Former PLO officer scheduled to speak on foreign affairs

By DARRELL CLEM
Senior Staff Writer

Prominent Arab leader Hatem Ishaq Hussaini will speak on campus next week about the problems refrigges in compus in some many of the mare "refugees in compus in some three horrible massacers occured two years ago." he said.

Hussaini's speech will be held in the Student Center's Grand Ballinoom Monday from 7:30 to 10 pm. The event is being sponsored by the Student Center's Grand Ballinoom Monday from 7:30 to 10 pm. The event is being sponsored by the Student Government Association.

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Queen Elizabeth II presents a silver cup to William C. Lickle, a horse breeder, yesterday after Lickle's horse Sintra won the first Queen Elizabeth Challenge Cup at Keeneland Race Course.

Telecom tries restructuring its program

By MICKEY MEECE Staff Writer

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Staff Writer

The department of telecommunications is looking to implement a major curriculum change, designed to reduce the number of students in the program, accordin the department chairman.

Thomas R. Donohue said the reduction in students — which could be as great as 50 percent — would result in greater contact between the telecommunications faculty and the students — something that is missing right how.

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Reagan favors 'erosion of civil rights,' ACLU member says By DARRELL CLEM Senior Staff Writer The Reagan administration has administration and in the student certain free at the concerted of the concerted of the concerted of the concerted of the said. "It's going to take the concerted of the said "It's going to take the concerted of the said "It's going to take the concerted of the said "It's going to take the concerted of the said "It's going to take the concerted of the said." It's going to take the concerted of the said "It's going to take the concerted of the said." It's going to take the concerted of the said "It's going to take the concerted of the said." It's going to take the concerted of the said. "It's going to take the concerted of the said." It's a very dangerous situation of called a brief with the Sudent Center. "These are per level to the student of the majority of the said." It's a very dangerous situation of called "an astonishing attack on concerted either than the solution of the said." It's a very dangerous student of the said "It's a very dangerous student of the solution o

UK geography founder dies

By LINDAHENDRICKS
Staff Writer

At the time of his retirement, he became the second professor of general distinguished professor of geography department, died welchoping an exchange program with the Institute of Technology of Montreery in New Mexico, and he wrote several articles on the critical professor of geography. "He was a wonderful guy," said we was named chairman emeritus when he retried in 1967.

"He was a wonderful guy," said work of geography of Kentucky, a textbook particle with the staff of Kentucky Academy of Science. The work of the staff of Kentucky for his work on maps and treatises of the staff of Kentucky has been been been distinguished professor of geography. "He was a wonderful guy," said work of the staff of the staff of Kentucky has been been distinguished professor of geography." The was a warded a citation for meritorius contribution to the field of geography for meritorius contribution to the field of geography. "He was a warded a citation for meritorius contribution to the field of geography for meritoriu



J.R. SCHWENDEMAN

Elizabeth Andrachek of Columbia, Mo.; 17 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

A mass will be said in Schwende-man's memory at 10 a.m. tomorrow at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, Visitation is from 3 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. today at W.R. Milward Mortuary — Broadway.

GOP students announce registration drive results

By SACHADEVROOMEN
Senior Staff Writer

Students for Reagan-McConnell announced at their meeting last inght that they have registered 1.003 voters on campus since Sept. 7.

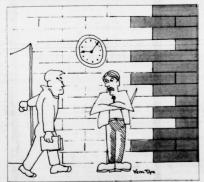
According to Larry Bisig, president of the organization, this number surpassed what the national organization expected them to register.

"All across the nation, voter registration is aimed at the age group of 18-34," Bisig said. "Reagan is most popular with that age group."

Of the 1,003 registered, this includes about 52 Democrats, Busid Sach William of the Known that we don't it is not only to the showth of the

Better late than never?

Procrastinators Anonymous offers support to those students who continually mismanage their time



By CORISHEETS
Reporter

Elizabeth was failing. Today, she adpromised herself, she was going to catch up on her schoolworshed reacting to deschoolworshed reacting to desch

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WEATHER

Game five

Kentucky takes its national ranking on the road to face the Mississippi State Bulldogs

By CELESTE R. PHILLIPS

UK football coach Jerry Claiborne and his Cats open their Southeastern Conference schedule tomorrow in Starkville, Miss. The Cats, 4-0, will take on the Buildogs of Mississispi State, 3-2, at 2:30 p.m. MSU football coach Emory Bellard said his Buildogs will face a potent offense and a somewhat different offense and a somewhat difference the Wildcats.

eet the Wildcats.
"They are a sound, solid football am and one of the very few unde-ated teams in America right w," Bellard said.

Although he was coming off an impressive 27-14 victory over Rutgers University last week. Claiborne expressed concern over a very strong MSU team, saying they are different

"They (Kentucky) are a sound, solid football team and one of the very few undefeated teams in America right now."

Emory Bellard, Mississippi State coach

from any team UK has played this season.

One reason behind Claiborne's concern is State quarterback Don Smith. Smith, who runs out of the backfield exceptionally well, scored two touchdowns in the fourth quarter to pace the Bulldogs to a 27-18 victory over Southern Mississippi last Saturday. The 6-1, 185 h. sophomore had 186 yards in total offense.

Bellard, who is better known for the wishbone offense, is working out

of the 1-formation this year, which has proved to be quite effective because of the young quarterback. Smith reads the defense well and can pull off the option to near perfection. His state prove that. For the season, Smith has 1,074 yards in total offense. He has passed 94 times, completing 40 for 65 yards. He has rushed 76 times for 417 yards.

"Smith is a big play man and he

Claiborne said. Teams with quar-terbacks who can read the defense well, can play the option offense, he

well, can play the option offense, he said.

The Bulldogs have not throw the bail as much as the teams UK has played so far in the season. When they do throw, they cause many problems for the opposing defense. State's receivers are averaging 16 yards per catch, with the tight end pricking up 15 8 yards per catch.

"They don't throw the bail much, they don't throw the bail much. As if this weren't enough, several other problems will plague the Wild-catts tomorrow."

other problems will plague the Wild-cats tomorrow.

UK's special teams, mainly the kicking crew, are having problems. This is is partly because of the in-jury-ridden Jim Rider. The 5-foot-to. 173-pound, junior from Lawrence-burg sustained an injury to his groin

Defensive tackle Jeff Smith, a 6-foot-2. 240-pound, senior from Springfield, is suffering from a dis-located knee sustained during the Tulane game. Smith did not play against Rutgers, and Claiborne said he will not be playing tomorrow.

Replacing Smith will be 6-foot-2, 241-pound, junior Jon Dumbauld. Dumbauld, who normally starts at the right tackle position, was moved over to the left side to fill Smith's spot.

Jerry Reese, a 6-foot-2, 231-pound Channe 11:30 to

earlier in the season. It was reinjured in the Rutgers game. Rider is listed as questionable for MSU.
Should he not be able to play,
freshman Joey Worley will step in
Worley is a 5-t00-11, 135-pound, placekicker from Oakwood, Pa.

Defensive tackle Jeff Smith, a 6foot.2. 240-pound, senior from
Springfield, is suffering from a dislocated knee sustained during the

Offensive guard Butch Wilburn, a 6-foot-3, 233-pound treshman, also will not be playing fomorrow, fice suffering from a sprained knee sis-tained in the Rutgers game. Replac-ing him at the second string position will be Jim Vorderbrueggen, a 6-foot-3, 288-pound sophomore from Cincinnati, Ohio.

The game will be televised by Channel 27 in a delayed broadcast at 11:30 tomorrow night.

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UK to host fall tournament

After two weekends of pounding the interstates, the LK men's tennis in Lexington this weekendi.

The fourth amual UK Fall Invitational is scheduled to begin today and continue through tomerrors, the Cats will try to defend their title against 10 other teams, including current Atlantic Coast Conference champion Clemson.

Last weekend's seventh-place finish in the Southern Intercollegiate at Athens, Ga., came on the heels of Paul Varga's advancement to the finals of the Clemson Fall Classic the weekend before.

UK's record so far has made the

our mark.

The Dallas Cowboys head into Washington to play the Skins. The Washington offense has come to life in the recent weeks and right now they are nearing an early season peak. Dallas is still having a major crisis over the Danny White-Gary Hogeboom quarterback conflict. All linings considered, this looks a Skins win but you can't always go by what the book says. Take Dallas, getting five and a half.

The New Orleans Saints haven!

five and a half.

The New Orleans Saints haven't easily forgotten the way they lost to the Los Angeles Rams last year; it prevented the Saints from having their first winning season and a first trip to the playoffs. Naturally, the Saints are better and the Rams are not the same team without Vince Ferragamo at quarterback. Bum Phillips, the Saints coach, loves revenge situations. Take the Saints, giving three.

that as many as two teams will be in the running for the team title. "I think it will be a four-team race." he said. "Besides ourselves, I see Purdue. Iowa and Virgina Tech right there. Carson-Newman is also one the top three teams in the NAIA so they have the talent to do well

so they have the talent to do well here."

Besides Clemson, Morehead, Evansville, Ohio University, University of Louisville and two players from Transylvanian University are are ompeting in the fall invitational. Clemson is not favored because four of their top players are at other tournaments in the South. Clemson is not favored because four of their top players are at other tournaments in the South. Clemson is not favored because four of their tournaments in the South. Clemson is not favored because four of their tournament has three singles in the Big to Fall Invitational and they finished ahead of Minnesota, "They were the recent runnerups in the Big to Fall Invitational and they finished ahead of Minnesota," The tournament has three singles in the Big to the far they are are to many control of the single for the first time this season. The tournament has three singles in the South Clemson in each bracket. Players are are to many the season of the single for the first time the season of the

The new Indianapolis Colts travel to city of "Brotherly Love" to take on the Philadelphia Eagles. The Colts have to go without star running back Curtin Dickey. I don't like the Colts much, but I can't see the Eagles running up the score. Go with the Colts, getting six.

with the Colls, getting six.

The Tampa Bay Bucaneers have played above par the past two weeks. but this week the Bucs travel to the Silverdome to tangle with the Lions of Detroit. The Lions haven't played well the last two weeks, so what does this tell us? You tell me and we d both now. Take the Lions, giving three.

AFC Western division games are usually physical, and I don't see this week's match up between San Diego and Kansas City being any different. It looks to be a hard fought battle

Dallas and New Orleans top picks

TESORIERO

Jim Gray beat our top doubles team in the Southern Intercollegiates." UK's top doubles team. Varga and Pat McGee, won't have the opportunity to get revenge on the Purdue pair this weekend as McGee is out of town on family business. Emery decided to pair Varga with fellow senior Mark Bailey for the tournament.

ment.

Emery said the loss of McGee will
make it very difficult for UK to retain their title.

"If McGee were here, we'd beclear favorites, but without him,
we're only slight favorites."

The loss of McGee gives Charlie
Ray the opportunity to see some action for the lirit time this season

down to the wire, so six and a half points is too much to give. Kansas City's Todd Blackledge and San Die-go's Pan Fouts will take turns put-ting touchdowns on the board. Go with Kansas City, getting six and a half

The Houston Oilers without Earl The Houston Oilers without Earl Campbell in the backfield is like trying to shoot pool without a cue. Only Jon Shula's conscience can keep his Dolphins from running up the score. Miami's reserves should get plenty of playing time this Sunday. Barring a holocoust, the Dolphins will win without a shadow of a doubt, but Shula is too good natured for blow outs. Take the Oilers, getting three. Rounding out the rest of the games, take the Jets, getting five, over the Browns: the Giants, getting five, over Atlanta; the Patriots, giving seven and a half, over the Bengals.

The Raiders look like a sure bet

Basketball opens with fun

The UK men's basketball team kicks off it's practice season with the third annual "Cats on the Run, Midnight Fun," Sunday night at Memorial Coliseum. Atletics director Cliff Hagan will get the program started at 11-25 p.m. with an introduction of all the

started at 11:25 p.m. with an introduction of all the varsity coaches. The Dance Cats will perform a routine after Hagan's brief introduction, and then the Lady Cats basketball team will run through a few exhibition drills. Also on the agenda will be 18448 Cheerladders and the pep band. The men's team will hit the floor at 12:04 Monday morning.

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Rated PG. (Fayette Mall. 1-30, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:30. Also

Country composer gets even with missic business big boys on and Kris Kristofferson, two successful good of boys who uthpark: 1.55, 3:45, 5:35, 7:40, 9:45, 11:40.] Rated PG.

Tries to prove educators can be people too. (Northpark: 2:30, 50 11:45. Also at Southpark: 2:00, 5:25, 7:50, 9:50, 11:55.) Rated



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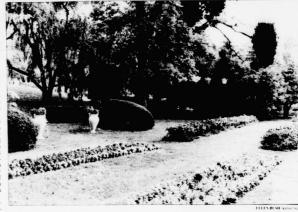
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Local cemetery strangely filled with life

If you say to your friends, "Let's go down to the cemetery and have a good time," they tend to do things such as compare the size of your puls and look up "necrophilac" in psychology texts.

To compare the size of your puls and look up "necrophilac" in psychology texts.

The only people who visat them regularly are either perverts or rabid Daughters of the American Revolution, correct? That's a pretty sad attitude to have, especially since the Lexington Cemetery is one of the most gorgous places in this; since the Lexington Cemetery is one of the most gorgous places in this; since the Lexington Cemetery is one of the most gorgous places in this; since the Lexington Cemetery is one of the most gorgous places in this; some the Lexington Cemetery, located on the lexington of the l



etery for the undisturbed serenity and order too often lacking in "real" life



'Teachers' is a lesson in avoiding lousy movies

stinks. The film begins as a comedy. Then it meanders into a love story, and finishes with the statement that teachers and students need to work together for an education to thrive. The result is a film as enjoyable as a high school chemistry course.

Besides, the events that occur in "Teachers" are so unreal. Oh yes, don't we all remember the time our buddy was shot in the chest near his locker. Or the innocent girl who got pregnant by the gym teacher. Or the teacher who died in class. Or the history substitute who escaped from the nuthouse. Or the student who chews on teachers' arms. Or the lawsuit against the school by a student who said he never learned anything.

"Teachers" features Nick Nolte as the disillusioned social studies tea-cher who tries to make a defective school system work, JoBeth Wil-liams as the lawyer who attempts to reform the school through a lawsuit,

It's too late to care, however. By the time the action comes to a head, your interest in the film has already decided to play hooky.

"Teachers" is playing at Northpark and Southpark Cinemas. Rated R.

DAMON ADAMS



Telecom

studied this problem and feel it can be solved by restructuring the de-partment. He hopes to change the scope of instruction from a technical per-

instruction from a technical per-spective to a more general ap-proach, where students will focus on thinking and writing skills. A re-quest to restructure the current un-dergraduate curriculum was sub-mitted to the University Senate Council recently and approved. The measure must now go through seve-ral Senate committees for discussion and action.

measure must now go through several Senate committees for discussion and action.

"A telecommunication major today gets (television) production, the rest of the classes are ted into that," Curtsinger said. "You don't have any requirements to take other courses like journalism or speech that you need to go out into broadcasting." Donohue's proposal is to make the telecommunications department into a two-year program where only juniors and seniors are advised. The resultance of the course of the course

And the effect of such a revised

curriculum on students?
"The students will come to us with a greater motivation, ability to ab-

sorb information more quickly," Donohue said, "and consequently, we
are going to be able to deal more
with conceptual, and societal, and
ethical issues rather than the publishing of facts that they regurgitate
"It we are successful, we are turning out a student who has a critical
mind rather than one with a storage
facility.

There were two basic criteria the
telecommunication faculty looked at
when studying the need for a change
in curriculum.

"One of the criteria we used is,
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"The second criterion is, what
are the realities of the professional
market place once students are finished?"

Curtsinger said, "Most people go

As far as placing graduates, Dono-hue said, "We are trying to broaden our base, realizing Kentucky cannot absorb all of our graduates.

"We want to send people out, and my object is to place people who have the desire and the emotional makeup to be able to take the major metropolitan cities or maybe other countries."



Queen attends race at Keeneland track

By ANNE S. CROWLEY Associated Press

LEXINGTON — Queen Elizabeth viewed American-style racing for the first time yesterday, then prented a silver, Georgian cup to the inner of a race that bears her

Sintra, ridden by Keith Allen, blew by 11 other 3-year-old fillies to win the first Queen Elizabeth II Chal-lenge Cup over 1 1-16 miles at Keeneland Race Course.

The queen presented the trophy to owner Seth W. Hancock of Cherry Valley Farm in a brand-new winner's circle, constructed near the grandstand so she wouldn't have to traipse across the dirt to the infield, where awards ceremonies are usually held.

board of directors and a few invited guests.

Among the invited was ABC sportscaster Jim McKay, whose experience covering the Kentucky Derby led him to get into thoroughbred breeding himself.

Another special salute to the queen was the parading of English Derby winner Secreto, who arrived in the United States this week and next year will retire to stud down the street at Calumet.

Alydar — now among the leading American sires with Althea, Miss Oceana and Saratoga Six among his progeny — stole American hearts by running second to Triple Crown champion Affirmed in the 1978 Ken-tucky Derby, Preakness and Bel-mont Stakes.

Lord Porchester, the queen's rac-ing manager, said Elizabeth was anxious to see the differences be-tween American and European rac-ing.

In Europe, horses run clockwise— sometimes even in figure eights— and exclusively on the grass. U.S. tracks have grass courses, but turf racing has yet to catch on like run-ning thoroughbreds on the dirt.

HINDMAN, Ky.— A prosecutor said yesterday that the death penalty could be sought for a Hindman youth who pleaded innocent in the custody of ber father. Some pount was pleaded innocent in the strangling death with strangling death

been in the custody of her father, David Slone. State police said Mrs. Slone, who was five months pregnant, was strangled Sept. 28 at her home near the Hindman Laundry Mat and Car Wash after quarreling with Ritchie, and her daughter, who said they wanted to get married.

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within the PLO. Hussaini said: "Arafat is the elected leader, and he is a symbolic leader who is close to his people. The setback that Palestinians suffered in Leb-

close to his people. The sethact had been also been also

doesn't seem there is cause for optimism," Hussaini said. "But Palestinians cannot lose their faith, their hope.

faith, their hope.

"It's a struggle for survival," he added, "They are hopeful that they can find peace and human dignity. I'm sure the American public would stand with the Palestimans if they knew the facts," Hussaini currently is an associate professor at the International Studies Center at Shaw University. He has written several books, among them Toward Peace in Palestine and The Palestinians.

Sullivan reports her walk in space was 'superb'

By HARRY F. ROSENTHAL
Associated Press

CAPE_CANAVERAL, Fla.—Exalting: "Six seconds, front and center;" "Six seconds, front and center," "Six seconds, front and cent

Drive

Bisig said the group will sponsor a dential candidates and the two con"Mitch Day" on Oct 17. He said he wants students that are for Reagan and also for Rep. Walter "Dec" The "Mondale Madness" posters, Huddleston to know "there are few which have appeared on campus senators that vote against Reagan the Control of the Mondale Ston has "For that Buddleston has "For that Buddleston has "Both and out filers with the two presi-

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I do a good job on this project, then I'll have to do it again which will result in more responsibilities." she said.
"Some people secretly want to be rescued." Taylor said. For example, a child asked to mow the lawn will put it off as long as possible and will eventually be rewarded by the parents mowing

lead to more procrastination by the child.

The desire to be rescued can also be applied to procrastination on school projects. Taylor said. If two or more people are working on a project, one student may put off getting together with the others and put the blame on them if the project is late or not as good as it should be.

In order to bring the problem of procrastination to the public, Taylor hosted a half hour pro-gram on procrastination last fall.

She said there is hope for chro-nic procrastinators, all they have to do is go out and get it.

Help is available, but according to Taylor, the classes fill up quickly. "Our first class, we were

expecting maybe 10 people and more than 80 showed up. "We try to work things so members of the group support each other and themselves. We haven't cured anybody yet, but they are on the road to recov-ery." Taylor said. She has had back and tell ther how much the program has helped them.



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Officials say 23 firms owe taxes

FRANKFORT — Twenty-three companies that allegedly failed to turn over their employees' state income-tax payments, then thwarted the Revenue Cabinet's efforts to collect, may be prosecuted under criminal statutes, officials

said yesterday.
Indictments against the 23 will be sought
when cases are presented to the Franklin
County grand jury in a few weeks, Attorney
General David L. Armstrong and Revenue Secretary Gary Gillis said in a joint news confer-

Names of the companies were not released. Armstrong and Gillis would say only that restaurants and coal companies were included in

Congress passes spending bill

WASHINGTON — The 98th Congress was set for a delayed adjournment yesterday after making sure the government will have money to spend in the next 12 months and the authorto borrow billions more.

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The Senate cleared away virtually the last hajor obstacle to adjournment early in the day major obstacte to adjournment carry mit a day with a 78-11 vote endorsing a compromise om-nibus spending package necessary to keep the government solvent.

The broad \$370 billion measure had been

passed by the House 252-60 the night before and was sent to the White House after the Senate vote. Republican leaders said they ex-pected President Reagan to sign the legislation.

Military press corps approved

WASHINGTON — The Pentagon said Wednesday that a national press pool of 11 reporters and photographers will accompany U.S. military forces on any future operations similar to last year's invasion of Grenada. Michael 1. Burch, assistant secretary of defense for public affairs, said members of the pool would be convened and transported secretly to the scene of military action. They would be allowed to report back to their news organizations: when the operation commenced

would be allowed to report back to their news organizations, "when the operation commenced or as soon thereafter as practical," he said. The system was included in the recommen-dations of the commission, directed by retired Army Maj. Gen. Winant Sidle, that was formed following the October 1983 invasion of

Grenada.

It was the first time in U.S. history that the media had been banned from covering military

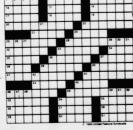
Panama ushers in civilian leader

PANAMA CITY, Panama - Nicolas Ardi-PANAMA CITY, Panama — Nicolas Ardi-to Barletta was inaugurated president of Pana-ma yesterday. He is the country's first directly elected civilian president in 16 years. The new president faces a \$3.5 billion for-eign debt, 14 percent unemployment and the threat of growing political unrest. In his inaugural speech, Barletta called for national unity to confront an economic crisis he said could have serious social implications. Secretary of State George P. Shultz, in Pan-ama for the inauguration, is pressing for sub-stantial changes in a proposed Central Ameri-

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Vice presidential candidates clash in 'understudy' debate

By DONALD M. ROTHBERG
Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — George Bussaid last night he's a supporter of President Reagan's economic program, "every step of the way," because "it's brought America back," because "it's brought America back," because "it's brought America back, and it was and it is."

Ferraro declared in the opening moments of the 99-minute levised confrontation that, "I can make the hard decisions" required in high political office.

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Bush. "We deliver optimism." They de-liver the wrong things." He then went into a string of negative eco-nomic statistics that he attributed to the tenure of Mondale as Jimmy Carter's vice president. Ferraro said Bush understated Democratic achievements and over-soid what's happened under Reagan. "The said with the suppression of the said and we'll start tonight."

Rules for the 90-minute, nationally televised debate called for Ferraro and Bush to stand at podiums eight feet apart on the Philadelphia Civic Center stage while four journalists posed questions. ABC newsman Sander Vanocur was moderator.

Ferraro won a coin toss, as did Mondale on Sunday night, and she elected to let Bush give the first an-swer while she will get the final say when the two give their closing statements.

Ferraro's task was to assist Mon-dale, but also to quell the doubts that polls indicate many voters have about her own candidacy and about having a woman on a national party ticket for the first time. She had the added pressure of participating in the first campaign debate of her po-lituda career.

Students vote on stocking cyanide

By CHRISTOPHER CALLAHAN Associated Press

PROVIDENCE, R.I. — Brown University students waited in lines 30 deep Wednesday to vote on whether the school should stock cy-anide tablets so students facing im-minent death in a nuclear war could commit suicide.

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"It seems like the referendum has already achieved its purpose" of spurring campus debate, said Joe McConnell, a junior from Warwick.

McConnell, chairman of the student government's election board, said about 800 students cast ballots during the first day of the two-day election.

"If this keeps up, this will be the biggest election turnout in at least live or six years," he said. Past

Prosecution claims story was fabricated as libel trial begins

By LARRY ELKIN Associated Press

NEW YORK — A CBS producer fabricated "a con-spiracy that never occurred" in alleging Vietnam War commander William Westmoreland deliberately lied about enemy troop strength, the general's attor-ney said yesterday as trial began in a \$120 million libel suit against the network. More than 100 journalists, lawyers and spectators packed a federal courtroom and spilled into the cor-packed a federal courtroom and spilled into the cor-packed a federal courtroom and spilled into the cor-troop was a special spilled in the the cor-packed and the spilled in the spilled in the spilled by Westmoreland against the network for its 1982 broadcast, "The Uncounted Enemy: A Vietnam De-ception."

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Abortion: There are no easy answers to a difficult problem

In an important issue, we should never assume what we don't know

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Of all the decisions a woman could make, a decision about abortion is the most private It is something she must decide for herself, for she will live with her own brand of conse-quences, no matter which way she decides. The decision should be pro-foundly personal, and certainly not political.

But once again, that's not the

case.

The issue plays a part in every po-litical campaign, including the pre-

sentone
Any decision on abortion is important; it could be a matter of life and
death. A woman should have all the
knowledge she can accumulate before she makes a decision about it.
But that 's simply not the case.
We have no knowledge of when
life begins. We have no knowledge of
when the fetus becomes a human

No one can tell us whether abortion is right or wrong. The topic is one we must decide for ourselves. And, while making decisions, we should endeavor to be as

rational as possible.

being. We only have beliefs and the legal notion of the first trimester. Underturately, we may never know went to be the first trimester in the begins. So, when it comes to making decisions about abortion, human beings as a whole would seem to be stranded without sufficient rationality, without a sufficient political system and without sufficient information. We are desperately unequipped to make any decision about it whatsoever.

soever.

But — as I've noted above — we all have to decide, and that's what I'm about to do.

But I must make two personal dis-

claimers.

First, I'm not a woman.

I may be — I have been — personally affected by abortion, but I'll never really be faced with the ultimate decision inherent in the issue: whether to have one. I realize that.

Second. I know that complex circumstances surround the issue of abortion. These circumstances include possible health risks to the fetus and the family situations.

These circumstances make it even more difficult to reach any type of moral decision.

Now, with those disclaimers made, it's time for a decision on abortion.

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I think it's wrong.
It's wrong because it's based on an assumption. It assumes that the fetus is not human, and therefore not entitled to human rights.

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I'm willing to give it the benefit of the doubt. It's true, we don't know. But we shouldn't assume. Not in a matter of this importance.

When there is a genuine health risk to the mother, abortion is right. In cases such as this, we at least have some type of information to base a decision on. base human that is the summan that is

But what about the rights of the young woman who cannot care for an infant?

an infant?

Trite though it may sound, there is the alternative of adoption. And there is also the option of birth control — which can be exercised before the fact.

These are arguments everyone has heard.

But it's doubtful whether public discussion will ever lead to any type of thoroughly acceptable public deci-sion on the issue. The cards are stacked against the human race.

This Counterpoint opinion was submitted by Kernel Editor-in-chief John Voskuhl.

In a personal matter, we should never make judgments against others

yes should never make judgments against others. There is no gasy solution to the controversy surrounding abortion the answers are never black and white. The subject deserves all the attention that it has been getting, because human lives may be at stake.

And I say "may be" because it has not yet been established whether the fetus is considered to be a living human being. And it probably won't be for a long time to come.

Although it's very had to determine past where the stable with the state and the stable with the total content of the state o

The decision is hard enough with-ut adding to it pressure from oth-rs, such as legislators and political andidates, who will never meet the women that are affected by their

I can't help but think that each woman should be allowed to make the choice on her own. Just because I feel this way, however, doesn't mean that I place a small value on

constant rhetoric. It is becoming too easy to pass judgment on others. From my understanding, that isn't what life is all about.

When a woman becomes pregnant after being raped or could endure physical harm by having a child, abortion is not only an alternative, but often the only one. No woman who has suffered through the trauma of being assaulted should be not endessly put through more misery. And when the woman male that the control of the control

The saddest part about this judgment is that many women faced with unwanted pregnacies are not women at all. The numbers of 12-3 and 14-year-old gris who as a second of the part of the p

This Counterpoint opinion was submitted by Kernel News Editor Elizabeth A. Caras.

LETTERS

Mondale is best

Amondale is best

I am not a member of any political party. I also am not influenced by the political affiliation of others, and will vote for whichever candidate shows to me to be the best for the job. So far, Mondale has it.

Despite the fact that Reagan was a total mess during the debate Sunday night, I have a feeling that the public still does not recognize the obvious. I was startled to see that Reagan was very nervous, flour-dered over his words, and more than ever before talked in "statistical" circles. He made no sense to me at all.

On the other hand, Mondale was confident, clear, and exibited a knowledge and a personal view as to what he was taking about. Although Mondale does not outwardly appear to have a leadership power about him. I have no doubt direct this country, than our current president is. I have much more confidence in Mondale than in Reagan to have our disabled, poor, and elderly taken care of, to deal with foreign affairs, and to get that infernal deficit out of our laps. The tax hikes and cuts in federal spending that Mondale intends

tion to our problem of detlett.

Reagan asked if we felt that we are better off than we were four years ago. I can honestly say that, no, I don't feel better and I don't think I personally know anyone who does. I would believe, however, that those in a higher income bracket than I (those upper-middle class and higher) are feeling pretty good about this country — those and other people who just cannot or will not open their eyes and take a good look around them.

Vida S. Vitagliano, Psychology sophomore

'Cheap journalism'

'Cheap journalism'

I am writing concerning the article appearing in the Oct. 10 Kentucky Kernel titled 'Fake ID's problem at Sigma Nu Party.' Not only do I feel this article to be misrepresentative in its presentation of the Sigma Nu Beer Blast, but the overall coverage of oositive greek activities is lacking, to say the least. The 1984 fall semester Sigma Nu Beer Blast was the most successful beer blast — conerning attendance and enforcement of identification regulations — on campus this semester. With over 2000 people in attendance, you have to concentrate on the fact that one girl was caught with a false identification. If you are going to run an article on the prob-

lems of false identifications. I sug-gest you look further that the greek system when reporting on the conse-quences of owning a false identifica-tion. Sigma Nu, or any other greek organization, does not need to be connected with that form of cheap

Run For the Kids, and am looking forward to reading your article covering the Sigma Nu Zeta Tau Alpha Adopt-A-House on Oct. 20.

Also, I hope the article will appear promptly after the event is over, not three issues later as in the case with your article covering the Sigma Nu Beer Blast. After all, doesn't good journalism center around getting the news to the people promptly, efficiently and truthfully?

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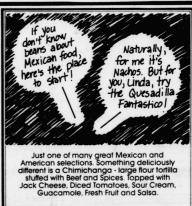
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NEWSWEEK ON CAMPUS is different from any other magazine designed for college students. We tackle issues that are serious and significant in the campus world-and in what students like to call

the "real" world. And we try to lighten the load with features that are entertaining as well as instructive. If that sounds like NEWSWEEK itself, we intend it to. This magazine is produced entirely by the staff of NEWSWEEK, plus a growing number of campus correspondents who report for us.

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The Fine Art of Student Photographers

The best photography today often takes its inspiration from fine paintings, poetry or novels. In a special portfolio assembled by NEWSWEEK ON CAMPUS, student photographers show that they have learned their lessons from the modern masters of the craft. The example at left: portrait with paint, by Hugh Crawford of the California Institute of the Arts.

The Thrills and Spills of College Rodeo

Yes, pardner, rodeo is a college sport. This year about 3,000 students will wrangle intercollegiately for about 225 schools. More than 350 hands gathered in Bozeman, Mont., this summer for the national championships—a showcase for cowboy and cowgirl athleticism, and a celebration of traditional Western values. Page 22





A Bastion of Male Education Goes Coed

For 235 years, Washington and Lee University in Lexington, Va., accepted only young men for undergraduate study. Now, faced with a declining interest in men's colleges, W&L has made the wrenching decision to admit young women. NEWSWEEK ON CAMPUS takes a look at the effect this may have on an intensely traditional school. Page 27

Robert Benton: Doing It His Way in Hollywood

While Hollywood thrives on big, noisy adventure films, screenwriter and director Robert Benton has won praise-and two Oscars-for films that are small and quiet. In an interview, Benton explains why he can't have it any other way. Page 31



A CLASSICAL EDUCATION

Scared of classical music? Daunted by its huge repertoire and highbrow reputation? Don't be. Charles Passy explodes a few myths about the classics and offers a brief guide for new listeners. Page 33

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Rock video at Northwestern; a calculator that figures GPA's; a big break for a young actor; morning-after birth control; dorm decorations as a gauge of contentment; a student's lab in space. Page 17

MY TURN: TO BE A MOM

Lisa Brown, a junior at Texas, finds that the push behind the women's movement has turned into a shove-and caused many young women to be suspicious of the joys of motherhood. Page 40

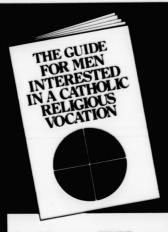
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Asian-American Students

Bravo for "Asian-Americans: The Drive to Excel" (EDUCATION). It's commendable that excellence and the desire to advance one's social standing are being recognized instead of portraying minorities as the initiators of the decline of society.

LORRAINE W. GARY Norfolk, Va.

Some ethnic groups are maligned for supposedly being shiftless, stupid or raucous. Now another group is slurred for being industrious, excellence-oriented and quiet. Apparently one has to be blond and blueeved to escape racism.

JAYLYNN L. KAO Madison, Wis.

Asian-Americans, as much as any redblooded European-American, belong in this country. Don't blame us for taking jobs away from "real" Americans or hold us up as examples for other ethnic groups or social classes to follow.

> RICHARD TOM Michigan Law School Ann Arbor, Mich.

It seems that Orientals are now talking technology, not broken English, and play with computers, not karate. This is all part of just another and newer stereotype.

HENRY P. HUANG New York University New York, N.Y

What about those Asian-American students who are not academically brilliant, who party every weekend and who have attained a happy and integrated medium between Asian culture and American society? We are much more than just cold, calculating study machines.

KEITH JOEL LOUIE San Francisco, Calif.

Since you failed to mention Indians, who comprise a fairly large and significant section of the Asian-American student body, your article should have been entitled "Oriental Americans.

> LALITA JAYASANKAR Dartmouth College Hanover, N.H.

As a second-generation Asian-American, it is my firm belief that the Asian-American student scene is not as rosy as you portray. Many of us who seek employment in nontechnical fields must constantly struggle against stereotypes that plague us. Prospective employers have invariably complimented me on my fluency with English and asked me where the best Chinese restaurants are. Further, many Asian-Americans in the technical field occupy low-level positions ("computer coolies") with few upward-

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mobility opportunities. The growing anti-Asian sentiment on American cam-puses, fueled by vague notions of unfair competition and foreign invasion, is a real and pernicious problem. Two years ago, a fraternity at Tufts University, as part of its pledge-initiation activities, marched in military fashion before the Asian House and shouted, "Nuke the Gooks," and "Nippon Go Home." Finally, I see nothing wrong with Asian-Americans socializing among themselves. People choose their friends based on common cultural, political and social interests. White students seem to feel threatened by visible congregations of color, yet no one makes a fuss or even comments when white students sit together.

SANDRA LEUNG Boston College Law School Newton Centre, Mass.

I was sorry to see so much thinly veiled racism in remarks by white students. "Asian students" are not "taking jobs away" from anyone. Asians are foreigners who study in the United States with student visas: it is difficult for them to obtain work visas and to take jobs away from Americans. Asian-Americans, on the other hand, are American citizens who happen to have Asian ancestry. If these Americans are "doing better than we are," they deserve the better jobs.

J. T. BEATTY University of Wisconsin Madison, Wis.

Your otherwise excellent article failed to critically examine the biggest cause of tension between Asian and non-Asian students: self-segregation and exclusivity among Asians. Any group that claims a special privilege for itself will simply increase intergroup tensions and the likelihood of open discrimination. The Asian-American who seals himself off from American society will have to break out of the deceptive safety of the culturally homogeneous group and become a full rather than a partial member of American society.

DANIEL W. STAFFORD University of Chicago Chicago, Ill.

College Cartoonists

I was very pleased to see an in-depth article on college cartoonists (MEDIA). My only complaint is that it made no attempt to discuss the voice of women cartoonists, which, though small, is significant.

PAULA FINDLEN Wellesley College Wellesley, Mass.

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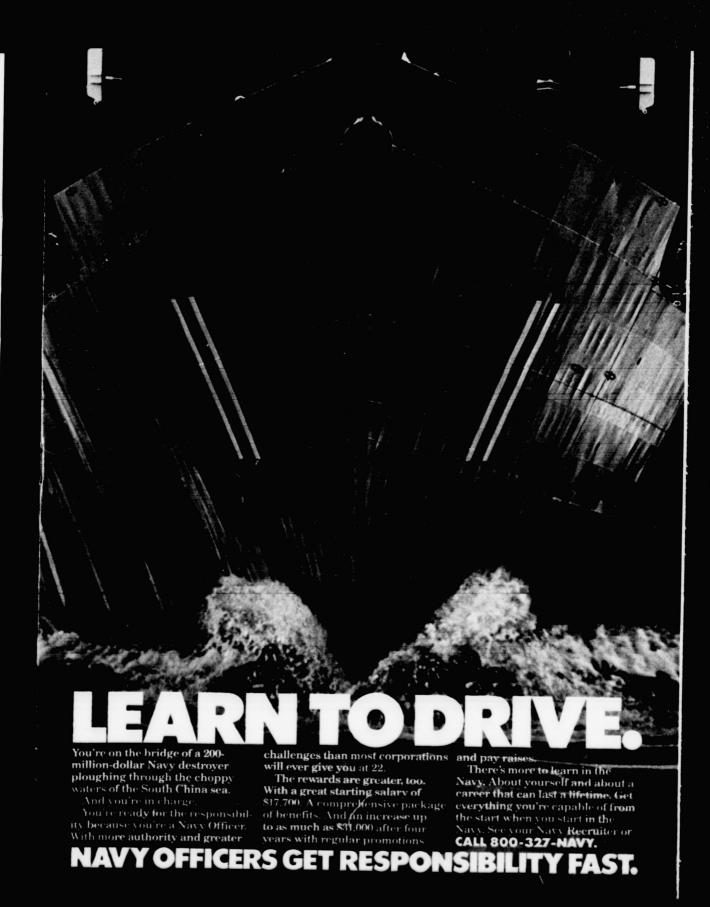
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Getting Into B-School

Most anxiety about business-school admissions comes from ignorance of the process; candidates too often try to meet standards and criteria that don't exist.

t the good business schools, people will do almost anything to get in—cajole professors to lobby for them, hint that their fathers might donate a building, flood admissions offices with letters of recommendation. One applicant submitted 30 letters to UCLA, although he was told that two were sufficient, and a Columbia candidate produced an endorsement from Ronald Reagan. It's no secret that M.B.A.'s have a shot at jobs on the fast track to power and prestige, that newly minted M.B.A.'s with almost no work experience average about \$30,000 a year to start and those with longer résumés average thousands higher. So a lot of people want the "golden passport": more than 100,000 have enrolled this year in over 600 M.B.A. programs, a few of which are excellent, many first rate, some no more than jerry-built academic structures cobbled together by administrators who saw the demand and the tuition dollars out there.

The competition for admission to the better schools is brutal. "People get real nervous about a typo in their application," says Eric Mokover, director of M.B.A. admissions at UCLA. "They'll write

a full-page letter apologizing for misspelling a word." A Columbia receptionist remembers a case of what might be called putting the cart before the horse. One day she received a desperate call asking which of the two jobs the caller had been offered would give him a better chance at admission in a few years. Behind much of this anxiety is an ignorance about the admissions process. Applicants to business schools (and law and medical and other professional schools, for that matter) too often try to shape themselves to standards they only imagine and criteria that don't exist.

Misconceptions about business-school admissions might be laughable if people didn't take them so seriously. "There are two big myths," says Mokover. "You have to have a business major to be seriously considered, and you better not have a business major if you want to be seriously considered." Applicants try to find some magic key to getting in when there is none. All else equal, an undergraduate business major stands the same chance as a history major or a chemical engineer. People straight out of college do not get judged more harshly, so long as they provide evidence of maturity and

Business-school candidates 'get real nervous,' says one official, and do the strangest things—like submitting 30 letters of recommendation.

leadership and clear business-related goals. Clout cannot transform an inadmissible applicant into an admissible one. The best way to pave the road to business school is to excel in the field of your choice, develop some solid mathematical ability, acquire a variety of outside interests and work hard at whatever extracurricular or professional endeavors you undertake. Admissions officers are particularly on the lookout for people with the ability to think and solve problems and to communicate.

To clear away the mystique of business-school admissions, a NEWSWEEK ON CAMPUS reporter spent many days this past year observing the process at Columbia University Business School. Hesat in on meetings of admissions officers, traveled with recruiters,

talked to faculty and to students who finally made the cut (he did not scrutinize individual application folders, which are understandably confidential). Columbia, both because of the quality of its instruction and its unique setting near the corporate headquarters and financial towers of New York City, is one of the most sought after of business schools. So much so that dean John Burton likes to joke, "We're proud to be one of the 15 business schools among the top 10 in the country."

an argument over which schools are in it. Nearly eight candidates apply for every opening at Harvard, more than seven for every spot at MIT and more than 14 for every place at Stanford. Columbia, which had more than 3,300 applications for about 600 openings this year (465 in the fall), offers a good case study in how the better institutions fill their classes. But each has its idiosyncracies, and applicants had better keep this in mind. One of this year's Columbia applicants did his cause no good when he sent photocopies of his essays written for the Wharton School of Finance at the University of Pennsylvania, which had asked entirely different questions.

At Columbia, the admissions process for this fall's class began a year ago as thousands of requests for application forms arrived in

the admissions office. Completed applications began to pour into the office in January—candidates often use winter vacation to think over their choices and write the essays—although the deadline was not until May 15. Fellowship applications have to be in by Feb. 15, however, and in the month before that the forms were arriving at the rate of 200 a week. Just for fun, admissions officers hold an annual pool on how many applications will be delivered on Feb. 15 alone. This year Elizabeth Katsivelos collected \$13 on a low guess of 89; she reckoned that there had been such a flood of early applications that the pace was bound to slacken.

Katsivelos is one of four people who make the admissions decisions for Columbia. They are all, by coincidence, women, and their

backgrounds suggest the variety of people who end up in business school. Katsivelos holds a master's degree in art history and sold art before joining the admissions staff two years ago. Joyce E. Cornell, the director for five years (her formal title is assistant dean for admissions), has a master's in education. Associate director Pat Lang earned a Columbia M.B.A. after working in publishing and advertising. Vanessa Womack took a bachelor's in mineral economics, then a Columbia M.B.A.

Because of the reading and processing load, Columbia's business-school faculty rarely participates

in the admissions process. There is, however, a faculty committee on admissions, which is called in on unusual cases. For instance, a successful business executive in his 50s recently applied. His test scores were good and his record of achievement was impressive, but questions arose. What difference would an M.B.A. make this late in his career? What younger person would he squeeze out? The case went to the faculty committee, which decided that the executive had established that he would benefit from the opportunity and, more important, that his very presence at the school and his contributions in the classroom based on experience would enrich the class. He got in.

The executive was not asked to plead his case personally because Columbia not only does not require interviews but does not encour-



Interview: Sometimes it harms rather than helps a candidate



Decision makers (from left) Lang, Cornell, Womack, Katsivelos

age them. Partly it's because admissions officers are overwhelmed by application reading; partly, candidates might be interested to learn, because interviews often do as much harm as good. An admissions officer may, however, request a personal discussion if something puzzles her. For instance, Katsivelos interviewed a young man to find out why he hadn't discussed the responsibilities of his most recent job. (He had considered it an interim job while he waited to go to business school, but the oversight was almost disastrous.)

undamentally, the Columbia process is a paper chase. There is no trick to filling out the application form, no "correct" way to answer its questions. Candidates must supply their college transcripts and Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT) scores, they must arrange for letters of recommendation and they must put together an educational and vocational résumé. In addition, applicants must write brief essays on these four topics: How

well do your grades reflect your abilities? What work experience has contributed most to your professional development? What is your most significant professional and/or academic achievement? What college extracurricular activity or community service has demonstrated your leadership abilities? Finally, applicants must write a longer essay, detailing their reasons for pursuing an M.B.A. in general and one at Columbia in particular. (At Penn's Wharton School, one essay question tells applicants to imagine "that you have been selected for a one-year solo flight on the space shuttle," and asks them what nine "items of special and personal significance"—three books, three records, three other material objects—they would take on the journey.)

Faced with a mountain of applications, admissions officers read, and read, and read. In about one-third of the cases, the candidates look so terrific, or so unimpressive, that they are admitted or rejected after a reading by one admissions officer. A hint: one quick route to

Sending in the Clowns

Many medical schools seem to be searching for a new breed of "well rounded" applicants. But it is not at all clear that they know what to do with them once they are admitted. Keith Ablow, a second-year student at the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine, discusses the problem:

Ilive with a philosopher turned clown and a jazz fanatic in a small house in a suburb not too far from the medical school where we study. Doug's closet holds the brightly striped pajama pants and big red nose that he wore during his stint as a professional clown, Howard's jazz records are stacked on the floor and my walls are covered with clippings from undergraduate efforts in journalism. An odd trio to be following in the footsteps of medical pioneers like William Osler and William Halsted. With what kind of cool stealth did we invade the classrooms where Denton Cooley oncesat?

The fact is, we didn't. The admissions officers were looking for us. They liked our scores on the Medical College Admissions Test, and they liked our grades in organic chemistry, but they loved Doug's clowning. They adored my editorship of the Brown Banner. With admission to top medical schools becoming increasingly competitive, admissions committees can pick and choose from a vast array of technically qualified students. So if there is a calculator case on your belt, it had better hold the gloves you wore to win that state cycling championship or the passport you used when you traveled round the world. After all, this is medical school you're applying to, buddy.

Baggage: But, if you make it, take no comfort from your past for a ys into the world of poetry or sport. Your facility at haiku will not help you remember where the iliopsoas muscle originates or inserts, and your biochemistry professor won't care about your time in the 100-meter freestyle. Your other interests, in fact, will be baggage in medical

school. If you long to hold a pen for reasons other than scribbling the biosynthetic pathway of acetylcholine, your concentration may well break; you may wonder whether your other skills are evaporating, whether you are changing into a narrow person. Your mood may suffer as you begin to realize that



Medical student Doug Lakin: No laughs

you have fallen into the crack of admissions policies in flux: they took you for your special interests, but no one thought to offer you a chance to keep them alive.

You may, in fact, become jealous of your friends in other graduate schools. Other professional schools don't invite the same kind of disparity between what they adore in applicants and what they expect from students. Yes, they like unusual achievements too. But admission to business school is more solidly based on achievements within the business field. Admission to law school is weighted heavily toward grades and scores on standardized tests designed to

assess logic and writing ability. So I listened to my friend at Harvard Law School curse the workload, but I never heard him despair that he was losing the skills he most treasured. The pressure was too great, but the hunger to expand, rather than shrink, as a person was satisfied.

It was harder for me, and it will probably be harder for you, in medical school. We are forced by the present system of medical education to turn the faucet on and off. To present a broad perspective at the interview only to memorize without rhyme or reason in anatomy class. Not to linger too long in college libraries, but to keep our heads down for four years in medical-school libraries. And if we should take our eyes off the 15-page handout that accompanies the morning lecture, there is always the fear that we will never be able to turn that faucet on again, not ever.

Humanity: Could they be all wrong, those who make it their business to pick one from perhaps every 40 applicants? Certainly not. For their part, they have served quite well. They have responded to the concern that qualities of humanity and perspective have not been given fair weight in choosing tomorrow's physicians, that too many products of yesterday's medical education are more at home in the laboratory than at the bedside. And they have dotted my class with individuals who have multiple skills, but who have chosen medicine because they care.

But then they leave us alone. Alone with more potential for pain because we are more human. Alone to suffer an education that has stood unyielding in the face of calls for change. And they risk setting ablaze the fine timber that they have found. I have watched it happen, and, from what others tell me, you will watch it happen wherever you go. And if you care as deeply as I about the medical profession, you will speak out. You will not forget the pain, and you will not look back, years from now, and write it off to character building. If we offer less as graduates than we were given as applicants, then the process will have failed . . . all of us.

Admissions decisions require a blend of calculation and intuition; there are no arbitrary minimums to exclude anyone with the potential to achieve.

the discard pile is to write essays with poor grammar and sentence construction. By way of contrast, Pat Lang describes one of this year's "single-read admits": "He had everything going for him—high test scores, a cum laude degree from an Ivy League school, exciting references. He had worked for a small family business in a small New England town and had done everything from marketing to finance. And he wrote clear, interesting, humorous, persuasive essays."

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Each admissions officer has developed her particular way of reading on, around and between the lines of an application. Lang uses a literary analogy to describe her method: "It's like starting a great. But by the time you finish the application, you should be able to come to a decision."

These decisions require a curious blend of calculation and intuition. About 80 percent of the entering class scored in the top third of the GMAT, but there are no arbitrary minimums to exclude anyone who presents an overall impression of achievement. This year Columbia took an automatic second look at the applications of people whose undergraduate GPA put them in the lower half of their graduating class. "There's nothing, in and of itself, that would preclude you from getting in here," says Cornell. "But you'd have to show signs of excellence in some other way."



Professor Miller in his class: For the faculty, having good students around to ask good questions helps 'make life worth living

new short story. You're delving into a new person." The reading begins with a look at biographical information—age, education, work experience—to determine the context in which to judge the candidate. "You don't want to evaluate a 33-year-old person the way you would a 21-year-old college senior," says Womack. The GMAT scores and GPA are noted, as well as the work history.

sing this information as a skeleton, the admissions officers build an impression by studying the essays. These help flesh out an applicant's background; more important, they offer clues as to how well that person reasons, judges and communicates. The longer central essay, which asks an applicant's reasons for wanting to attend Columbia, in particular allows the admissions officer to judge how realistic that person's goals are and how suitable he or she is for the program. "Evaluating an application is a slow process," says Womack. "You don't look at a few things and say a person is

Because these other qualities can't be quantified, more difficult subjective judgments must be used to determine a person's potential leadership ability, ambition or maturity. To be consistent in judging very different individuals, Cornell says, "you have to develop a real clinical ability, and it takes a while to do that." In early January, just before application reading began, Cornell instructed her staff to read especially for these intangible qualities: leadership, goal orientation and direction, ambition, competitive nature, interpersonal skills, energy level, breadth of perspective, judgment and maturity.

These factors weigh more heavily as the admissions process squeezes toward the close calls in the middle. Columbia doesn't haggle in borderline cases over who can do the work—all of these applicants are qualified. In these instances, the staff is looking for people who can add something special to the classroom, because of their background or their particular talents or their leadership. "We're looking," says Cornell, "for persons who, in their own way,

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are going to be the best—here academically and later professionally." If this sounds elitist, it is. Columbia, like its peers, is unashamedly trying to admit the movers and shakers of tomorrow.

In most cases two admissions officers read an application, and if a consensus cannot be reached, all four read the material, then meet to debate the merits. In early August, with most of the entering class decided upon, Cornell, Lang, Katsivelos and Womack convened to discuss five candidates on the borderline. "If any of these people had one point stronger, that would put them in," said Cornell. "If any of them had one other hole, they would be rejected." These were the five: an investment banker, with no more than good grades and modest GMAT scores, but impressive career growth and references that Lang called "as compelling as I've ever read"; an art-history graduate from an Ivy League school who offered good grades and strong GMAT scores, but an awkward essay and a terrible professional reference; a geophysicist from the West Coast with solid grades but subpar GMAT scores and less than overwhelming professional advancement; a woman in the technical sales field, and a brand-new chemical-engineering graduate.

he admissions officers clearly took sides. Cornell liked the art-history major who had gone on to manufacture wooden toys. "She's entrepreneurial," Cornell said. "She doesn't just see it, she does it. We don't see that many people who actually are entrepreneurial. I'm willing to take a risk with her." In comparing the relative merits of the investment banker and the geophysicist, Katsivelos asked the hallmark question: "Who do you think is going to make better use of the M.B.A.?" Katsivelos, Womack and Lang all chose the banker; Cornell rather preferred the geophysicist. Conclusion: the investment banker, the toy manufacturer and the technical saleswoman all got in; the others did not.

When the calls get this close, can clout provide enough of an edge to get a candidate in? The efforts of influential friends sway a decision only rarely, admissions officers insist, and never turn an outright rejection into an acceptance. "You're doing a disservice to admit people who aren't qualified," says Lang. "They sit and beg to get in, but if you do it you're just hurting them." The staff still remembers the academic struggle of a student who was admitted primarily because he was a close relative of a Columbia trustee. Even a seemingly impressive show of clout-such as the letter of recommendation from Ronald Reagan-makes no more than a marginal impact. This year the determined efforts of a Columbia business-school professor in behalf of one applicant failed to budge the decision makers. "He wrote a strong recommendation," recalls Eli Noam, head of the faculty admis-

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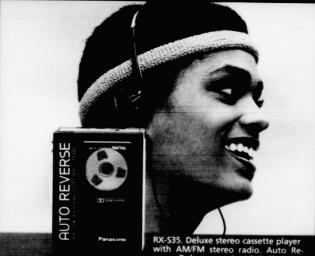
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sions committee, "and we said no. He protested. We still said no."

A similar restriction exists for minority candidates. Columbia wants more of them and takes into account the disadvantaged backgrounds many of them have, but admissions officers cannot bend the rules, says Cornell, "because if you admit anybody who can't do the work, you're defeating your purpose." To increase the numbers of minorities at the school, Columbia recruits the best and brightest at schools with large minority enrollment, supports efforts to encourage minorities to enter business and offers generous fellowships.

The admissions office applies the same



Burton: One of 15 in the 'top 10'

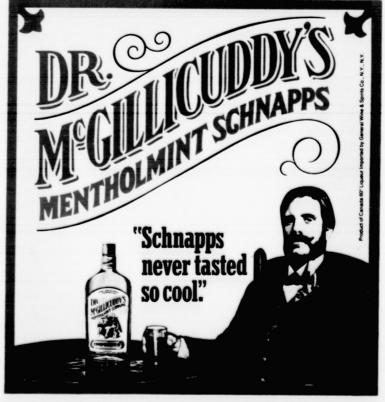
techniques in a more general way to attract all manner of quality students. "You can never have too many perfect applicants," says Cornell. Admissions officers visit about 60 campuses-mostly private-each fall to show the flag and spur student interest. Former admissions officer Susan Swett visited Williams College last November and met with four students. She began with an informational spiel about the school, then asked the students about their interests and answered their questions about such things as housing at Columbia and the school's joint-degree program in business and law. Even though he didn't plan to apply to business school for a couple of years, David Altshuler, a senior political-economy major, came prepared with a legal pad full of questions, including one about Columbia's use of computers. "I've got a PC here, so I'm an absolute addict," confessed Altshuler, who had created his own software consult-



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Lobbying by influential friends rarely helps applicants—and never guarantees admission.



Reception for the new class: For every person accepted, five must be turned away

ing business. Afterward Swett exulted, "You're not going to get an interview better than that. He came prepared. He had read the catalog. He knew his career interests."

The actual admission of students begins in late January, and most applicants receive an answer within six weeks. Columbia uses a rolling admissions procedure, which means that candidates are admitted steadily from January sometimes to the beginning of the fall term in September. Around the first of March, the school creates a "wait list," from which it will fill places in the class when some of those already admitted choose to go elsewhere or not attend school at all. By June there may be 75 to 90 people on the wait list. "They're good," says Cornell, "but they're not as good as the people we've admitted.' Some years a substantial number of waitlisted applicants get in, particularly if the quality of applicants drops off near the end of the admissions cycle.

olumbia knows, of course, that many of the candidates it admits will also be accepted by other top-rank business schools, so it works hard to attract the students it wants. One tactic is a series of receptions in several major cities in the spring. At a mid-March gathering in a midtown Manhattan hotel, about 100 prospective students clustered around admissions officers, Columbia faculty and their fellow acceptees. Tipped off about one hot prospect, David Miller, who teaches international finance and is one of the school's most popular professors, courted him avidly. Later Miller offered a simple explanation of why it was important to him: "It would be a delight to have this guy in class. He'll ask interesting questions. He'll make life worth living.

Whatever Miller said must have helped; the student chose Columbia.

Nicholas Valerio, then working in investment banking in New York, attended the reception to find out about financial aid. At that point Valerio had been admitted to three other M.B.A. programs and was waiting to hear from a fourth. (Valerio ended up at Wharton.) Gary McManus, then an auditor in the Philadelphia area, had been accepted at Columbia and was waiting to hear from three other schools. McManus said he came mainly "to get a better idea of what Columbia is about," and he ultimately decided to come. A similar curiosity brought a group of students already committed to Columbia to a reception at a private home in Washington, D.C., in early August. Clay Phillips and his wife, Katie, had serious questions about housing. They got the truth: the search for an apartment would be long and wearying. (The Phillipses have found one.)

One month ago the new class so carefully culled by Columbia arrived on the Morningside Heights campus to begin classes. On the first day of orientation, 475 folders waited for new students, although admissions officers had known from experience that some wouldn't show up. As it happened, 10 people didn't come, leaving Columbia with precisely as many new students as it wanted: 465. They came from 39 states and 34 foreign countries; slightly under one-third were women, about one-eighth minority (about one-third of those black); they averaged just over 25 years old. Fewer than one in six had an undergraduate degree in business administration. About 80 percent had some postcollege work experience.

As they gathered for a reception in the awesome rotunda of Low Library, many in

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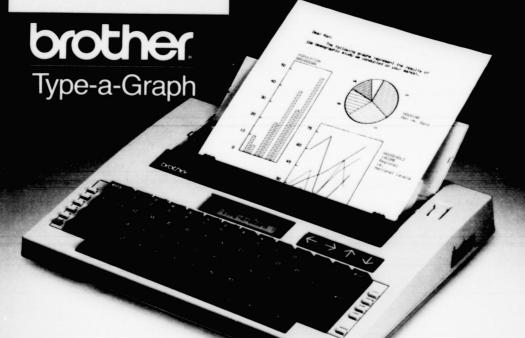
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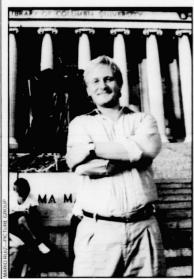
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the entering class admitted candidly that they had only a vague idea of how they had been chosen. They praised the application form. "The questions Columbia asked were straightforward," said Carol Fendler, who had applied to three other major schools. "They were more directly tied to your goals." Will Goodman said it was easier to apply to business school than to college: Business schools don't ask as many questions and they're more specific, so you don't have to worry about bullshitting so much."

heir motives varied as much as their backgrounds. Nina Esaki, who had been working in sales and marketing for IBM, knew exactly what the company wanted and applied only to Columbia. On the other hand, Remo Giuffré, a lawyer from Sydney, Australia, was also accepted by Harvard, Stanford, the University of Chicago and Wharton; he chose Columbia mainly because of New York's stature as both a financial and artistic center. John Williams, a New York paralegal, gained admission three short weeks after he applied in January, but Judy Kleiner, who worked in retail merchandising in New York, applied then too, only to languish on the wait list until early August.

And then there was Jim Ludwig-the last person admitted to the new class. Ludwig earned his bachelor's degree in biochemistry, but last spring he was working as the manager of a chic Manhattan restaurant called Mortimer's. After applying to Columbia in April, Ludwig began to ride the wait list in May. While on vacation in Bad Nauheim, West Germany, on Aug. 2, he called his roommate in New York to check his status and was told he had received a letter denying admission. Disappointed but now in no hurry, he continued his European tour. When he finally returned on Aug. 22, he found that his roommate had misread the letter. "First I yelled at him," remembered Ludwig. "Then I called Columbia and said, "There's been a big mistake. I still want to come'." He received his letter of admission the next day. "I'm very happy to be here," Ludwig said. "I'm last but not least."

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Sophomore's Shuttle Payload

Shawn Murphy, a sophomore at Ohio's Hiram College, almost didn't make it back to school on time this fall: he had to spend a week at the Johnson Space Center in Houston monitoring his experiment being conducted on the shuttle Discovery. While a junior in high school, Murphy won a NASA contest to have his experiment performed in space, and Rockwell International funded the \$100,000 project. The results may help improve the microminiaturization of such things as computer chips.

Murphy, whose father is a physicist, proposed to make a more efficient crystal of the metallic element indium. Scientists aboard Discovery simply switched on Murphy's self-controlling Fluid Experiment Apparatus and the machine did the rest. By applying heat to a crystalline structure of indium in zero gravity and introducing a seed crystal of the metal, a larger single crystal was created. Murphy, watching from the control center, liked what he saw. Rockwell engineers are also pleased. "The apparatus worked like a charm," reports Rockwell's Gunther Schurr. Murphy, who has not declared a major at Hiram, is dubious about science as a career, but the business potential of his project intrigues him. "There's a lot of money to be made there," he says. "I look at it very pragmatically.



Murphy at the Johnson Space Center: A practical education

A Second Chance at Birth Control

Postcoital contraception—in effect, birth control after the fact—has been around for about 20 years. But largely because most women don't know that it is available, PCC has not been widely used. Now an increasing number of physicians have begun to prescribe PCC, which was first developed for use by rape victims, for women who used inadequate birth control during sexual intercourse.

That's one of the words I learned in college."

The simplest form of PCC is a combination of hormones. "It's as simple as taking four-tablets within a 24-hour period," says Dr. Lee Schilling, staff gynecologist for Student Health Services at California State University, Fresno. For those who miss the 72-hour cutoff for starting treatment, or who cannot tolerate oral contraceptives, an intrauterine device can be inserted. Both methods work by preventing the implantation of the fertilized egg in the uterus (which can occur as late as eight days after intercourse). Studies indicate that either method of PCC can reduce the incidence of pregnancy as much as 98 percent. But Schilling found that few students were aware that PCC was available. The medical director of Planned Parenthood of New York City, Dr. Enayat Elahi, speculates that physicians have been reluctant to publicize PCC because they don't want patients to rely on it instead of conventional contraception.

Elahi emphasizes that it should be used only as an emergency measure if precautions were not taken in advance or other methods are thought to have failed.

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Like contraception generally, PCC has its risks. The IUD can cause bleeding, pelvic infection, expulsion and pain. Oral contraceptives can bring about nausea, vomiting, headaches, breast tenderness and disruption of the menstrual cycle, although these symptoms are usually mild. Doctors also caution that if a woman was unknowingly pregnant at the time of intercourse, PCC by pill increases the chances of fetal malformation. Fresno's Schilling believes, however, that the potential benefits far outweigh the risks. PCC is a last resort—but sometimes an important one.



USC dorm: How long will this woman last?

Décor Betrays Future Dropouts

Do you plaster your dorm-room walls with pictures of the old hometown? A high-school football pennant? Graduation pictures? Don't unpack. Dr. Barbara B. Brown, a psychologist at Texas Christian University, says you may not be around very long.

In a study conducted at the University of Utah, Brown took photographs of freshmen's wall decorations. "Then we waited a year to see who would drop out and looked for patterns," she says. Two decorative schemes emerged as bad risks. The first was any one-dimensional theme: "These people might have had 101 ballet posters," says Brown, "and that was it." According to Brown, that kind of décor betrays narrow interests and the kind of student who's likely to have trouble adjusting to a new environment. A successful student might have

a few ballet posters, but would also post items that show dedication to other activities. Another type of student prone to drop out is the one who plasters his walls with mementos from home. "He or she might display letters from a younger sibling, dried prom corsages, pictures of old friends and high-school-graduation tassels," Brown says. "These rooms communicate a sense of homesickness, a feeling of uprooting." student who's better able to adjust might display some of these items, but would also post what Brown calls "items of commitment" to the new college communitysports schedules or a map of the campus.

Brown is now repeating her Utah study at TCU to see if the results will be consistent. If they are, she suggests, her findings may help resident advisers spot students who are likely to have troubles in college.



NiteSkool on location in Chicago: A do-it-yourself education in the music business

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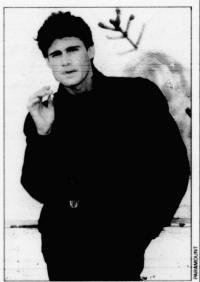
OK, so the 12-inch single of "Ambition" isn't exactly burning up the airwaves. Neither is the song's promotional video. But to the people who created them-more than 100 Northwestern undergraduates known as The NiteSkool Project—both are already successful. NiteSkool is the only studentrun rock-and-roll production company in the country, and its members now know what it's like to create a pop-music product from scratch.

Junior Eric Bernt and sophomore Jon Shapiro founded NiteSkool last spring after they realized that Northwestern offered no formal courses on the music business. The radio-television-film department helped clear one hurdle by sponsoring the project as a student-run seminar; alumni and the Associated Student Government also helped by kicking in \$8,500. The rest was up to NiteSkool, and in the best tradition of student showbiz they did it all themselves: they commissioned songs from undergraduate musicians, picked two, formed a band, cut the record, shot a video in a warehouse district on the South Side of Chicago. Along the way, they made what economies they could. Local merchants and a sound studio offered discounts, and lead singer Kristin Kunhardt doubled as company accountant.

After "Ambition" aired on several Chicago radio stations and the video drew a mention on MTV, Bernt and Shapiro began looking ahead to NiteSkool's next project: an eight-song mini-LP, with more video. Just like "Ambition," says Bernt, the next project will have to be good enough to stand on its own after the novelty of NiteSkool's youth wears off. "The newsworthiness is enough to get our record played-once," he

A Star Is Born

This year's version of the great American success story stars actor Steven Bauer, 28. Born in Cuba, Bauer fled the island with his parents when Fidel Castro came to power in 1959. He began acting while a student at Miami Dade Junior College. By 1982 he was broke and hungry, shuttling between coasts in a constant search for acting jobs. Parts off-Broadway and on television ("Hill Street Blues," "One Day at a Time") kept him alive, but a break in the movies eluded him. Finally, though, he scored: the key supporting part of Manny Rivera, partner in crime to Al Pacino's Marielito drug king in Brian De Palma's remake of "Scarface." The critics liked Bauer but savaged the film for its relentless violence and gore. "It was the



Bauer: 'It only takes one part'

wrong year to make the movie," Bauer sighs, "the year of 'Tender Mercies' and 'Terms of Endearment.

For Bauer, though, "Scarface" was nothing more or less than the big break. Offers started to come in, many of them for parts just like Manny Rivera. The young actor found himself in the unusual-and scaryposition of choosing to turn down work. "I thought, nope...just gotta wait until some-thing radically different comes along." He thinks he found it in "Thief of Hearts," which will be released this month. The film tells the story of a young burglar and his emotional involvement with a victim: "It's a dangerous, exciting movie," says Bauer, "a movie about the intrusion of a life on another life." It is Bauer's second film, and he has the starring role. "Only takes one part to show what you can do," he says. "One part."

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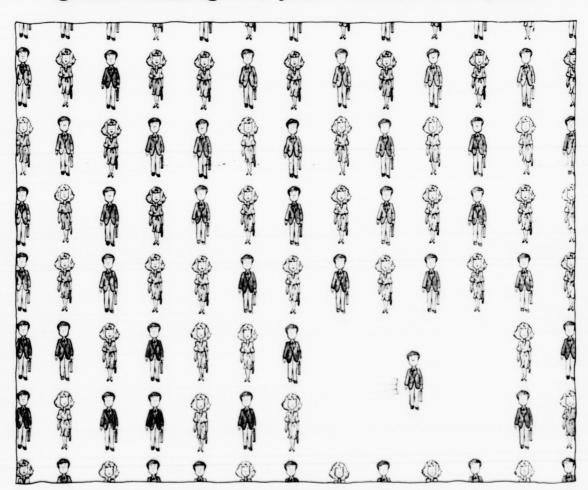


Gradematic: No breaks

an electronic letter-grade averager about 20 years ago. Brittan sold the machine out of his garage. But, according to Gradematic marketing manager Steve Kennedy,

"it was fairly crude, about the size of a toaster," and sales were poor. Microchip technology made the new palm-size version feasible about two years ago. Gradematic's manufacturer. Calculated Industries, plans a \$100,000 marketing and promotion campaign this fall. But let the learner beware: the Gradematic is not programmed to give a borderline student a break—or take into account whether he was sick for most of the spring term.

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In the **School Of Hard** Knocks

Cowboys and cowgirls compete for glory-and money-in college rodeo. glasses and drawled, "It's all right. I deserve it for getting thrown off that bull." Five minutes before, Hedeman

had been carried out of the rodeo arena on a stretcher-with his neck in a brace and his head swathed in gauze. Five minutes before that, he had come within a twitch of a tail of riding a bull that had not been ridden for more than a year. Just a moment away from the required eight-second ride, he explained, "I went too much one way and he came back the other way." Hedeman's chin smashed down on the bull's left horn, his crumpled body was flung off the twirling bull like a rag doll and his chance at three college-rodeo titles and \$12,000 in scholarships and gear hit the dust with a thud.

Hedeman, a junior at Sul Ross State in Alpine, Texas, and about 350 other headstrong hands rode, roped, wrestled and tumbled their way through the College National Finals Rodeo (CNFR) at Montana State in Bozeman in late June. The festive CNFR climaxes the college-rodeo season that begins each year in the late fall. More than 3,000 students wrangle intercollegiately for about 225 schools, nearly all of them west of the Mississippi, some as varsity athletes and others as members of rodeo clubs. Regulated by the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association (NIRA), rodeo is different from other college sports in one major respect: it requires entry fees from competitors and rewards top hands with

Each year the leading finishers from 11 regions qualify for the College National. Men compete in five events: bareback riding, saddle-bronc riding, bull riding, steer wrestling and calf roping. Women compete



Barrel racer: If you think it's easy, check out her

away roping. The ninth event, team roping, is open to pairs—men, women or coed. The athletes collect points all season long, but performance in the six-day CNFR counts for one-quarter of the total for a national title.

And that's how Mike Currin, a freshman at Blue Mountain Community College in Pendleton, Ore., won the national championship this year in steer wrestling. Entering the competition in fourth place for the season, Currin downed his first steer in a stunning 4.1 seconds. Then, as each of the other leaders slumped-Tom Gledhill of Sam Houston State in Texas literally fell out of first place when his steer veered right as he came off his horse—Currin cap-tured first place by a margin of 12 points on a season total of 551 points. "If I had been one-tenth of a second slower on my last steer," Currin marveled, "I wouldn't have won it."

The two all-around leaders coming into the College National held on for championships despite routine performances in the big event. Nancy Rea, a sophomore at Southern Arkansas in Magnolia,

won the women's title, and freshman John Opie of Oregon's Blue Mountain took the men's—each earning \$2,500, a hand-tooled saddle and a belt buckle. Opie's route to the championship—he edged Hedeman because of Hedeman's last-second fall—was a little more nerve-racking. On his first bareback ride, Opie held his mount for the required eight seconds, then got caught up on the horse, which bucked against the edge of the arena, smashing Opie's head against a metal fence. Even after watching a videotape of his performance, Opie could not remember the ride. "The doctors told me it

slowed down my reaction time in the other events," Opie said later. "I think they were right."

njuries are commonplace in a sport where people routinely fall from bucking animals at strange angles, and where they jump off horses at full gallop. During the CNFR, Opie rode with a temporary cast on his left forearm because a horse stepped on it last spring, tearing all the cartilage and ligaments. Even in the seemingly safe event of barrel riding, in which cowgirls race in a three-leaf-clover pattern around three 50-gallon barrels, injuries occur when a horse passes too close to a drumand Rea has the permanent scars on her shins to prove it. But most rodeo injuries are dismissed by the riders as minor; Chuck Karnop, athletic trainer



at Montana State, insists that rodeo is less hazardous than such collegiate sports as wrestling, football and hockey.

good time-and helping to pay for college

Student cowhands simply assume the risks as a price of their sport. "You just got to block injuries out of your mind," advises Kent Richard, a sophomore at McNeese State in Lake Charles, La., who last year broke each of his ankles five months apart. Hedeman's mother, Clarice, who journeyed from El Paso to watch her son get knocked silly, doesn't worry much about his physical safety, but then the Hedemans are a rodeo family. "Motorcycles," she proclaimed in a

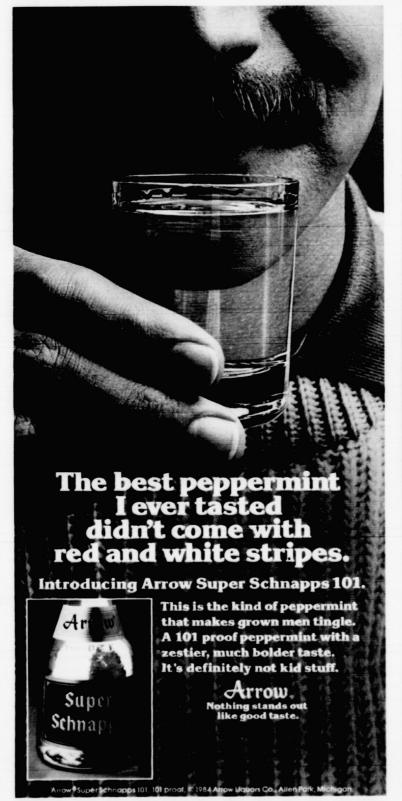
heavy Texas drawl, "they scare me a lot more than bulls."

The money helps salve wounds. Students must, of course, make an investment: Rea spends at least \$100 a month to board three horses, five head of cattle and a goat at school, and all competitors pay entry fees and traveling expenses. But many students, like Paul Cleveland, a University of Nebraska senior who has won \$7,000 this year, "cover expenses for the most part and pay for college, too." Hedeman had earned \$27,000 this year by the time of the College National. And since the rodeo circuit is



Miss College Rodeo contestants: The virtues of Western civilization

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busiest in the summer, it need not interfere much with schooltime. Says Troy Ward, the current national bareback-riding champion: "It sure beats working."

ollege rodeo feeds naturally into the professional circuit, as the minors do for big-league baseball. "It's a training ground," says Tim Corfield, general manager of the NIRA and rodeo coach at Walla Walla Community College in Washington. He estimates that one-quarter of NIRA's student members belong to the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association and two-thirds of the competitors on the procircuit arrived through college rodeo. "It's not unusual to find a 17-year-old who has the ability to make money at rodeo," says



Rea: Holding on to claim the big prize

Corfield. "That doesn't mean that person should be deprived of a chance to get an education."

It's a bonus when the opportunity for a college education is added to traditions as solidly Western as ruggedness, courage and getting paid for having fun. Rodeo thrives on good old-fashioned values—which is why a Miss College Rodeo contest always accompanies the College National. The women are judged in five categories—appearance, sportsmanship, personality, congeniality and horsemanship. This year, from 18 finalists, Jill Thurgood of Utah's Weber State was elected Miss College Rodeo (she won the preliminaries in appearance and personality). She accepted her title in one of seven outfits—costing a total of almost \$4,000—she had brought to the competition: a gray three-piece suit with white pinstripes, pink blouse, gray bow the with white polka dots, gray cowboy hat and gray cowboy boots with pink wing-tip toes.

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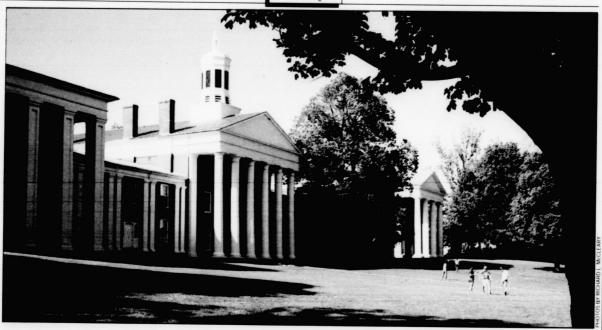
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ashington and Lee University takes its traditions seriously, as befits a school founded in 1749. saved from financial ruin in 1796 by a substantial gift from George Washington, and transformed into a progressive university between 1865 and 1870 by Robert E. Lee. Tradition means that W&L, set in the sleepy town of Lexington, Va., approaches change with an abundance of caution and a reverence for the way things have been done: an honors system inaugurated by Lee more than a century ago remains largely intact. So when W&L's board of trustees met in July to vote on the admission of women to its undergraduate college, after 235 years of admitting only men, the decision was reached only after deep and sometimes fretful reflection. On the night before the final vote, admits board chairman James Ballengee, "I was tossing in my bed, and I heard another trustee at 4 a.m. pacing in the hotel room next door." Eight hours later W&L's board voted 17 to 7 to admit women in the fall of 1985.

The W&L decision leaves only a handful of nondenominational men's colleges in the United States, among them Wabash College in Crawfordsville, Ind., the Citadel Military College of South Carolina in Charleston, Hampden-Sydney College in

Hampden, Va., and the Virginia Military Institute, located next to W&L in Lexington. They outlasted the great move to coeducation that began in the late '60s and swept along such institutions as Harvard, Dartmouth and Vassar. By comparison, dozens of women's colleges exist, in part because they are seen as a way to overcome a perceived sexual bias in society at large and in coeducational colleges and universities. Such a rationale doesn't exist for men's colleges, and sexually segregated education for males has become increasingly unpopular with high-school graduates. "An all-male school doesn't seem to be a product that sells," says trustee Ballengee

Nonetheless, the break with tradition wasn't overwhelmingly popular at W&L. In a survey last spring, the faculty voted 6 to 1 in favor of coeducation, but alumni opposed the change by 2 to 1, and 52.9 percent of current students declared against coeducation, 33.9 percent of them "strongly so." "Students here have lived under the system and enjoy it," says student-body president Cole Dawson. "Our student body is very conservative."

"Washington and Lee is not a national university, but a Southern university with a

national constituency," says W&L president John Wilson, sitting across from a portrait of Lee in the president's residence, a house designed and built by the general. "There are values here that can be traced back to the best in Southern regional culture. There's a high sense of decency, civil-



Protest: Mixing frivolous and serious?

ity, courtesy, trust, honor. Lee came here out of the Southern military tradition with an almost Homeric vision of the gentleman." Legend has it that Lee took the book of regulations that dictated student conduct and threw it away, replacing it with the unwritten rule that every student should simply act as a gentleman. (Any violation, no matter how small, results in dismissal.) Today's students can literally see the legacy of Robert E. Lee. The Confederate leader and 15 members of his family are entombed on campus in the Lee Chapel, designated a National Historic Landmark in 1962. (Lee's horse, Traveller, is buried just outside.) Facing the chapel across a gently sloping expanse of lawn is the front campus, a group of five buildings that create the

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visual trademark of W&L—a towering white colonnade standing in stark contrast to the deep-red brick structures.

How the general would react to newer traditions is problematical. Scratch a W&L gentleman and you'll likely hear the school's unofficial motto: "We work hard and we party hard." In addition to relaxing and socializing on weekends, W&L students now routinely take off Wednesday evenings to carouse. (And recently, W&L's on-campus hangout, the Cockpit, has become a popular place to spend a Tuesday evening.) Because it's a long drive to W&L from surrounding women's colleges such as Hollins and Sweet Briar, women usually need a good excuse, like a party, to spend an hour or

meetings between men and women. "It's like a meat market up here," said Ann Majors, a graduating senior at Hollins, which is 54 miles away in Roanoke. "You go through alcohol-induced meetings and half the time you don't remember who they are."

The social limits of the men's college are readily apparent to high-school seniors. In a recent W&L admissions-office survey of applicants who were accepted but chose to go elsewhere, more than one-third said that the school's all-male character was the most important reason. "There's no question that we've soft-pedaled the all-maleness of the institution," says admissions counselor Bennett Ross. "We've sold it as a quality institution."



Just your average Wednesday night on campus: 'We work hard and we party hard'

more driving to Lexington. "On Wednesday nights," says Frank Parsons, executive assistant to the president and university editor, "great swarms of women drive up. Some go to the library. Later in the evening, they make the rounds of the fraternities."

n one mild Wednesday evening last spring, the Phi Kappa Sigma fraternity was almost deserted at 10:30. Three men and one woman stood sipping beer in the dingy entryway furnished only by audio speakers chained to the wall. An hour later more than 100 people were dancing in the crowded parlor and overflowing onto the front steps. Beer flowed from two kegs and a stereo blasted "Let's Hear It for the John Henschel, then a sophomore in business administration, explained the thirst for partying: "You need to release a lot of tension when you have the chance." But the frequent parties can be explained another way: in a single-sex college, there are few opportunities for relaxed, unpressured

From that perspective, the W&L admissions office has had a strong product to sell. The institution enrolls about 1,350 undergraduates in the college (humanities and natural sciences) and the School of Commerce, Economics and Politics. With just under 150 faculty members, that works out to a rather cozy student-to-faculty ratio of fewer than 11 to 1, and class size averages just under 15. In recent years, freshman scores on the Scholastic Aptitude Test have hovered around 550 verbal and just under 600 in math. But authorities feared that they could not maintain these standards at a time when W&L, like all colleges, faces a shrink-ing pool of customers. "We've admitted some students recently who wouldn't have gotten in in the past," says counselor Ross.

Spurred by admissions data and the arrival of new president Wilson (he came from all-female Wells College, where he had supported single-sex education), W&L's trustees last year inaugurated a sweeping study of the potential impact of coeducation

on all elements of the university. Opponents greeted even the possibility of women students with something less than enthusiasm. One trustee resigned from the board so that he could openly work against coeducation. A veteran professor declared, seriously: "The education of women is a trivial matter. The education of men is a serious matter. I don't think the frivolous and serious should mix." Among students, bumper stickers declaring, "Better Dead Than Coed" and "In the Hay But Not All Day" became popular and, at one point, W&L gentlemen draped a banner across the statue of George Washington atop Washington Hall that read "No More Marthas."

ome contended that groundwork for the admission of women had already been laid. Women have taken undergraduate courses at W&L-through an exchange program with other area collegessince 1970, and the law school at W&L first admitted women in 1972, partly under pressure from law-school accrediting agencies. But at a place where an air of masculinity pervades every facet of university lifefrom student government to classroom give-and-take to campus camaraderie-the introduction of women at the undergraduate level has been considered by many to be a genuine threat to the "intangible" qualities of W&L. "Many of the values that exist here are subjective values, things that you know and feel inside yourself," says B. S. Stephenson, a 1942 W&L graduate who is now a professor of German. "A break with what has built up in the course of 235 years amounts to an alteration of personality and a discarding of values, many of which I consider worthwhile.

The change will be gradual. Current plans call for 80 or so women to be admitted next year, then increasing numbers until, by 1992, there will be about 500 women and 1,000 men. New dorm arrangements are a priority. Some fear that the change will hurt W&L's strong fraternity system—to which more than 60 percent of all undergraduates belong-and weak houses may die. On the other hand, two national sororities have already asked about establishing chapters.

The ultimate impact on this most traditional of institutions is, of course, unclear, but anticipation is growing. Most of the faculty see nothing but positives. "Women do look at some things differently," says Louis Hodges, professor of religion. "In my medical-ethics class, it's been difficult to get a sense of the emotional impact of an abortion." Admissions officers love their new prospects. They believe that even hardened alumni will soon be excited by the opportunity to send their daughters as well as their sons to W&L. And the evidence is already building. With the first coed class a year away, more than 500 women have inquired about attending W&L. They are eager to add a whole new melody to the Washington and Lee swing.

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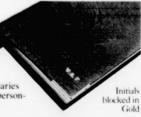
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The Pleasures of Thinking Small

Robert Benton won two Academy Awards, for best screenplay and best direction, with his 1979 film "Kramer Vs. Kramer." His first screenplay, in 1967, was for "Bonnie and Clyde"; he also wrote and directed "The Late Show" and "Still of the Night." His latest film, "Places in the Heart," is loosely based on stories he heard while growing up in Waxahachie, Texas. Benton met recently with Bill Barol of NEWSWEEK ON CAMPUS. Excerpts from their conversation:

BAROL: Why do you concentrate on small, quiet movies rather than on blockbusters?

BENTON: I tend to do movies that are grounded in certain key relationships in my life. I enjoy that process. I enjoy thinking about those people, using them as subject matter. For example, while I was pleased by the success of "Kramer Vs. Kramer," I was also surprised—I had no idea that so many people's lives had been so deeply touched by divorce. To me, the movie was much more about the relationship that my son and I had had when he was a little boy. The scene in the movie where they're eating breakfast, and the father is reading the paper and the son is reading a comic book and they're not saying anything to each other—that's really

Q. "Places in the Heart" is also small and quiet. Are pictures like this hard to sell to studios?

A. Yes. It's a period film and they don't have a great reputation right now, and it's hard to describe in two sentences at a board meeting. It's a risky picture for a studio to do—I mean, I can't guarantee them the 14-year-old audience. I can't guarantee a big television sale. It doesn't have what they like to call "hooks."

Q. Could an untested director have sold this picture?

A It would have been hard. Look at the problems James Brooks is supposed to have had in getting "Terms of Endearment" set up. That took years, and he had a great track record.

Q. Well, he had a great track record in television. Does that count?

A. I don't know. I don't know what counts. Only last week counts in the movie business.

Q. Would you want to be the head of a studio?

A. I used to think I'd love it, but I wouldn't. I'd hate it. Every week you get handed 50 scripts to read, and you have to consider every possible combination of ac-

tors, directors, producers. There are only a few things that you *know*: George Lucas is going to make money. Steven Spielberg is going to make money. Bill Murray is going to make money. A few others. But a huge pool of other talented people *may or may not* make money. And the movies *are* commerce. In the end the studio heads are answerable to Coca-Cola or some realestate conglomerate. This isn't the old days, when they controlled the theaters and there was no television. They don't have insurance anymore.



Benton: 'My kind of movie is hard to sell'

Q. So why on earth should they gamble?

A. I don't know. Let me tell you something: if I were a studio executive I would have passed on "Places in the Heart."

Passed in a second.

Q. You once said that it's far worse to put too much in a movie than too little.

A. Yeah, I prefer not to be told too much. I like a sparer kind of vision, a sort of Calvinist idea—that you use only the minimum of things you can use. That's why I've always loved Howard Hawks and Hitchcock. They were ruthless with themselves. They took everything out except the most imaginative ways to carry the narrative along.

Q. In "Kramer Vs. Kramer," in fact, one of your favorite characters ended up on the cutting-room floor.

A Right. That was Charlie, the estranged husband of the Jane Alexander character. And it was heartbreaking. Arlene Donovan, the producer, told me, "You know, ultimately you're going to lose that

character." It was a terrible thing to hear, but I knew she was right. We took him out two days later. That's the great thing about movies: everyone contributes. They have to. It's a huge effort. Movies are too complex for any one person to control, the way a writer can control a novel. It's not like writing a book, or making a painting. What it is is much more like putting out a newspaper or a magazine. And I love that, because it takes the heat off me. I love the give and take. Every day people come in with new things, and you can say yes, or no, or let's try it.

Q. Let's go from minimalism to—well, maximalism. What did you think of "Indiana Jones"?

A. I liked it a lot. That's the kind of movie I come out of extremely envious. I was introduced to George Lucas not long after I'd seen "Star Wars," and I grilled him; I'm sure the last thing he wanted to do then was talk about "Star Wars" one more time, but I was so filled up with the movie. It was the most brilliant attempt at mythmaking. He'd done it, and no one else had. It was brilliant, and it was clean as could be. Over their whole body of work, I think Lucas and Spielberg have moved filmmaking forward just in terms of how quickly we understand visual information. All our pictures will move a little faster now because of Lucas and Spielberg.

Q. Did you ever want to make a big, splashy action picture?

A. I wish I could. I'd love to do a James Bond movie. If somebody came to me and said, "Here's a lot of money. You're going to do the next James Bond picture," I'd be so happy. But I'd have to say no. The thing I've come to realize is that I just don't know how to do that. My canvas is very small, and I'm OK as long as I hold the scale to something modest. I could never conceive of something like "Star Wars." That monumental vision is something I just don't have. I know better how to make a picture that depends for its effect on the accumulation of innumerable small details-one that hinges on relationships that reveal themselves through nuance, or elliptical arcs, rather than direct confrontation.

Q. I understand that Kathy Kennedy, who runs Spielberg's production company, is after him to do a small love story.

A Listen, I had lunch with Spielberg a few years ago, and he was telling me about this little movie he was going to make—a bunch of kids in Tucson, or Phoenix. He described it as this little, tiny picture. Made it sound like "Pocket Change," by Truffaut. It turned out to be "E.T."

Getting Hooked on Classics

By CHARLES PASSY

ost college students respond to classical music with about the same amount of enthusiasm they reserve for taking finals. The odd thing is that lying next to The Police or Prince in many student's record collections you'll find copies of Vivaldi's "The Four Seasons," Pachabel's "Canon" or Ravel's "Bolero" (remember the film "10"?). Just about everybody has been exposed to one or another of these warhorses.

But how come students rarely start seriously collecting classical records until they're out of school? Is it for economic reasons? No. Most students spend enough money each year on albums to keep the popmusic industry thriving. Perhaps it has more to do with some basic misconceptions about what kind of music "classical" is supposed to be. Let's see if we can shatter a few of these myths.

Misconception: 'It's old.' Look at it this way: the classical-music listener has a much better deal than the pop fan. He has more than 400 years of repertoire to choose from, and he knows that the compositions that have survived are usually the best. Rock, by comparison, has been around only a little more than 25 years, and we're still sorting through what's good and what's bad.

Misconception: 'It's boring.' True enough, classical music doesn't have the immediate "hooks" that pop does, but who says you have to fall in love with music on the first listening? Try two takes of Puccini's operatic masterpiece, "Madame Butterfly," and you may soon find yourself playing it more than you ever played The Who's "Tommy."

Misconception: 'It's not powerful.' Don't confuse loudness with power. Try listening to Mozart's "Requiem" or Stravinsky's "The Rites of Spring." You'll soon start to realize that much classical music achieves its power by creating a sense of tension within the listener, not by blasting him out of his seat or shattering his eardrums.

Misconception: 'It's stuffy and elitist.'
Nothing is further from the truth. Take classical music out of the fancy concert halls and away from the expensive evening-gown scene, and you're left with the same great sound. Have you ever sat on the grass at Tanglewood in the Berkshires and listened to Beethoven's Fifth? How about at Grant

Park in Chicago, or the Hollywood Bowl? The real difference may be inside your head.

With all this in mind, let's consider some of today's classics—recordings of both old and new material that might painlessly introduce you to the world of Bach, Beethoven and Brahms.

Bach: The Goldberg Variations (Glenn Gould, Piano/CBS Masterworks, 1982). Gould's tragic and unexpected death in 1982 was as much of a loss to classical-music listeners as Jimi Hendrix's was to rock and rollers. His 1955 recording of The Goldberg Variations, Bach's most technically demanding keyboard work, ultimately became the best-selling classical record of all time. In 1982, Gould recorded the work again, a

Classical music works by creating a sense of tension, not by blasting you out of your seat.

version even more beautiful and thoughtprovoking than the first. The album was released a few days before he died.

Copland and Ives: Selected Works (Philadelphia Orchestra, Eugene Ormandy, conductor/Columbia Records, 1965). Are these men the Phil Spector and Berry Gordy of classical music? Perhaps not, but they do represent the important and different trends in American classical music of this century. Many will recognize Copland's "Fanfare for the Common Man" as the theme from the old National Geographic TV series.

Pavarotti's Greatest Hits (Luciano Pavarotti, Tenor/London Records, 1980). Long before people were being moved by Lionel Richie's love ballads, they were being moved by these melodramatic arias from Verdi, Puccini, Rossini and others. And Luciano Pavarotti, the "King of the High C's," as opera lovers affectionately know him, sings this stuff like no one else. Check out his performance of Puccini's "Nessun Dorma"—a real tear-jerker.

Philip Glass: Music for the film "Koyaanisqatsi" (The Philip Glass Ensemble/Antilles



Records, 1983). Although many college students have become attracted to Glass's music because of its driving rhythms and heavy amplification, they are probably not aware of the fact that Glass is considered a "classical" composer. (Would you believe he has completed two operas?) This new release contains some of his best music to date.

Mozart: Requiem (Dresden State Orchestra, Peter Schreier, conductor/Philips Records, 1984). In 1791 Mozart foretold his own death and completed this "Requiem" as a memorial to himself. Sound chilling enough? Wait until you hear the beginning of this performance.

Stravinsky: The Rites of Spring (Columbia Symphony Orchestra, Igor Stravinsky, conductor/Columbia Records, 1961). The 1913 première of this work caused as much of a riot as the Beatles' U.S. arrival in 1964. In this case, the fuss came from angry audiences who opposed the music on the ground that it was sheer dissonance. The work has gone on to earn its reputation as a landmark in composition, and is played today by virtually every major symphony orchestra.

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Chopin: Preludes (Vladimir Ashkenazy, piano/London Records, 1978). This is some of the most romantic music ever written. Chopin's frequent source of inspiration was the French author, Lucie Dudevant (better known under her pseudonym, George Sand), with whom he carried on a scandalous 10-year love affair. The Preludes fully display Chopin's moods and emotional states, and the performance by Ashkenazy brings out the full beauty of the music.

Beethoven: Symphony No. 9, "Choral" (New York Philharmonic, Zubin Mehta, conductor/CBS Masterworks, 1983). Beethoven's Fifth Symphony may be the best-known classical work of all time, but the Ninth is perhaps his greatest musical statement: Beethoven composed it and later conducted its première after he had become totally deaf. The last movement contains the famous choral finale, and it is the most powerful testimony to humankind that you will ever hear. Try playing this spirited performance at full volume the next time you come back from taking finals.

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Young Fingers On the Button

The quality of student photographers echoes the best work exhibited anywhere. When they discuss people who have influenced them, they mention names that have



little to do with photography— poets, painters and composers.

Laura Parker California Institute of the Arts Valencia, Calif.

In the beginning, the photograph appeared to be a miraculous mirror to nature. Photograph was instantly popular in the last century uses it recorded the line of a face and the sweep without a mirror to make the more accurately than any ter or draftsman. Well into this century, real-mirror may be more accurately than any ter or draftsman. Well into this century, real-mirror may be more accurately than any ter or draftsman and tedimed by a host of major so "Photography", said Paul Strand, one of nodern masters, "is the first and only contri-

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bution ... of science to the arts." Henri Cartier-Bresson, the brilliant French photojournalist, insisted on purity to the bone. He believed in pushing the button, freezing candid action on film and printing the result without cropping, exalting what he called "Things-as-They-Are."

But in the end, neither subjectivity on midriel-unity could be permanently repressed. When a hours of the properties of the NEWSWEEK ON CAMPUS/OCTOBER 1984



The result is a misty and delicate image, suspended between painting and photography.

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A survey of the state of student photography shows that the field has spread across many disciplines—it is no longer confined to photography course—and that the work echos the best work exhibited across the nation. When they it als hout NEWSEER OKAMINS.OCTOBER 184

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priate. The bridge on the previous page is 16 by 20 inches in its original print. The exquisite still life by Janyce Erlich, a George Washington University graduate student, is 16 by 20 inches, patently enlarged to that scale to dramatize the reflections, light and color captured by her lens when she



examined Mylar and other reflective materials. Like many of her colleagues, Erlich admits she is influenced more by painting than by other photography. This is why so many student photographers prefer large scale, approximating the ef-

fect of a canvas on the wall. "South Florida" (page 35), a straight color photograph by Paul D'Amato, a graduate student at Yale, is 11 by 14 inches. Though it is an unmanipulated print, the angle used to depict the low, flat horizon, the enigmatic street sign and the lush, orange ball pushes the image as close to abstraction as an Erlich or a Ghostlaw.

Though black and white is conventionally understood to be the medium of hard-fact observation, many monochrome images are charged with poetic effects. "Ariadne's Thread" (page 39), a 16-by-20-inch multiple-image print by Eugenia Schnee, a graduate student at George Washing-

'FAST TIMES'

George Hirose

Pratt Institute

New York, N.Y.

'WHO'S KIDDING HUGH' Hugh Crawford California Institute of the Arts Valencia, Calif.

> 'SOMETHING OTHER THAN THE PERFECT STATUE IN 1974' Janet Pietsch University of Washington Seattle, Wash



ton, mixes a row of classical bas-relief figures with nudes freshly posed and recorded by the photographer herself. "The picture is part of a series of images from Greek mythology," she says, "accomplishing a continuity of time within the image." Clearly, Schnee is pursuing goals larger than "Things-as-They-Are." The same certainly can be said of Adam Licht, who recently graduated from the State University of New York at Purchase. His carefully posed apple (page 38) is printed in the Palladium process, enriching and enlivening the gray tones of the apple—and its shadows—far beyond the bounds of candid reality. Even the influence of Adams can be subverted by photographers like Robert Millman, from The Maryland Institute, College of Art, in Baltimore.



His view of the "Badlands" (page 38) catches the swell and roll of the desert at an angle that endows it with a fleshlike sensuosity. The lines and tracks cutting through it read like human wrinkles, if not crevices.

Virtually all that remains of the old "Tell it like it is" naturalism are sly, witty photographs of the sort produced by Mark Frey, a 1983 graduate of the University of Washington, and Jeff Burk, a graduate student at Indiana University. But

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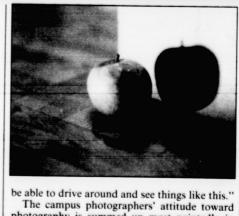


Frey's shapely sunbather, reading the vaguely feminist New Woman magazine, is more ironic commentary than reportage, and Burk's field of discarded hubcaps (opposite page) is a deft jab at a society committed to luxurious waste. "The car is the symbol of American culture," he says, "but it occurred to me that someday we won't

'BADLANDS'
Robert Millman
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photography is summed up most pointedly in two final images. Pratt Institute graduate George Hirose openly transforms the "reality" of the street in his "Fast Times" (page 36), a 16-by-20-inch silver print that is hand-colored in bold, vibrant tones. The "FAST" sign at the top of the photograph is linked to the moving station wagon at the bottom by a brush dipped in redder-than-red red. Though Hirose confesses to a regard for Cartier-Bresson's clean-cut, candid images, his "Fast Times" perfectly illustrates what has happened in photography since the vintage days of pure seeing; here the eye and the

hand act together, producing a riot of fanciful

'CLE ELUM RIVER, 1982' Mark Frey University Of Washington Seattle, Wash.



color. Janet Pietsch, who recently graduated from the University of Washington in Seattle, takes this new freedom a step further. In "Something Other Than the Perfect Statue in 1974" (page 36), she exposes—on a single negative—images of a fragmented calendar and an empty dress floating, its outlines blurred, in the air. The result is a haunting image, at once painterly in its effect and yet photographic in its candid shapes. "It's about not being a perfect statue," she says. "I wasn't fitting into the mold of what

'SOUTHERN INDIANA' Jeff Burk

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'ARIADNE'S THREAD'

Eugenia Marketos Schnee George Washington University Washington, D.C. is commercially considered right for women."

Pietsch's photograph, then, is more than a photograph, more than a mirror. It is a state-

ment as well, a means of making a personal viewpoint clear to the eye and mind of the viewer. In the end, photography is engaged in precisely the same ideas and issues found in nearly all the humanistic disciplines. No longer an arm of craft or technique, photography is now at the heart of the entire culture.

DOUGLAS DAVIS



Why I Want to Have a Family

By LISA BROWN

or years the theory of higher education operated something like this: men went to college to get rich, and women went to college to marry rich men. It was a wonderful little setup, almost mathematical in its precision. To disturb it would have been to rock an American institution.

During the '60s, though, this theory lost much of its luster. As the nation began to recognize the idiocy of relegating women to a secondary role, women soon joined men in what once were male-only pursuits. This rebellious decade pushed women toward independence, showed them their potential and compelled them to take charge of their lives. Many women took the opportunity and ran with it. Since then feminine autonomy has been the rule, not the exception, at least among college women.

That's the good news. The bad news is that the invisible push has turned into a shove. Some women are downright obsessive about success, to the point of becoming insular monuments to selfishness and fierce bravado, the condescending sort that hawks: "I don't need anybody. So there." These women dismiss children and marriage as unbearably outdated and potentially harmful to their up-and-coming careers. This notion of independence smacks of egocentrism. What do these women fear? Why can't they slow down long enough to remember that relationships and a family life are not inherently awful things?

Granted that for centuries women were on the receiving end of some shabby treatment. Now, in an attempt to liberate college women from the constraints that forced them almost exclusively into teaching or nursing as a career outside the home—always subject to the primary career of motherhood—some women have gone too far. Any notion of motherhood seems to be regarded as an unpleasant reminder of the past, when homemakers were imprisoned by husbands, tots and household chores. In short, many women consider motherhood a time-consuming obstacle to the great joy of working outside the home.

The rise of feminism isn't the only answer. Growing up has something to do with it, too. Most people find themselves in a bind as they hit their late 20s: they consider the ideals they grew up with and find that these don't necessarily mix with the ones they've

acquired. The easiest thing to do, it sometimes seems, is to throw out the precepts their parents taught. Growing up, my friends and I were enchanted by the idea of starting new traditions. We didn't want self-worth to be contingent upon whether there was a man or child around the house to make us feel wanted.

I began to reconsider my values after my sister and a friend had babies. I was entertained by their pregnancies and fascinated by the births; I was also thankful that I wasn't the one who had to change the diapers every day. I was a doting aunt only when I wanted to be. As my sister's and friend's lives changed, though, my attitude changed. I saw their days flip-flop between frustration

Why can't these women slow down enough to remember that family and relationships are not inherently awful?

and joy. Though these two women lost the freedom to run off to the beach or to a bar, they gained something else—an abstract happiness that reveals itself when they talk about Jessica's or Amanda's latest escapade or vocabulary addition. Still in their 20s, they shuffle work and motherhood with the skill of poker players. I admire them, and I marvel at their kids. Spending time with the Jessicas and Amandas of the world teaches us patience and sensitivity and gives us a clue into our own pasts. Children are also reminders that there is a future and that we must work to ensure its quality.

Now I feel challenged by the idea of becoming a parent. I want to decorate a nursery and design Halloween costumes; I want to answer my children's questions and help them learn to read. I want to be unselfish. But I've spent most of my life working in the opposite direction: toward independence, no emotional or financial strings attached. When I told a friend—one who likes kids but never, ever wants them—that I'd decided to accommodate motherhood, she accused me of undermining my career, my future, my



life. "If that's all you want, then why are you even in college?" she asked.

The answer's simple: I want to be a smart mommy. I have solid career plans and look forward to working. I make a distinction between wanting kids and wanting nothing but kids. And I've accepted that I'll have to give up a few years of full-time work to allow time for being pregnant and buying Pampers. As for undermining my life, I'm proud of my decision because I think it's evidence that the women's movement is working. While liberating women from the traditional childbearing role, the movement has given respectability to motherhood by recognizing that it's not a brainless task like dishwashing. At the same time, women who choose not to have children are not treated as oddities. That certainly wasn't the case even 15 years ago. While the graying, middleaged bachelor was respected, the female equivalent-tagged a spinster-was automatically suspect.

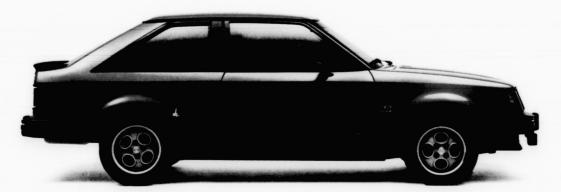
oday, women have choices: about careers, their bodies, children. I am grateful that women are no longer forced into motherhood as a function of their biology; it's senseless to assume that having a uterus qualifies anyone to be a good parent. By the same token, it is ridiculous for women to abandon all maternal desire because it might jeopardize personal success. Some women make the decision to go childless without ever analyzing their true needs or desires. They forget that motherhood can add to personal fulfillment.

I wish those fiercely independent women wouldn't look down upon those of us who, for whatever reason, choose to forgo much of the excitement that runs in tandem with being single, liberated and educated. Excitement also fills a family life; it just comes in different ways.

I'm not in college because I'll learn how to make tastier pot roast. I'm a student because I want to make sense of the world and of myself. By doing so, I think I'll be better prepared to be a mother to the new lives that I might bring into the world. I'll also be a better me. It's a package deal I don't want to turn down.

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