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Faculty Decides To Revise Rules

The faculty of Christopher Newport College held its second meeting of the academic year 1965-66 on Monday, January 17, 1966, with Dr. Stephen Sanderlin, Jr., presiding. College Director H. Westcott Cunningham first addressed the gathering, presenting, as he did, a report on the future plans of Christopher Newport.

Following Mr. Cunningham's report, Mr. Barry Wood, Chairman of the Committee on Academic Status, presented two proposals for faculty consideration which were accepted and are to be put into force beginning the 1966-67 academic year. The proposals were as follows:

If a student withdraws from the College prior to one week following mid-semester, a grade notation of WP (Withdrawn Passing) or WF (Withdrawn Failing) will be inserted for each of his subjects on his school record.

If a student withdraws after the set deadline, the grade notation "WP" will be entered for each subject in which the student was receiving a passing grade at the time of withdrawal, and a "WF" for each subject in which the student was receiving a failing grade.

Grades noted as "WF" will be included in the number of academic hours carried when a quality point average is computed. Grades "W" (Withdrawal) and "WP" will not be included.

Concerning readmission after withdrawal, a student who withdraws with "WF" in half or more of his courses will be considered in the same way as is a suspended student, and will have to formally request reinstatement in good standing by the Committee of Academic Status after at least one semester has elapsed.

Changes were also made in class attendance rules. Students will be expected to be present at all their regularly scheduled classroom appointments. The College will have no system of recognized cuts.

Each instructor will be responsible for attendance records and for all matters related to attendance. A student who is dropped from a course on recommendation of the faculty because of excessive absences will receive a grade of "F." If excessive absences are caused by extreme emergency, a student will have to appeal to the Academic Status Committee for consideration.

If a student must miss a class meeting, he will be expected to cover properly for himself the material missed. Instructors will differentiate between excused and unexcused absences, and authorize make-up tests when appropriate.

School Population Expands But Dean's List Remains Constant: Twelve Acknowledged

From the 544 day-students attending Christopher Newport College last semester, only ten managed to attain that peak of scholastic honor recognized by the Dean's List. Two new transfer students also were thus acknowledged.

At the present time the Dean's List includes the following students: James Collie, Larry Dobie, Linda Donohue, Patrina Fabbri, Virginia Graef, William Hughes, Nancy Jordan, Rickie Lassiter, Ann Smallwood, Jeffrey Weinstein, Arnita Woodson, and Marion Young. Nine are freshmen, while the remaining three are sophomores.

It is interesting to note that while the enrollment is greater this year, the number of students

on the List last year was exactly the same.

The requirements for a Dean's List student are stringent. They consist of: no grade lower than a C; at least 33 quality points; and at least a 2.0 average. However, once a student has reached this goal, he is subject to privileges; the most notable of these is exemption from class attendance.

Enrollment this semester has dropped; only 448 students are now attending classes.



SANDY PAXSON, MISS CNC

On the night of December 21, 1965, Miss Sandy Paxson (above) became, at the behest of her new-found subjects, Miss Christopher Newport College of 1966. She was crowned at the College's annual Christmas Ball, held in the Virginia Room of the Chamberlin Hotel, under the sponsorship of the SGA.

As Miss CNC, she will be attended by Miss Judy Anderson, Miss Shiela Gedhardt, Miss Chris Thatcher, and Miss Trish Williams—the ladies of her Court.

Bloodmobile To Pay Campus Visit Under Auspices Of Circle K Club

By Colgate Jones
Staff, *The Captain's Log*

A united effort is being asked of the students, faculty, and staff of C. N. C. in order to provide at least 100 pints of blood for immediate use by United States servicemen in Viet Nam.

The Newport News bloodmobile will be on campus Friday, March 4, from 10 a. m. to 2 p. m. An excused cut from one class will be given to persons who make donations during this period. Blood donor pledge cards may be obtained in the Library, Student Lounge, or from Circle K members. Cards will be sent, through the mail, designating the amount of one's donation and his blood type.

The procedure of giving blood takes about forty-five minutes, but the actual donation takes only five to ten minutes. On the day of the donation, one should eat normal

meals. Excessively fatty foods and alcoholic drinks should be avoided during the four hours beforehand. A nurse or doctor will be present to decide if one has sufficient hemoglobin to donate. Giving blood is simple and safe. Circle K members will be happy to answer any questions concerning the donation of blood.

Free lunches, consisting of assorted sandwiches, potato chips, pickles, cookies, milk, soft drinks, and coffee, will be provided for donors by the Red Cross Canteen.

In addition to their current project, the Circle K was responsible for a trip to Williamsburg for children from the Boys' Home of Portsmouth during the Christmas season. Local merchants donated toys which were given to the young lads.

In March, Circle K members will referee a thirty-six hour basketball marathon between the Key Clubs of the Peninsula and Norfolk. Proceeds will go to the Heart Fund.

Club meetings are held on Wednesday evenings at 7:30. Don Lake, Circle K President, has issued a standing invitation to guests and prospective members.

Expansion Plans Await Politicians

Christopher Newport College's expansion program is presently awaiting the discretion of the Virginia Legislature. Within the next three years, if the Legislature cooperates, numerous changes are to be made on the College's campus.

The Legislature is discussing the operating budget of the school for July, 1966 through June 30, 1968. The budget proposal includes an increased faculty salary, which also involves an enlarged faculty staff, books for the Library, and all operating costs for the College during that period.

The big question, of course, concerning Christopher Newport's future, is whether the College will expand to a three-year College next fall or wait for two years to do so. The Legislature is expected to vote on the issue very soon.

The Study Commission of Higher Education has proposed that Christopher Newport College and George Mason College in Fairfax be expanded to four-year institutions. Governor Godwin suggested that three more Virginia two-year colleges also be included in this expansion program. They are Richard Bland College, Clinch Valley College, and Danville Technical Institute.

If Christopher Newport does expand to a three-year college next year, the students who this will affect will be questioned concerning the degree and electives which they would like to have offered, and the College will provide the greatest number of study programs that it can, in hopes of satisfying as many requests as possible. The majority of the upperclassmen, it is expected, will thus best be served.

Also included in the bill before the State Legislature is the proposal for a separate, new Library for the campus. Debate over the issue should be concluded by March; and, if it is approved, construction will start sometime this summer. The Library would thus be completed in September of 1967.

Along with Christopher Newport's expansion may come a new, separate two-year community college. Such a school would provide any Peninsula resident with a high school diploma the opportunity to receive an education in a specialized two-year field.

Drama Workshop To Stage Pulitzer Prize Winning J. B.; Twenty-one Actors Needed

Looking to give Christopher Newport College one of its finest, if not most ambitious, moments, the Drama Workshop has chosen Archibald MacLeish's exciting full-length verse drama, *J.B.*, for an early spring production, possibly in April.

Tryouts for the play began yesterday afternoon and will continue today in room C201 at 3:00 p.m. Mrs. Francis Kitchin, who will direct the play, is seeking to fill "twelve strong men's parts" and nine female parts. Following today's preliminary try-outs, final try-outs and selection of actors will take place on Monday evening, February 28, at 7:30 p.m. Anyone and everyone may participate; hopefully, they will.

As for the play itself, it won a Pulitzer Prize for Mr. MacLeish when it was first produced. When it was presented in New York City, Brooks Atkinson, drama critic for *The New York Times*, said: "Looking around at the wreckage and misery of the modern world, Mr. MacLeish has written a fresh and exalting morality that has great stature. In an inspired performance yesterday eve-

ning, it seemed to me one of the memorable works of the century as verse, as drama, and as spiritual inquiry."

Thus, the play offers opportunities not to be taken lightly. Mrs. Kitchin plans to block the play indoors, but has said that the play may be staged outdoors if the weather proves suitable in April.

Last Monday evening, the 21st, the Workshop presented a program titled "Shakespeare, The Universal Figure." Donna Skipper, an active member, read a scene from one of the Bard's most famous plays. Jim Paxton presented a reading from another of Shakespeare's masterpieces.

Mrs. Kitchin, in a specially prepared program of her own, presented a slide-lecture journey to the three Stratfords—England, Canada, and the United States.

Let's Keep It

The recent study released by the State Higher Education Commission suggested, as we all well know by now, that Christopher Newport College eventually, if not sooner, be elevated unto the status of a four-year, degree-granting institution of higher learning. It is no secret, either, that Mr. Cunningham feels certain the College could graduate its first class in June of 1968. The school is well prepared in facility and faculty.

Therefore, assuming knowledgeably that the necessary curricula could be prepared and put into circulation by next September, we would like to see the Junior year and Senior year added to the College's forthcoming calendar. By so doing, the school could immediately solve the transferring dilemma now facing all of her students. She could save them precious time, perhaps a few tears, and many New-World coins, which happen to be, in more than a few cases, in short supply.

An informal poll conducted within the Student Body produced these results: All of the students queried were in favor of seeing the Junior and Senior years added. Approximately seventy per cent of the same students replied that they would prefer to remain at Christopher Newport College and take their B.A. degrees. We have a Student Body; it wants to stay; so let's keep it.

But we have a problem—in Richmond. Our state legislators have decided to bicker over the expansion issue until it is beginning to look as if nothing will come out of their abode in the Capital but the same hot air and future promises that characterized the speeches made by the candidates in the State's most recent election. We may be left out in the to-be-fulfilled-some-other-time bracket, with our expansion legislation neatly pigeon-holed to await the next batch of political worthies and promises of a few years hence.

It is a gloomy thought, of course; and hopefully it will never see the light of reality. But it may, and we will have to accept it.

A Good Show

With the Dramatic Workshop holding their second day of tryouts for *J.B.*, this afternoon at 3:00 p.m. in room C-201, the prospects for a highly rewarding theatrical experience moves closer and closer for the students of Christopher Newport College. For *J.B.* is no ordinary play. No indeed. As a modern-day retelling of the biblical account of *The Book of Job* it sets out to give Meaning and God back to twentieth-century Man, the incredulous empiricist. By so doing, some have said, *J.B.*, the plays tragic hero, is given the chance to "save God" for the Human Kind, to preserve Him for the modern world. And maybe he is.

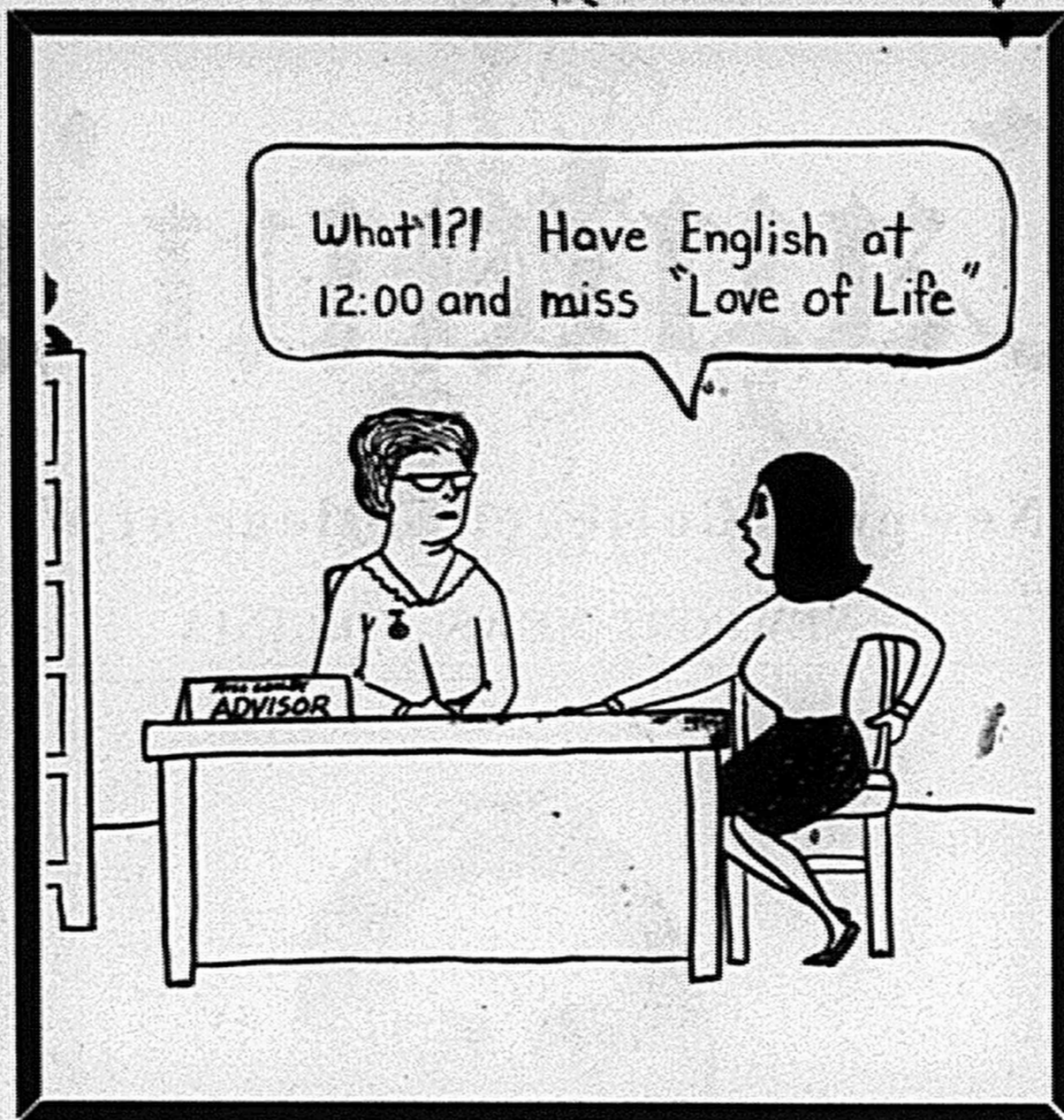
In any case we will have a chance to pass some measure of judgment on that issue in the forthcoming spring when the play is staged in "The Lecture Hall Theatre." It should be a good show, providing, of course, that the Dramatic Workshop can come up with a strong cast of characters. For that reason then—and not to detract from any of the active members of the organization—we should like to remind every member of the College's Student Body that they can actively participate in the production of *J.B.* As the Workshop Director Mrs. Frances Kitchen has reiterated time and time again: "You do not have to be a member of the Dramatic Workshop to act." So, go, give the play a reading; or, if you'd rather, offer Chip Rhody, the stage manager, a hand.

To The Future

In the last issue of *The Captain's Log*, we brought up the subject of evaluating the professors and their courses of instruction for the distinct purpose of up-grading any courses which might be found to be on the down-grade. The semester closed; nothing happened. Not one professor, as far as we can tell, felt any compunction to get his peers together and work out some sort of organized program, as we suggested. We are wondering: Why not? Is such an undertaking too much trouble? We hope not.

Perhaps (and we suspect this to be the case, as some of our . . . uh . . . shall be say, usually reliable sources indicate) the faculty cannot or will not act without the members of the Student Body taking the initiative, as we also suggested they do in our last issue. Action, therefore, we must take. The Student Government Association's Committee will have to be something more than passive. They are going to have to solicit the aid of many of their peers and, also, of their Dean, Mr. Windsor. They will have to find some way of collating criticism, so that the main weaknesses of the College's curricula may be brought under honest scrutiny.

The task—and "task" we think it will be—will not be an easy one. It will take time and care, plus a goodly degree of purpose, pride, and perseverance. We look to the future; the past is unchanged.



Shrieking Void

To you we give what we received: "Where, lass, where does the Sacred Ground reside!?" cried we to the Muse. "There, lads, there, where the Professors preside!" she replied. And lo, as we wandered back over a well-trodden, woe-begotten, sad, and somewhat selfish Road, we desecrated what she meant. For looking out across the Apathetic Land, the Listless Population, we saw a soulless skeleton of a Community unable to rise out of its Meaninglessness, to espy its own Identity, because its Priests refused to come out of their Temples and convey their Gospel except between the hours of Nine and Five. Between Priest and Population, before Nine and after Five and for numerous Ten-Minute Periods in between, existed a shrieking Void. And Little or Nothing was seeking to give it Substance.

Not Into Shame

"Belly up! to the bar boys," cried Molly one fine day in long times past far, far away from the Virginia State Legislature. She wanted—and got, if Meridith Wilson is to be believed—liquor by the drink. She, of course, as some would say, was lost long before she ever got to the bar-room door—for she had been brought up in an atmosphere permeated, indeed most assuredly soaking and reeking in the vile corruption of western liquors. Poor girl, who certainly saw her mother and father, now and again, enter and exit the bar—out there—never had a chance, being born into such a depraved area.

Well, it will not happen here. No sir, we are going to protect our little girls. There will be no poor, sad Mollys around here. Nope. The State Legislature will see to that! Yes, sir. Our children, their parents, this population will be protected from the sinful spectacle of sotted citizenry. We will not be permitted to see men and women entering and leaving bars and the like, lest we learn how to deal with such like. God knows, we cannot have such things. God knows . . .

We have borne witness (that is, we have heard) that selling liquor by the drink means bringing complete and utter damnation, complete and utter degradation upon the community. It leads to broken homes and empty churches. Undue temptations are inevitably foisted upon children, since the permitting of the sale of liquor by the drink almost invariably leads to the selling of marijuana, dope, glue, and various other insuperable vehicles of putrefaction and (forgive us this word) sin.

Forbear! Our fathers in Richmond will keep us from such purgation and lead us not into shame. Doughtily, they will stand. Of this we are sure, for what was good enough for them is good enough for us. Weaned (we are supposing) on full fifths were they; so shall we be.

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No Better Time

Implicit in the recommendations of the Higher Education Study Commission and the subsequent opinions of Virginia's new governor Mills Godwin, as expressed in his opening message to the 1966 General Assembly and as contained in the legislation which he has recently introduced, is a strong and demanding challenge to the Commonwealth's higher education. Most important is the challenge being made directly to Christopher Newport College.

In his dedicatory address on the Shoe Lane campus on September 11, 1965, Mr. Godwin, then Lieutenant Governor of Virginia said "This term 1965-66 more than 2,000 students will be enrolled in the day, evening and summer programs at the College. I have no doubt that this phenomenal growth will continue until it reaches an estimated enrollment of perhaps 10,000 by 1980." Later in the same address he remarked, "I am certain that the day is not too far off, however, when you will see your endeavors reaping rich rewards. For surely Christopher Newport College is well on its way to becoming the educational and cultural center of this vital area of our Commonwealth." These remarks, uttered prior to the release of the Study Commission report which recommended four-year college status for Christopher Newport and one other of the existing two-year colleges in the State, sounded a clear and definitive call to all of us and placed in our hands a well-drawn frame of reference for the immediate development of the College in terms of size and function.

Now the 1966 session of the General Assembly is well underway. At this writing funds have been approved for the construction for the College's physical education facility. Final plans are being drawn, and construction on this project should commence by May of this year. This should insure its availability by February or March of 1967. In addition, funds now appear to be assured for the construction of the college library at a cost of \$608,400. These funds, even for planning purposes, probably will not be available until July 1 of this year. Construction on the library building should be started by September of this year with a completion date of September 1, 1967. Completion of these two projects will provide the College with much greater flexibility, a marked increase in classroom space, the College will request funds for the construction of a student center.

As the physical planning has gone forward so too has the planning for the vertical expansion of the academic program designed to result in the offering of four-year baccalaureate degrees in the very near future. This too is presently being considered by Virginia's legislative body, and by the close of the session in mid-March the blueprint for this academic thrust should be clearly shown.

As we have frequently advised the Governor, the General Assembly and the community, the College stands ready to discharge its academic, cultural and social obligations to its students, to its community and to the Commonwealth. There can be no doubt that much is expected of Christopher Newport College in the next decade and then in the years to follow. A dedicated faculty is already well along the road to providing an atmosphere of academic competence and stimulation. The library is experiencing rapid development to serve the needs of the faculty and the student body. Christopher Newport College appears to be on the threshold of a very exciting future, and in order to make an effective move, each of us will be called upon to produce his very best effort. There is no better time than the beginning of a new semester for each one to pledge himself to this kind of effort.

H. Westcott Cunningham
Director

Take A Minute

Not one letter to the editor did *The Captain's Log* receive following the last issue of the paper. We were slightly, just slightly, taken aback by that fact. Surely someone out there had some comment to make on the state of the paper, its coverage, or editorials. Or have we been beyond reproach? (If, per chance, that is the case, we would like to hear about it—in print.)

The population of the College, though somewhat less than it was last semester, is still large enough (we think) to contain within it some disenchanted, talented, and witty personages that find many of our opinions too far to the Left or too far to the Right or too deeply imbedded in the Center. Surely! Then again, maybe we have never opined on anything that would interest these disenchanted, talented, and witty personages. Maybe so; but certainly somebody, somewhere said something that they found most repulsive and worthy of public rebuttal.

What we are herein hinting at, in case you had not already noticed, is that *The Captain's Log* is not being used as we think it should be—as a (to use a rather trite simile) Public Forum. You are the public around here; we are not. We know what we think; and we know what we think is not what all of you think—be you Pupil or Professor; so take a minute, get angry, then interested, and write.

Draft Quotas To Be Filled By Collegians

By David Johnson
Staff, *The Captain's Log*
Nothing is worse than war?
Dishonor is worse than war.
Slavery is worse than war.

Sir Winston Churchill
In July of 1965 President Lyndon B. Johnson made his "We will stand in Viet Nam" speech, in which he pledged to the South Vietnamese government the full support of the United States of America in order to stop the spread of communism. He stated also that American advisors would remain in Viet Nam until the Communist forces were driven out of the country. Consequently, and most importantly, too, he stated that America's manpower commitment would be increased as necessity warranted.

And necessity soon sent America's Selective Service program into high gear. The draft became, as it indeed still is, the most urgent problem of every United States male 18-26 years of age. With additional and needed armed forces, the prospect, now a reality, of future calls by the Selective Service boards is expected to be 30,000-40,000 men a month.

A far cry from the past. "For almost a whole generation of young Americans, the draft has been something for someone else to worry about. It provided the muscle power for the United States in two world wars and the Korean conflict, but in recent years its call has been gentle and muted. An average of hardly more than 100,000 men a year were called, only a small percentage of the total eligible to serve. Deferments, for school or for skill, were easily applied for. America's youth regarded the draft as either a remote threat or, at worst, a necessary chore that might produce a rewarding tour of duty overseas or enable them to acquire a skill useful later in civilian life." (*Time* Magazine, February 4, 1966.)

As *Time* went on to point out, the Draft is no longer a "remote threat." Neither is the war. At the beginning of 1965 the United States had 23,300 men in Viet Nam—less than 1% were draftees. At present, draftees make up 20% of the nearly 200,000 soldiers there. By the end of 1966 the United States' manpower commitment will total over 400,000 men. Together, along with other committed countries, the United States and South Viet Nam should, by spring, outnumber the enemy four to one.

Four Americans to every Viet Cong, of course, will mean that many collegians will have been in and out of training. As times are changing, so are draft classifications. Many college students are being inducted as local draft boards begin reclassifying processes. The 2-S rating is becoming harder to get. Selective Service Director Lewis B. Hershey has made it clear that students in general will no longer be automatically deferable; they will be called when necessary to fill draft quotas.

In order to determine deferment possibilities, Hershey is soon to reinstitute the College Qualification Test used during the Korean conflict. To be deferred from service, one must make a "good" score on the 100-question test or be in the higher ranks of his class.

As a reminder and warning to those college students who want to avoid the draft, Hershey advises: "Study. If you want to stay a student, be one."

Byrn Residence Becomes Forum; SAA's New-Year Projects Begin

By Larry McCoy
Staff, *The Captain's Log*

In early December the final game of the season was played in the Student Athletic Association football program. The program was a very successful one with the Rebels emerging as the top team. Each of the Rebel team members was presented an individual trophy. In addition, the Association is donating a large trophy to the college, which includes spaces for the names of future winning teams.

One of the most memorable events of the year occurred when the All-Star football team of Christopher Newport met the Old Dominion All-Stars at Norview's Chittum Stadium. With the assistance of Mr. Bob Hunter, husband of Christopher Newport's Biology teacher, as coach of our team, the Christopher Newport All-Stars upset the Old Dominion team by a score of 28-6.

An intramural basketball team was recently organized. They play every Sunday afternoon from one until five o'clock at Magruder Gymnasium in Newport News. Spectators are welcomed. After three weeks of play, the team known as the Celtics, with Joe

English as captain, is leading the league with a 3-0 record.

Among the many projects of the Student Athletic Association is the annual sale of sweatshirts. The first sale was held earlier in the year, and another is planned for next month. In addition to the color trimmed T-shirts in three styles and the regular, long or short sleeve sweatshirt previously on sale, Nightgowns will be sold with matching caps. Sorry, only one color is available—racey red.

Plans for the future include the second annual Family Field Day, which seeks to better acquaint the parents of the community with the college. It is expected that all school organizations will participate.

An intramural softball team is also to be organized in the spring, but plans as yet are incomplete.

By Herminio Cuervo
Staff, *The Captain's Log*

Another social group is in the making in C.N.C. The idea springs from an Episcopalian Chaplain now attending the college, Bill Johnson (believe it or not, the college even has a chaplain now). The purpose of the group is to provide an opportunity for individuals to gather in a rather unique way: away

from campus. This method, to quote Mr. Johnson, "... will remove the student from the environment of classrooms." In these gatherings the students are presented with interesting, thought-provoking programs: for instance, the first gathering consisted of a critique on 'Beat-poetry.' Students that have attended the meetings have rated the activity highly.

The time of meeting is rather unusual: every other Thursday at 12:00 noon and the word is, of course, bring your sandwich. Through the courtesy of Mrs. Byrn, who lets the group use her house, beverages and desserts are offered.

This new group, which incidentally still has no name, is a further step toward the enlightened despotism that Mr. Usry has been talking about in History 102. Incidentally, as I came out of the last meeting I heard a very dignified young lady say, "Hell! Sometimes you just cannot brush after every meal."



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"Self-Determination" Means Mere Chaos

By Herminio Cuervo
Staff, *The Captain's Log*

Self-determination is a powerful word that has become quite popular in our time. Lexicographically, it means: "the decision of one's act by oneself." However, the word's popularity stems from its use in regard to the decision of the people of a country on choosing their type of government. The dilemma over this word is quite ironical, for it involves an ideological war. The Communists side thinks of self-determination as the decision of the Communist minority to impose the government of their choice; dictatorial; to a democratic side self-determination means the decision of the people as expressed by the means of the secret, universal suffrage.

For example, in Viet Nam the struggle is defined by the radio in North Viet Nam's voice of the "National Front of Liberation" as a war to insure the people in Viet Nam of their right to self-determination. Another example of this type of self-determination is the revolution in Santo Domingo, where a Communist-led minority of aliens was trying to "self-determine" the type of government best suited for the people in Santo Domingo without contending with the Dominicans.

The paradox of the issue is that in all conflicts involving self-determination there is always, at least, a group of aliens trying to impose a type of government on a people and another group of aliens trying to stop them from imposing anything; and the presence of the second group provides ground for the first group to scandalize and shout from their navels that the native people's right to self-determination is being stomped on by the second group, who is there in the first place to prevent the first group from doing so. This is all very confusing and ridiculous.

Self-determination is a beautiful term that has been dragged over the dirtiest diplomatic roads of man's time. For example, it was self-determination when the Communist outlaws of Mao Tse Tung took over Red China, and it was

self-determination when Russia took over all of Eastern Europe after World War II, as agreed between Roosevelt and Stalin at Yalta. Self-determination also existed when the Communists took over the Republican government in Spain in 1936; incidentally, self-determination worked so well there, no one now dares to mention anything more to the Left than the Church.

Many things have been said about self-determination since John Locke, almost two centuries ago; but the main problem today is the ideological war between an international group that advocates the violent overthrow of all governments different from theirs; this group is known as Communists because it is generally composed of the commonest element in society: the scum, the frustrated intellectuals and the suckers, or fellow travellers, who still believe that every member of mankind is a "Good Guy." This group believes their determination is the self-determination of all men.

The second group advocates that man has a right to choose what he wants by free election or universal suffrage; this group is known as the democrats or defenders of freedom everywhere in the world. To many people this latter group is known as Santa Claus because they try to keep the people "rightly" determined by aid, i.e., with food, machines, medicine, etc.

In reality there is little self-determination left in the world for those people living in strategic countries that the two main groups are going to fight over. The most intelligent thing for them to do is perhaps to move to a very poor and useless place or to simply refuse any foreign "help."

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Nurses Return To College For Spring Classes

The nursing students have returned to college for the spring semester, taking anatomy, chemistry, psychology, and microbiology.

At the hospital, they will have nutrition, basic nursing, and a programmed course on drugs and solutions. The freshmen will begin clinical experience in the hospital one morning of each week.

On February 18, the freshmen class sponsored a Valentine's Dance when a queen and her court was chosen for the evening.

Their drama club is now casting the play, "He's Having a Baby" to be presented to the students later, to the patients by way of closed circuit television.

The Nurses' basketball team, after many months of practice, will play against students from Maryview Hospital, Norfolk General Hospital, and Louise Oibi Hospital. A championship game will be played and a trophy will be awarded to the winning team.

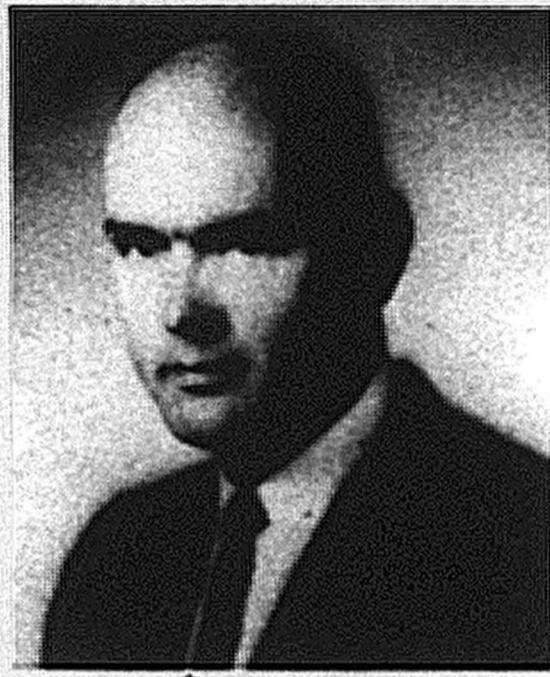
Also, the Nurses' chorus is rehearsing for a concert in the spring and a performance in March for the Veterans' Administration.

Science Department Becomes Involved With Mysterious Matter; Science Seminars Being Planned for Semester

By Ellen Babb
Staff, The Captain's Log

What is the mysterious matter in which the science department has lately become involved? Who is the brain that has our professors convoluted around its little finger? These are some of the questions that people here at Christopher Newport have been asking since a strange package arrived at the Newport News Police Station.

It all began a few months ago when Mrs. Mulliken lamented to one of her psychology classes how very much she needed a brain (a preserved specimen, of course). One of her students, a local policeman, relayed her wish to Chief of Police Peach. He, in turn, (instead of visiting the Great Oz, like someone intended to give the interested student the outcome of research done in different facets of science, and they will feature various speakers.



MR. NEAL
"Vatman"

Several days later, what should be delivered to the Police Station, snuggled in a plastic bag, but a human brain! This "gray matter" was then passed on to the college psychology department.

Obviously, our friend could not be allowed to remain in his plastic abode, so he is now residing in one of Mr. Neal's vacant vats. The brain will be bisected and used in the psychology classes when studying the normal brain and damage done to it. Hopefully the psychology department will be able to

build up a large supply of physiological specimens and psychological equipment, eventuating into a psychology lab.

Taking a look at another portion of CNC's science department, we find that several science seminars are being planned for this semester. These conferences are

The first in this series of seminars will be held this afternoon and will have as its speaker Dr. J. D. Andrews of the Virginia Marine Science Institute. He obtained his PhD at the University of Wisconsin and he has devoted much time to the study of shell fish. The topic of his lecture will be "Oyster Problems in Virginia Waters."

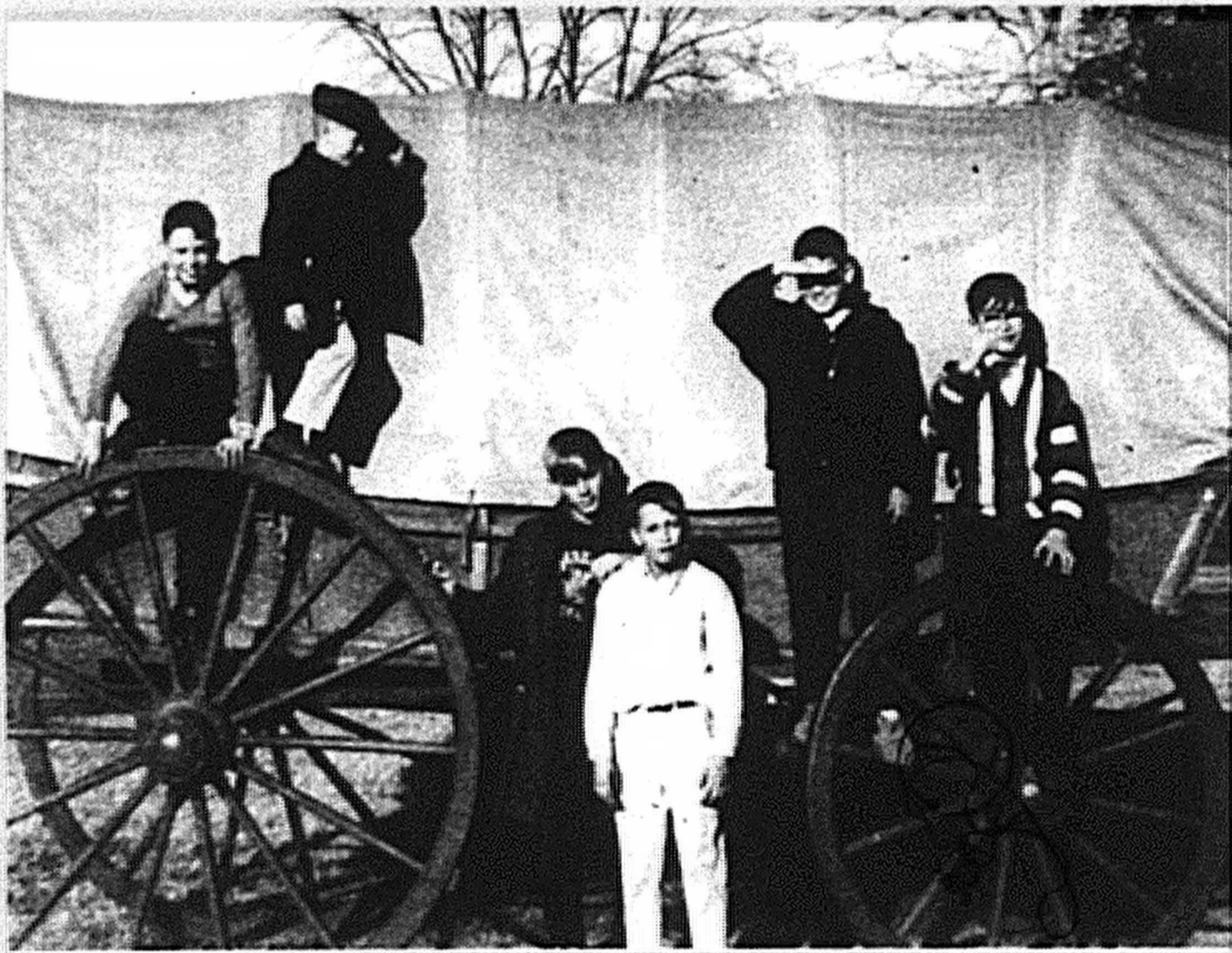
The science seminars will be held every Wednesday at 4:15 in room 101 of Gosnold Hall. For approximately forty minutes, the speaker will present his material. Following the presentation, there will be questions and discussions from the floor. Last year these seminars proved to be very successful and rewarding, so all interested people are encouraged to attend.

Coburn Elected Choir Director; Brewer Advises

"Singing builds spirit and spirit is contagious," stated Mike Coburn at the Christopher Newport Choir's first meeting, February 8, 1966. At that time the newly-formed organization, of which Mr. Fred Brewer is faculty advisor, discussed plans for the future. The election of student director was held; of the two nominees, Diane Draley and Mike Coburn, the latter was elected.

Mr. Brewer agreed to purchase some sight-singing books from Norfolk. These books will offer the members valuable help in learning the basics of singing. After the choir has had a chance to better organize itself and to practice singing, it hopes to participate in school or civic functions.

Anyone who is interested in joining the Christopher Newport Choir is urged to attend the meetings. He need not be able to read music. Mr. Brewer expects to begin each meeting with a brief period of music theory, during which the choir will be taught the rudiments of music. The choir will meet every Tuesday at twelve o'clock in Christopher Newport Hall.



PRAIRIE SCHOONER PIRATES?

Not really, just some of the youngsters the Circle K Club took on a holiday tour of Colonial Williamsburg last December 21st. All are from the Portsmouth Boy's Home.

Support Sought By Track Team

The Christopher Newport Track Team is the college's only inter-collegiate team at the present time. The team was formed for the first time last spring and is at the present time regrouping for the upcoming season.

Coach Weinstein has, at the present time, openings in all events for members of the student body interested in participating in this season. For workout information and locker assignments, students should see Mr. Weinstein.

The spring season opens in approximately two months, so training should begin immediately. The workout sessions begin at 3:15 and last about an hour and a half. The school pays for all transportation to away meets, and varsity letters are awarded team members achieving a minimum number of points. Participants are urgently needed!

Cat, Of Peculiar Teste, Adapts To College Life, Food, Friends

Somewhere there is a somewhat fat, somewhat skinny, grimey, lovable, silly, very black cat wandering around this campus. She is easily recognizable because there is no other cat like her in the world. She eats constantly, is continually in the way, never does what most cats do; but still, she never fails to make friends with anyone who sees her. Her name is Cat. It is not a very imaginative name but it serves the purpose, since there is no other which quite describes an animal like her.

She regularly attends classes with the students, and usually joins a group of friends at a table in the Lounge during lunch. Her own eating habits are rather peculiar. She mixes her food with her water on the floor, then dares any of the instructors or lab assistants to come near her. Her favorite foods are chocolate milk, french fries, fritos, potato chips, popcorn, eggnog, and sandwiches.

At night she sleeps in the biology stock room. It is not very difficult to keep her out of the zoology dissection specimens, but it is necessary to lock the doors of the botany lab because she has an unusual liking for the potted plants. (Fortunately, too, she is house broken.)

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