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ANNANDALE-ON-HUDSON, N. Y.

Naylor Elected Treasurer; Senate Rules on Food Fast.

by Sarah Van Leer

Richard Naylor was elected Treasurer and Philisse Barrows Secretary of the community at last night's Senate meeting. Written ballots were dispensed with for the election of Secretary at the request of the Senate members.

Mr. Naylor, opposed for the position by Don Michaels and Ramon Penna, is also Treasurer for the Senior Class and Business Manager for the Bard Observer. Also, by unanimous vote of members present, proxy votes by Dana Haussamen and Bruce Lieberman were not allowed.

Present at last night's meeting were Edmonds, Dunkelbarger, Gunn, Rosenbaum and Winters. Those absent included Lieberman, Sherman, Dana Haussamen and Nancy Lovallo.

As a closing remark to the election of Treasurer, Mr. Dunkelbarger made a statement discounting the last Observer editorial. He said that because of his commitment to the Drama Department, he did "not feel capable of doing an adequate job." Mr. Dunkelbarger said his resignation was simply a question of "lack of time" and had nothing to do with "a lack of confidence in the system."

Next week Glenn Boynton, vice-president and director of development for the college, will be at the Senate meeting to discuss the problems of Senate's fund raising drive.

"The wheels of progress have

stopped," Mr. Edmonds said, adding that Mr. Boynton suggested that this happened because the Senate was not "hit-
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2 Movies Replace Feature on Friday

Two films will be featured this Friday night which are not listed on the program sheet. "Life at the Top," previously scheduled, will not be shown.

Peter Whitehead's "Wholly Communion" and "Ladies and Gentlemen, Mr. Leonard Cohen" are the two replacements. They are 35 minutes and 45 minutes in length and the program will also include the early short film "Jammin' the Blues" and Robert Nelson's "O Dem Watermelons."

Whitehead's film shows the frenetic, competitive atmosphere of a poetry reading last May 1966 in London. Allen Ginsberg, Gregory Corso, Alexander Trocchi and Andrei Voznesensky are featured.

The film on Leonard Cohen is one of the recently released ones from the Canadian National Film Board. Cohen is a young Canadian writer living in Greece, and the movie shows his annual return visit to Canada. He reads his work, jokes with friends, performs as a stand-up comedian.

The order of films is as follows: "Jammin' the Blues" at 8 p.m.; "Wholly Communion" at 8:10, and "O Dem Watermelons" at 8:50, and "Leonard Cohen" at 9:10. The total program is two hours in length.

400 At Wisconsin Evicted From Sit-In Against Dow

MADISON, Wis. (CPS) - Two dozen Madison city police Wednesday used clubs, hands, and boots to evict about 400 students sitting in at the University of Wisconsin Commerce Building.

Later 40 more used over a dozen tear gas grenades to disperse the crowd of about 3,000. Sixty-five students were treated for abrasions and concussions at the UW hospital.

The confrontation came after students occupied the building to obstruct recruiting by agents of the Dow Chemical Company, manufacturers of napalm used in Vietnam. Dean of Students Joseph Kaufman had previously declared that Dow recruiting was "a university function" and that students disrupting it would be subject to university discipline.

Percy Julian, Jr., and Michael Reiter, attorneys for the students, are seeking a restraining order against the dean on the ground that such a threat over and above the sanctions of state and city law is an invasion of First Amendment rights.

About 2000 students marched to the Commerce Building at 10 a.m. and 130 sat in in the hall where Dow was to recruit. Another 400 lined the corridors of the building and 200 formed a supporting picket line on the outside. Proceedings were peaceful and orderly, with singing, joking, and occasional chants of "Down with Dow," "Hey, hey, LBJ, how many kids have you killed today?" and "What do you want? The Revolution. When do you want it? Now?"

At noon, 18 club-carrying city police wearing grey plastic helmets assembled outside the building and were greeted with a performance by The Uprising.
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Walter Explains To EPC Crowded Lit. Seminars

By Phil Luber

"The fact is that there is too much work to be done, and too few people to do it," said William Walter, head of the Division of Languages and Literature, at a public hearing sponsored by Educational Policies Committee. EPC is investigating overcrowding in the division.

The meeting, which ten faculty members and about fifteen students attended, concentrated on the overcrowding of upper college literature classes.

This fall there are six upper college literature courses offered with an average enrollment of 21 students, making for a higher student/faculty ratio than ever before. In 1965 eight courses were offered, with an average enrollment of 12 and in 1966 there were six courses offered with an average enrollment of 17.

Survey Taken

The results of an EPC survey taken a few weeks ago show that a significant number of upper college literature majors feel that the number of students in their literature courses is too large.

The survey also shows that not all the juniors involved are dissatisfied with the new junior seminars, which replace the junior conferences of only one student. However, no one thought that more than four students in these seminars was workable, while at the present time there are nine students in some of them.

With an impressive array of statistics, Mr. Walter showed that one of the main reasons for the overcrowding is that the college is growing and more students are entering the upper college.

Dean Hodgkinson agreed with this, pointing out that more students who are coming to Bard plan to pass Moderation; fewer are coming to spend "two years in the country at an intellectual Grossinger's."

No "Ideal Number"

In response to a question by Bruce Richman, Mr. Walter said that the Literature department does not have an "ideal number" of students in a literature course. The right number, he explained, depends on the form of the particular course and the individual instructor.

Allan Batteau inquired if there has been any change in the "controlling attitudes" of the department faculty such as the policy of leaving the upper college program "intact," no matter what. Mr. Walter replied that the faculty maintain that the strongest point of the Bard program is the senior project and the junior conferences, but that the division cannot afford to let the lower college program go bad. Without a strong lower college, he said, there is no upper college.

He went on to say that some of the problems may be the result of being "too ambitious." Perhaps the Bard literature department is trying to do too much within the limits of its structure and human resources.

Move To Specialist

According to Mr. Walter, we may be "keeping the form, but losing the spirit" of what education at Bard is supposed to be. For example, the Tewksbury Program, which is the basis for the present Bard education, was set out so that the student, in his four years at Bard, would progress from a specialist to a generalist. At the present, we
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Drama Review

Next week, a review with photographs, of Sarjent Musgrave's Dance will appear on page two.

Canada Provides New Home For U. S. Draft Evaders

TORONTO (CPS) - If there were a place where a young American could move to without culture shock, earn a respectable living and escape the major stresses of life, a good number might choose to live there.

In the past few years more and more Americans have been finding Canada such a place.

With a population of 20 million, a way of life that is only marginally different from the American, political freedom, job opportunities and, for some most importantly, no conscription, Canada is easy to make the transition to. About 15,000 Americans move to Canada every year.

Until recently this migration has been more than matched by the 'Brain Drain' Canadians worry about—the several thousand nurses, teachers and production workers who move each year into the States. But this year, for the first time since the war, it is expected that migration to Canada will outweigh immigration to the U. S.

If the U. S. is the home of the brave and the land of the free, Canada is the home of the peaceful and land of the free. Retired people come here to escape the high taxation of the

warfare state. The middle-aged move to similar jobs in a place where they can take a safe stroll at night and where the police don't brandish billies. Guns, if they are carried at all, are kept in holsters out of sight.

More recently—and this accounts for the change in direction of the brain drain—young Americans are more and more moving to Canada to evade the draft and involvement in the war. Canadian immigration officials have no record of the number of immigrants who were 1-A before they arrived, but Marc Satin who runs the Toronto office of the anti-draft program says he gets about half-a-dozen draft-evaders going through the office a day, and says that the load is about the same in offices in Montreal and Vancouver. There are also eight small offices and groups helping draft evaders in other cities. Thousands of others simply cross the border as landed immigrants without contacting groups concerned with draft evaders.

Since Canada's unified armed services are manned by volunteers, Canada does not recognize "draft evasion" or "international flight to avoid

prosecution" as crimes, though these are punished by five and ten years in jail in the U. S. Consequently, draft evaders cannot be extradited.

Tom Kent, the left-leaning chief civil servant of the Department of Citizenship and Immigration has put it quite plainly: "There is not any prohibition in the Immigration Act or regulations against the admission of persons who may be seeking to avoid induction into the armed services and, therefore, providing they meet immigration requirements, we have no basis in law for barring their entry."

Asked about American efforts to prosecute draft resisters, External Affairs Minister Paul Martin said that Canada does not "feel under any obligations to enforce the laws in that regard of any country."

An American who wishes to become a citizen of Canada enters as a landed immigrant by filling in the appropriate forms from the Department of Citizenship and Immigration and either mailing them to Ottawa, the capital, or presenting them at the border when he enters Canada. A would-be immigrant must be 18-years-old (though his wife need not be)

and not a member of one of the "prohibited classes." Prohibited classes are defined by Section 5 of the Canadian Immigration Act to include idiots, the insane, convicted criminals, and those who are likely to become public charges.

Those jailed for civil rights activities are not likely to be barred, and any healthy, honest young man with either a job offer or enough money to survive on is likely to be admitted. Newspapers here have from time-to-time commented that the certification 1-A is a pretty good guarantee of the quality of an immigrant.

Almost any American may visit Canada. Soldiers in uniform are required to produce but others pass into the country after only cursory examination of baggage. It is illegal however for visitors to work in Canada, and a visitor must generally return to the U.S. in order to make application for immigration.

Any student admitted to a reputable Canadian school and having the money to pay for it may enter Canada on a "student entry certificate" which allows him to work during the summer and become a landed
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"All The News That's Fit - - -"

Near the corner of Sixth avenue and Eighth street in Manhattan there are frequent gatherings of anti-war speakers willing to argue with anyone willing to stop. A small crowd of onlookers usually is there also, and each of these onlookers will soon leave and perhaps recount later what he saw. Few people would be surprised to learn that each onlooker is likely to report a different account of what happened. Why then was there so much surprise and dismay on this campus over the newsmedia's reportage of the October 21 demonstration at the Pentagon?

It would seem that most readers do not realize that each news medium - newspaper, magazine, book publisher, radio and television - is, in the final analysis, just another single onlooker, with its own point of view.

This is the classic story of the biased press, which too few student activists seem to have been informed of, for there was genuine shock among some students just back from Washington, at the way Time Magazine, for example, handled their protest. Others, however, took Time in stride, and turned to another journal, and then another.

The demonstration by students at the University of Wisconsin against recruitment attempts by Dow Chemical Corporation last month, is as good example as any of the varying degrees of accuracy, honesty, and thoroughness of news coverage. Many publishers in both newspaper and broadcast (in the majority of instances they are the same men) do have their own opinions and intend to see that opinion supported by what their reporters say, or more often, by what they do not say.

At most, about 40 students here buy the New York Times on weekdays, and maybe the same number borrow copies to read. About 30 get Time Magazine every week, and no more than 10 subscribe to the New Republic. No students subscribe to the Wall Street Journal. Only the Observer receives news releases from the Collegiate press service in Washington, and its more radical rival, the Liberation News Service.

The policy of the New York Times is never to dwell on matters of blood or human flesh, attractive or lacerated. The Times put the Wisconsin protest in the context of the nation and the world, and thus they treated it as another disturbance in which the traditional "anti-war students" battled with police, and 65 arrests were made. At best, the Times gives only a summary, purposely leaving out any of the color of what went on, for the sake of the facts.

Time Magazine came to the defense of the Dow Chemical Co. by saying that "Only about 100 of Dow's 35,000 employees are involved in making napalm." They go on to tell how the company markets 800 other products, including "water purifying chemicals, cold medicines, insecticides and anesthetics, a major supplier

of anti-freezes, plastics and cleaning fluids." Time goes on, "Dow is also the maker of Saran Wrap, which some amorous college students have found handy in nonmilitary emergencies."

The little-known, infant Liberation News Service provided the most complete account of the violence on the part of both the students and police at Wisconsin. Even more than the outspoken New Republic, the L.N.S. reported the total viciousness of what took place after the initially non-violent students were aroused:

"One policeman was struck in the face with a flying brick and fell to the ground, apparently unconscious. He was carried off by police with a broken nose. A second officer suffered a broken leg when he was struck by a rock thrown from the crowd. He fell among the students who set upon him and beat him with hands and fists. He was rescued by fellow officers and taken to the university hospital.

Nor did either the Times, or the New Republic report that a fourth of the faculty met separately from the other 900, and had the guts to "condemn the University's use of indiscriminate violence" and the "violation of due process involved in the university's summary disciplinary suspension of the Dow protesters." The full faculty officially endorsed the university's actions.

The New Republic, however, did compensate for the Times' lack of description of the protest with a first-hand account of the unwarranted brutality of the police. They were also the only ones to note that the university hospital refused to send ambulances to take away the unconscious, or that they did not allow an intern to bring medical supplies himself to the scene.

Only the Collegiate Press Service, an agency of the U.S. Student Press Association, reported that "About a third of University of Wisconsin's students were involved in some phase or another of the past week's protests. Two thousand have signed a declaration to the administration that they were as much responsible for the disturbance as the few students who were disciplined, and about 5,000 have signed petitions against academic reprisals for demonstrators and against the use of police violence on the campus."

Two days later the Wall Street Journal published a long article on the question of the need for police violence during another student protest at Oakland, Calif. The Journal asked, "Did the police have an alternative that would have coped with the situation as effectively without beating people over the head?"

The Journal, despite its name, is one of the few newspapers to carry long and comprehensive analysis of contemporary issues in politics, media, and business.

News media coverage of student demonstrations is about as easy to improve as it is to change the country's foreign policy. In both cases, there is an enormous amount of inertia and stereotyped thinking hindering any major change of policy, not to mention vested interests in continuing the status quo.

Only when the student activists first learn about this inertia, will they be able to draw-up truly effective plans of action.

Letters To The Editor

Faculty Committee

To The Editor:

In the October 24th issue of the Bard Observer there were several errors in listing the membership of the executive board of the Faculty Committee Against the War in Vietnam. The correct list is: Patricia de Gogorza, Thomas Green, Robert Kelly, Robert Koblit, Beverly Oxley, Bernard Tieger and Ethel Weiss.

I would like to take this opportunity to inform the community of our proposed activities. We have formed a speakers' bureau and are now in the process of advising community groups of our availability and interest in taking part in discussions and debates on the Vietnam issue. We are circulating a voters' letter to Congressman Resnick stating that while we commend his stand on domestic issues we will NOT be able to support him in the 1968 election unless he declares his opposition to the administrations Vietnam policy. In addition we are organizing a memorial service on the fourth anniversary of President Kennedy's assassination, to commemorate his death and the other tragic and needless deaths that have and are now occurring in Vietnam.

We hope to cooperate with the Bard and local community on these and other peace issues. We intend to keep you informed of our activities through the Observer and bulletin board announcements.

Ethel Weiss, Ph.D., Chm.
Bard College Faculty
Committee Against the
War in Vietnam
October 31, 1967

Monday Nights Are Not Blue

To The Editor:

Far from being a pompous farce, as you call it in your newspaper, the Student Senate is the only student group on campus which is actively seeking solutions to structural and long-range problems which presently exist at Bard. But I am not surprised that you are not aware of this. In my two years on Community Council and the Student Senate, not once has any reported from the Observer sought either progress reports from me or explanations of current Senate problems. Is this any way to run a newspaper?

It is revealing to note that the "Official Publication of the Bard College Student Body" has not yet published a letter submitted to it by the president of that student body four weeks ago. Is this responsible journalism?

If the Observer had been following the activities of the Senate in the manner which only a well-trained staff and a responsible editor can follow any organization's real activities, the following notations might have been made:

1. The Senate has been successful in placing one of its members as a permanent member of the Alumni Executive Council.
2. The Senate, in addition to formulating a feasible Constitution for its own operation, has achieved an extremely promising Community Constitution, which may well provide the basis for some of the most important (continued on page three)

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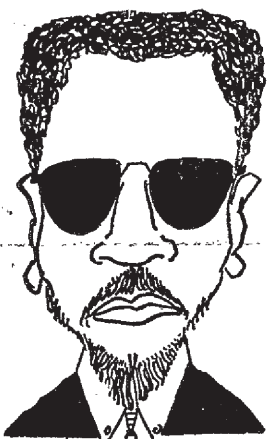
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EPC Hearing

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still have the structure of the Tewksbury program but, in actuality, it is done in reverse—generalist to specialist.

Dean Hodgkinson pointed out that the Literature department has "some bizarre problems" peculiar to that division, due to the fact that there are a large number of students majoring in other fields who are taking "300 level" literature courses. The Literature department is more open in its ability to admit students to its "300" courses, and therefore there are "traffic

problems."

The Dean also stated that the problem of overcrowding cannot be solved by simply adding more faculty. He feels that the problem centers on the distribution of courses, which are not in balance over the four divisions of the College.

Bruce Lieberman, EPC chairman, pointed out that although overcrowding is a problem and has to be worked out, the fact that the problem is a result of more students taking literature courses means that the Literature department "must be doing something right."

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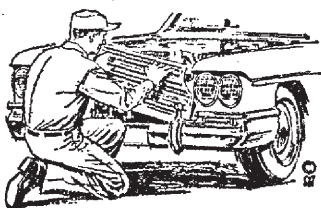
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Bard College Calendar

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7

House Presidents Committee
Government Department presents Haren Morris, member of Liberian delegation to the U.N. and chairman of fifth Committee of General Assembly which deals with Administrative and budgetary matters. Topic: "Meaning of U.N. to Small Developing Countries."
Theatre: "Serjeant Musgrave's Dance," directed by David Crabbs (Last performance)
Sociology-Anthropology Club: Prof. Irving Gellman, N.Y.N., "Candy is Dandy but Liquor is Quicker"

Albee Social 6:30 p.m.
Albee 8:30 p.m.
Theatre 8:30 p.m.
Albee 101 8:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8

Air Force Information Officer
Literature Club reading: George Starbuck, head of Creative Writing at Iowa

Hegeman 10:00 a.m.
Procter 8:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10

Movies: "Wholly Communion" and "Leonard Cohen" are two films replacing "Life At The Top," which cannot be shown. Also, the shorts "Jammin' the Blues" and "O Dem Watermelons".
Bard Craftsmans and Exposition Sale, lasting three days, November 10, 11 and 12.

Sottery 8:00 p.m.
Procter 10:00-5:00

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11

Make-up classes for November 24

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

College Service
Entertainment Committee presents "The Circle Us".

Chapel 11:00 a.m.
Gym 8:30 p.m.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13

Student Senate

Albee Social 7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14

House Presidents Committee
Music Club present John Powell, baritone.
Forum presents a film, "The City" made in 1939 with music by Copland, as part of their program on urban affairs.

Albee 6:30 p.m.
Bard Hall 8:30 p.m.
Sottery 8:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15

Faculty Meeting
Literature Club reading, Kenward Elmslie

Sottery 4:00 p.m.
Red Balloon 8:00 p.m.

Letters

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tant actions to be taken at the College during the coming years.

3. The Joint Long-Range Planning Committee has recommended to the Board of Trustees that a student be allowed to sit at these meetings to present a student point of view.

4. One of our major efforts this semester has centered on trying to achieve a budgetary structure which will be most beneficial to the students. It has not been easy, and seldom do first attempts in such matters succeed. Of course there has been confusion. Of course there has been failure. But the Senate is not giving up on the problem—are you? New steps are being taken to try to assure that each new period will prove more efficient.

The Senate does not take the attitude that "If they don't care about us, then the hell with them," as you report in your first quote, but rather the attitude expressed by your second quote: "If they don't care, then hey don't need the money." We believe that if we are trying to make budgets more efficient for the ultimate benefit of the Community, then the individuals seeking them should care enough to cooperate with us in these efforts.

Referenda

Your editorial point about the "constant need for referenda" is so naive and in direct contradiction to the facts that I don't believe I ever have to answer it. As for your dismay about Senate meetings, Mr. Kahn, let me say this: The members of Senate do not enjoy most meetings very much more than you do. We often leave with headaches and indigestion, etc. But if you are trying to solve a problem which has been playing havoc with the College for ten years—ad if you are really dedicated to solving it—you don't let these things stand in your way. It's very easy to walk out, isn't it.

One final point. We need the support of every student in the Community, yours not excepted. Our Fund Raising Campaign to Increase Endowment of Faculty Salaries is a fine example. We accepted our offices because we

wanted to do our best to serve Bard's interests. We can only do a half-way job if our constituents do not share this desire.

Robert C. Edmonds, President
Bard College Student Assn.
November 5, 1967

Senate - - -

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lege or education in general are asked to attend next week's

The only other business on the agenda was the allotment of \$150 to the Music Club for baritone John Powell, and \$200 to the Lampeter Muse for printing costs. The Red Balloon requested a \$25 advance on salaries to help account for a deating the best areas" in its drive.

Students who know people or have relatives interested in an individual student, Bard Colmeeting so that the fund drive may try to work in an area where it is possible to make some progress.

ficit in Balloon funds. This was also granted.

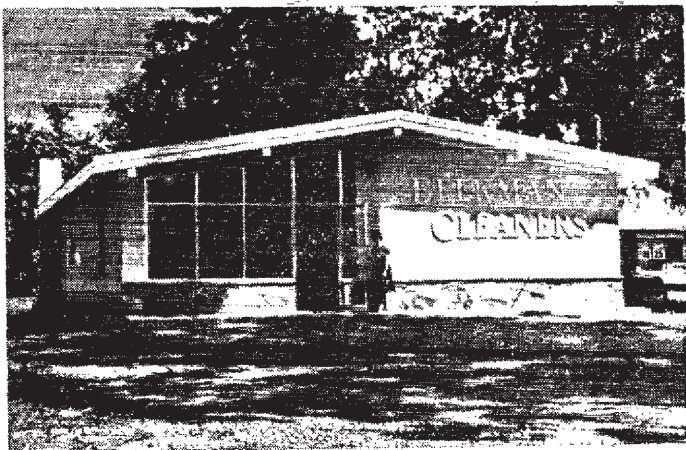
The Constitution voted on in the referendum last week was passed by the community by a vote of 304 to 26. Also passed was the Food Fast, 249-76. This will be held on Monday night, November 20, at which time Dining Commons will be closed. Students not wishing to participate may receive from Mr. Edmonds 80¢ to eat in the Coffee Shop.

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a four-member mine troupe from the university. The policemen smiled but were not noticeably affected by the performance.

Police Chief Hansen addressed the demonstrators, promising that Dow would "leave the campus forever" if they left the building. The demonstrators demanded this in writing and movement leaders Evan Stark, Stewart Ewing, Carlos Joly, and Richard Samson left to

meet with Dean Kaufman.

Marching into the building two abreast, the police waded into the first row of demonstrators, jabbing and thrusting with the ends of their clubs. As the line of students broke individuals were lifted and thrown towards the door. A number were injured against the door-frame and handle and one hit a plate glass window head on, breaking it.

After about five minutes of jabbing, pushing, and beating, demonstrators began to break and run in fours and fives. Within 20 minutes the entire building was cleared.

The first few rows of students in the large crowd spat at the police, hitting reporters,

photographers, and many demonstrators as well as the police.

Six students were arrested in the early stages of the melee, but later released when the paddywagon in which they were being held was surrounded by about a thousand students. Four student cars blocked the paddywagon from moving.

After the building was cleared a lull of a few minutes was broken when three tear gas grenades were lobbed into the crowd. The group dispersed briefly and then reformed. Twice more they were dispersed by tear gas and then the police withdrew within the building.

The San Francisco Mime Troupe, on campus for a performance and a seminar in guerrilla theatre, is encouraging further action. A strike or further disturbances appear likely.

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Canada...

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immigrant without leaving the country once he had graduated.

The mood of this country toward draft resisters is complex. There is predictable bigotry against blacks, though not as venomous as in the States, and there are the perennial little old ladies who write nasty letters to the newspapers.

More generally, a bare majority of Canadians seem to be opposed to the American war (though the government is a member of the International Control Commission in Vietnam, and hence strictly neutral), either from principled opposition to its illegality and immorality or through a feeling of nationalistic superiority to the U.S. These people therefore support draft evaders.

Since Canada has a chronic shortage of skilled labour, employers welcome Americans, who are generally better educated and trained than other immigrants or Canadians. Draft evaders here report little difficulty in finding jobs, and none have had more than occasional friction with jingoes and hawks.

The student council of University College, representing 2,000 students at the University of Toronto, last week voted support of a campaign draft evaders in Canada. The resolution, supported by the Student Christian Movement and B'nai B'rith Hillel, the two largest associations on the campus, gave \$250 to provide temporary shelter and assistance for American students who are resisting the draft by going to Canada.

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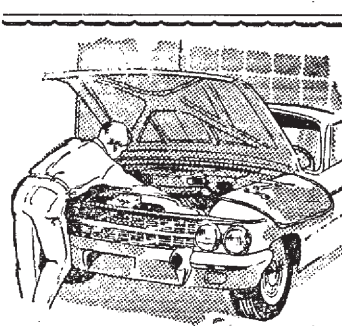
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Psychology Professor Martin Wall of University College said a continued effort will be made to raise money from other student associations and to inform American students about the possibilities of going to Canada.

Montreal Council to Aid War Resisters, Box 231, Westmount 6, Montreal, Quebec, phone 514-931-3007, may be of assistance to American draft resisters in the east contemplating emigration to Canada.



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TO THE STUDENT BODY

We at Slater recognize that there are several problems in providing high quality food service to the students of Bard College. There have been complaints that the food is generally poor, but when individual students are asked for specific complaints and suggestions, we find that much of the problem centers on individual tastes. What one student decries as terrible food, another will applaud. We have come to recognize that there are some general preferences, and we are going to serve these choices more frequently. London Broil, an apparent favorite, will be served twice a week. We are also trying to meet some requests for salad and sandwich materials.

Another facet of our problem lies in the overcrowded condition of the Dining Commons. We honestly feel, after many long talks with several students, that a large part of the student discontent stems from this problem. As you may know, the college has given top priority to the construction of a new Dining Commons, and there is currently a fund raising campaign towards that end. In the meantime, however, we are faced with the problem of feeding 590 students every day in dining commons with a seating capacity of 260. The problem is further aggravated by the overloading of the Dining room at certain peak hours. For example, at 12:30 many classes are dismissed, and we have long waiting lines and few available seats. In an effort to solve this problem, and in full recognition of the legitimate desire of students to relax and have a cup of coffee after their meal, we are offering free coffee and tea in the coffee shop during the hours of 12:30-1:15 and 5:30 to 6:30. We hope that this will free some of the seats in dining commons, and also provide a congenial atmosphere for those students who wish to linger over their coffee after dining. We hope the students will take advantage of this.

The Slater System, and I personally, wish to emphasize that we are aware of the feelings of the students, and are trying in every way to meet their desires and make the Dining Commons a pleasant place to eat good food. As always, we welcome any suggestions that may help towards this end.

Thank you,

Louise Amspacker