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**FAST ENDING?:** Strikers are considering an end to the 11-day hunger strike. However, further action is being planned to end DoD research on the Stony Brook campus.

## Analysis

### Hunger Strike Served Purpose

By MITCHEL COHEN

A hunger strike seems extremely petty when fire-bombings are rampant across the campuses of the nation. And when compared with the potential for massive revolutionary violence in the ghettos, factories, and schools, it seems absurd.

A hunger strike. Maybe nine or ten people who haven't eaten for 11 days now. You can't fight the Pentagon, the war-machine, capitalism, with Ghandian tactics. Even on as low a level as the decision to remove all defense contracts from this campus, a trivial point, the rulers won't budge an inch.

Why won't they? They'll give you every excuse from academic freedom to "We'll set up a committee to study the contract and if it is defense related we'll set up another committee to write a letter to the agency asking if the DoD really meant it to be, and then we'll set up another committee to make the DoD sound like it's really not pushing war-related research in our report."

The real reason, material self-interest (money), is best exemplified by that defense contractor Dr. Phineas T. Stroke. As exposed last year in "The Open File," the argument went as follows:

NASA had a clause in its contracts (since eliminated) stating that NASA funds may not be granted to "non-profit institutions of higher learning unless the (NASA) administrator or his designee determines at the time of the grant that recruiting personnel of any of the Armed Forces of the United States are not being barred from the premises or property of such institutions." Dr. Stroke had a NASA contract as well as one from DoD.

Dean Weisinger, head of the Graduate School, feeling that this was in violation of academic freedom, requested an exemption.

The exemption was refused. Dean Weisinger refused to sign it. Stroke sent the following telegram to Weisinger on January 3, 1969: "I most formally object to your refusal on behalf of the University to sign the NASA provision required by U.S. federal law. Your refusal carried out without informing me and about which I just learned from NASA headquarters in Washington is a most fundamental violation of my academic freedom and contrary to my wish. No exceptions to the provisions are acceptable to NASA and I wish that none be made. I request . . . that the University will not object to the provisions of the law so that we may receive our NASA grant which is urgently required for the pursuit of my academic responsibilities under the understanding with which I accepted the State of New York University appointment to my professorship here."

The Graduate Council asked President Toll to sign the statement that "President Toll be asked to provide the necessary signature on grants which bear a statement requiring political conditions on the part of the University, such as NASA grants currently bear." Needless to say, Pres. Dump did, for Dr. Stroke's contract weighed in at \$120,000 worth. Talk about academic freedom!

These same types of arguments still exist, but in different forms. Always, the administration and the faculty try to cover their self-interest under the guise of academic freedom by saying that the research itself isn't classified or war-related (even though the Department of Defense itself acknowledges the "mission-oriented" goals of that research).

The hunger strike has served its function. It has drawn public attention to the issue concerning the nature of the Department of Defense and the function of the University. Now we must provide the leadership needed to fight it. Today, the time for the hunger-strike is over. The time for self-mutilation to prove our point has passed. The administration and the faculty, like all other businessmen, have shown that they are not receptive to peaceful tactics when their pocketbooks are at stake.

### Strikers Consider Further Action

By LEN LEBOWITZ

Students participating in the 11-day hunger strike against Department of Defense research are considering an end to their fast. According to one striker, "the fast has served its purpose. Now, perhaps other methods should be used."

Backers of the hunger strike are calling for a general student strike of classes on Monday and a forced halt to the business functions of the University. "The University has not responded to pacifist tactics, and now we'll have to hit them where it hurts," reported one supporter.

University spokesmen have reported "concern for the health of the students involved in the strike" but they will not interfere unless "the students interfere with the normal operations of the University."

None of the original strikers are still fasting. Nine students who joined the strike after it began April 18 are camped out in the library lobby, consuming just water, vitamins, and other "necessary medication."

A proposed boycott of all campus cafeterias as a show of support for the strikers apparently fizzled. Cafeteria managers reported "normal eating activity during lunch and dinner" Monday.

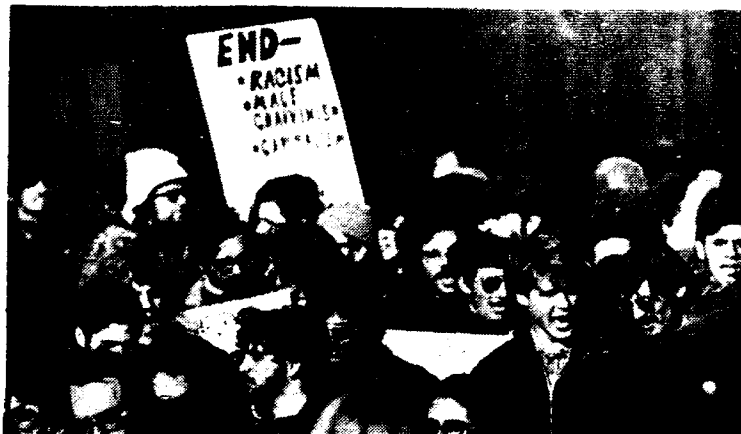
About 50 students participated in a "be-in" Monday on the library mall to show support for the striking students, and "keep them company for a few hours." Water and vitamins were passed around and black armbands were distributed with the hope that "sympathetic students would wear them for the duration of the strike."

Several strikers still felt confident that the University would take action to end DoD research on the campus. "I think the University is concerned about our hunger strike and I hope they'll do something constructive before we're forced to seek other methods of action," said one striker.

The fasters remain in good spirits though sometimes getting cramps, and feelings of dizziness. "I can feel I'm losing weight because my pants are bigger" said one faster. "I feel I can go on for quite awhile. I go to some classes and my professors have been sympathetic. One teacher has allowed me to take an incomplete already," he added.



**BE-IN ON LIBRARY MALL:** Monday, about 50 students showed support for the strikers. Black armbands were distributed and supporters will wear them for the duration of the hunger strike.



**PANTHER RALLY PLANNED:** Students from Stony Brook plan to travel to New Haven on Friday in support of jailed Panthers. See page 3.

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# O'Dwyer Criticizes Nixon's Policies



PAUL O'DWYER: He feels that Nixon's emphasis on environment is meant to detract attention from Vietnam.

By STEFAN ROSENBERGER  
 "We are at a time of history when something really ominous is happening. There exists among Americans a gross apathy... The oppressive course of Joe McCarthy is returning, but we must not forget that McCarthy was only one senator, and this time we have the approval of the administration."

In these words, Paul O'Dwyer, the New Democratic Coalition candidate for U.S. Senator and Theodore Sorenson's opponent in the Democratic primary, described the repression that is becoming an increasingly evident trait of the Nixon administration. Speaking in Gray College Sunday night, O'Dwyer stated that President Nixon has created an "atmosphere of lethargy" in his policies, particularly in Vietnam, where

he has devised a "well-calculated program which would suggest that the war is ending," when in fact it is not. O'Dwyer described Nixon's new emphasis on environment as a device to "dull out senses" to Vietnam, and also criticized the program as totally inadequate.

O'Dwyer did not, however, advocate the withdrawal of American capital from Southeast Asia or any other area. "The evil has been that when our skills and money went abroad, our marines went there too." He opposed military aid to Cambodia on the grounds that it would lead us into that war.

O'Dwyer then spoke about the upcoming Democratic primary. He pointed out that he supported the Stern amendment, a bill similar to the one recently passed in Massachusetts which

gives an individual the right to refuse to fight in undeclared wars. O'Dwyer also favors amnesty for all convicted draft dodgers. He then went on to say that it was the aim of the New Democratic Coalition to increase participation in politics and that he is looking to young people to fulfill this goal. He did admit that progress in this area has been very slow, but pointed out that whereas in the 1964 Democratic Convention his motion to seat the Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party received only 9 out of 110 votes in the credentials committee, in 1968 the party was successfully seated, and in addition Julian Bond, in spite of his constitutional ineligibility, was nominated for Vice President. This, O'Dwyer said, is reason enough to hope for the future.

## Environmental Teach-in Debates Law And Environment

By CATHERINE MINUSE

Last week, ecological action groups were busily informing the nation of the dangers of pollution and on the methods of retaliation. ENACT, the group which arranged and sponsored discussions here last weekend, is trying to precipitate student interest in environmental action. Panels of speakers occupied the Lecture Center from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and topics ranged from storage treatment, pesticides, education and politics.

"The Law and the Environment" was one interesting topic of this weekend's teach-in. Moderated by Eric Singer, the panel consisted of Rod Cameron from

the Environmental Defense Fund, William Roberts from the Suffolk County Health Department and James Turner of the Center for the Study of Responsive Law.

### Law Difficulties

Mr. Cameron explained that his group, the Environmental Defense Fund, works through the courts to correct problems of the environment, and has been instrumental in the banning of DDT in some states. He elaborated on the difficulties lawyers encounter when they bring cases of this nature to trial. The judge may throw the case out of court if he feels they have no "standing." That is, if he

thinks they have no business concerning themselves with the issue. For example, an individual might see that a body of water is being polluted and might try to bring the polluter to trial. But, if he does not own property on that water, or have some tangible interest in it, the case may fail for lack of "standing." In other cases, the judge may decide that the matter is not in the realm of the judiciary, but must be settled by the legislators or the executive branch in the locale. Recently, however, Cameron said, judges have been less inclined to use these points of law.

Cameron emphasized the use of courts as a part of the political process. He remarked,

"a bureaucracy set up to control an industry generally winds up being controlled by it," in lieu of which he suggested, "revitalizing the bureaucracy." The EDF's prime target, he said, is the Department of Agriculture. Cameron stated that the ban on DDT has been ineffective. However, publicity about certain laws restricting the use of DDT has caused people to believe the problem no longer exists thereby robbing environmental groups of an effective lever to gain public support.

Mr. Roberts of the Suffolk County Health Department introduced himself as a part of one of those bureaucracies. He remarked that the recent upsurge of interest in ecology

has caused certain measures which the Health Department has taken to curb pollution. Among these is the recent ruling that no new construction may be undertaken without the inclusion of adequate sewage treatment facilities, the encouragement of use of "city water," and attempts to end the pollution of ground water. But, Roberts noted, there is little public support for the Health Department in these efforts, despite the attempts of the "other side" i.e. the contractors, to block them.

### Recapture Control

The last speaker, Mr. Turner, is associated with the Center for the Study of Responsive Law, the group headed by Ralph Nader. He maintained that "many of the things we find offensive in society are the result of the breakdown of legal systems." He encouraged an awareness of "the potentialities of the law." After quoting Senator McGovern as saying, "we must recapture control of foreign affairs from General Ky and General Thieu," Turner responded, "Yes, and we've also got to recapture control of domestic affairs from General Motors, General Electric and General Foods."

Mr. Turner contended that many people do not fully comprehend the nature of the

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# Yale Moves to Support Panthers; Plan Nat'l Demonstration Fri

(LNS)—Yale students are moving rapidly in support of Bobby Seale and eight other Black Panthers charged with conspiracy in the New Haven case. Demonstrators from around the country will converge on that city on Friday to show their support for the Panthers.

The Panther trial became the center of all activities at Yale after 600 students voted on April 15 that Yale should give \$500,000 to the Panther Defense fund or face total shutdown by its students. By Sunday night, April 19, about 1,500 students attended a teach-in and gave a standing, fist-waving ovation to Doug Miranda, Field Captain of the New Haven Panthers, who called for a general strike at Yale and told them that they have a grave responsibility because "We know that Yale controls the black community, and that they control New Haven, and that they exert tremendous power and influence over the court system, and over the police departments that are running crazy in the black community."

Miranda told the audience that "I'm not going to tell white students to pick up the gun because that would be idealism at this time — we'd just be engaging in rhetoric." But he told the audience that they had to understand that "Black people have to pick up the gun just to survive."

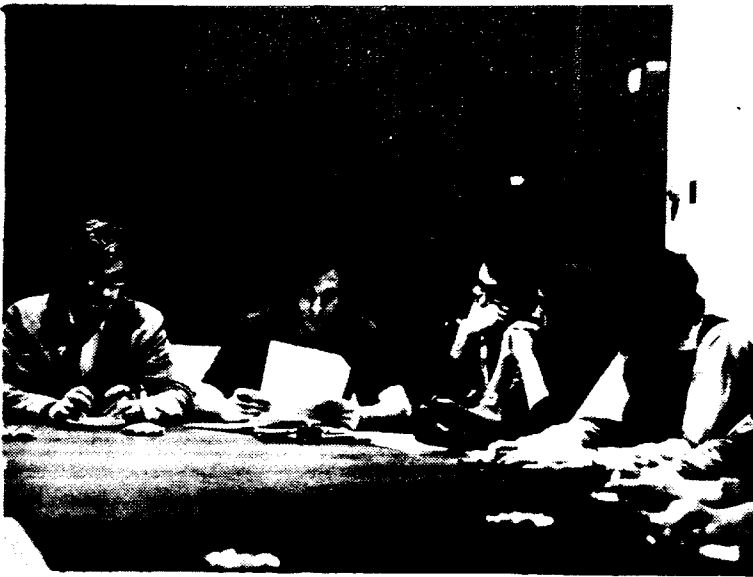
"There's no damn reason," he told the audience, "why students at Yale and the Black Panther Party can't work together. You can shut this university, you can demand that Yale stop allowing the courts of America to be used as a fascist tool to destroy the struggle of black people for our human rights."

"You're going to want to think about some of the things we've said here tonight," he concluded, "but I want you to think very seriously because while you're thinking, another child goes hungry in the black

community, and people in the black community are still dying, still being shot down."

Yale students spent Monday doing intensive organizing in each of the twelve "colleges" which house Yale's 3,600 undergraduates — 300 in each. By Tuesday morning, the students of five colleges voted to

devote their facilities to provide housing, first aid centers and meeting rooms for people coming to the May 1-3 demonstration called in support of imprisoned Panthers. The demonstration is expected to bring vast numbers of people from all parts of the country, particularly the Northeast.



**JUDICIARY DECISION:** The Polity Judiciary's ruling encouraged the Learned Hand College legislature to reopen RA applications until Thursday because all applicants did not receive personal interviews.

## Judic. Rules Due/Process of R.A. Applicants Violated

The Polity Judiciary ruled Monday that the failure of the Learned Hand College (Tabler 1) R.A. Selection Committee to interview all applicants, was a "violation of due process protection of applicants," and thus struck down the committee's criteria.

In a meeting last night, the Hand Legislature, acting on a recommendation from the judiciary, voted to reopen resident assistant applications for the Tabler 1 college. Completed applications will be submitted to the Program Coordinator's office no later than 5 p.m. Thursday, and those who had already applied will need not reapply.

The selection committee had granted only ten out of the approximately 45 applicants interviews for R.A. positions. Members of Hand College, citing this as a violation of the job description, and noting conflicts of interest between the selection committee and the legislature brought the case to the judiciary.

Noting the right of the college legislature to establish "whatever criteria and methods of R.A. selection the legislature deems

appropriate," the judiciary ruled that "all legislatures must be clear and specific as to the intent and application of their legislation. The Hand committee's legislation was of a vague nature and forced them to act arbitrarily thus the due process protections... were violated."

In a separate action, the Toscanini College legislature, during a special meeting last night, voted to allow residents of the dorm to decide whether or not the R.A. should be eliminated for a trial period of 1 year, beginning with the Fall 1970 semester. After a heated debate over the validity of the R.A. selection committee, Evan Strager, Polity Vice President and resident of that college, initiated the idea that a trial period without R.A.'s be instituted. Steps are being taken to counter any legal complications that may arise.

There will be a meeting of the residents of Toscanini College tonight at 10 p.m. in the main lounge. In order for the motion to pass, 106 residents must vote, three-quarters of which must assent.



**FREE BOBBY:** 35,000 are expected to attend New Haven Panther demonstration Friday. Bus service from Stony Brook to New Haven is expected. photo by Robert F. Cohen

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An Open Letter to David Fortunoff,  
Kelly Quad Manager

Dear Mr. Fortunoff:

Ever since I received your mimeographed notice informing me that I was not rehired as an M.A. in Kelly Gruzzen, I have been trying to control my bitter emotion long enough to be able to think about the selection process in an objective light. It may be self-pity, but I took this rejection as a personal insult to my integrity as well as an unfair evaluation of my ability to perform service to this university. I think, I know, I performed my duties as an M.A. very well. I think Mr. Roger Phelps, the quad secretary, the other Kelly M.A.'s, the master of Harpo Marx, and the people of Harpo Marx College can testify to my performance. Furthermore, I know — objectively and without a doubt — that I have given my time and effort far beyond the call of duty. And still, I was not rehired.

I think it is disgraceful and abhorrent that you ignored my past performance as an M.A. I think this year's M.A. selection process in Kelly is just one manifestation of the insulting, dishonorable, and corrupt manner in which "officials" of the University abuse their authority. There is no sense of integrity or propriety.

I addressed this letter not only to you but also to my fellow students, and to administrators and faculty of the University, because I think it is high time that people wake up and demand that all selection processes are suitable — and that there is a body that will seriously investigate grievances. When I am finished with this letter, I am going to try to get an injunction on the Kelly M.A. selection until the seeming injustices have been investigated, by the University. Honestly, I think I have been proverbially "screwed" and I am not going to sit back and accept it.

Louis P. Rispoli

To the Editor:

Students living in G and H are beginning the traditional conspiracy to move into the suburbs (Kelly, Roth and Tabler). Plotting in G has become intense. With rumors of a freeze being put on both G and H, residents of Irving College, especially, are weighing the benefits of making Irving College black. The only consideration they have is this — will a black college here give me a free ticket to the suburbs?

The question of assigning rooms to students must be handled in a new and enlightened way. We propose that several days before fall classes begin, students line up on Nesconset Highway and Nicoll Rd. They, along with two parents and one sibling (or two grandparents), will carry all the student's possessions. At the crack of dawn, a gun, fired by Dr. Schroer, will herald the Great Stony Brook Dorm Rush.

In the spirit of Darwinism, the team which comes to a room first and fills it, will get the key to that room. This action will prevent the iron hand of pig Chason from arbitrarily imposing its values on the will of the people.

The Yahoos

An Open Letter to T. Alexander Pond,  
Acting President

Dear Dr. Pond:

On April 7, you issued a letter to Robert Callender, James Cooper, and Ernest Starr stating that we have been charged by four (HEP) students with

"grave physical abuse." As a consequence of those allegations, you listened to a group of people who told you that the presence of James Cooper, Ernest Starr, and especially Robert Callender on campus constituted a potential for violence. Therefore, you included the threat of the century by saying "If you return to this campus you do so on pain of arrest."

Since then, you have issued other letters to the same effect. In light of this after the fact of a charade through the campus, down Nicoll Road and up U.S. 347, certain people took it upon themselves to manipulate a phony meeting. At that meeting a vote in favor of restricting Robert Callender and Ernest Starr from the campus took place. In light of all this, there are four questions I must ask you: (1) Do you realize that you are in deep, serious trouble? (2) What are you going to do to see that the HEP program that you helped some "silly niggers" destroy is restored to its norm? (3) How do you, Mr. T. Alexander Pond, propose to restore order in a black community that you have polarized, coerced, and then pulled your filthy fingers out of? (4) What are you going to do when it becomes apparent that you have been host to a wild whim which could have resulted in serious consequences. As of this moment the might of Dr. Pond's foundation is falling apart. Eventually there will come a time when fact will replace somebody's word or written statement. At that time, apologies won't be necessary, 'cause the shit gonna be too deep.

Robert A. Callender

To the Editor:

Dr. Max Dresden, professor of physics at Stony Brook, gave an eloquent speech during Stony Brook's moratorium in October, 1968; the moratorium being a three-day University recess in which goals and purposes of the University were visualized and discussed. Calling learning a "joy" and exciting experience, he said that human intelligence was far above the level of the computer.

With that impetus, I crystallized my educational goals and decided that I wanted to study architecture and urban planning. While Stony Brook has no school of architecture, I found other ways to fulfill that "goal" that I had by utilizing the independent study program, which was formalized in Spring 1969 at Stony Brook.

Al Boime and Ed Countey of the Art Department helped me actualize the goals into a full semester's work combining architecture and work in my major — history. I meshed together a schedule that equally combined three basic learning tools: formal classes, work-learn experience, and independent research, and concentrated on early American architecture and town planning. My plans entailed taking two courses in an architecture graduate school, working with historical research at a historical society and writing an extensive essay (85 pages) — all under the weekly direction of Boime and Countey. Upon the completion of that Fall '69 semester, I was to have graduated and entered the graduate school of architecture full-time for the Spring.

So fall came and I registered at Stony Brook and Pratt Graduate School of Architecture. Or so I thought.

The registrar at Stony Brook and the administration of the office of Liberal Studies at SB began a long series of benign harassment incidents that

essentially were based on the premise that all my work for the Fall 1969 was ineligible.

But I continued with the study and finally completed it. Mr. Boime gave me an extensive evaluation of my research essay and told me how to improve it in the future. The fact remains that I completed a semester's work, but the bureaucracy refused to acknowledge it. "No Mr. Walker you did not study at Stony Brook last semester." But they weren't too vocal about it. I applied for graduate fellowships, summer jobs and graduate admissions all requiring transcripts.

On April 20th I went to Stony Brook to inquire about messages that no credit was being given to my independent study as there was no record of my registering for it. Mrs. Moos from the Independent Study Office adamantly refused to let me have credit, and told me how to straighten everything out. She directed me to Boime and Countey, who had to create retroactive credit from the art department for some of the study. The remainder had to be the transfer of the Pratt credits to Stony Brook's admissions office. Both ideas were pure rationalizations to get me officially in the bureaucracy in a piecemeal way that didn't reflect my intentions nor my executions of those intentions last fall.

One secretary in the graduation office of the registrar said that my transcripts never went out as I wasn't properly registered for the fall, and she showed me a set of papers that included a letter from me, a transcript payment receipt, and an unsent transcript.

Consequently I was ineligible for those graduate fellowships that I applied for and had a chance of getting. I won't be able to meet the costs of Pratt next year, even though I will have completed a year of graduate work in architecture there. Pratt admitted me full time this semester on the condition that I would graduate from Stony Brook in January, 1970, and has been asking for my diploma since then.

So what do I tell them — that I didn't and won't because the brutal bureaucracy deemed it so. That I won't be able to pay them because Stony Brook killed my chances for financial aid? That my work last semester was a myth?

I'm sick of fighting an educational bureaucracy that doesn't even have the courtesy to tell me that they are blowing my chances for an ultimate total of up to \$5000.00, or even a chance just to stay in graduate school. Why should I have to do anything if I complete my study with "acquired knowledge", as Max Dresden put it, to the self-preserving myths that feed from the taxes of New Yorkers to fatten up a system that doesn't respond to the needs of the people.

Alfred M. Walker

To the Editor:

In the Polity Budget passed on April 27, 1970, the proposed allocation of \$500 for the International Club was defeated. The rationalization for this move was that the International College, which will be established in the Fall of 1970, could absorb the expenses of the International Club.

We must point out that the International College and the International Club are two separate entities. Furthermore, it is expected that no more than 25% of the total number of foreign students on this campus will be residing in the International College. It has always been the goal of the International

Club to serve the University Community, to further international understanding and to improve communications between America and foreign students. To this end the International Club has sponsored films, speakers, discussion groups, the International Coffee House, and the International Day last Saturday. It is hard to believe that the Student Senate does not support these goals. Therefore, while it is recognized that Polity funds are limited the failure of the Senate to appropriate funds for the International Club is false economy, particularly in light of the funds for the International Club is false economy, particularly in light of the funds that have been allocated to other campus organizations that essentially serve only their memberships. The Polity officers concerned should be aware of the consequences of their actions before they act in the future.

The International Club hopes to work closely with the International College as it hopes to work closely with Polity. In order for the club to continue its activities it is necessary that Polity supply at least part of the funds needed for the International Club program.

Susan Majors  
Rahim Said  
Rainer Jabaelf  
Peter Adams  
M. K. Bhat  
Philip Doesschatte

(Two members of the Student Senate signed this letter, one of whom was present at the Senate meeting. The job of the Senator is to represent his constituency and to speak up if either something is bothering him or wishes to make a point. In any case, this matter will be brought to the attention of the Student Council, which, most probably, will reconsider-Ed.)

To the Editor:

This statement appeared on the front page of your April 22 Earth Day issue:

"Present jet engines emit noises 25-35 decibels above the level at which sound begins to damage tissue."

I like loud music, but a couple of the concerts we've had this year have been loud enough to do more ear damage than present jet engines will do to most of us.

Elliot Baron

To the Editor:

In response to Irwin Kra's letter, I must assert that the only purpose of a university is to provide an environment conducive to learning. Good teachers are essential to this purpose. Research on campus must not be considered in the hiring of firing of teachers. Mr. Kra implies that a teacher who does not engage in research will be a poor teacher. I must disagree. There are many other ways that a teacher can keep abreast of new developments in his field without actually taking time for his teaching or advising to do research.

I do not imply that a teacher should not research; only that it is immaterial to the evaluation of a teacher. If a man's teaching suffers as a result of insufficient research, he should be evaluated as a bad teacher and not as a bad researcher. The problem is priority. So far Stony Brook has never fired a bad teacher if that teacher was researching for his department. Come to think of it, Stony Brook has never fired a bad teacher.

C. Pullen

## An Open Letter to the Black Community

Dear Black Community:

[At this point, I am sorry to say that my degree of alienation from your bosom is represented by more than miles.] There have been times when I have stood before you, and told you one half of the truth. The reason for that is not because I am a liar, but because that is the way your "black" leaders chose to operate. Therefore, I must include myself in the group of hoary covetators who are now leading you down a decrepit road from which there is no recovery. Since April 7 I have told my side of the story to few people, the reason being, those people had to be checked out. My discovery was that those who disregarded the truth are not looking for the truth, but are obsessed with that black disease called: destroy another black man. On the surface my silence appears to be an admission of guilt. On the contrary, that kind of silence and false submission is called playing the game flushing the rats out.

To clarify what I am saying, there was a meeting at which I was not present. Even though I arranged that meeting, I did not show up. The point is, I don't know

who the people were who created a monster of me so that such results would occur as did occur. The important point is that all the reasons that were given so that in all your minds my presence constituted a potential for violence, are going to have to be proven.

I would hate to be in a liar's shoes when the truth is heard. I have to start calling names at this moment because I know when the name-calling starts, the principles are going to get foolish and do something to get them further into trouble. Beginning at the top, Dr. Pond is going to have to prove that my presence constitutes a potential for violence. Thus far he has used the black community to prove his point. And since it was Mr. Chisolm, and Mr. Woodbury that extracted those statements from those four students, then it will be left to them to prove something they, Chisolm and Woodbury, were pushed into. Dwight Loines is going to have to prove in detail how the (HEP) program was a "Sick" program and my "Boy" Calvin Canton is going to have to prove whatever slanderous lies a pusillanimous mind can contrive to make me pay for being a better

man than he.

Leon Bassknicht, along with Paul Watson, is going to have to prove that I was the person who is responsible for the bullet hole in James Cooper's window. And before you try, make sure you get rid of the four witnesses who saw who shot into that room. Be aware that the (HEP) program is something for which I have an intangible love. You destroyed it. That means that as dramatically as you destroyed it, it will be put back together. I can do no other than thank you all. For, in attempting to incriminate JC, ES and myself, you have gotten yourself so deep in shit that in order to best it no one has to throw a brick at your head.

Donald Davis in his confusion asked me, "How do you think we feel?" All I can say is, I can feel compassion for those who have been misled. As for those doing the misleading, all love is "lost", my only hope is that the pain is not too much for you. It wasn't too much for us. "We shall return."

ROBERT A. CALLENDER

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## Commentary

# Eye on the E.C.

The experimental college is an attempt to build an effective alternative to traditional education. It was formed by, and consists of, people who realize the stifling, inhibiting and restricting nature of the classroom learning situation.

The force feeding of the typical lecture course, in which simple regurgitation of facts, tests, and concern for grades takes precedence over learning, usually results in a kind of "other-directed" mentality with respect to academics. The student is told what to explore, what to read. He is given very little responsibility as to the direction of his own education. There are requirements, certain courses he must take. All this is indicative of the obvious "we know what is good for you" attitude of the university. He is an attitude repugnant to many students who feel that they have progressed to the point where they are capable of deciding what they will learn, and even have an idea, however vague, of how they are going to go about it.

At present, the program is multi-faceted, and includes (1) theme-oriented groups—this part of the program is based on the general theme of the individual and society, which is divided into nine categories, such as Economics and Economic Man, Education and Intellectuals, Psychology and Psychological Man, Religion and Philosophy, Science and Technology, etc. Each student in the program was required to pick a topic according to his interest. In this way groups of from three to six people were formed for each category. Each group was then responsible for selecting a reading list for the rest of the experimental college, and for presenting the topic in whatever manner they decided would be most effective, such as seminars, field trips, movies, plays, guest speakers, etc. (2) "Affinity" groups—these are groups of people which form as spontaneously as possible on the basis of similar interest in any area of inquiry or action, whether strictly "academic" or not. Almost anything is possible in these groups. This semester, groups on linguistics, philosophy of time, archery, yoga and other areas of interest have been formed or are being formed. (3) Individual project — this can be anything you want it to be. All that the program asks is, whatever you are pursuing individually be presented at least once to the rest of the college. (4) Films—the experimental college has a film budget enabling us to see at least one movie a week. Films are chosen by a film committee, membership in which is open. (5) Sensitivity training—the motive force behind this idea is that to have a sense of community and a vibrant academic environment, those in the program should feel comfortable with each other. It was felt that some sort of sensitivity training would help in achieving this end.

In the experimental college, the students in the program (presently numbering about 35) are responsible for direction of the college. The members of the experimental college decide what to study and how to study it. In general, the experimental college is dedicated to continually exploring new ways of learning. Each semester, the program is evaluated and changed on the basis of experience gained. In addition, the program is continually evaluated less formally as each semester progresses — part of an on-going process of criticism and adjustment.

In order to provide the kind of intellectual environment usually lacking once one has left the formal classroom, the experimental college was specifically designed as a living-and-learning type of situation; that is, it was intended to break down the barrier between what goes on in the classroom and what goes on outside the classroom. To this end, all those in the experimental college live together in the same hall, and all experimental college activities are usually in that hall, meeting in the end lounge.

These are the things that have made up this semester's experimental college. What the program will be like next semester is in the process of being decided now and in the next few weeks by the present experimental college members — and by you, if you are interested in the experimental college and want to learn more about it, want to give us your ideas about the kinds of things you would want to do if you were in the experimental college. Please come to the Student Union Lounge (by the fireplace) Wednesday, April 29th at 7:30 p.m.

"Ask what kind of a world do you want to live in. What are you good at and want to work at to build that world? What do you need to know? Demand that your teachers teach you that." If they don't know how, find out yourself! (Quotation is from Peter Kropotkin, Letter to the Young.)

## Editorials

# MA Selection

Once again the University Housing Office has demonstrated that it cannot fill residence hall positions with equity and without personal relationships. Such is the case in the recently announced selection of Managerial Assistants (MA's).

Such positions should be filled by persons who have demonstrated a capability to serve in them. One of the most obvious requirements would be experience from the present academic year. The other should be the MA's performance. However, these appear to be only lightly considered in MA selection in Kelly Quad, perhaps in other quads as well; two current MA's have not been rehired. One of them has charged that it was because he was disliked by the present Quad manager. The interview for MA positions was done solely

by one person, Dave Fortunoff. This is regrettable, since no student input into the evaluation committee existed. Where can be the value of this position if student ideas are not included in the selection procedure?

It is time now for the Housing Office to reconsider its choices for MAs and think about making improvements in the selection process. A viable improvement would be the inclusion of students on an MA selection committee as is presently done in the selection of Resident Assistants. MA's are students who are supposed to bridge the gap between students living in the residence halls and the residence hall administration. It is therefore fitting that students have a say in their selection process.

# End Shenanigans

Now that the dust has settled over the Polity Budget issue, it's time to chastise one club for playing games with the budget, and creating hassles within the Student Council and the Student Senate.

That club, oddly enough, is *Specula*, that club which before the Senate meeting on Sunday had no budget.

Reason one for not having a budget was that an unrealistic budget for \$35,000 was submitted to the Student Council. The second reason was that a decision on whether to print just a book for seniors was to be made.

The first reason is symptomatic of what

some other clubs have done — padded their budgets unnecessarily. In *Specula's* case, the figures were so sky-high that the Student Council felt it would be better to omit any monies for that organization until a realistic budget was submitted.

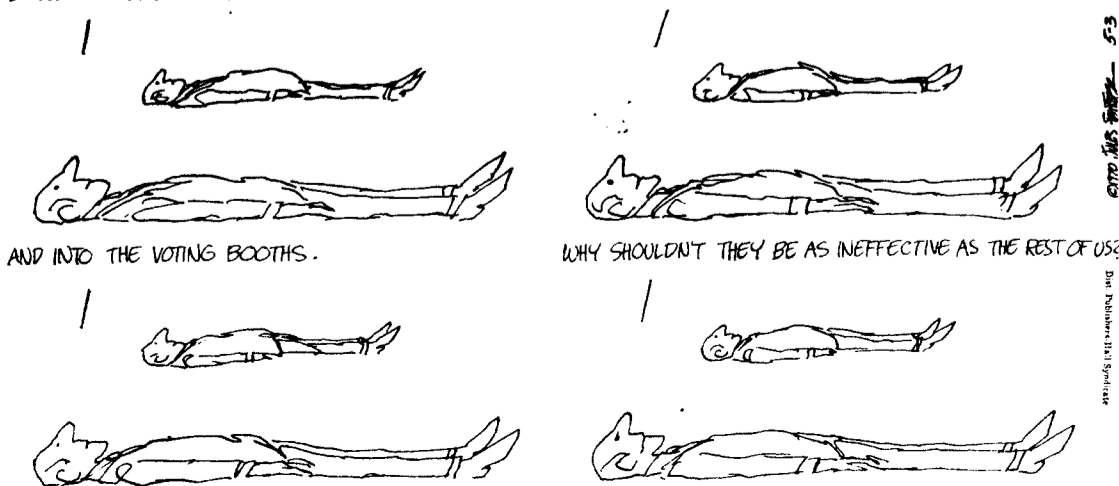
And, to top it off, at the Senate meeting, the managing editor of that publication had the gall to say that the \$35,000 figure was unrealistic and that a figure of \$18,000 would be more in line.

An austerity budget is necessary at this time, since financial troubles are plaguing both Polity and the University. More about the University's problems in the next issue.

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# ENACT Closes With Slobodkin-Bookchin Talk

By JERRY RESNICK

It must be true that students are getting sick and tired of hearing the words "ecology" and "environment" shouted at them. They were almost outnumbered by concerned faculty members at ENACT's final series of lectures on Sunday in the Lecture Center. The combined length of the professors probably exceeded that of the students, making it difficult at times to distinguish between one and the other.

The speakers were arranged so that two diametrically opposed points of view and solutions to the ecological quandary were separated by a slide show, presented by Frank Turano, a teacher at Ward Melville High School. The slides depicted a bird's-eye view of the many pollution problems that Long Island must contend with, such as the extinction of certain species of birds, fish, plants and even seals; the destruction of beaches, farm land, marshes and forests; and the construction of jettys to save the island and housing developments to add to its problems.

### Slobodkin Offers Solution

Dr. Lawrence Slobodkin of the SB Biology Department suggested a partial solution to the ecology problem based upon his beliefs as a liberal ecologist. He called for a change in the ecology movement from "Billy Graham's evangelism to an active, constructive organization." His list of examples concerning the social activities the "movement" could involve itself in included day care centers for youngsters, women's rights social security and support of planned parenthood organizations.

He explained that by developing experts in technological fields and by providing professional training for women, society could at the same time enlist people to solve ecological problems and decrease the country's population. Increased educational opportunities and the building of day care centers would



ENACT LECTURE: The last of the weekend panel discussions featured Dr. Slobodkin and Mr. Bookchin.

photo by Mike Amico

provide women with the freedom to choose careers rather than be tied down for the five years necessary to nurse and raise a child.

Although Slobodkin admitted that there is no single aspect of the environmental problem such as over-population that should be singled out for attack, he nevertheless strongly felt that social action is the only possible solution. During the "discussion of intelligentsia among themselves" that ensued, Slobodkin emphasized that ecology is a real issue, not a fake one used by

"Agnew's Majority" to detract attention from other problems.

### Bookchin the Anarchist

Following the slide show, Murray Bookchin radical ecologist and an outspoken writer for magazines such as *Anarchist* vehemently tore down what little argument the then-departed Slobodkin had built up. His was a revolutionary solution to the destruction of the biosphere, one which he called "anarchism, communism, socialism." In a well-presented, forceful argument that seemed to have few loopholes, Bookchin traced the origin of the problem to the very nature of man and society. He said, "We are a highly competitive society; such a society, whose competitive relationships have been destroying the world since technology began, cannot hope to improve the environment."

Bookchin took the blame for pollution off the backs of technological industries and large corporations where it is commonly placed. Instead he laid the blame on the force in man that causes him to dominate nature as he dominates other men. According to Bookchin, this has led to man himself becoming a commodity, a resource with a price tag, and only a radical change can hope to correct this. The change Bookchin called for was a change in the basic pattern of society. He sees the formation of an "interdependent community" as the only solution, although he never quite explained exactly what constituted an interdependent community, except it involved a utopia of some kind.

Bookchin disagreed with Slobodkin who had implied that by reducing the population, some ecological problems will be solved. Bookchin contended that a reduced population will still consume a quantity of goods equal to that of the original population. He also felt that eventually a radicalization of the ecology movement will take place as it did in the civil rights movement after 1963. At that time it might be possible to decentralize cities, create a communal society and move towards a utopia and away from oblivion.

# Environment Needs Revolutionary Action

By TOM COOKE

In Philadelphia's Fairmont Park, a kind of groomed oasis of greenery amidst a flattened metropolis, several thousand people gathered on Earth Day to decry man's selfish and imprudent exploitation of natural resources. As they observed the gray steel girder portion of Philadelphia in the background, they listened to some concerned notables, among them: poet Allen Ginsberg, science-fiction prophet Frank Herbert, and all-purpose philosopher/scientist Lewis Mumford.

### Everyone's Issue

Without listing what each speaker said, let it suffice to say that their environmental rhetoric made sense to the audience. Admittedly, those who gathered were not new converts made

that day; they had already been convinced before April 21 that ecology was "their" cause. Yet, their feelings for the crusade were crystallized beyond the fickle instability implicit to intellectual fads, as the speakers attempted to convince them that ecology was everyone's 24-hour, 365-days-in-the-year issue. "Some beautiful things," said one speaker at the end, "were said and done here today Let's not stop them here!" Those who trampled and lightly littered the grass in Fairmont Park probably left with the correct impression or intuitive feeling for Earth Day and its cause. This was part of the producers' design.

The day was drawn to a close by Ginsberg and The Hermit of Fairmont Park. The Hermit, an inhabitant of the park for over 30 years, called Earth Day "a day for decision" since man's

"purpose for living is to explore the universe and beyond forever." Ginsberg was asked to appear, said one speaker as he introduced him for the last time, in order that he might provide "a little planetary consciousness."

Wednesday's success in Philadelphia and elsewhere in the country does not obscure the deficiencies of the crusade and, perhaps, its futility. To begin with, the vast majority of the audience was under 30, and rallying together in the park was nothing new to them.

Where were your parents on April 21? Where was the silent majority of Americans that must be won over to the cause? It can't be done without all of America's support.

Recently, in a letter to one of the Long Island newspapers a reader complained that although he was just as pollution-conscious as the next fellow, he was turned off by his observation that ecology might be just another one of the New Left's causes. He even noted, in support of his argument, that April 21 was the 100th anniversary of Lenin's birthday.

This man's enthusiasm for pollution control had been stifled by the revolutionary taint of Earth Day. He saw the issue quite clearly. It is a revolution, and one that will necessitate a reappraisal or overhaul of the capitalistic system. This is not to say that capitalism is the ogreish source of pollution. It's just that capitalism is a social phenomenon of which the very

dynamics that perpetuate it are forces that breed a competitive diversity of different people's interests. For example, can we really expect that major oil companies to rally around a proposal to ban the internal combustion machine within five years, when one of them cannot even bring itself on its own accord to sacrifice one measly off-shore derrick for the sake of Santa Barbara's beaches and a few thousand sea-gulls? Nor can we anymore expect the big automakers in Detroit to mass produce a safe and efficient non-pollutant motor vehicle, or to bow down to improved mass transit systems without being coerced into it. Ecology, our most imminent cause, is a revolution because it's going to clash head-on with powerful

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# I'm Gonna Say It Now

## Tom Paxton No. 6

By FRED STERNLICHT

Several excellent albums are now out. It seems that many performers waited until 1970 to release some of their best works after the rather bland choices that were offered by the top performers in 1969. There is one exception at least to this trend of waiting for 1969 to disappear before releasing a good album. There are, in fact, a few performers who have released great music to the world in both years; Crosby, Stills and Nash and maybe the Beatles. There is another performer who has consistently released great albums, year after year for about six years now. Album number six is now out and is entitled *Tom Paxton No. 6*.

All the promise of five previous albums has been fulfilled on *Paxton No. 6*. The arrangements which have now become standard to folk-singer Paxton are tastefully and superbly accomplished by some excellent studio musicians. The songs themselves are top-notch even at the high level of standard that Tom Paxton long ago set for himself.

It has often been intriguing to investigate the makings of excellence. Why could so few artists stand out above the pack? Why do so few artists refuse to compromise themselves to hungry record companies and crass commercialism? Why is Tom Paxton's first album and second album with only guitar-bass arrangements so pleasing even after the superior arrangements of the fourth, fifth and sixth albums? Rather than a long winded sermon which I admittedly have no credentials to give, I would answer all of the above questions with one word: talent.

It's not like the revolution is coming any closer while Tom is recording or while we are listening, but when, and if the Left's long awaited, much heralded, revolution takes place there will be a few people around with some ideas about what should be offered in place of the old.

Like "Forest Lawn" where you can get buried (if you die correctly) in "a casket lined in

Fleece" with "sixteen planes in the last salute dropping a cross from a parachute." Rest in peace. A reminder to you polluters out there—"when the black lung gets you, that's the kiss of death," from Paxton's ecology song called "Dogs at Midnight."

A eulogy of sorts for John Lennon is offered in a number called "Crazy John." A line from that song has certainly stood the test of 1,970 years of time: "When people get lost, they start building a cross." The song is a credit to both John Lennon and to Tom Paxton.

In a society where teeny-boppers and prostitutes of all ages are more or less the most common of sights in the renowned "Square of Times" it is "Cindy crying" and "she's gonna be a hooker on Bleeker Street... They call it livin' but it feels like dyin'."

Paxton's most recent anti-war song finds Tom stepping off of the soap-box (not that he really had to) to write "Jimmy Newman." "Get up Jimmy Newman, my radio's on/The news is all bad but it is good for a laugh... Get up Jimmy Newman, and show them you heard/Ah, Jimmy just show them you're sleeping!" Like Jimmy Newman, we've only "to open (our) eyes."

Humor is provided in "Molly Bloom" and "Saturday Night," as well as in "Forest Lawn." Paxton has always written some of the very best love songs and

sad melodies and this album is no exception. "Annie's Going To Sing Her Song" is a very sad song involving the back again syndrome with a typically hard decision in a love-relationship. "Uncle Jack" is a little harder to describe; but it is about a parting of a young boy and his favorite uncle or something like that. "I've got Nothing But Time" is in the "Last Thing on my Mind" genre. I need not say any more about that song. "Whose Garden Was This" is another ecology song. It has a pretty but somewhat awkward melody. The lyrics make it better than any of the scare-tactic anti-pollution songs.

In short, another great album by the greatest folk-artist in America. (Not America, for those of you who are still with me.) Credit is also due to Tom's superb back-up group which includes David Horowitz on piano (a true rival for Nicky Hopkins), David Bromberg (J.J. Walker and Paxton are his back-up credits, he's also a great solo) on guitar, Paul Prestopino (Mitchell Trio) also on guitar, Herb Buschler on bass and Teddy Sommer on drums.

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# Revolutionary Action Needed

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factions of the human race with whom the exploitation of natural resources is advantageous.

What is needed (and has worked on a small scale) for this ecology issue is some togetherness. Gene Marine, writing in *The Nation* observed in Marin County, California, "an amazing alliance of old and young, housewife and hippie and politician, leftist and rightist and middle-of-the-roader, fought the Leslie Salt Company and David Rockefeller consortium to a standstill, and kept further land-fill out of the San Francisco Bay."

### Revolution

But even in this instance we find ecological muckrakers fighting off the selfish advances of Big Business. And that's what

ecology means for the lay public: it's not intelligent earthians taking a hard self-improving look at themselves, but it's less capitalistic individuals telling more capitalistic individuals to "stop it!" If it works out, it won't be accomplished without someone's feelings and interests being hurt and a social system or two upset or usurped.

I hate to say it, but the ecological revolution may get bloody and in my opinion, if there ever was anything to get rhetorical or into the streets about, it's your right to live freely under clear blue skies. It's a strange—revolution, I emphatically repeat, with more reactionary forces obstructing its path than just selfish industry; there are also a few stubborn governments to reckon with.

## Panel Debates Law-Ecology

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law: "to resolve conflicts." He said that all legal terminology, baffling though it may appear to laymen, grows out of the common language of ordinary arguments. Because the law is designed to serve this purpose, he said we must "create conflict." That is, we must be willing to bring these cases to court. He opposed the frequent conception of the law as, "a difficult occult art."

He spoke of the options courts have in enforcing their edicts (fines and imprisonment) and of the devastating and destructive effect the prospect of a jail term may have on a business executive who controls a polluting company. Turner emphasized the need for publicity: "when you go to court, issue a press release." He asserted, "there is nothing too radical for the American tradition." The environmental

legalists' major premise, Turner felt is that, "consumption and consumers, not production and producers must become the primary concern of the system."

## Notices

For those who missed the first introductory lecture on transcendental meditation, there will be an equivalent to the first lecture given this Thursday at 8 p.m. in the Tabler 2 tea-room. Second introductory lecture is on May 9, and instruction in the technique is on May 10.

The Sports Car Club will hold its meeting on Wednesday evening, at 7:30 p.m. in Cardozo lounge, to discuss next year's plans. Discussion of whether to join the Conference of Long Island Sports Car Club (CLISSC), and discussion of Championship Rallye Series will take place.

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## Gutsy Pitching Performance Earns Hurler Weekly Honor

By MIKE LEIMAN

It must have been a complete surprise to Dave Weisbardt when he discovered that Coach Frank Tirico had chosen him to pitch the second game of Saturday's double header with Harpur. That's not because Davey has done poorly this season; it's more that he hasn't done anything at all.

Weisbardt had had a very discouraging year. Plagued with arm trouble, a curve ball that wouldn't break and batters who couldn't wait to hit against him, the little lefty hadn't made a single appearance all year. But nobody who watched him pitch for the first time Saturday would have guessed it.

Weisbardt didn't exhibit a masterful performance but a clutch one. His pitches seemed to gain an extra hop when men were on base as he stranded nine runners in the eighth inning game. Though the Patriots lost the contest, 5-4, Weisbardt still deserves to be named Statesman's Athlete of the Week.

Davey's effort was better than the five runs he gave up indicates. Not a single tally was earned as the Pat's defense broke down for eight errors. Weisbardt himself isn't completely blameless since his eighth inning boot of a bunt allowed the winning run to score. However, the Pat pitcher might have been a bit shaken at the time, since four consecutive SB miscues preceded his play.

Even with all the errors, the eighth inning is still a good indication of the job Davey did.



ON THE MOUND: Dave Weinburdt hurls pitch to waiting Harpur batter Saturday. Dave is Statesman's Athlete of the Week.

photo by Robert F. Cohen

One run was in, the bases were loaded, and nobody seemed capable of catching the ball. It was an ideal set-up for a ten run inning. Instead, Weisbardt bore down and retired the side without another man crossing home.

It was the same in the second when, with runners on second and third and one out, the Pat hurler nailed the next two batters on strike outs. Weisbardt showed confidence, poise and ability when it counted. You can't expect more.

## Varsity Bows But J.V. Wins 1st

By NOEL J. GISH

The Stony Brook crew team broke the ice when the Junior Varsity posted the team's first win of the year over Assumption College. The varsity crew fell for the fifth straight time as they were narrowly defeated over the Lake Quinsigamond course.

The Junior Varsity nailed down an exciting win. Stroked by sophomore George Rossano, the Patriots were less than a

length ahead at the 500 meter mark. In the next 1000 meters the lead changed hands at least four times. Neither crew was able to sustain a lead of more than ten meters. Just 40 strokes from the finish and trailing by about two meters, Coxswain Sheldon Finver ordered his crew to "drop the bomb." The all out effort led to a three foot Stony Brook victory.

After the race Finver said "we

won by only a couple of feet but we put it together at the end and won the shirts. Tradition dictates that losing crew teams give school shirts to the victors. We thought we had it won after 1700 meters but the guys really pulled their hearts out for those last 40 strokes."

The varsity crew team came within a hairsbreadth of victory in being edged out by the Assumption rowers. The margin of victory over the 2000 meter course was three seconds. The winning time for the Greyhounds was 6:43.

Next week the varsity and J.V. crews attempt to capture their first Sulger cup, representative of Metropolitan area supremacy. The crews go up against arch-rival and three-time Met champs, Iona College. Other schools competing are Buffalo State, Ithaca College, St. John's, C.W. Post, Manhattan College and Fordham.



IN THE WATER: Jubilant JV Crew Team throws their coxie in water after Saturday victory.

Congratulations to John Kefalos and James Jones — Statesman Athletes of the Week.

Honorable Mention for Saturday's School High Jump Record



with  
Marc Jacobs

As a result of the Passover holiday and Friday's monsoon, very few games were played this week. But undoubtedly, the most memorable game in recent intramural history occurred during this week's activities.

Playing with a muddy field below and a stormy sky above, Washington Irving A3 nipped A2 in a 29-28 defensive battle. The New York football Giants should only have been able to score as many points in a game. Steve Grossbard and Bob McGuigan led the A3 attack. McGuigan hit two enormous grand-slam homers. Grossbard, the only one on the field who knew how to handle a grounder without throwing it or bobbling it away, also hit two homers, one of them a grand-slam. Needless to say, the defense of both teams was terrible. The pitching was even worse. But I never enjoyed a game more. Down by six runs with two out in the bottom of the seventh, A3 struck back with its tremendous power attack. Bunts, walks, rollers down the line, errors, and wind-blown popflies brought in the last seven runs of the game. The game was over. A3 had conquered its opposition. . . Santa had come to Stony Brook in April.

In other hall games, BCA3 beat a spunky JHA2 team, 14-2, and TD3A squeezed past TD3B, 10-9. In independent action, the Silver Texans surprised RJWMT by the score of 9-4; Los Sientos whitewashed SDS, 15-0; Artie Weiss' Purple Haze tripped its way to a 13-9 victory over a very clumsy Mardi Gras team; and finally, the Trojans, led by shortstop Dan Atkinson, slopped its way to a 16-11 triumph over an inept Peanuts team.

The response to last week's quiz was surprisingly large. Of those who responded, there were 12 students who got one of the questions correct. Nobody answered both questions correctly. Remember that the quiz winner will be determined on the basis of total correct answers, no prizes will be awarded for the weekly winners. The deadline for sending postcards with answers is May 3. The address is KGC108.

Question No. 1—In what year did Coach Snider come to Stony Brook? What school's intramural program did he previously head?

Question No. 2—Stony Brook students are banned from using the golf course across Nicolls Road. One of the reasons for this was the mysterious disappearance of all of the greens' flags one night. Who was the ringleader of the phantom green flag thieves? Since this is a very hard question, a hint will be given. This intramural figure had one of the worst jump shots in modern basketball history.



WE WIN!: Crew Coach Paul Dudzick congratulates his winning JV'ers.