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New Constitutions To Be Given To Council

The Constitution Committee's drafts of two new constitutions— one a Student Government Constitution and one a Revised Community Government Constitution—will be distributed in Council this week. The constitutions will be consid ered in Council for several weeks before they will be sub mitted to the Community in referenda. Both preliminary drafts have been prepared, so that the voters cast in the Community referenda will be able to make any changes needed for passage.

The proposed Student Government Constitution will differ from the Community Government Constitution primarily in that it excludes the teach ing and administrative faculty from the Assembly and from representation on Council. At present there are two faculty members and a representative of the President on the eleven member body. In almost all other respects, the two constitutions will be identical.

Among the more important decisions, Council must decide whether the Constitution to be submitted to the Community will include a change in the disciplinary process. Three alternatives have been considered. It has been suggested that elections be held every term, that Council members serve terms of six months or three years, and that a single term of two years would be acceptable.

The main change in the current constitution is a new, general re vision of the committees and a thorough re vamping of the standing committees.

Herbert Speaks As Bard In May

A gift from a member of the class of '48 in the form of funds for the purchase of a gift will bring Dr. Will Herbert to this campus on May 8. Dr. Herbert, who is professor of Jazz at the University of Illinois, is expected to lecture on the history of the new jazz style.

The lecture by noted philosopher in Judaism will be presented May 8. Dr. Herbert, who is professor of Jewish Studies at the University of Illinois, is expected to lecture on the history of the new jazz style.

Delegates Report on Mock United Nations General Assembly Meeting

"Point of order, Mr. Chairman, point of order!" The Rep ublic of Bulgaria objects to the mention of the United Nations as representative of the People's Republic of China. Of course, the first speaker at the opening session of the Assembly was a representative of the United Nations. The delegate from the People's Republic of China, however, went on to make everyone of the more than 600 present immediately aware of the enthusiasm with which the model Assembly was going to be conducted. Each college group tried to represent its country as faithfully as possible, with the Bulgarian delegate, Bard College re presented the Republic of Vene zuela.

Opening Session

The Opening Plenary Session in the U.N. building, Friday, March 24 at 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m., will be the beginning of the plenary discussions at the conference. Afterwards in the headquar ters of the United Nations, a vigil will be held on that night and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., the delegates met in committees, preparing resolutions to present to the final plenary session on Sunday. At least one dele gate from each country was present on each of the six committees, each dealing with specific problems such as the Congo, disarmament, trusteeship, and the economic development of Africa.

New Regulations Found Successful in Evaluation

The social regulations com mittee present its evaluation of the new social reg u lations to community council tonight for action. It should be noted that, overall, the system has been functioning successfully. The evaluation report makes recommendations for modifications in the house presidents and the system as a whole.

The evaluation of the one month trial period was conducted by a group of students and made use of evidence which had been gathered by the views of members of the faculty, administration, house presidents, and members of the community at large which were presented at the open hearings.

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Due to mid-term exams the issue which dealt with specific problems such as the Congo, disarmament, trusteeship, and the economic development of Africa was not fully addressed. The discussions among participants, in and outside meetings, were their feelings of involvement in the problems and their desire to understand the national interests of those countries they represented. These were the most difficult to comprehend the factors that contribute to a national interest and then to express them through votes on proposals as specific as one for the foundation of a college in a new African state.

Sincerity Triumphs

Sometimes the participants' sincerity in wanting to solve all problems of the world overcame their knowledge and understanding. The Final Plenary Session at which proposals were to be presented, that had been passed (sometimes with wide disagreement by committees), this comment was made by one delegate:

"Last night everyone forgot what country he was supposed to represent..."

Still students suddenly forget or get too bored about the policies of their individual countries? Apparently so, at least in a few cases. For example, in the Committee on South Africa a resolution was proposed to put economic sanctions or boycotts on the country. The new regulations to community council bring it to the forefront of discussion.

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Don Beser, head of house presidents' committee and was questioned about the amount of power his group had, as well as his views on that implied by the regulations.

Following the hearings, the social regulations committee held more than one meeting at which all aspects of the regulations were discussed. In particular, two items were emphasized: the functioning of the house presidents' committee and the matter of hours. Worn and smudged members of the committee that the house presidents' committee had misunderstood the spirit of the plan, had assumed too much power, and was taking judicial action without adequate source and procedures for appeal.

The social regulations committee feels that a violation is presented when submitting the report is the only person who has had the chance to research the issue. Yet in one case, when President submitting the report for the house president's committee, the recommendation of a particular student based on this type of evidence was not considered.

The recommendations for modifications which would remove these weaknesses in the house presidents' committee, were received by the house president sending in the violation. Then the case would be referring to the chair of the committee in the house presidents' committee who would refer the administration to the committee and the opportunity to appeal the action to the house presidents' committee.

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Abraham Ribicoff, Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare, was the principal speaker at the commencement exercises to be held Saturday, June 24.

No Career Day Event This Year

For numerous reasons, Bard will not have a "Career Day" this spring. After surveying long list of student suggestions, the administration has decided that the lack of time in the impossible to have the annual event.

Along with a "Career Day," Mrs. Bourn said that there is a vital need for more vocational and social counseling. In this spirit, the area of counseling has this year been expanded. The administration has considered all questions on the basis of their importance, and the answer has been that the career day is unnecessary.

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French Table in Dining Commons
To Be Regular Weekly Event
The first table in French in the Dining Commons was held Wednesday, March 28 in the Arcadia Dining Commons. The table was open to any student who wished to attend. The goal of the table was to create a community where students could come together to share their experiences and discuss French culture. The table was well attended, with many students of various backgrounds participating. It was hoped that the table would become a regular weekly event, providing a place for students to continue to engage with French language and culture. The table was organized by the French Club and was open to all students who were interested in attending. It was a wonderful opportunity for students to connect with others who shared their passion for French language and culture.