distinctive only to our UC track team: this fashion—victory. To the UC spectator, the determination with which our trackmen drive their bodies towards a goal seems almost superhuman. The spectator has little understanding that the real heroism involves the day-after-day persistence by which that determination is developed. For the track team as a motley lot of you, me, and himself, is today’s track characteristic that which makes them trackmen—determined persistence and loyalty to the whole secret and story of track.

As our track team trains and reads for their current season, the spring rains that cancelled the winter season, and of the pressure of being a championship team, the Urinus, our trackmen mount. Each member knows that in each meet he must be the difference between defeat and victry. He knows that the quality of his performance may be the determining factor of an undefeated season or a MAC championship. To an individual who has taken up the concern for track for two-fold: he must prove his talent to his best to prove his ability to himself, but also he must prove his best for the sake of the team who wish to prove their ability to themselves. The trackmen prove themselves this season. I do not doubt that they will, in fact, my faith in our team is unshakable. The team is great and I’m proud to be a part of it.

But one must, in evaluating track, also recognize the tragedy of it all. The tragedy, this spring, will be the average student who will never recognize all that is involved in track—this you ask? You find beauty, drama, determination and excitement on a track field. Beauty is Bryant Heigley darting down the road. The drama is John Russell’s beautiful stride in the half mile, it is Denny Miller throwing the discus, and it is Bob Dixon putting the shot. Drama is Tom McCormow and Bruce Allison languishing for the tape all in an effort to win the mile, it is the dash of Bruce Anderson and John Hartman who did it in the blocks, wait for the starting gun, it is Brian Swaeiwinning the 440, dash by an inch, it is our mile relay team winning by a yard and giving Urinus another meet victory. Determination is Ron Herman running the two-mile, for a new record, it is Bert Bennett running three events to help his team to victory, it is Barry Spenser falling on a hurdle, and getting up to win. Excitement is not watching a track meet you must watch in order to understand all that is involved—the sweat, the joy, the tears, the desire, the hours of practice, the guts, the determination and resolution not only in the quality of the individual that comprises that team. All this is track, all this is the movement of UC track. And yet the tragedy still remains—who cares about winning with Urinus this year, every UC student should care about winning! Every UC student will care after this spring, when a home track meet is being held, you can win, you can win, and just ……

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Matmen Top PMC For On-Ne-Victory

The Urinus wrestling team registered its sole victory for the 1968 season against PMC on February 17. In this victory, PMC forfeited in three weight classes. PMC had their starting weight class, put up a strong battle. It was close to the end, but PMC’s Frank Martin, a MAC matman, Wyn Allard, a MAC matman, dropped the other close match. In the heavyweight class, George Delbro made a decision over a strong PMC man. The final tally showed Urinus with 15 points, PMC’s provided the good meets, Urinus drops to Swarthmore, 29-9, and to Muhlenberg, 21-13. Plagued by injuries, the Urinus wrestlers had a rough year, but the prospeets are for a strong team next year. This year’s MAC champion, exception of Eric Ross, all of this year’s starters will return for the spring season. The team will be led by returning captain, Jim Hoffmann, a MAC champion in the second in the year’s MAC championship. Another strong team this year will be the team which next year will be the eligibility of transfer student Bob McDougall, a junior letterman. Bob was another 300 hitter last year. Competing with McDonald for the job is sophomore Mike Mangani, out for the spring first time. Mangani may be particularly valuable in his versatility as an outsider and all-round good ball player.

The perennial fixture at base and this year’s team captain, West Lighthart, digged after his fourth varsity letter. But the battle for his successor is already well under way. Sophomore Bill Mater has pretensions to the job right now but keeps busy by seeing shortsiding and third base action.

The big problem of course is the loss of Byron Jackson at shortstop, due to a dislocated shoulder. Byron has handled the position for the better part of two years and took a letter last year. The job is now wide open. Dan Naasoth, a sophomore, is a prime candidate for the spot. He saw some action at short last year. He features a strong defense, but his weak hitting will be a decisive factor. Also in contention are sophomore Bill Fisch and freshman Dave McKeller, all shortstop and Al Glass.

Two of the outfield positions are pretty well settled again by Barry Dickery in right field, and team captain Bill Derick in a 2 year veteran, hitting .300 last season. He is most valuable, however, with men on base, leading the club in RBIs last year. Tomosella, also a 2 year leterman, was all-MAC as a freshman and is expected on returning to his best form.

The third starting position is up in the air. The strongly hitting Pete Shuman, Mike Mangani, John Duffy, Steve Custer, sophomore George Taylor, or freshmen Bob McCallough and Wyn Allard.

By ‘George’, it’s a Boot.

Baseball Squad Sparked By Returning Lettermen

If the spring rains that entailed five games last hold off this season, the UC baseball team may show some of the form which has been latent in past years. Loss of letterman and minimum of six last year’s starters will again be in spikes to tackle this season’s schedule. Also to be mentioned is the new coach—Ralph Bormann—who handles assistant football chores in the fall.

With a 6-6 league record last year and 7-8 overall, the Bears are in no better shape for improvement this year. The overall outlook is good due to some depth on the bench and an improved pitching staff.

The number-one hurler spot will fall to sophomore Pete Shuman, winner of four games last year as a starter. Pete was also won at the other end of the pitch, too, as he hit over 400 for the season. The other starting spots are up for grabs, though, and may be taken by one of the relief men. John Malinowski returns this year after a season’s absence. Also returning are Larry Spald and Bob Honeymann, both juniors. Spald was particularly effective last year. He is the only returning lefthander on the staff and his presence in the mid-season will be invaluable. Also include Len Moore, and Ray Williams, another southpaw.

Letterman Vince Scennella will again be behind the plate this year, his most valued pick for the team. He will make him difficult to dispose of the lineup. On the bench are two freshmen who both doubled in the outfield; Steve Custer and Ventracchia. The freshmen will also appear a good hitting combination.

The first base slot will undoubtedly be handled by Bob McDonald, a veteran and returning letterman.
GREEK GLEANINGS

Alpha Sigma Nu

Congratulations to our Chapter Scholar—Jeanne Johnston and our Whittier—Linda Hahn! We welcome our new pledges—Ginny Craig, Maryanne Horton, Betty Lough, Marilyn Manning and Linda Urias—so glad to see you in Room 4. Pledging starts soon so be aware...

Stuuffer is quieter this semester due to Experimental. Record tins 2:57 a.m. There will be no more additions or corrections to the minutes girls—its more additions or corrections to the minutes girls—its

Sigmas:--Diane Ann and our Snowflake--Jeannette Johnstone and our Snowflake--Jeannette Johnstone

SIGMA RHOMA

After two weeks, the pledges are still alive ... umm—Happy Jim eat 'em up ... The pledges have all received the Betty Crocker Award for cake making. chimps think's he's the Pledge master, actually it's Sergeant Kally who led the pledges to victory over the brothers in the war games ... Woody, Al and Andy plan to come back from spring vacation with a Florida tan; and Luther with a girl. Mark and Ernie also plan on coming to all the meetings since pledging started ... McClain has joined the 'Mustangs Makes It Happen Club'... We congratulate the students for their revolution against apathy and despotism ...

DISMISSAL

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ing released. On Tuesday many of the posters bore his name as well. Newspaper Coverage

Local newspapers began to discover the story. During the week of March 11, stories appeared on the front pages of the Philadelphia Evening Bulletin news section, the Morning Inquirer feature section, and the Pottstown Mercury.

About 60% of the students wore black armbands on Wednesday to protest the Administration silence, but that morning the crucial decision had already appeared. A special joint edition of the Weekly, Lantern, and Pugna carried the news to the students. The statement from President Reiffenstahl promised: “I shall present the petition to the Board of Directors on Friday, March 22 ... (Later) A committee of students, to be appointed by the Ursinus Student Government Association, will be granted the privilege of stating its views to the board, as will Mr. Waldo and any others who feel unfairly judged. I promise to be bound by the decision of the Board of Directors.”

While this still avoided any explanation of the reasons for releasing the instructors, it was enough of a concession to satisfy many of the students that they could gain some voice in their education at Ursinus.

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