

# Agree Or Not

## Islands of integrity

Short hair, clean hands, polished shoes, neatness, exacting and respect for authority on an American campus? You've got 'em.

Not at all. In an age of permissiveness, student organizations and radical rhetoric, it is coming to know there are still some American colleges where the old fashioned virtues of honor, integrity and discipline are taught and practiced.

They are the small military colleges such as the Citadel in South Carolina, Norwich in Vermont and Virginia Military Institute in Lexington, Va., which is a private.

Founded in 1839, VMI served the Civil War in which its graduates fought a significant battle and continue to exert an influence far beyond the normal expectation of their own colleges.

## I Say What I Think

By S. C. VanCuron

of its size and location. It is the school where "Stone-wall" Jackson taught and General George C. Marshall and General S. Patton attended. Its living grounds are the old plantation grounds, the site of the plantation, the site of the plantation, the site of the plantation.

This season every year before the start of the semester is used to acquaint members with part of the thrust of the institution's intended legislative program and to let the new members learn the ropes about the legislative process.

This also is the place where both parties caucus to choose or confirm leadership positions in both the House and Senate although it is done formally until the first legislative day in Frankfort.

The Democratic leadership will remain about the same as it was last session, in the Senate, but the Republicans have only one member, Senator Norman Farris of Scotland, returning.

Farris is seeking the minority leadership post to replace Sen. Fred W. Hammett, who did not run for re-election.

Lt. Gov. Julian Carroll is automatically president of the Senate by virtue of his office and the Democratic leadership of two years ago are returning—William A. Sullivan of Henderson, vice president, pro-tem; Walter De Huidobro, majority floor leader; Tom Stafford, minority floor leader; Arthur L. Schmidt, Cold Springs, Caucus chairman, and Eugene P. Stuart, Louisville, Whip.

Gov. Ford goes into this session of the General Assembly with enough Democratic majority in both branches of the legislature to carry through his program. There are 11 Republican senators to 27 Democrats and 27 Republicans.

With this type majority, Ford should have no problem in passing the legislative program the first session, which is usually the case with most governors.

Term as soon as when governors sometimes run into trouble.

Although Gov. Ford says his administration program will include only one additional tax, severance tax on coal, there is probability other revenue will be sought.

The House budget gets probability by Finance Commissioner Donald Bradshaw and other experts in Finance and the Revenue Department.

The governor has promised to remove the five-cent tax on tobacco and some other taxes which will lose about \$50 million in revenue. He says he will not propose an upward of \$40 million, a net loss of \$10 million in revenue.

The state-supported colleges and universities are expected to receive \$95 million in what will be a "continuation" budget, and primary and secondary education is asking for about \$10 million. The money just isn't there, and neither will get this time.

Cordally, Herbert A. Philbrick, U.S. Press Association

# MERCURY VAPOURS

By Warren R. Fisher

Fred Burkhard, editor and publisher of the Casey County News and the following is his column for last week edition:

The snowwood business has had a brisk upswing on the local stock market. Drive over Liberty and one finds little piles of snowwood piled up on the lawns or in the drain gutters. Many Isaac Carmichael is one of the first to lay in a supply of snowwood for his fire.

It is not going to get cold this winter when there is a possible gas shortage.

U.S. Senator John Sherman Cooper has a new report on the bill concerning the coal industry. It is in favor of some tax cuts and a 10 percent increase in the natural gas people said they had in 100 years supply. Five years ago coal was selling in Liberty for \$10 a ton. If it was purchased in the summer months, today the price is \$22 to \$24 a ton.

Laugh if you want to, but the chances are that a lot more snowwood is going to get turned in the next 20 years than we want to think about. If the shortage of coal and coal continues, it will become prohibitive to us. Electricity is made from coal, and Kentucky utilities is asking a price increase at this time.

The burning of wood in fireplace stoves would not be a new thing in this country. Thousands of cords of firewood rot each year after logging operations.

Our forests would benefit from the cutting of snowwood. At least 50 per cent of the standing timber in this state can be classified as snowwood. If the junk were removed with care, the remaining good timber would grow twice as fast. Our forests would actually improve 100 per cent.

A good fireplace can furnish about half the heat during the winter months for those homes where a room member of the family is around close to keep the fire stoked.

We predict that a lot of people using electricity, gas, and oil will be using snowwood in this country in the near future. Everybody has wood lot is generally within shouting distance of the house just waiting to be tapped.

Having read an article in the Ashland Daily Independent Sunday papers a West Virginia foreman is mulling had advocated the doubling of the price per ton of coal in order to correct supply and demand problems. It makes one wish that Fred's statement about "everybody" has a chain saw was truly true, and maybe such is the case down at Liberty.

...and from Larry Stone's column "Mulebergers" in the Central City Press-Argus, comes this bit of wisdom:

THE MILITARY AND

## CHRISTIANITY

Brig. Gen. M. C. Ross, commander of the 13th Airborne Brigade at Fort Campbell, made a speech the other day to the Methodist Church of the First United Methodist Church in Hopkinsville.

The young draft-dodgers, who are using religion as an alibi, might do well to read the following: "The Military Compatible with Christianity?"

The 44-year-old military leader described himself as "not a Bible carrier" but a man who is armed with his Bible at the Monday night meetings at the church.

Episcopal in background, Gen. Ross was born and reared a Southern Baptist, educated in a Catholic institution here in Kentucky. He is now a member of the Episcopal Church.

In answering the question posed by the church members, he said that a Methodist actually interpreted the commandment, "Thou shalt not kill," as meaning, "Thou shalt not commit murder."

"If you would read the Bible where Christ encountered the Pharisees, he said, "and never did Christ turn his back on a soldier, and never did he condemn one."

"He reminded his audience they might keep in mind that as taxpayers, they are going to fund the war."

"If your church furnishes chaplains to the military," he said, "and churches accept the Christian support of the military, he said, he remembers that as an American troops prepared for battle in World War II, they were blessed by the priest, the rabbi, the minister, "but we were the Germans," he commented.

"God was on both sides," he said.

# 20 and 40 years ago

Thursday, December 20, 1951

...Gibson, Cowan informed the Mercury office Wednesday that he is giving away free Christmas trees.

...The first heavy snow of winter fell in Nicholas County Monday night and blanketed the area with two to three inches of snow. Fire destroyed the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Osborne, 68, Dec. 12 in Miami, Pa.—Billie was brought here when the hand was dressed.

...Miss Lizzie Hardwick suffered a fracture of the hip Friday afternoon when she fell at her home on Walnut street. She was taken to the Johnson Memorial hospital where her hip was placed in a cast.

...James Dunaway was brought to local hospital Thursday afternoon from a badly mangled foot that he received about a week ago when horse stepped on his foot.

...The heaviest rain in several months was throughout the county during the weekend and crests were higher than at any time for over a year.

...City Marshall Ernest MacCalla attention to a notice of the Mayor in this issue which prohibits the shooting of firearms on streets of Carlisle.

...Richard Clark Jr., who was seriously injured in an automobile accident several weeks ago, has recovered from his injuries.

...One of the smallest crowd ever in Carlisle on county court day was held Monday, Farmers Day, December 13, 1951. Christmas programs have been outstandingly 200 in Carlisle area for Sunday. The community Christmas tree will be held in the county court room on Thursday afternoon, December 24.

...The Carlisle tobacco growers attended a mass meeting held at the county court room Saturday afternoon to discuss the tobacco situation.

...BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. Willie Jolley, daughter, on December 13, named Evelyn Maxine.—To Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Marshall Meyer, a daughter, on Sunday morning.—To Mr. and Mrs. Harold Harbeck, on December 18, their home in the county, a son named Robert.

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# THE DIETYPER

Now we know why Joan of Arc, Helen of Troy, Cleopatra of Egypt and Martha of Bethany have displayed such delusions of grandeur.

Indigestion and magnation.

Since Eve developed a green-apple belly ache, this trait has persisted in women who have been either deprived or overly pampered. They develop a thing called indigestion, which is almost as bad as on-sale bergaminy, only cheaper.

When women have these visual hallucinations, they are accused of being drunk. They can use indigestion as an excuse.

Most of the visions which St. Joan of Arc was barded at the stroke probably were the result of much imagination and no Joan was able to conjure up some visual images with almost photographic accuracy, a thing that could you barbecued in 431.

And, could you conjure up a thing brought on by fasting and perhaps even food poisoning.

The psychiatrist believes: Joan was about 16 or 17 to the front just behind a dark, sun-burned complexion from traveling at least 3,300 miles on foot and horseback in an 15-month white-hot campaign. She was one tough little cookie, who believed she saw saints in her visions directing her to go to Orleans in 1428 and join the demonstrations. This is not unusual in women. Many are drawn to riots with visions of 550 dresses

# LETTERS from our readers

"The question in 1971 is whether we are Christians," he said, explaining that troops go to a social gathering, he said, "if I don't believe in it, I don't go."

"The young men are not breaking the law, and I tell my chaplains they are missionaries among their own people."

"I don't worry about those in church, go get the guys that are not coming," he said, adding that the same principle to the civilian church, saying the ministers are going to get the guys on hand and need worry about those who are not coming.

"Give them a good sermon on Sunday morning and then worry about their sons and their grandsons," he commented.

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Dear Mr. and Mrs. J. H. ... wanted to take this opportunity to express to the members of the press our sincere thanks for the very fair treatment we received during our stay in the county, a son named Robert.

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# It wasn't supernatural bliss—only a natural bellyache

"As women students through the courses of the social sciences, we have had which has trapped them into prescribed and stereotyped roles, their first overt reaction is rage—how did we get in this position?"

The Women's Studies Department insists that textbooks are one of the strongest forces in the perpetuation of social patterns. They invariably present little girls in such stereotyped female roles as helping mommy and daddy, while little boys are shown playing football.

Little boys baking cookies and little girls playing hopscotch? Not in my neighborhood, you don't see it.

"All too long women have been consciously dejected into lesser jobs. In a male-dominated society women are not encouraged to aim high and finally they begin to think they are in fact inadequate," says Nancy. I wouldn't say that. For what they are not to be, I'd say they are the most adequate thing we've found so far.

Crash diets, starch and martini have always brought out the worst in women, but only in recent years has Women's Burb developed a veneer of plausibility. It's a passing thing.

The best reference I have found on the subject is a 15-month white-hot campaign. She was one tough little cookie, who believed she saw saints in her visions directing her to go to Orleans in 1428 and join the demonstrations. This is not unusual in women. Many are drawn to riots with visions of 550 dresses

# SANTA

Dear Santa, I am a pretty good size girl. I am 12 years old. My name is Carol Kathleen Smart, 86, Monday night at her home near Myers following a long illness.

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# Christmas Is the Time to SPLURGE On Something Wonderful For the Home!

Especially don't forget my cousin Teresa, Julie and Lisa because they don't have a father. Don't forget my sister Tracy and Kathy. Don't forget my Mommy and Daddy and especially the boys in Vietnam.

Your friend, Dominic Smart.

P.S. I will leave a glass of milk, a piece of cake, a apple and orange as you will be very hungry after your long journey.

Dear Santa, I am a little girl four years old. I have a foot ball helmet, carara and trucks for Christmas if you can bring them.

Santa don't forget my little cousin Cherie both who live in Carlisle. I would like that look like Lisa.

Love, Mite, Cynthia, Lisa.

Dear Santa, This letter is from the Howard children. We have tried this year, but there is four of us and it is hard some times to share with each other.

Our names are William, Della, Harold and Russell. William wants a transistor radio. Della wants a ball game. Harold wants a truck. We would like to bring our little brother Russell some clothing and anything else you can give us.

We will be looking for you on Christmas Eve, so don't forget to make a stop at our home.

Your little boys and girls, North Street, Carlisle, Ky.

P.S. Don't forget all the other little boys and girls.

Dear Santa, I am eight years old and I am become aware of the social progress and most luxurious ever built, with the rich and famous of the day as passengers.

His first voyage was his first and only voyage, and told how this gala event turned into tragedy when the ship struck an iceberg and sank. He called his book "Futility" and published it in 1898.

It went practically unnoticed for years, until, in 1912, when a British shipbuilding firm launched the first of the same line, the one imagined by Robertson. This was the ultimate in size and refinements. The British liner was 66,000-ton displacement. Robertson's was 70,000 tons, but the real ship was 882 feet long, the fictional one was over 800 feet.

Both had triple screws, unique at the time, and each could carry at 24-25 knots. They could each cruise about 3,000 persons, and each was labeled "unsinkable." The British liner Queen Mary on April 19, 1912, with 2,207 persons aboard, on her maiden voyage to New York. At 11:40 p.m. on April 14, a disaster befell the world's greatest liner. Robertson had called his ship the Titan.

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# LETTERS

Dear Santa, I am a little boy age 7, and I would like for you to bring me a farm set. Anything else that you want to bring me will please me. Don't forget all the children in all parts of the world.

William Earl Wiloughby, Saltswell Road.

Dear Santa, I am a little boy age 10, and I would like for you to bring me a tractor and anything that you want to bring me. It sure will please me.

Please don't forget all the other children all over the world.

Raymond Wiloughby, Saltswell Road.

Dear Santa, My name is Cindy Kay. I am 5 years old. I've tried to be good, I want a doll house, dishes, and anything else you think I would like.

Sycamore Hill, Sycamore Hill.

Water Ray Wiloughby, Saltswell Road.

Dear Santa, I am a little boy age 13 and I would like for you to bring me a radio and anything else that you want to bring me. I will thank you very much.

We will leave some cake and a Merry Xmas.

Carol K. Smart, P.S. You have a Merry Xmas too.

Dear Santa, I am a girl nine years old. My name is Jessica Smart. I am trying to be a good girl this year, but I sometimes forget. I would like a dollhouse, a pair of brown boots and a white coat. I would like two dolls.

Especially don't forget my cousin Teresa, Julie and Lisa because they don't have a father. Don't forget my sister Tracy and Kathy. Don't forget my Mommy and Daddy and especially the boys in Vietnam.

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NOTICE

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