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East Campus Proctor Rejected by Petrie

Dean of Students George Petrie has indicated he will not investigate the feasibility of a proctor for the West Campus, Assistant Dean of Students Arthur Miller told the Student Executive Committee Wednesday.

The SEC voted two weeks ago to recommend a proctor for the area, after several reports of students being attacked.

Following Miller's report Wednesday, the SEC unanimously voted to reaffirm their recommendation for a proctor. The motion stated, however, that if a proctor is not financially feasible, the college van should make runs until 11 pm nightly, and until 1 am when the coffee house is open.

Miller also reported a room in the second court is equipped with a television and sewing machine. Miller stated Petrie will not open the room, however, until a set of rules for its use is drawn up.

The SEC referred the matter to the House Committee after some discussion.

Second-year representative Jon Lundell reported controller Charles Harra told him the Campus Book Shop has a contract extending to September, 1968. Lundell said Harra informed him a student co-operative book store will not be financially feasible until the college enrollment reaches 600.

The SEC agreed to meet Tuesday next week.

Shaughnessy Advocates Cheating on Draft

Second-year student Jon Shaughnessy publicly advocated cheating to avoid the draft at a peace rally at Island Park Sunday.

Specifically, Shaughnessy advocated faking homosexuality during the pre-induction physical examinations. He also encouraged youths to go to Canada and to "accept any deferments you can get," and offered anti-draft assistance from New College sympathizers.

President John Elmendorf took sharp issue with Shaughnessy, saying one cannot "fight an immoral situation with other forms of immorality."

Shaughnessy said, however, he feels the peace-time draft is an

immoral institution, "and in my code fighting that thing in ways which do less harm than the original institution is not immoral."

"If a guy can get out of the draft by cheating, let him do it. He's not hurting anybody."

Shaughnessy and five other speakers addressed a crowd of 250. Most of the audience were young, sympathetic, and not affiliated with New College.

Folksinger Eric von Schmidt began the rally with a running singing-commentary. Professor of Religion Dr. William Hamilton followed by calling for Americans to consider more fully the moral considerations of the Vietnam war.

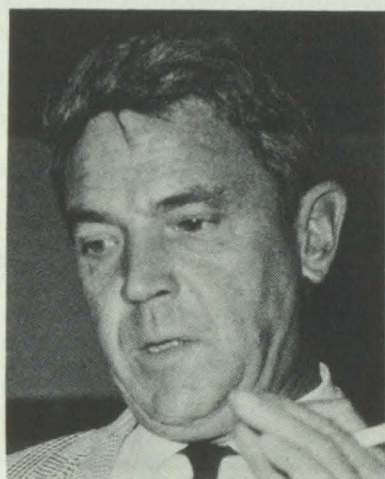
Retired pediatrician Leo Batell attacked President Johnson and called for support for Sen. Eugene McCarthy (D-Minn.) as peace candidate for president in 1968. Assistant Professor of Philosophy Dr. Gresham Riley criticized the government for causing the "credibility gap." Charles Lockwood, a Detroit attorney who resides in Sarasota during the winter, gave a fiery speech denouncing what he saw as the hypocrisy and apathy of Sarasotans. New College, he said, is the only source of idealism in Sarasota, and townspeople are stupid not to appreciate it.

Shaughnessy told The Catalyst the rally earned the sponsoring Sarasota Committee of Conscience on Vietnam some \$100 in direct contributions and lapel-button sales. He said the group apparently lost the moral support of a number of formerly sympathetic townspeople, however.

About 20 members of the audience signed their names to the SCCV's mailing list, he added, and the crowd reaction in general was "good."

Elmendorf told The Catalyst he has no intention of interfering in such activities but is convinced the rally was detrimental to the college.

He bemoaned the inevitable connection in the public eye of radi-



Elmendorf

cal political activity by individuals at New College with New College as an institution.

Elmendorf warned there could be "institutional reprisals" against the college, and cited a recent increase in telephone calls from irate townspeople and rumors of a movement to have the college "investigated" by authorities.

OFFICIAL ON CAMPUS

An official of the Ford Foundation will be on campus Monday and Tuesday in connection with an application for support from the Foundation by the college.

Robert Schmid, Program Associate, will meet with students Monday morning, have lunch with faculty members, and talk with division chairmen Monday afternoon.

Monday evening, a dinner will be held for him in South Hall. Some trustees and local friends of the college have been invited.



Soccer Team Receives Awards

The New College soccer team received awards yesterday from recreation director Frank Meyer for having the largest participation of any team in New College history. The awards were inscribed key chains. Fol-

lowing the presentation, coach Miguel Tapia thanked the team for its time and dedication. A total of 57 students have signed up for the team. Meyer promised the soccer field will be cleared to facilitate play.

Council Considers Students and Law

The position of the college in the case of the violation of civil law by students was discussed at the meeting of the College Council Wednesday, although no conclusions were reached, according to Student Executive Committee Chairman Ted Shoemaker.

Shoemaker reported President John Elmendorf made suggestions for a policy statement on the issue. Elmendorf said students might be disciplined if their behavior is destructive to the interests of the institution.

Elmendorf defined the interests of the institution as the education of students and the preservation of the institution.

In other business, the Council passed a recommendation that the lack of adequate lighting on the East Campus is a matter of concern, and recommended that tem-

porary lighting be installed within a week and permanent lighting by the beginning of the second term.

It was stated the present food contract does not cover the one-week vacation between the second and third terms, although the dorms will be open. It was also stated there may be testing during the period.

The Council asked student representatives to determine the number of students likely to be on campus during the period, and faculty representatives to determine the extent of testing that will take place.

Public Information Officer Furman Arthur was asked by the Council to draw up a tentative two-year calendar for review by the Council.

It was reported campus telephone service is under study and review.



Most administrative offices, except for Admissions, moved into new quarters in South Hall this week. The building will also be used to house official functions such as dinners.

Editorial

REASON FOR CAUTION

To most students, the reactions of the residents of Sarasota to their dress and actions may be quaint or amusing, but not the subject for serious concern. There may, however, be considerable reason to fear the results of seemingly innocent activities.

At Sunday's rally, for instance, a New College student advocated using illegal means to avoid the draft, if other measures are unsuccessful. According to the student's ideology, it was not an immoral suggestion. Yet, the implication remained with many listeners that New College students would, and do, break the law to avoid induction.

Not important? Perhaps. Yet, according to President John Elmendorf, Sarasota residents have informed him they may make complaints to local authorities. Perhaps these are idle threats. But, perhaps they aren't.

Students are careless in many minor matters. Empty liquor bottles, perhaps obtained in a perfectly legitimate manner, make fine window decorations. Yet they may constitute prima facie evidence of an alcoholic beverage violation.

This seems to be a most trivial example, on the surface. But someday the whole thing may not be funny at all.

Law Officer Speech Had No NC Comments

The report that a high-ranking Sarasota law enforcement official made certain statements about the sexual behavior of New College students before a Project Alert group is apparently false. The Catalyst has learned.

A caller on the Guy Paschal radio program over WSPB apparently reported the official made the allegations to the group at its monthly meeting December 7.

Several sources who attended the meeting, however, told The Catalyst the only comments regarding New College were in relation to the Peace Vigil, when two members of the Sarasota Committee of Conscience on Vietnam, one of them a student, were attacked by an unidentified assailant.

It is not known, however, what remarks the official made to Project Alert members who approached him after the meeting.

Letter LOOSE ENDS

To the Editor:

In preparing to leave a place for a considerable length of time, as I am preparing to leave New College, one finds the house-cleaning that is necessary is by no means entirely of the physical kind. I've discovered a number of psychic loose ends cluttering up my mind, and I'd like to use The Catalyst to get them off my chest (How's that for a mixed metaphor?).

First, the Gorfain thing bothers me. I've heard a complaint from an administrator that my coverage of the tenure battle in The Catalyst was one-sided. What, pray tell, does a reporter do when those who presumably represent the "other side" (i.e., the tenure committee) have sworn themselves to silence on the subject?

In off-the-record talks with a couple of faculty members, I have heard vague intimations that "other considerations" beyond those available to students went into the decision to deny Gorfain tenure.

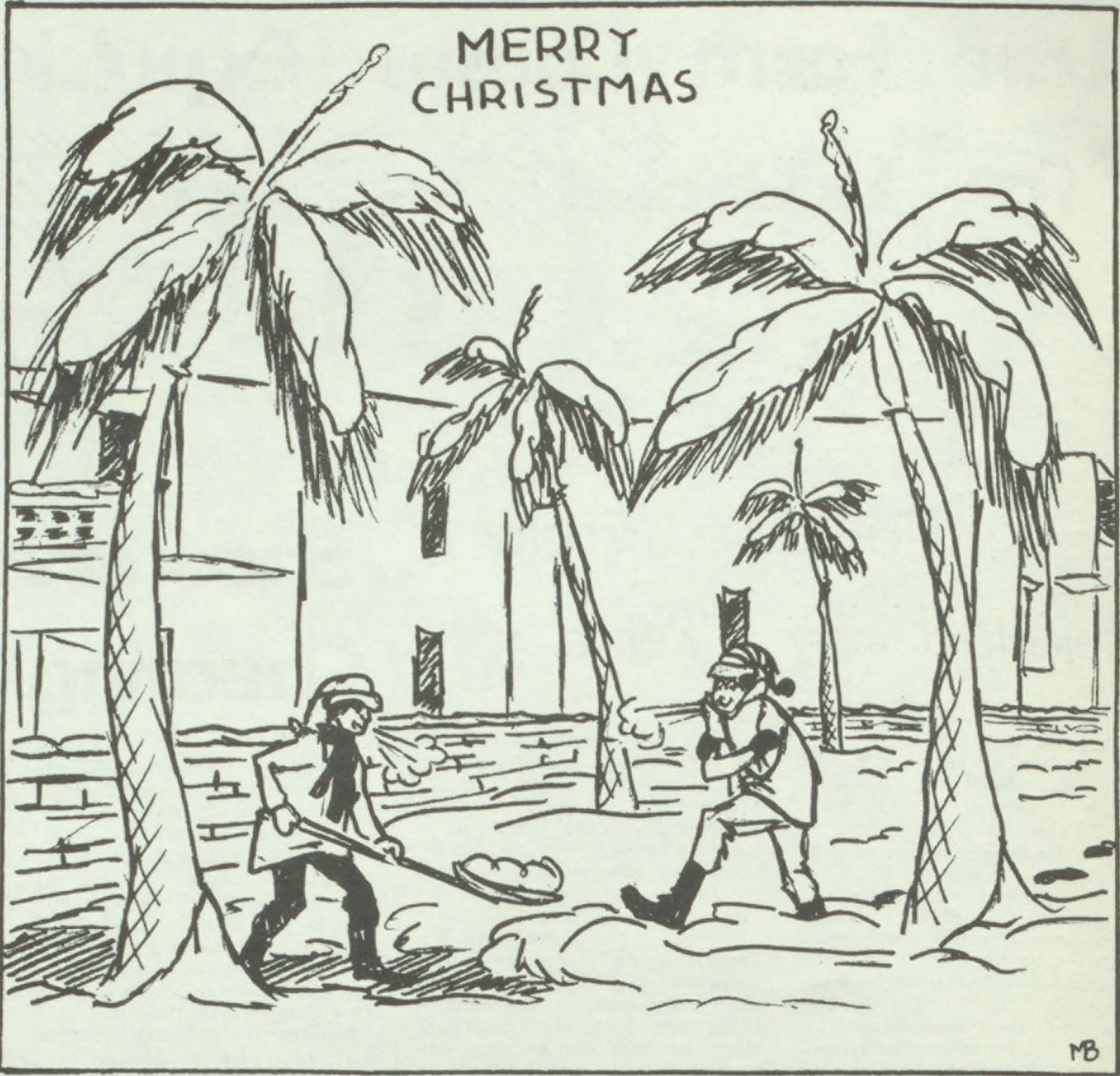
These factors must not be revealed to students, I'm told, since to do so would imperil the future objectivity of the sources of these factors. Much like graduate school recommendations, as one faculty member put it: to reveal to the student the precise contents of a recommendation would make it difficult for the undergraduate faculty to be blunt about him.

The analogy seems a good one, but it fails to make the point it's supposed to make. It makes good sense to argue that recommendations for grad school or tenure should not be shown to those being evaluated prior to the making of the decision the evaluations hope to influence, but it makes little sense to argue that those being evaluated have no right to defend themselves against what they feel to be unjust charges. By refusing to talk about the case, the tenure committee has denied Gorfain the right to an intelligent appeal.

It seems to me the tenure committee could produce a detailed statement of what it sees to be Dr. Gorfain's failures without explicitly listing sources and without seriously jeopardizing the sources' objectivity. Some risk to this objectivity is warranted by the very controversy of the case. What intelligent member of the college community could help but feel uneasy when the psychology students en masse vehemently defend their teacher?

I voiced this opinion to one member.

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Letter ON PERUZZI

To the Editor:

I am a Marine recruit in boot camp. I also received a copy of the December 1 "Catalyst," in which a letter was printed from a modern American youth, who committed suicide. My intentions in this letter is not to belittle a disastrous misfortune, but rather to offer debate on the value of basic training in the U.S. Armed Services and the instructors of the training taken.

Being a college man and an English major, I can appreciate the mannerisms of Leo Peruzzi, but not his mind. His wording in the printed letter shows that his mind still functioned even though, "the drill sergeants yell a lot." Apparently his body functioned also, as he was physically able to take his own life. This leads to the conclusion that drill sergeants did not mentally or physically harm him. This is not the purpose of drill instructors, and certainly they are not paid to drive anyone to an unjust end.

The Marines are noted for their rather tough training program, and also for their finished products. I'm alive just as many others are, ready to follow the aforementioned drill sergeants into the fabled, "gates of Hell". It's the same in the Army, Air Force, and Navy. Why? Because these men are trained in getting a person to rely on himself: not just on the surface, but rather deep down, where it comes out only when it counts.

What the late Peruzzi did not realize, is that getting a man to believe in himself and in his abilities is not an easy thing to do. A man must see his worst side in order to know his weaknesses. These weaknesses must then be improved upon in order to improve the basic man. This system is tough, but the only way it can be done. The drill instructors are the men who carry out the duties of helping the individual.

Many men have been trained in boot programs of the armed services, with more than 99% who qualified, passing the final review. All these men came under the scrutiny of drill sergeants who yell and scream. If a trainee is deficient, he is dropped back for extensive training, or given a discharge. The drill instructors have a code to train these men by, and in the Marines the code is simply:

"These recruits are intrusted to my care. I will train them to the best of my ability. I will develop them into smartly trained, physically fit, basically disciplined Marines, thoroughly indoctrinated in love of Corps and country.

I will demand of them, and demonstrate by my own example, the highest standard of personal conduct, morality, and professional skill."

I believe this code pretty well explains the ideals which all drill sergeants set for their goals. If a man can't control an urge for destruction, even of self, anything else he may have done, before, is minuscule. If the individual dies by his own hand, he is a waste upon all the rest of his contemporaries. If a man can't be degraded in order to find dignity I wouldn't want him fighting with me in Vietnam. A man like this should not be esteemed, but rather erased from memory.

Don't drink in his place, or his honor. Replace that spot with a person who can hold his own, whether against alien or internal enemy.

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Student Loses Job For Indiscreet Comment

Freedom of speech may reign on the New College campus if all you're criticizing is the government of the United States, but there are some areas that are a little more sensitive, as one first-year student found out.

Carola Heitmann, who worked in the kitchen, was cleaning up after a recent Associates luncheon, when, according to Heitmann, she was approached by Mrs. Mary Alice Root, a member of the Development office. The ensuing conversation was remembered by Heitmann as follows:

"Thank you for serving," Mrs. Root said.

"That's all right. We get paid," said Heitmann, cheerfully.

"Oh come now, it's not that bad," said Mrs. Root.

"It was pretty decent today. I didn't have to serve Ralph Henry." (Henry is Director of Development.)

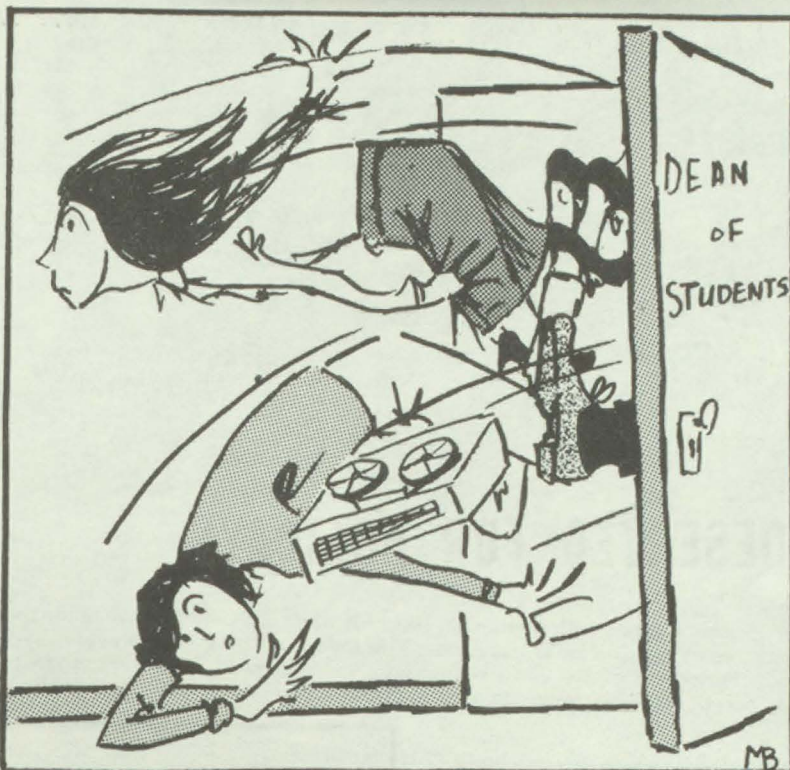
"Why don't you like to serve Ralph Henry?"

"Ralph Henry is a bastard," said Heitmann.

That was the beginning.

The next day, she was informed by a fellow kitchen worker she had been fired by kitchen manager Thomas Estep, and could expect to be called to Dean of Students George Petrie's office. Later that day, she was. Because of a migraine headache, however, she put off her visit until the next morning.

That morning she went to Petrie's office, armed with a tape recorder. "I'd been told I was called to the



"Petrie didn't approve of the tape recorder."

office for a meeting with Henry, and Petrie was there because it was thought I could lie about the incident. So I thought a tape recorder would solve the whole problem. I brought another student to run the thing," Heitmann recalled.

Petrie didn't approve of the tape recorder. "I want to give this young woman some counseling," said Petrie, Heitmann reported. He ordered both the students and the tape recorder from his office.

Next, Heitmann met Henry in the courtyard, Henry explained that Mrs. Root had told him about Heitmann's remark. He said he

thought Heitmann had the wrong impression of him, and he had wanted to talk to her with a third person present, to mediate.

"My choice of Dean Petrie was unfortunate," Henry said, "and you can quote me on that."

Later, Heitmann talked with Estep. "Estep has been more than fair, considering the circumstances," Heitmann said. "He told me he'd consider reinstating me next term."

Last night, Petrie told The Catalyst he had "no comment" about whether any disciplinary action would be taken against Heitmann.

Student "Expelled"

Because Form Is Late

First-year student Richard Foster was informed by a letter from Dean of Students George Petrie that, as of December 1, he was expelled from New College because he failed to turn in a health form due in September.

The letter, dated November 29, stated: "Inasmuch as you have not submitted this form, you are expelled from New College as of noon, December 1, 1967. Attached is the withdrawal form which you should complete in order to get the refund of your \$25 deposit."

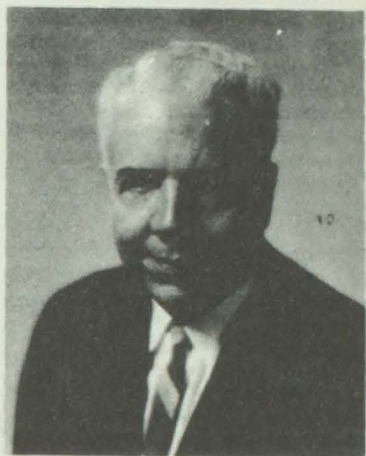
"Kindly check with the library and the business office in order that they may sign that you have returned all library books and that your room is in order."

Foster responded in a note to Petrie that: he had sent several reminders to the doctor to submit the forms, had called his parents four times about the forms, and promised to make an appointment for a re-examination as soon as possible. Petrie typed on the top of Foster's note, "hope you will be able to complete this arrangement by noon, December 1, 1967."

Two hours after the deadline of his expulsion, Foster received a telegram from his doctor that the forms had been sent, but that he would re-submit the forms upon the receipt of duplicate blanks.

Foster said he has received no further communication from the office of the Dean of Students about his expulsion, but says no

one has tried to force him to leave. Contacted by The Catalyst last night, Petrie said the letter was sent



Petrie

because Foster was a "little bit slow" in submitting his forms, and claimed it was a "grammatical error" that the letter indicated the expulsion would definitely take place. Implying the letter was sent only as a warning, Petrie said withdrawal forms were often sent in such cases.

Foster was threatened with dismissal on a previous occasion, because of an overdue bill for \$260. Controller Charles Hara, in a letter to Petrie, asked for the dismissal.

Foster later discussed his financial situation with Petrie, and some tentative arrangements were made

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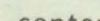
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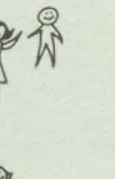


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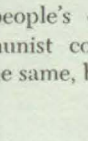




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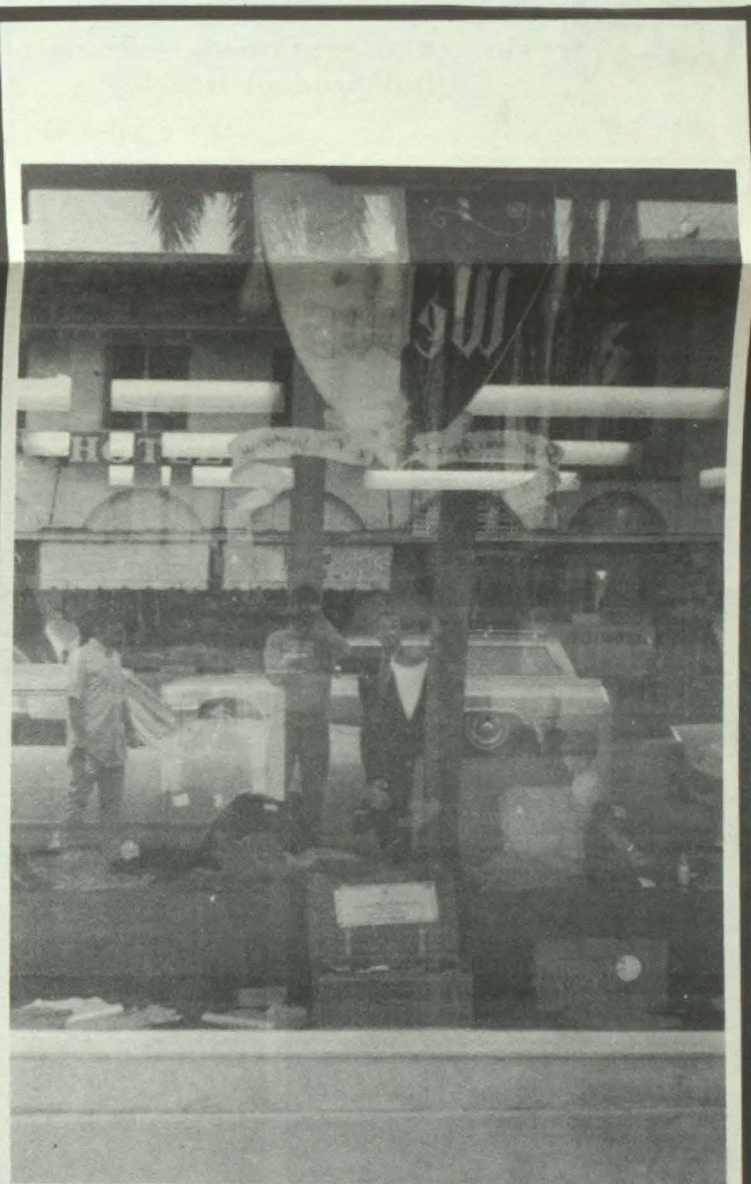
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Letter

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ber of the tenure committee, and he seemed a bit offended that anybody would question the objectivity of the committee. I'm sorry but the facts of the case as I know them compel me to do just that. Dr. Gorfain has not objected to his students' entering the debate, so apparently he has nothing to hide. As a thinking member of the college community, I must ask for better reasons than have been given for denying this man tenure. Inaction by the committee would only mean a great loss of confidence in the tenure system here. This brings me to a second topic of concern: I wish the faculty would not be quite so afraid of *The Catalyst*. A surprising number of faculty as a matter of principle refuse to allow their opinions to appear in print (Nothing is as frustrating to a reporter as the line: "Well, this is off the record, but..."). And I am talking about opinions, not delicate gossip. Surely, the faculty are as interesting and as interested as students.

And while we're on the subject of faculty opinions, I would like to reply to one professor who expressed confusion over my article on Vietnam two weeks ago. My point was that those who challenge doves to offer "constructive alternatives" forget that peace is the most constructive alternative of all, and that it is fully in our power to achieve peace, simply by deciding we've made a mistake and committing ourselves to unconditional

withdrawal. Our military presence has ravaged Vietnam in a way no indigenous terrorist movement could ever have hoped to see, and there is no sense in looking for an "honorable" settlement, since the most honorable thing we could do is pull out and apologize to the Vietnamese.

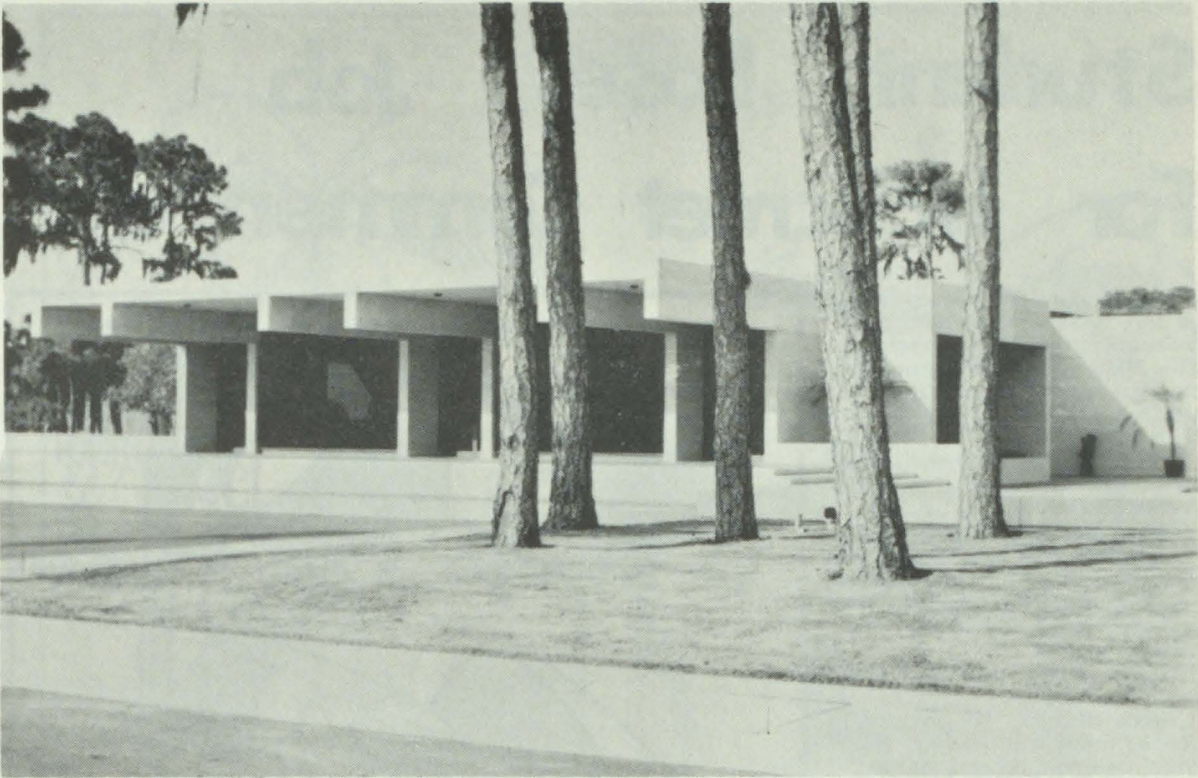
Oh well, this letter is getting too long and has been too rambling. But that's all right. We old editors emeriti must be humored, heh heh.

I'll close by saying I think Dr. Miller ought to be dean to students (He'll make a good college president some day.), and I encourage everybody to hang loose. Merry Christmas and God Bless America.

Cheers,
(signed)
Kenji Oda

DOMINICAN VISIT

Mrs. Mary Elmendorf, consultant in Latin American studies, is currently in the Dominican Republic. While there, she will investigate the possibility of continuing or expanding the program under which students do independent study in that country.



DESERTED FOR HOLIDAYS

Hamilton Center will soon look like this when students depart for Christmas vacation. The Independent Study Period officially ends Wednesday, and students have been asked to leave campus by Thursday noon.

Some have made special arrangements to stay on campus, however. Second term begins January 3. Wherever students spend the holidays, *The Catalyst* hopes they will be joyous ones.

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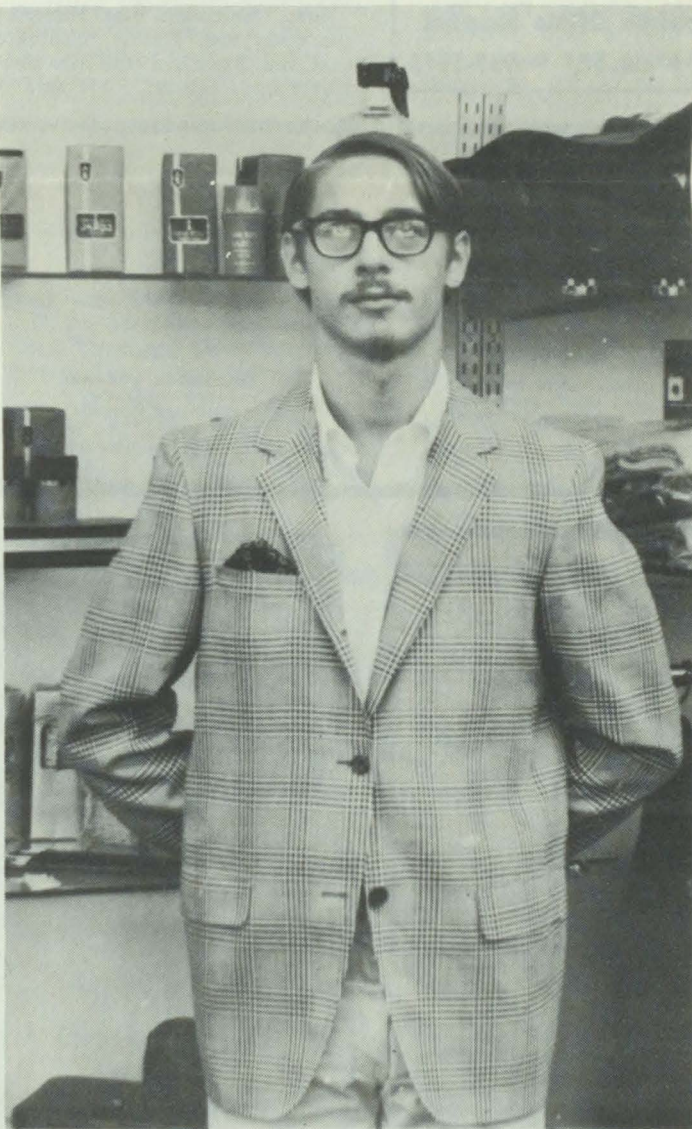
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