People and ideas are at the hub of life's ever-revolving wheel. And whether manual, athletic, artistic, technological or managerial, skill thrusts mankind into unexplored domains, breeding new and complex problems with accompanying demands for new solutions.

From this vantage point, we shall examine both pictorially and editorially the diversified applications of thought and skill; our presentation, therefore, will not always be consistently laudatory.

We suggest you view this issue as a continuation of the thoughts engendered by the article on liberal arts education in our last issue. Just where do intellectual pursuits possibly diminish the skills that are on display? In any event, by thinking about liberal arts while reading our articles, you will be taking a different and illuminating perspective, perhaps exercising a few skills of your own.
Artist
Provokes and Gnaws at Culture
"Culture is an anathema to the artist, who must maintain a balance between what is known and unknown, logical and illogical, rational and irrational..."

When a man blows up empty oil tanks in the name of art, many people would call the fire department and say, "A quack is loose." At best, when the same artist envisions and produces a modern sculpture out of mundane, everyday objects, his work is at times considered bemusing, unusual or simply odd.

University of Richmond's own artist-in-residence, Associate Professor of Art Dr. Demetrios Mavroudis, has experienced both unfavorable and favorable reaction to his sculptures, but he has weathered criticism typically attendant a man of creativity, and, like many avant-garde predecessors, has shucked the cloak of craftsman and become an artist of national renown.

Considered an expert in metal casting, Mavroudis, who represented his native Greece in the United Nations sponsored Young Artists of the World exhibition, was artist-in-residence for the State of New Jersey, designed Esquire's coveted Business Committee for the Arts awards for the last four years and held many one-man shows, is as energetic in his speech and mannerisms as his sculptures indicate. A disciplined artist, the demands he makes of his media are in direct proportion to the demands he places on himself.

It is the distinction between art as art and art as craft that intrigues the sculptor, whose conclusions are best expressed in conceptualized forms, produced in a variety of media—bronze, wood, clay, steel, plastic, stone, aluminum, brass and concrete.

For Mavroudis, who works on numerous sculptures at one time, the excitement is in the achievement of the artistic idea. But although the mechanical process does occasionally become routine, it embodies the master's emotions. We must be careful not to confuse manual skill and craftsmanship with art, for the leap from imagination to finished tangible form is the artist's uniqueness. However modest a role his hands and skill may play, both are essential to the creative process.

The craftsman encourages standardization and regularity, and thus predictability, while the artist pursues originality and insists on working with no restraints or rules, providing that which is essentially unpredictable. The latter, he says, "challenges existent values indiscriminately, taking characteristics, restructuring them and going beyond the accepted. If one's values are not challenged, then they can be lost."

As a classical artist well-versed in a craft, Mavroudis believes in his affinity for the medium. "I know what it wants, what it can do; and I bring out the best in it," he says, thereby exhibiting an awareness of and sensitivity to his environment.

The sculptor's work reflects a departure from, yet a dependency on, Plato's concept of reality. Mavroudis attempts to establish the phenomena inherent in the value of particular objects as they relate to fulfilling an abstract or absolute idea. "I use my media to translate and to make statements," he says, "which create intellectual tension and provoke the re-evaluation of concepts—ideas about nature, society, ethics."

The Platonic idea evident in Mavroudis's artistic concept is that the reality of an object—its meaning—is directly proportional to its participation in the abstract and absolute universal. The particular itself draws its existence a priori, the theory that the absolutes exist prior to concrete objects, and are therefore the necessary and sufficient condition to the existence and reality of the particular.

As an artist, the sculptor is struck by the irony that man can never know the absolute, but fundamentally maintains a contradictory metaphysical drive to understand existence. Says Mavroudis: "I am never satisfied; I aim for perfection." It is this tension that creates the vibrancy and vital flow of ideas which elicits the artist's result.

Whether sculptor, composer, poet or dancer, art evades definition. When once asked what her dance meant, Isadora Duncan replied that if she could explain it, she would not have to dance it. Art can be described but not measured scientifically nor given meaning in terms of its components, for it is the fusion and fission of these components expressed by the creative mind that allows the artist to explore the quintessence of reality.—CS
“There are no gods in sculpture or art.”

“The artist must never be comfortable—feelings of extreme should be there.”

“I am very serious about my work, but I don’t take my seriousness seriously; I laugh at my work.”
“I am not afraid to deviate from normality . . .”

“Being an artist dooms you to be alone . . .”
Placing our faith and trust in the hands of modern medicine, we are confident that its power will vanquish our diseases and extend our lives. But the relentless march of progress has left a new disaster in its wake.

Exploding our assumptions about life and death, scientific knowledge now abandons us in the waiting room. Life-support machines are conquering the specter of death—but what is the measure of victory? The machines prolong life indefinitely, forcing us to make judgments on the quality of life and the dignity of death.

"Technology has advanced so," says Dr. DavidAbramson of Washington's Georgetown University Hospital in a *Time* magazine article, "that no one really has to die, we have to make a choice."

While the United States Constitution guarantees each of us a right to life, medical technology forces us to deal with the frightening alternative—the right to die, which is not so easily defined.

"We need to dig into the substance of letting people die," believes Dr. David Towle, University of Richmond associate professor of biology and creator of the course "Ethics in the Life Sciences." "We have two considerations, those people who want to die and people whose lives are hopeless in terms of quality."

Two cases illustrate the quandary in which modern machines have stranded us. In one, an old man dying of cancer pleads with his doctors to let death overcome him, when pain killers have ceased their effectiveness. After an unsuccessful attempt at suicide, the physicians and hospital authorities restrain him by means of a straight jacket. For six more weeks, he lies in acute pain and suffering, awaiting death.

The physician's decision is not an easy one. "Our biggest problem is when to quit and how to quit," says an alumnus surgeon, Doctor X (who requests his name be withheld). "If the patient pleads with me an hour before, 'no heroes,' then I will not apply resuscitative measures if he goes into cardiac arrest. I believe you should listen to the patient."

Any doctor's decision is fraught with legal consequences. "The rules of criminal liability are easy to apply when a doctor injects air into a patient's bloodstream causing death," says Andre Moenssens, a professor at the T. C. Williams School of Law. "But it is not so clear when you are withholding extraordinary medical attention that has the ability to sustain life. And it is even more uncertain when you are ending extraordinary treatment already started."

There is a growing feeling that people who are mentally competent have the right to refuse treatment that might painfully lengthen their lives. Doctor X believes you can persuade a patient to have an operation, but he cannot be coerced. "If he does not want to undergo an operation and cannot be dissuaded, I must respect the patient's wish because he is obviously sane."

In a decision that supports this belief, a Florida court ruled in 1971 that a terminally ill woman had a right to decline treatment which would, at best, provide her with a short, painful extension of her life. Said the court: "It is not in the interest of justice for this court of equity to order that she be kept alive against her will."

For those of us who manage to keep our sanity, the solution may be closer at hand, but such is not the case for coma and stroke victims, who slip into unconsciousness before the hour of decision. Families, doctors and the courts must juggle the responsibility—despite staggering medical costs. For patients suffering brain damage, a new consideration comes into play. "When the experts say the brain is permanently damaged, we must decide whether this type of life is worth living," says Doctor X.

"Medical codes demand that we do all we can to keep a person alive," says Towle. "But they never say anything about the quality of life. The real problem occurs when we keep a person alive at all costs, yet the result is an individual with a substandard quality of life."

The case of Karen Quinlan, a 21-year-old girl who has lain in a coma since her collapse nearly a year ago, graphically illustrates the dilemma. During that time, she has shriveled to 60 pounds, unable to move, speak or think. While she still registers brain waves on the electroencephalogram (EEG), her breathing is maintained by a respirator and doctors hold no hope for her recovery.

Her plight catapulted the issue of extraordinary life-support systems to the forefront of medical and legal considerations, since doctors refused to terminate treatment on the wishes of her parents, fearing the legal consequences of such an action.

To secure permission to pull the plug of the life-support systems, the Quinlans took the case to court on October 20. "We are coming to the court to ask for help," said Paul Armstrong, the Quinlan's attorney, *Time* reports. "Medical technology has simply outstripped the law in this area."

On the Quinlan case, New Jersey Superior Court Judge Robert Muir ruled that "neither the fact that the victim is on the threshold of death" nor "humanitarian motives" can justify taking a life. This decision threatens medical judgment and the treatment of patients. While the first such case to be debated in the courtroom, it will by no means be the last. Death with dignity is not an isolated problem, narrowly confined to a small segment of the population.

Throughout the country, the decision to supply the aid of life-support systems, to withdraw them, or to seek other solutions is made every day with the mutual consent of doctors, patients and families. But until the Quinlan case, no one made a fuss.

While the Muir ruling focused national and world-wide attention on Karen's plight, it did not, contends Doctor X, solve the problem. "It told us what we could not do—pull the plug—but it did not relieve us of responsibility. It simply gave us new ones."

In this age of sophisticated medical treatment, we do not have death with dignity, the physician believes. "It is not dignity to have tubes in your nose and needles in your arm. But I can give the patient emotional..."
The court would most likely determine that a strictly limited value.

Moenssens argues that it is not so much a question of whether there is a right to die, but, as in the Quinlan case, whether there is a right to end exceptional life-preserving methods.

And when the decision rests on the shoulders of another person, the guardian, as in the Quinlan case, serious legal complications arise. "A mentally competent adult can choose to die, in the same way he decides not to have an operation. But I am apprehensive when it is the guardian's decision," Moenssens says. "The guardian is usually close to the incompetent person and has watched the tremendous suffering. He may judge emotionally rather than rationally that it is better to let him die than to go on suffering."

Contrary to Moenssens's view, Doctor X believes the family plays an important role in the decision. "If I confer with the family and say, 'By all the laws of medicine, this man is dead. His kidneys aren't functioning; most of his intestines have been removed; he's had five or six operations and there is nothing more I can do for him,' it is up to them to decide what course to take. Usually that is to sustain the patient comfortably but not to employ additional measures." With the patient incapable of voicing his desires, the doctor must follow his own conscience, guided by the wishes of the family. But since the Quinlan ruling, these decisions involve new risks.

The issues raised by the Quinlan case have sparked a new trend, "living wills." In the document, a person states his wishes on the use of extraordinary life-support systems, before the situation occurs. Both the doctor and the attorney believe they have a strictly limited value.

Moenssens questions their legality. "I don't think they would hold up in court. Signing the will right now does not guarantee you would make the same choice if the actual decision were staring you in the face. The court would most likely determine that the choice was not made in the right circumstances."

The wills multiply the number of factors to be considered by Doctor X, who has received several from his patients. "It is okay if I do remember that I have filed the will away, but if the patient comes in unconscious and the family says, 'do everything you can,' then I will. "They are not the answer," he maintains. "They could be locked in a safety-deposit box in Texas, when the person becomes an accident victim in Virginia."

As the controversy gains momentum and more and more doctors shy away from exercising their judgment, greater demands will be made upon the court to provide the answer. "But the court is not the place to decide this issue," says Moenssens, who observes that the law developed many years ago, when extraordinary means were not available. "Basically, the court is faced with the problem of applying a rule to something for which the rule was not designed."

"The legislature is going to have to confront the problem," states Moenssens. "Perhaps a study panel of legislators, doctors and lawyers can come up with a sound solution from both the legal and medical standpoint."

Doctor X vigorously opposes study panels and current legislative attempts to pass "death with dignity" bills, because "they do not allow for a medical judgment or a doctor-patient relationship. Frankly, we're afraid of guidelines," he says. "Afraid that with rigid rules, more people may suffer than can be helped."

Too many guidelines worry me, says the physician, who questions a guideline that demands consultation with the next of kin when, unknown to the doctor, it might be the youngest son, instead of the eldest, making the decision; or a requirement stating witnesses must be present and affidavits signed to prove the physician talked with the family, when the discussion was conducted over the phone.

He prescribes a communicative decision between family, patient and doctor, but this is not the sole remedy. As the days of the family practitioner wane, a lack of personal contact jeopardizes the precarious balance between life and death for one dependent on a life-support machine. A new movement, pastoral services, springing up in hospitals throughout the country is one answer to the impersonal aspects of modern medicine. The hospital priest or social worker counsels all participants—family, patient and doctor—to open avenues of communication.

For Doctor X, medical judgment must be the key. "We do not have technicians treating people. Whether the court winces at judgment or not, it still plays an important part in the game."

The attorney also acknowledges that judgment has an important role to play. "A doctor's judgment is not an exact science; it is more of an art. As long as a physician operates in the area of medical judgment, well-established by large clinical experience, we don't need lawyers to meddle," Moenssens says.

While the law lags behind scientific advances and the legislatures struggle to keep pace, Towlė argues that medical ethics are also just reacting to the tremendous problems technology presents. "Reflection and anticipation of these problems is needed," he says. "The increase in biological and medical knowledge will allow many elegant medical procedures in the future, which we cannot even envision. The implantable plastic heart and the artificial kidney have technologically arrived."

"Anything done now in a modest way," he cautions, "may result in dramatic consequences in the future." The sweeping advances of medical technology demand that families, patients, doctors and the courts continue to grope for answers which are as elusive as the human mind and spirit. The solutions to the problem are nebulous and may prove to be as frightening as the machines themselves. Confronted by our own creations, we must evaluate the quality of life as opposed to the dignity of death, for one we may be forced to make the biggest decision of our lives.
'26 Rats Strike Up the Band

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When September 1922 rolled by, the University of Richmond opened with its largest freshman classes—199 Richmond College men and 107 Westhampton College women. Since there were no airlines, no bus lines, and few hard surface roads, those living outside the Richmond area arrived mostly by train at Main and Broad Street Stations and boarded the old Westhampton Car No. 9 for the campus.

As usual, their trunks arrived late and most of them at the wrong campus. Coaxed by the sophomores, the RC freshmen delivered the proper trunks under close faculty supervision to the appropriate Westhampton dormitory rooms. (It was said that it was the first and only time the men ever saw inside the girls' dormitories.) Thinking enough was enough, Chief Burns, the security chief for the university, picked up the boys' trunks and hauled them back across the lake.

Through the year, most students living at home in Richmond or in the surrounding area rode the local streetcar lines, while a few brave souls commuted in the family automobile. A familiar sight was Lila Crenshaw's Kline sedan—with jump seats—which arrived daily packed with seven Ginter Park freshmen.

Our first year on campus had a big day—October 7. All members of our class attended the opening of Milhiser Gymnasium, which seated as many as 1,000 sports fans. In their first game using the facilities of the new gym, UR played the University of Maryland to a 0-0 score. Neither side had much to cheer about, but members of the squad liked the clean and spacious locker rooms. They were quite different from the days when players suited up in dormitory basements and lugged wet, sweaty uniforms to their rooms.

Only ten days after the opening of the gym, something else memorable happened to the Class of '26. Raucous noises were heard in Jeter Hall where seven freshmen began tuning their instruments for the first practice of the famous "Rat Band." Dressed in white ducks and shirts, they made their debut at the Roanoke football game, and a year later became UR's first Spider Band, which subsequently "appeared" on the new WRVA radio station.

That fall the WC Alumnae opened the Book Shop. Even though it saved the girls the long hike to the Student Shop, it cut down on their chances to meet boyfriends. The RC men had no reason to worry; by our senior year the WC class outnumbered the men 61 to 59!

As though anticipating new things to come, on October 21, 1925, both classes rushed to view the biggest bonfire in our years at college—the burning of the old science building. Little did we realize in the midst of our cheers, what this would mean to those of us taking science courses. For the rest of the year, chemistry, physics and biology students dispersed to MCV, trudged to the attic of Ryland Hall and languished in the auditorium-chapel. This did, however, put a stop to the compulsory chapel for the men.

At the close of our last year, members of both classes joined forces for May Day and with a borrowed truck, picked and hauled enough daisies from the fields off Grove Avenue to form the traditional daisy chain—the biggest and longest in years.

But the finale of our college years and another first for the Class of '26 was June 8, 1926—Graduation Day. Our class was the first required to have quality credits in order to graduate.

On May 7-9, WC and RC Classes of '26 will bring another of several "firsts" to the campus when we hold a joint 50th Class Reunion. This will be our last official class function, since at this time we will be taken into membership of the Boatwright Society.
Manhattan on the Rocks

To many of us living in Richmond and insulated by a largely recession-proof economy, the imminent bankruptcy of New York City has been just another bad news event, forgotten soon after the television is switched off or the newspaper thrown away. The problems in New York cannot be dispatched so lightly, if what Joel Harnett, RC'45, has to say bears any truth. Harnett, chairman of the board of the nationally recognized City Club of New York and president of Media Horizons, a fast growing publishing firm, has spoken out often on the New York debacle. Reported the Village Voice, which named him one of the 20 "good guys" in New York: "The head of the City Club drives many officials up a wall, but he often proves to be correct."

The excesses and problems of New York, magnified beyond anything any other community has ever experienced, are problems shared by all communities. "What happens in New York has and will affect all of us," Harnett warns.

Most of us are familiar with the problems in New York, but probably none of us recognizes that private groups often effectively contribute to fiscal, political and economic decisions bearing on the welfare of a community.

The City Club of New York is such an organization. "There is nothing like it anywhere else in the United States that I know of," says Harnett, chairman for the past six years. The City Club is not a chamber of commerce, association of businessmen or labor unions, but rather a nonpartisan, totally independent group of about 500 concerned citizens. Meeting weekly, speaking often, and publishing monthly in a widely circulated City Club Comments, the members exert their nonpartisan, but effective, commentary on political and economic issues.

Formed in 1892 during the days of Tammany Hall, the Club soon developed its reputation for well-researched reports, analyses and expertise. "The value of the City Club," says Harnett, "is that it does its work very carefully. It has never lobbied or endorsed any political candidates. No one is surprised, therefore, that the press normally covers our meetings because of our objectivity and thoroughness."
Harnett, a former vice president of Look magazine and a native New Yorker, has been no stranger to the problems of the Big Apple. "New York," he says, "is run by politicians and municipal labor unions, hardly a happy combination." The politicians are inept or in over their heads, and the labor unions have been too strong.

"The fault with New York," says Harnett, "dates back to the late 60s and early 70s, the era of Nelson Rockefeller and John Lindsay, and subsequently to Abe Beame, the present mayor." Pension and welfare programs mushroomed; the quality of education and number of students declined, while teachers almost doubled; salaries increased by 50% more than private industry; the tax burden on middle and higher income workers expanded; the tax base shrank, and the city budget jumped from $2.1 billion in 1959-60 to $11.5 billion in 1974-75. "The debt service alone," he says, "is larger now than the entire city budget of most other major cities, including Chicago."

Perhaps the easiest explanation, but a most difficult problem to solve, is that mismanagement, brought on by the systematic election of underqualified people, has created gross inefficiencies in the design and delivery of services. "The politician is geared to win a job," says Harnett, "not to run a business."

"When I started Media Horizons," he says, "I learned what it was like to spend—and lose—money. I learned fiscal responsibility. A politician is simply not equipped to manage a complex economic machine spending billions of taxpayers' dollars each year. You need a well-trained manager with a sense of social responsibility, not someone who has merely a knack for elections."

What man, in a right business frame of mind, would permit a pension plan that bases benefits on an employee's total compensation—salary, bonuses and overtime earned during his final year before retirement? Lindsay did just this, says Harnett, by acquiescing to the richest pension program available to municipal employees anywhere in the country. "Some of our older employees are human dynamos the year before they retire," knowing their last year's income is the one that will determine their pension.

The City presently pays $1.5 billion per year towards its municipal employees' pension plan—"in effect, an annual tax of $500 on every household in the city." Even so, the plan remains dangerously underfunded, providing benefits for employees who, hired before 1974, are continuing to retire on half their pay, plus Social Security, after only 20 years on the job.

Another problem is that, until very recently, city employees enjoyed virtually zero unemployment. "The irony of our city," says Harnett, "is that the private sector, where the unemployment is greater than 12%, supports a city government where unemployment is nil." Before the recent crisis, the work force in the city was 350,000, exceeding the combined population of Richmond and Petersburg.

Faced with bankruptcy this past fall, the city fired 10%. "They should have fired half," says Harnett. Mass featherbedding, depicted by such photographs appearing in national publications showing ten municipal workers replacing one manhole cover, is common among all services provided by the city government. For example, it takes 9500 more police officers today to produce the same number of man-hours produced in 1940. In the school system, the number employed since 1960 by the Board of Education increased from 44,000 to 80,000, but the number of students in the system decreased.

Salaries have escalated far beyond those in private industry. "The average teacher makes $20,000 to $22,000 per year," Harnett notes, "and they work the shortest work day." Unfortunately, the teachers union is so strong that volunteer help is not permitted; parents are not even allowed into the schools, and "when the teachers strike, so does the principal, who never dares to exert any authority."

Other discrepancies between salaries paid to city workers and those in private industry are painfully obvious, Harnett observes. "A subway changemaker earns $212 per week, while a bank clerk makes $150. A porter makes $20; an X-ray technician in a private hospital receives $187. Add fringe benefits of 30% and the discrepancies become ridiculous." Not all of the fiscal debacle, however, is the city's fault. New York has, in many ways, jumped into large programs—particularly welfare—simply because New York is New York. "It has a big heart," says Harnett. Long considered the gateway to the U.S., the land of opportunity, New York City has been symbolic of the "rags to riches" success story.

"We cannot fault New York for its ideals," he says. "In some ways, the city does not do enough. But some of its excesses, such as welfare, are a function of national policy." It is not surprising to find administrators in other cities admitting that the easiest way to handle their welfare responsibilities is to hand welfare recipients a "one-way ticket to New York."

A welfare recipient is usually better off in New York than practically anywhere else. Newsweek reported recently that a family of four could receive $250 in cash, $130 for rent, plus food stamps, in some cases exceeding what the man was making while working. More than one million people, approximately the same number of people who live in Detroit, the fifth largest city in the country, are on welfare.

New York's social conscience can go overboard in other ways. The City University of New York, which enrolls 265,000 students (imagine the entire population of Richmond going to one school), has an annual budget of $565 million, of which the city pays 45%. Yet the cost of attending the university remains only $110.

"New York justifies this huge expenditure by asserting that the thousands of CUNY graduates each year continue to live in and benefit from the city. But they have no records; they have no proof! The most effective way any university can determine whether they are doing the job," says Harnett, "is to keep accurate alumni statistics."

The sad result, he says, is that New York has not been able to pay for all of these excessive services for over 15 years. But in an effort to do so, it has adopted counterproductive and sometimes fiscally irresponsible measures, resulting in a decreasing tax base and an increasing debt.

The city budget, like Richmond's, is supposed to balance each year. But New York has been allowed to issue short-term notes against "anticipated" revenue, almost forcing the administration to outright lie to its citizens to obtain funds. For example, the
property tax provides a major source for revenue; yet each year over 30,000 dwellings are abandoned, principally because rent control—a subsidy to the poor—prevents landlords from keeping their buildings running profitably, especially in an inflationary climate. The anticipated revenue does not materialize, so more bonds are issued. The short-term debt in the city in 1973 was $2.5 billion, and in a speech given last May, Harnett predicted that it would grow to $6 billion by 1978, or in effect a debt of $667 to each of the residents of New York City.

One suggested solution, strongly urged by President Ford and Secretary of the Treasury Simon, was increase taxes. This is counterproductive, Harnett says. More than 456,000 jobs in the private sector have been lost since 1969, and about 25,000 are lost every three months. Each middle-class job vacancy is filled by someone else on a lower income level. "The population has remained virtually static, but the average income per resident has actually decreased."

The city sales tax is now 10%; there is a 4% city income tax, and the cost of living is such that other cities are becoming more attractive both to individuals and to businesses. To increase the tax load on the already burdened middle and upper classes is to ultimately decrease the size and strength of the city’s resources.

"I realized it long ago," says Harnett, "but only too recently have others recognized the fundamental issue: The City of New York must become competitive."

"All cities are competing for people, talent and money. New York cannot continue to survive without its greatest assets—businesses and private management. It must attract high-quality people, not replace departing taxpayers with welfare recipients."

Step one, Harnett suggests, would be to get talented management people into politics. "We desperately need new political figures. The kinds of people who are emerging are not what we need. No one man can really do the job. What is needed is a man with the ability to draw a number of talented people."

This would introduce into the government the same feedback systems, cost controls and efficiencies upon which private industries depend to make a profit. In the case of government, it would eliminate a deficit.

Step two would be to cut back, even in the face of possible strikes. "New York has great resiliency," says Harnett. "If the unions struck, I believe New York could tolerate the situation until some point when many excess employees could be fired."

More than anyone, unions have apparently understood this; that is why they have been so tolerant to recent reductions and moratoriums on pay increases. If they were not, the entire system might collapse, hurting not just a few, but everyone.

"Until the 1970s, people would never have tolerated a strike. Before too long, people said: 'Let's strike!' But now, no one cares," says Harnett. Strikes have become increasingly meaningless in terms of producing gains for the employees.

Step three would be to introduce programs to make the city competitive—to attract and, equally important, to retain, talent. "We must recognize," says Harnett, "that new technologies of communication and transportation make the exact location of a business or a plant less crucial than before. Even The New York Times can locate its presses outside the city."

"We must recognize that the favored cities offer climate, lower power costs, newer housing, fewer crowds, lower taxes and the chance for a fresh start. In the end," says Harnett, "it is these fundamentals that count."

Can New York do it? Whether successful or not, what lessons can we learn?

Here, Harnett waivers. On the one hand, bankruptcy would break all contracts, start everything anew. Certainly banks, small creditors and individual bond holders would lose assets—some even lifetime savings. Yet bankruptcy may ultimately be the only way to force necessary changes. "We need," he says, "a whole new breed of people."

"The simple truth is that neither New York, nor the country, is as wealthy as it was once thought." As soon as we recognize this, as soon as we recognize that simply printing or borrowing money will not solve fundamental problems, the sooner we can return to a better understanding of the relationship our governments have with the people they govern, and the sooner these problems will be understood and then, we hope, solved.
'WELL I WOULDN'T CALL IT A PERMANENT SOLUTION, BUT... GEE, MAYOR, THESE FIFTIES LOOK GREAT.'
Hardy
Circuits
Richmond Relay

The world of modern sports is filled with much glory and celebration. And more than ever publicity and recognition catapults the college athlete on to fiercer rivalry and greater glory in the professional league.

How do we know, for example, that a college football player is as good as our sportswriters and sportscasters say he is? Often he becomes a dud as a professional. In the major team sports of football and basketball, the All-Americans are chosen on the basis of sportswriters' opinions—hardly a reliable comparative yardstick.

The track and field All-American, on the other hand, must race against the clock or the force of gravity and prove beyond question his All-American status. Performance against well-known, objective and recorded standards is what counts.

Track and field, no doubt, is the oldest sport in the world. After man learned to walk, he ran, well before the invention of the wheel, and its subsequent refinement, the spheroid. Its heritage, one of spectacular achievement, glory and celebration, can be accurately traced to the first known Olympic Games in 776 B.C. In those days, victories, defeats and greatness were clearly based on speed, agility and stamina. The criteria has not changed for 27 centuries.

That spirit of individual achievement has carried over to the University of Richmond's track team. While producing outstanding performers, who have participated in national championship track meets every year for the last 15, the team has brought national recognition to the university's track program.

"In my 26 years here," says Richmond Head Track Coach Fred Hardy, "what has happened is that not only have we performed well in dual meets, but also the University of Richmond track athlete is recognized almost anywhere in the world—certainly anywhere in the United States. When we walk out onto the field nobody is going to wonder, 'Who is that fellow with the big red R on his shirt?' They are not going to confuse him with someone from Rutgers; they are going to know who he is."

Hardy, a graduate of John Marshall High School in Richmond where he was captain of the track team and held the state record in the mile for many years, went to the University of North Carolina and was again elected captain of the track team. Returning to his high school alma mater after college, he succeeded in fielding a track team that won the state championship. A year later Hardy was with the University of Richmond.

"When I came here, there was no history of track—and not much of one to run on," says Hardy, "We had the world's worst track."

But in 1961, University of Richmond track vaulted into national competition, and every year since then, has had athletes qualify for the United States Track and Field Federation's National Championship Meet.

In order to get to the National, an athlete must qualify in his particular event in the local conference meet, achieving time or distance standards specified by the U.S. Track and Field Federation. For example, a sprinter must both win his conference meet and run the 60-yard dash in better than 6.2 seconds.

One additional benefit is that "if you win the conference in that fast a time," Hardy says, "then the NCAA will pay your way to the meet."

Winning is more important now than ever. When Richmond pulls out of the Southern Conference the NCAA will no longer foot all expenses unless an individual wins or places at the national championship. Since Richmond track will cease competing in conference championships, individuals will qualify on the basis of overall dual-meet performances in which they match or better the U.S. Track and Field Federation's qualifying standards.

Hardy knows his teams have included some terrific runners. One of the best known athletes Hardy recalls coaching was intermediate hurdler Carl Wood. Although not a high school standout, Wood became a two-time All-American and a national champion while at the University of Richmond. (All-Americans in track are selected solely on the basis of whether they finish first, second or third in the national championship.) Wood, ranked third in the world as a hurdler, was among the eight semi-finalists in the 1972 Olympic trials and has performed many times on national and international TV.

Sometimes, football players will come out for track in the spring, usually to keep in condition for the fall season. Occasionally, a player will excel in both football and track. O. J. Simpson ran on a world 440-yard relay team for the University of South-
ern California, and finished fourth in the 60-yard dash in the national championships.

Carl Wood, likewise, was a football player, and New York Giants' wide receiver Walker Gillette captained the track team his senior year and ran the mile relay in the national championships for Richmond.

"Gillette was the second best intermediate hurdler in the Southern Conference behind Carl Wood," Hardy says. "Unfortunately, they were on the same team."

This season the coach is brewing another group of national caliber performers, particularly in the two-mile relay. Consisting of Ed Perkins, a sophomore from Richmond, Russell Smelley, a junior from Prince George, Bert Dodson, a senior from Richmond, and Francis Kollum, a junior from Kenya, the team won the National Invitational Track Meet earlier this year and has been invited to the Mason-Dixon games in Louisville. In that meet, they will compete against teams such as Wisconsin, Villanova and Tennessee. The team has already qualified for the National AAU Indoor Championships to be held in New York City.

Hardy believes the four-man team has developed into one of the top two-mile relay teams in the country. Their winning time of 7:39.2 in the National Invitational Meet bettered that of Seton Hall, Villanova and Pennsylvania, teams which traditionally guarantee stiff competition.

The ironic thing about the foursome is that the men were not highly recruited by anyone. Nobody recruited Ed Perkins whose best mile time was 4:25 for an average of 4:30. (Coach Hardy's own state record for many years was 4:32.) Hardy talked to Russell Smelley, who was being ignored with a best time of 1:59.8 in the 880, at the state track meet. Bert Dodson clocks 1:58.5 in the 880 but he tried out for football at Virginia Tech before coming to Richmond.

With the exception of Kollum, all of these men are from the Old Dominion. Hardy notes that the state, especially around the Tidewater area, Charlottesville and Northern Virginia, fields outstanding high school track teams. Virginia high school track ranks fourth in the country according to Track and Field magazine.

On a limited budget for recruitment, Hardy looks for the local boy who is interested in academics as well as athletics. He has apparently found the right combination in his two-mile relay team.

The all-weather track has helped recruitment tremendously. Located adjacent to the Robins Center around Pitt Field, Hardy recalls that a heavy rain storm would wash out the old cinder base, postponing a track meet for a day or two until someone was able to sweep off the water. The new track's slightly sloped surface provides maximum drainage; it is said that the track is by far the best in the state and certainly one of the finest in the country.

"We debated for a long time whether or not to put in the first metric track in the U.S.," Hardy says. "Our track could be prepared for races to be run in meters in one day. We could host the Olympics here if we had enough room for all the people."

The track will probably never see the Olympics, but it has hosted numerous other meets such as the National Decathlon Championships, the Southern Conference Meet and the Special Olympics for the Mentally Retarded.

Hardy also believes the facilities are adequate enough to support a women's team and would favor such a move. Women's track has moved with tremendous strides over the years and local interest has been shown by a number of women who participate in the Richmond Track and Field Club (RTFC).

The RTFC is a member of the AAU and participates in meets during the summer on the UR track, and travels to other state meets. The club has over 300 permanent members, many of whom are women.

Through the interest in amateur athletics, the fine support of Athletic Director Clyde Biggers and the support of many others, not to mention the hard work of the athletes themselves, the University of Richmond can boast that it has one of the finest track programs in the country. Although the team has never won a national team title—few colleges and universities do—and probably will not for a while, Richmond can be proud of the many individuals like Carl Wood, who have gone on to achieve national recognition.

Hardy summed it all up when he spoke of a sportswriter who once wrote: "Super track athletes don't go to the University of Richmond; super track athletes come from the University of Richmond."
A Survey of Skeletal Schemes

Photography by Bob Llewellyn
Intellectual curiosity sparks bicentennial experiment. In January the University of Richmond began the undertaking of an interesting academic experiment—"Theme Year." Classes, lectures, movies, theater and many other activities are being focused upon a central theme, "The Continuing American Revolution."

Theme Year combines various academic emphases in a rich and exciting way. While each discipline examines "The Continuing American Revolution" from its own perspective, the result is a community intellectual effort. Students and faculty alike explore the faceted nature of the liberal arts, generating a more lively intellectual atmosphere and enhancing our sense of academic community on the campus. Should we find when all the dust has settled that our efforts were worth the time and the money, then we will gear for another theme year in 1979 or 1980.

For the first time in the University of Richmond's history an effort is being made to coordinate the lectures of visiting scholars with each other and with the campus as a whole. Twenty nationally and internationally know scholars in history, religion, literature, philosophy, art history and psychology are participating. In each case, the lecturer was invited by a department or lecture committee and asked to speak on the theme. By this procedure we are able to ensure both the scholarly credentials of the speaker and the pertinency of his remarks.

The Athletic Department is sponsoring one of the most renowned lecturers, Michael Novak, on March 17. Scholar, philosopher, novelist, political activist and social critic, Novak has taught at Harvard and Stanford, where he was twice chosen "most influential professor." He has written over a dozen books, and contributes regularly to several popular and scholarly periodicals. In 1968, 1970 and 1972, Novak was active in political campaigns, lending his talents in support of such candidates as Robert Kennedy and George McGovern. He spoke and wrote widely against the American involvement in Vietnam and against the selective service draft; his commitment to these issues took him to Paris and Stockholm to visit American war resisters. The latest book of this prolific writer is "The Greene and those of books of poetry, such as Promises and Brother to Dragons." Warren spoke on "Poetry and Democracy."

In a bicentennial festival sponsored by the University of Richmond History Department, three American historians and one art historian brought students and faculty fresh perspectives on our nation's revolutionary heritage. Dr. Susan Estabrook Kennedy, assistant professor of history at Virginia Commonwealth University, presented a slide lecture on "Women in the American Revolution." An outstanding scholar and teacher, Dr. Kennedy has published a prize-winning book and is currently under contract to write a study of working class women in American history. Both in

The months of January and February brought a number of Theme '76 events. The initial phase of this year's Tucker-Boatwright Literary Festival, held in January, was dedicated to "The Continuing Revolution in American Poetry." Reading poetry that is revolutionary and contemporary in orientation and execution, each poet was received by capacity crowds. One Richmond College freshman explained the attraction this way: "... it is impossible to give poetry a single, absolute definition; yet each poet, in his own way, presented his poetry in a voice we could comprehend." The voices included Pulitzer Prize winners Stanley Kunitz, Lamont Prize winners Marvin Bell and Donald Hall, and the 1974 Yule Younger Poet Maura Stanton Cecil. Also giving readings and appearing in student dialogues on poetry were Barn Dream Press editor Thomas Lux, American Poetry Review editor Arthur Vogelsang, and Briggs-Copeland Lecturer at Harvard Janet Shore. Another Richmond College freshman summarized this literary celebration: "In order for poetry to survive, it must keep changing... the modern mind must shape the poetry of today." Judging from student and community response to the festival, we think it fair to conclude that the modern mind has come to appreciate the works of these and other contemporary poets.

Continuing this year's theme of "The Revolution in American Poetry," the Tucker-Boatwright Fund presented internationally renowned novelist and poet Robert Penn Warren author of the novel All the King's Men and of books of poetry, such as Promises and Brother to Dragons. Warren spoke on "Poetry and Democracy."

Author Robert Penn Warren (top) and Poets Marvin Bell (left) and Donald Hall lectured on campus.
research and teaching she makes use of oral history, the technique of using interviews in addition to traditional sources for research.

During Black History Week, Dr. Edgar A. Toppin discussed the role of Blacks in the American Revolution. In books and articles, Dr. Toppin has examined the contributions of the Black community and its leaders to American culture from the Revolution to the present. A professor of history at Virginia State University, Dr. Toppin has received numerous fellowships and awards.

The third speaker in the bicentennial festival was Professor Jon D. Longaker, who teaches art history at Randolph-Macon College and serves as drama critic for the Richmond Times-Dispatch. Like many naturalized citizens, Longaker, who came to America at the age of nine, is fascinated by the American Revolution. The relationship between the Revolution and the arts was the topic of his illustrated lecture "Patriots and Painters."

"Virginia and the Cession of the Northwest Territory," by Dr. William H. Gaines, concluded the bicentennial series. History editor for publications at the Virginia State Library and a native Virginian, Dr. Gaines devotes his scholarly attention to the revolutionary era in his home state. Among his publications is a highly regarded biography of Thomas Mann Randolph.

The University Lectures in Religion brought Kenneth Woodward to the campus. An award-winning journalist, Woodward was religion editor of Newsweek magazine for ten years before editing its "Ideas" section. In 1964, he was the first newsman to receive the Outstanding Citizen Award from the Omaha Urban League, recognizing his exposures on real estate profiteering in Omaha's Black ghetto. He won the annual magazine award for excellence in religious reporting from the Religious Public Relations Council of America in 1968. His talks at the University of Richmond did nothing to diminish his reputation, speaking on "The Culture of Religion: A Journalistic Approach" and "What Difference Does Religion Make?"

A regular feature of university life, the Helen G. Stafford Lecture coordinated with Theme '76, bringing Dr. Thaddeus W. Tate, Jr., to campus. Specializing in Colonial America, Dr. Tate is a productive scholar, with books and articles to his credit. He is professor of history at the College of William and Mary and directs the college's Institute of Early American History. On March 24, Dr. Tate examines "Re-interpretations of the Coming of the Revolution."

The Society of Cincinnati Lecture concludes the first phase of Theme '76: "The Continuing American Revolution," which will continue in the fall semester, with Dr. Stephen B. Baxter speaking on "The Devastable Electorate," April 14. Dr. Baxter offers a view of the American Revolution from the British side. His research concentrates on late seventeenth and early eighteenth century English constitutional history—the same time the American colonies were shaping their destiny. A professor of history at the University of North Carolina, Dr. Baxter has been named Alumni Distinguished Professor and Kennon Professor of History.

American values freedom. Former USS Pueblo Commander Lloyd M. Bucher believes "the United States Government has a distinct responsibility to those soldiers captured as prisoners of war" and gives his highest praise to the wives at home "who are the most tortured and have the greatest courage."

Speaking at the Robins Center in January, Bucher, who with his crew spent 11 months in captivity after their ship was commandeered in international waters by the North Koreans in January 1968, defended himself against the charge of surrendering the ship without a fight lodged after his release. Bucher, now retired from the Navy, explained that the Pueblo was not a warship but was hired to perform surveillance by a civilian organization, the National Security Council, and was manned by U.S. Navy personnel. The vessel, a relic of the Korean War and recently brought out of "mothballs," lacked the power to escape its captors, Bucher said. The only weapons on board were two small machine guns.

On their imprisonment, Bucher said he had the "highest regard for his crew" for enduring the cruel and inhumane treatment they received. "The worst part of captivity was isolation and solitary confinement," he states, and the twangs of conscience he experienced when coerced into signing false confessions. But he defended his actions, by maintaining that "no person exists who can survive these conditions. Either you must commit suicide or submit to the captors' demands. We are first human beings and may aspire to be angels."
Manipulation or mutilation? Students at the University of Richmond are learning language by manipulating it. Scribbling their poignant observations on a large piece of cardboard, they are specializing in the art of graffiti. Gems include: "You have to kiss a lot of frogs before you find Prince Charming" and "Somebody stole a copy of the ethics test." Instituted by Dr. Jerry Tarver, professor of speech communications and theatre arts, the experiment is designed to encourage a greater affinity for communication. "Students don’t use language consciously. It’s like breathing," observes Tarver, who believes that language is in a state of decline. Since finding his pupils more interested in discussing the campus newspaper, *The Collegian*, than speech, Tarver asked them to elaborate on their views—only with graffiti. Garnering such observations as "Archie Bunker reads *The Collegian* and likes it" and "Edith Bunker reads *The Collegian* and understands it," the professor decided the entire campus could benefit from views expressed through the ancient medium. With the tacking of a large piece of cardboard up outside his office, the contest was born, and after a specified length of time, entries are judged by a panel of two faculty members and one student. The only instructions: "Keep it clean enough not to make your mother ashamed of you." Students must either sign their names or code their graffiti, by disclosing their identity in a sealed envelope, to be opened only if their comment is judged the winner. The prize—a six-pack of beer, a bottle of cheap wine or $1.45—will be donated to the charity of the student’s choice.

Excercises in tongue-lashing. An organization at the University of Richmond has bimonthly meetings which often "erupt into a free-for-all," while considering such topics as "Should the United States be reunited with England?" or "Was Paul Revere’s ride really necessary?" The Douglas Southhall Freeman Literary and Debate Society, founded in 1974 by students and faculty members Emory Bogle, assistant professor of history, and Robert Frank, lecturer in speech communications and theatre arts, encourages debate and promotes the literary arts. At its meetings, the university-wide forum for the exchange of ideas, hosts speakers which have included Howard Carywle, former delegate to the Virginia General Assembly, Mac Damron, assistant director of the Virginia Museum Theatre, Dennis Robison, university librarian, and Jeff MacNelly, Pulitzer Prize winning cartoonist for the Richmond News Leader. Modeled after similar societies at Harvard, Yale and Princeton, the group annually exchanges barbs with the University of Virginia’s Jefferson Society. Members, which include 25 men and women students, match their wits in the arena of popular opinion.
Winesburg revisited. A new literary society—the Sherwood Anderson Society—has been established at the University of Richmond through the efforts of Dr. Welford Taylor, professor of English. For those of us unfamiliar with nineteenth century American literature, we might miss the importance of Sherwood Anderson. Having examined the writer in his book, The Buck Fever Papers, Dr. Taylor has concluded that the characteristics which the author exhibited are those that justify, and should be perpetuated through, a literary society.

At age 40, Sherwood Anderson published his first novel, but of all his contributions in later life, his most important was revolutionizing the American short story. Departing from the O’Henry tradition of cleverly manipulating external events, the author focused on the happenings within the mind and re-examined the psychological aberrations of his human characters. Anderson strived for candor in his works, says Taylor, uncovering the frustration and despair which existed “beneath the surface of American life.” His short stories were, and are, of great significance in American literature and make him an inspiration for a literary society.

The creation of the society will contribute to the university’s national status as a high-quality educational institution through “public statements,” says Taylor. Similar projects have been undertaken at other universities, and many professors from around the country have offered their support to this one. The University of Richmond is also conveniently located, since Anderson adopted Virginia as his home and his fourth wife was a graduate of Westhampton.

The society has just recently published its first edition of The Winesburg Eagle—a newsletter focusing on Sherwood Anderson, with articles contributed by members of the international society. There are already 100 members, including literary scholars, artists and book collectors, some of whom are from Japan, Canada and France. But anyone with an interest in Sherwood Anderson can join. Exploring the writings of Sherwood Anderson through its articles, The Winesburg Eagle adopts the copy format of a well-designed newspaper, paying tribute (by design) to Anderson’s journalistic endeavors. The name, The Winesburg Eagle, was taken from the fictional newspaper in the novelist’s most popular book, Winesburg, Ohio. Even the old-fashioned type is flown in from New Orleans to enhance the paper’s authenticity. Published once in April and again in November and funded by the annual $5 membership fee, the paper strives for excellence and “a quality of permanence,” says Taylor. “The Sherwood Anderson Society has had an enthusiastic start, but still has a long way to go.”

Anderson once said: “I did not want to be a novelist, although I wanted to write novels. I did not want a myth built up around me.” The Sherwood Anderson society is not perpetuating a myth, but advancing a true understanding of Sherwood Anderson and his works.

\[2 \times 2 \times 2 = 8.\] One hundred pounds of metal might is the newest defender of the university’s athletic honor—a mascot guaranteed to generate fear among the toughest of opponents.

The metal arachnid, donated to the university by the Amica Mutual Insurance Co., boasts a body of heavy sheet metal 2 ½ to 3 feet in length, with eight legs extending 1 ½ feet and made of concrete reinforcing rods.

Weaving a web of intrigue in the Robins Center lobby, the spider originally belonged to a New Hampshire woman and was stolen from her backyard. The loss was covered under her homeowner’s policy and Amica paid the claim. When the spider was recovered two years later, the woman did not want it back. The only team in the country with the nickname Spiders, the University of Richmond seemed a logical home.

After all if Clemson University has a “tiger in their tank,” the University of Richmond can have a spider on their team.

High C. “The Everest in music mountain climbing,” says Dr. James Erb, associate professor of music, “is Bach’s ‘Mass in B Minor.’ ” This work will be performed by the University of Richmond Orchestra, Choir and Schola Cantorum on March 26, in Cannon Memorial Chapel.

A lengthy and difficult piece to present, Bach’s “Mass in B Minor” is a manifestation of the religious spirit. Following the model of an Italian cantata mass, it is composed of 25 numbers of uneven length. A combination of both archaic and contemporary forms, it took the composer 25 years of intermittent dedicated concentration to complete this epic work.
Bach's famous "Mass" has been the music department's main project for the past year. Says Dr. Erb: "It offers students, faculty and volunteers an opportunity to participate in the thinking of the greatest minds of civilization." The program will be educational and entertaining, but should not be construed to be a public relations' effort. If it impresses the public, that will be a pleasant, but unintended result, says Erb.

Short takes from sports. The most excitement generated in the Capital City in years took place within a span of two weeks with the initiation of a basketball series between the University of Richmond and Virginia Commonwealth University. Over 15,000 rabid fans witnessed the first two rounds of rivalry. The Spiders were well prepared for both games and came away with two important wins, 71-65 and 68-66.

Basketball's Mr. Consistency Award has to go to junior Jeff Butler from Greensburg, Pennsylvania. Butler, a 6-foot-8 transfer student from Robert Morris Junior College, was the top rebounder in the Southern Conference and led the Spiders in scoring.

On the other side of the lake, the Westhampton basketball team was in a rebuilding year. At the mid-season mark, the young team had a 5-3 record with four games left. With their top scorer and rebounder, co-captain Margaret Stender, averaging 16 points and 12 rebounds per game, Coach Kathleen Rohaly hoped to see her team qualify for state tournament competition.

While the wrestlers were struggling through a tough season against nationally recognized opposition, Ted Pinnick and Steve Crocker gave outstanding performances in every match. Pinnick, who was voted the most outstanding wrestler in the Monarch Invitational in Norfolk, lost only two of his first nineteen encounters. He placed third in the state tournament with a 4-1 mark. Crocker, beaten only once in his first nine matches, finished second in the state championships.

With a 3-2 mid-season record, the Westhampton swim team looked forward to a strong finish in their small college division. The Spider swimmers are the second best team in the Southern Conference and are closing the gap on East Carolina. Many Robins Center pool records fell this year, with Steve Mullinix now owning the new marks in the 50- and 100-yard freestyle events.
The Spider's Web

Calendar

MARCH
2 “Poetry and Democracy,” Robert Penn Warren, author, Cannon Memorial Chapel
13 Baseball—Richmond vs. Maryland (home)
15 Baseball—Richmond vs. Coast Guard Academy (home)
18 Orchesis Dance Concert, Camp Memorial Theatre
19 Baseball—Richmond vs. Providence College (home)
21 Baseball—Richmond vs. University of Virginia (away)
23 Baseball—Richmond vs. Southeastern Mass. (home)
24 Baseball—Richmond vs. William and Mary (home)
24 Society of Cincinnati Lecture, Professor Thad Tate on “America During the Eighteenth Century”
26 Baseball—Richmond vs. Wilkes College (home)
26 University Orchestra, Choir, and Schola Cantorum perform Bach’s “Mass in B Minor,” Cannon Memorial Chapel.
27 Baseball—Richmond vs. Dartmouth College (home)
29 Baseball—Richmond vs. The Citadel (home)
31 Baseball—Richmond vs. University of Virginia (home)

APRIL
1 Baseball—Richmond vs. George Washington University (home)
3 Baseball—Richmond vs. Davidson College (away)
5 Philosopher, Michael Novak on “Sport: A Mythic World of Power and Beauty.”
6 Baseball—Richmond vs. Virginia Tech (home)
7 Baseball—Richmond vs. VMI (away)
10 Baseball—Richmond vs. Furman University (away)
13 Baseball—Richmond vs. Navy (away)
14 Helen G. Stafford Lecture, “The Detestable Electorate” by Dr. Stephen Baxter, Kenyon Professor of History, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.
15 Baseball—Richmond vs. East Carolina University (away)
15 University Players, “You’re a Good Man Charlie Brown.”
16 Baseball—Richmond vs. Old Dominion University (home)
16 University Players, “You’re a Good Man Charlie Brown.”
17 Baseball—Richmond vs. Appalachian State University (home)
17 University Players, “You’re a Good Man Charlie Brown.”
21 Baseball—Richmond vs. VMI (away)
21 University Band Concert, Camp Memorial Theatre
23 Baseball—Richmond vs. Old Dominion University (away)
23 University Orchestra Concert, Camp Memorial Theatre
24 Baseball—Richmond vs. William and Mary (away)
24 Alumni Weekend
25 University Choir, “Pops” concert, Camp Memorial Theatre
27 Baseball—Richmond vs. East Carolina University (home)

MAY
9 Baccalaureate Service
Commencement Exercises

Athletic Hall of Fame
Paul F. Dietzel, a nationally known football coach, athletic administrator, conference commissioner and now athletic director at Indiana University, will speak at the first University of Richmond Sports Banquet, April 9.
Honoring Richmond’s senior athletes and all letter winners for the 1975-76 school year, the banquet recognizes the first inductees into the new University of Richmond Athletic Hall of Fame. A limited number of tickets will be on sale for the general public. Alumni may make reservations by contacting Chuck Boone, assistant athletic director, at the Robins Center, (804) 285-6471.

Bob Hope Special
Bob Hope, internationally known comedian and entertainer, comes to the University of Richmond April 4 for a benefit show to aid the Virginia Chapter of the Leukemia Society of America, Inc. and the Stephen J. Kessler Memorial Scholarship Fund. Created by the Richmond College Student Government Association, the Kessler Scholarship Fund honors the Richmond College senator, who died of leukemia in 1974.
Proceeds from the show will be split evenly between the two groups. Tickets for alumni and friends of the university are available at the athletic ticket office in the Robins Center, for $15, $9, $8 and $7. The performance is possible through the assistance of the Bank of Virginia.

Choir Reunion
Members of the University of Richmond Choir, 1970-71, will hold a five-year reunion of their travels to Europe on Saturday, May 8, during Alumni Weekend. On the trip, financed primarily by S&H Green Stamps, the 40-voice choir performed six concerts and visited seven countries in 17 days. Further details will be mailed to choir members this spring.
Classnotes

1918 R. L. Lacy, R. was appointed a member of Southside Virginia Community College Board and executive secretary, Halifax County-City South Boston Bicentennial Commission as of July 1, 1975.

1932 The Rev. Charles Parker, R. retired as an elementary school principal in August 1975. He is presently serving as an interim minister in Halifax County.

Dr. Emmett A. Williams, R. was awarded a PhD degree in May 1975, by American University.

1934 Harold Van Allen, R. has been included in the 1975-76 edition of Who's Who in Religion.

1935 James A. Betts, Jr., L. retired from Overlook Hospital on December 19, 1975.

1937 Dr. M. Parker Givens, R. has been named acting director of the University of Rochester's Institute of Optics.

1939 Dr. Noah E. Fohl, R. is retiring from the Chinese University of Hong Kong after 16 years. He now resides at 685 Shawnee Drive, Nashville, Tennessee.

1942 Harvey L. Hudson, Jr., R., is now working in marketing, management and public relations.

1944 W. A. Trotter, Jr., L. took office as president of the Georgia Real Estate Association in January.


1950 Dr. Frederick H. Savage, R., announces his marriage to Brenda Lee Trimmer.

1951 The Rev. M. Kenneth Russell, R., accepted the pastorate of Mathews Baptist Church in Hudgins, Virginia, last November.

1952 J. Alberti Ellett, L., has been elected first chairman of the First Virginia Bank of Roanoake Valley, Roanoake, Virginia.

1956 The Rev. Paul D. Stoaffer, R., has become superintendent of missions in the Campinas area association. His current address is Caixa Postal 679, 13100 Campinas, SP—Brazil.

Charles F. Taylor, B., is presently vice president and branch coordinator for the Bank of Virginia-Eastern in Portsmouth, Chesapeake and Suffolk.

Jack A. Ranion, B., has been appointed plant superintendent at Coats and Clark, Inc., Jamestown, North Carolina.

1958 Dr. Shelby M. Broughton, R., is presently an associate professor of chemistry at Stockton State College, Pomonca, New Jersey.

1961 Dr. John L. Spain, Jr., R., received certification as consulting psychologist in September. He has written an article "Gaining Self-Acceptance through Group Therapy," which appeared in Voices: The Science and Art of Psychotherapy. He also presented a paper at the National Conference for the Effectiveness Training Associates in Montreal, Canada, "Parent Effectiveness Training and the Model Child" was the topic.

The Rev. Donald W. Laine, R., is currently pastor of the Franklinton Baptist Church, Franklinton, North Carolina. A third son, Keith Arritt Laine, was born on January 15, 1975.

James K. Sugahara, R., has been appointed assistant systems director in the personal lines systems department at The Travelers Insurance Companies, Hartford, Connecticut.

Harvey T. Harris, Jr., R., has been elected chairman, board of directors of the Michigan chapter of the American Academy of Professional Law Enforcement.

1962 Dr. S. Lee Richardson, Jr., B., is currently chairman of the marketing department at Louisiana State University's Business Administration College.

1963 Dr. Walter J. Schwartz, R., was elected president of the Northern Virginia Optometric Society.

James E. Sanderson, R., has been appointed business manager at Christchurch School, Christchurch, Virginia.

Dr. Theodore R. Friedman, R., was elected chairman of the board of B'Nai Israel and Greater Miami Youth Synagogue.

1964 Harvey L. Ramos, B., has been elected assistant treasurer of Overnite Transportation Co.

The Rev. Terry M. Welborn, R., is now pastor of Stukeley Hall Baptist Church, Richmond.

1965 William F. Gunter, R., joined Wheat Advisory Services, Inc., as vice president, business development.

G. Karr Linkous, Jr., G., has recently received his PhD degree in English education from Duke University.

Joseph A. Reynolds, Jr., B., a salesman in Bethlehem Steel Corporation's Philadelphia office, has received a promotion.

1966 Carroll L. Saine, G., was recently elected to the board of directors of both Central National Corporation and Central National Bank.

J. W. Newton, R., and his wife announce the birth of a son, Joseph Wayland Newton, Jr., September 26, 1974.

1967 K. R. C. Sinclair, R., has moved to Charleston, West Virginia, to accept a position as director of training for Jefferds and Moore, Inc. He and his wife have a new son, Joseph Jelferds Sinclair, born December 11, 1974.

Capt. Fitzgerald Lee Godwin, Jr., G., R., has been re-assigned to Seoul, Korea, to serve as judge advocate, Seventh Region Criminal Investigation Command.

Edmund E. Mullins, Jr., R., G., is a part-time faculty member at the MCV Dental School and staff dentist at the Virginia Home, has opened a new dental office.

Louis M. Morkvist, B., director of alumni affairs at the University of Richmond, has received the rank of major, U.S. Army Reserve, in December.

1968 Alexis M. Clement, B., has been promoted to vice president, accounting services, at VEPCO.


1970 John M. Wiatl, U., G., was elected a vice president of Metropolitan National Bank in November.

Paul J. Strauss, B., has joined RECO, Inc., Richmond.

Ronald D. Shepherd, B., has been elected an assistant finance officer in the Bank of Virginia Company.

Dennis F. Brumberg, L., has joined the law firm of Buer and Neblett in Richmond.

Joseph C. Godsey, Jr., G., has been promoted to vice president of the Bank of Virginia Trust Company.

Richard Hayden St. Clair, R., transferred to the Group Division of Aetna Life Casualty in Utica, New York, as a group representative.

Sterling H. Moore, R. L., and wife Janet announce the birth of a daughter, Joanna Lee Moore, on October 22, 1975.

David S. Whitacre, R. L., in February became assistant commonwealth attorney for Frederick County, Virginia. His wife, Susan, is employed as a pharmacist with Eugene V. White in Berryville.

1971 Donald Allen Dunnivant, R., received his master of divinity degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Robert A. Hudgens, R., received the rank of captain and is assigned to air traffic control operations at Cannon AFB, New Mexico.

Maurice McCarthy, Jr., B., received his master of divinity degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in December 1974. Since January 1975, he has served as associate pastor at Tabernacle Baptist Church in Richmond. He and his wife announce the birth of a son, Michael Aaron McCarthy, on September 4, 1975.

Dr. Thomas D. Makres, R., is an intern-resident in pediatrics at Bethesda Naval Medical Center.

Charles Fernyhough, B., lives in Sarasota, Florida, and is a representative of the Equitable Life Assurance Society.

1972 Carter Hudgins, R., is working for the Virginia Research Center for Archeology, while working on his master's degree thesis in history.

Thomas C. Givens, R., has been employed as an associate in the law firm of Gillespie, Chambers and Combs in Tazewell, Virginia.

Douglas H. Lees III, R., was recently licensed as a real estate broker in Virginia.

William F. Moffett III, B., and his wife, Janice, announce the birth of a daughter, Melanie Noel, on September 29, 1975.

John Lamburtus Verburg, R., has enrolled at Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington, D.C., and began work on his master of divinity degree.

1973 George C. Dunn, R., who graduated this summer from the Southeastern Trust School in Raleigh, North Carolina, and is employed at Shenandoah Valley National Bank in Winchester, Virginia, was elected a director of the local American Institute of Banking.

1974 Everett P. Kalafatis, B., and Barbara Cross were married on September 7, 1974.

Paul W. Sacra, B., and Deborah W. Pierce, WC74, were married on October 3, 1975.

Margaret H. Ennis, B., was promoted to staff associate, personnel department C&P Telephone Co. She is presently working on her MBA degree at VCU.

Edward A. Beck III, l., is employed as an associate in the law firm of Kinney, Smith & Bitner in Arlington.

1975 Eddie R. Vaughn, Jr., L., was named an assistant commonwealth's attorney in January.

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Glady's Booth Bentley enjoys living in a retirement apartment house in Tampa, takes part in many activities and enjoys the beautiful Florida weather.

Elsa Wallenstein Gerst is continuing her art work and in January had a one-man show of Oriental scrolls with sayings and watercolor illustrations from the writings of Henry Thoreau and Japanese and Chinese verse. Her daughter works with the Virginia Beach Art Association gathering facts, maps and illustrations of the early settlers and Indians for the area's bicentennial celebration. Her son and grandson do well and her granddaughter is at VCU studying fine arts for a teaching certificate. Her daughter, in Albany, makes beautiful pottery.

Hilda Lawson Jacklin and her husband spent a week in Nova Scotia this fall. They also drove to Boston, where a son joined them. In December, they were in Florida, where their son from Wisconsin joined them. They visited Hilda's brother in Naples. Both enjoy traveling by car and they keep well and busy.

Mary Fugate visited a friend in Lynchburg and her daughter joined them. She stayed at home more than usual in 1975, but I am sure she kept busy with her many activities.

Mary Briston Thompson reports a good summer, excellent garden, and no trips except one to Busch Gardens. She and her husband work one day a week.

Relish Lawson McReynolds took a nice foliage tour in the fall through the Blue Ridge and Smoky Mountains. She enjoys visiting members of her family and on a visit with Hilda had a nice dinner at the Waters Garner Thomas Restaurant. Celia Lemonier Myers and her husband visited their daughter and her family in Pittsburgh in December but a trip to South America was canceled. Their latest college class was on investments.

Louise Story and her brother stay busy, working harder than ever before, since help is so scarce. New York orchards had such a pleasant time they plan to go again soon.

Rachel Newton Dickson and her family had a wonderful time at Ridgecrest during the summer. She spent Christmas in Florida with her daughter Edith Eakes, Rachel's sister, was also in Ridgecrest during the summer. Her son from California and other members of the family have visited her home in Richmond. Both she and Rachel do church work and stay well and busy.

Juliet Woodson and her brother went to Oklahoma at Christmas time.

Ruth Wallenstein Thalheimer and her husband have celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary and are most grateful for all their blessings. They have five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren and visited them and their parents to be with them during the holidays.

Muriel Sanders is getting along very well and can now walk without help.

Les Sessoms Booker stays busy. No one can keep up with her. She has more big, beautiful dinner parties, goes out more often to social events, drives regularly for Meals-on-Wheels, gave up both for the Salvation Army at Christmas, attends the symphony and things at the museum, plus her work at church, D.A.R. and, you name it, she does it! And Book really enjoyed the trip to Greece this fall.

Eva Timberlake West and Charlie are comfortable at Imperial Plaza but go to their river home quite often. They have a nice trip to the mountains during the summer. Their daughter, Sarah, is in Ohio and Anne, who works for the state, also has an apartment at Imperial Plaza. They have all joined Cool Springs Baptist Church and feel right at home. Eva went there as a child and her mother was the organist.

Dorothy Winfrey Couble visited her sister in Richmond and Eva talked with her.

Stella Hubbard Taylor spent a Christmas with her son and his family in Boston. She retired from teaching eight years ago but still has fond memories of her English classes, the work in dramatics and the interesting young people she taught. The class of 1930 invited her to their 45th reunion and she enjoyed the evening. She enjoyed Miss Turnbull's book and sent two copies as gifts. She said: "I was entertained by her. She was the greatest inspiration of my intellectual life and was the most fascinating person I have ever known." Lula Fugate Pfeiffer died in an accident at her home on November 29 and to her family we extend our sympathy.

I left out one of my grandchildren in my last letter and I am sorry. She is a junior at VPI and I am proud of her too!

This summer Inez DeJarnette Hite and Oscar, with Mildred Anderson Williams and Alton, went to France. Besides all the places one usually goes in France, the interesting young people she met at the college she had stayed and the battlefields where she fought during World War I. Inez had been afraid it would be a disappointment to Oscar but it was just the opposite—a wonderful experience for all of them.

Ruth Lazenby McCulloch spent last summer entertaining her children and grandchildren. She has a garden and nothing gives Ruth more pleasure than having her home filled with family. Ruth's grandson, Scott, is spending this year studying in Europe. Another grandson flew to Sweden last summer by himself (he can't be over 12 years old!) to visit his grandparents. Later, his family joined him there.

In November, Louise Wilkinson Morton and her daughter, Jeanne, went to New Orleans and were joined by Louise's son, his wife and children for the Thanksgiving holiday. Also in November, at the alumnae dinner, five attended from our class, Agnes, Inez, Jeanne, Louise and I. We sat with the class of 1925 and they were still glowing with memories of their wonderful 50th reunion.

Rita Baker was in the hospital for an operation in December. She is home now and doing nicely.

Virginia Clore Johnson and Walkley spent Christmas at Virginia Beach with their son and his family. They were planning a cruise out of New Orleans in February.

I had Eva Sanders' wonderful Christmas letter in December. I know all of you join me in extending sincere sympathy because of her brother's death in June. Eva again served as nurse at the Baptist Lodge Camp for six weeks during the summer. Since then, she has enjoyed teaching Mission Study books and Sunday School. She is looking forward to entering the Baptist Home in Newport News.

Our daughter, Jeanne, came from St. Louis for a visit in November for our 50th wedding anniversary.

Agnes Jones had an exciting 45-day trip to Europe last fall.

By now you will have received your letter from Lila Crenshaw and Roland with details on our class reunion. Everything is shaping up splendidly. We are expecting classmates from as far away as California, Texas, Wisconsin, New York and Florida. There will be solos and others with spouses or family members or friends. We can't wait to see you all and have you see this absolutely beautiful campus.

I still need information about Ruth Boykin Smith. Please, somebody?

Margaret Wills
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Culpeper, Virginia 22701

Congratulations to Frances Anderson Stallard for her honors from alma mater and to Elizabeth Hale, too.

Margaret Chapin Perry became critically ill in late October and was released from suffering on Christmas Eve. An excerpt from a letter from Margaret to Louise Massey Crisp, dated July 31, says: I'm thrilled that you are considering a trip South, come autumn! You surely should have Greenville on the itinerary. We continued to feel so completely back home, love our place so much and would like to think it's as beautiful and wonderful as we do!

"I wrote you, I am planning to live! I need a strong attitude about the whole thing and with God's help I am able to maintain it most of the time. But human Margaret finds it easier some days than others."

A letter of October 16, on the eve of her return to the hospital, says: "God was so real and so sustaining to me last March. I know He cannot vary. Here again, help me pray that I can be strong and worthy.

Louise did step by the hospital to visit and then on to see Cecelia Hunt Wight. Margaret expressed gratitude for the many lovely letters Hunt wrote her. Also it was a real joy for Margaret to have news of Marie Lake after years of silence.

Cecelia Hunt Wight says: "Lake has called me several times, Louise Massey Crisp and friend visited me briefly late in October. My younger son brought his family from Stone Mountain for the Thanksgiving weekend, my daughter and her family of five on December 22 from North Chicago and my son, the M.D., came from Tifton on December 26. I now have seven 'grands.'"

Thelma Bryant Hutton
4104 Bromley Lane
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Margaret Olivier Saunders took a trip to Vienna, Austria in November.

Helen Harwood Foor spent the summer at her home in the country. After her daughter's wedding, moved into a new home in Wollton, Virginia, just across the ridge from Helen's place. In September, Helen flew to California to visit her son Jerry, and his family. He is stationed at Monterey, where he is studying Russian at the Army Language School.

Frances Cake worked last summer as a volunteer consultant in water safety for the Red Cross. She visited some classes in life saving, taught a retraining class for local instructors and helped in the retraining of a large group at VPI this fall. Frances also made an interesting visit to Athens, West Virginia, during the height of the fall colors. During the summer, she took a course in "Introduction to Drama" at the local community college. She is taking another theatre course and is using her textbook notes from Miss Keller's course to help with homework preparation.

Estelle Crenshaw Leadbetter flew to Hawaii in
October. While there, she visited four of the islands. Her five-year-old granddaughter is in kindergarten and sings in a children's choir.

Theima Bryant Hutton went on a foliage tour in October through the New England states and Canada.

Lucy Blackwell Alexander
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Local anniversary of interest—Ralph’s and my 25th, celebrated on the deadline date for this letter, January 6.

Margaret Buck Wayland serves as director of Pittsylvania Association’s Woman’s Missionary Union, on the boards of the YWCA, United Fund, FISH and is active in her church, garden club and other civic endeavors. Her husband, Lee, is now manager of the Chemical Products Department of Dan River, Inc. He was presented the Olney Medal, the highest award given in this country for outstanding achievement in the textile industry by the American Association of Textile Chemists and Colorists. This is a gold medal along with an honorarium of $250. Their oldest son, Ross, is in his third year at the University of Virginia. Their middle son, Bob, is a junior in high school and their youngest son, Dick, is a ninth grader. Maryjorie Parsons Owen’s son, Charlie, is enjoying his freshman year at the University of Richmond.

Barbara Ann Taggart has been in Mexico 15 years teaching in a Bible School and working with churches. She is building a house there! Baby Six” Cheatham Chandler was busy with the “spring banquet circuit” during reunion time and couldn’t come to Richfield. Her daughter, Lisa, is involved in track, swimming, high school and planning for college. Her daughter, Mary Bruce, has been married a year.

Martha Spencer Fidler appreciated the invitation to the reunion functions but felt she must decline. Mary Sue Mock Milton’s baby girl, Julia Morehouse, was born March 5. She has an 11-year-old son, and a seven-year-old daughter, Susan. Her husband is an orthopedic surgeon. They are enjoying “fixing up” an almost 50-year-old house in Charlotte, North Carolina. Carol Siegel Taub was sorry to miss the 25th reunion.

Since I have received several requests about Mimi Thalben Bricker, who died April 19, 1974, I am giving some information about her. She lived in Clayton, Missouri, and was administrative assistant and attorney in juvenile court. She was an alderman for the city of Clayton. She had three children, Dale, Cary and Susan. Gene Hart Joyner and family enjoyed visiting Rosa Louise Solis Johnston and family at William and Mary College one weekend last summer. Both have daughters at William and Mary. They also saw Vivian Betts Lewis.

Gene Hart Joyner works part time in the West­hampton bookstore. She has contributed to the Student Loan Fund in memory of both Mimi Thalben Bricker and Pearl Kline Gross.

Jean Tinley Martin’s son, Roy Martin, Jr., is president of the class of 1977 at VPI. Marty Lowry Green and Jack have lived in Burlington, New Jersey, for seven years. Jack is rector of St. Mary’s Episcopal Parish. They have three daughters. The eldest graduated from Swarthmore and went to Wellesley College in New York State and the youngest is a senior at Burlington Hall. Marty has gone back to teaching.

This July, Jo Martens received a neck chain with the GAF emblem and a tiny diamond in one corner in honor of having worked 25 years for GAF Corporation. This summer she visited her 12-year-old godson in Alexandria and a friend in New Hope, Pennsylvania. In November, she received her 25-year pin from the Order of the Eastern Star. Sadness came on November 14 when her Aunt Tante, Mrs. Theresa Wilson, died.

Maud Tyler keeps busy with her garden and music students.

Louise Cooftanding Randall’s older daughter is a freshman at Southwestern College in Winfield, Kansas.

In November, Bea Cooftanding O’Flaherty and Bill were in Monterey, California, when they received an emergency phone call. Their home had been burglarized and ransacked. Things brightened up for them when they went to Wadesboro, North Carolina, to spend Thanksgiving with Bea Cooftanding O’Flaherty’s mother and all the Cooftanding clan.

Marianne Beck Duty and “Les” took 14-year-old daughter Mary Leslie on an eight-day tour of Moscow and Leningrad with the Soviet-American Legal Conference.

Kitty Rosenberger Garber’s husband, John, has been promoted to vice president of the United Way of America, in charge of personnel. Peggy King Nelson and Earl stopped to see the Garbers enroute from Richmond to Connecticut this fall.

Barbara Beattie Fanney does volunteer work in the high school library and is taking piano lessons.

Mokey” Rounds Holloway is a member of the Salvation Army Advisory Board and board at the hospital, along with bowling, choir, church, golf and her family of two college sons and husband Dick.

Bette Lane Barnhill Bragg’s husband, Oscar, was hospitalized in serious condition after an extensive heart operation.

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Georgie McTeer Cooke and Morris moved into their retirement home November 1 in Beaufort, a white frame, two-story house with Charleston green shutters. It has nine-foot ceilings, panelled wainscoting and pretty cornice work. They also found wide, old floorboards in Savannah. Morris is Parish coordinator for St. Helena’s Church.

Dawes is looking at law schools and Betsy is busy with her sorority at Rollins. Georgie sent a full page regional ad to Wells Time magazine featuring Nancy Ayers McClees. I had a lovely visit with Nancy in November when she came to a conference in Ypsilanti, Michigan. Nancy has been busy—president of Ayers Insulating Co. and has expanded the business to include paint and drywall construction. She is active in dance groups in Norfolk. David has taken a year off from college and is seeing the west coast and area. Martha is in school in Texas and Mindy looking at schools for fall.

Anne Simpson Turner sent us a newspaper clipping of Anne Williamson Beasley showing Anne in the process of baking 85 dozen cookies at Wellsfame Plantation during a Christmas open house. Anne Turner got her ABS degree in elementary education with a concentration in Italian. She is involved in the local library and is certified for classroom grades first through seventh and for library work.

Don, the children and I had a lovely visit with Anne and Johnson at the beach in August. Also, we had a wonderful evening with Sue Peters Hall in Richmond. We are keeping my mother’s home in Sumter, S.C., and I had surgery in the fall and Don was hospitalized in various condition after Christmas, but 1976 promises to be a good year.

Mary Anne Coates Edel 618 Overhill Road
Birmingham, Michigan 48010

Addie Eicks Comes extends an invitation to all ’52ers to visit her during the bicentennial in the Salem-Ipswich area. Her daughter, Elizabeth Lee, is at Radcliffe College. She is also a part-time model, which she finds lucrative. Katie, their six-year-old is handicapped but spunky, cute as a button and challenging. Her husband, Brock, is a lawyer in a Boston firm and active in the American Bar Association. Addie is involved with the Office for Children, serving on its Information and Referral Committee. She is also active in special education for their regional school system.

Lawrence Hモデルer is parish coordinator for St. Helena’s Church, and is very involved in the community. He is in the Peace Corps and is doing volunteer work in Mexico. "Makey” Rounds Holloway is a member of the Salvation Army Advisory Board and board at the hospital, along with bowling, choir, church, golf and her family of two college sons and husband Dick.

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Jane Lanier Synovitz’s family spent a week in Denver, Colorado, last summer. In addition to missing the rounds of Denver’s restaurants, they took the auto trek to the top of Pike’s Peak and parked for gold near Golden and Central City.

Jane says the “highlight of the year was co­ sponsoring a family of Vietnamese.” The family escaped from Vietnam in a fishing boat. With the help of a number of people in Macomb, the family are now settled there. She says, “the whole experience has been very exciting and re­ warding.

Jane is taking some courses in order to get her Illinois teacher’s certificate. She continues to sing with the community chorus and is den mother for Mark’s Cub Scout den.

Sara Sherman Cowherd and Rush miss Rich­ mond! They live in Birmingham, Alabama.

Bill were in Monterey, California, when they re­ turned from Richmond to Connecticut this fall.

Barbara Beattie Fanney does volunteer work in the high school library and is taking piano lessons.

Mokey” Rounds Holloway is a member of the Salvation Army Advisory Board and board at the hospital, along with bowling, choir, church, golf and her family of two college sons and husband Dick.

Bette Lane Barnhill Bragg’s husband, Oscar, was hospitalized in serious condition after an extensive heart operation.

And Three Small Fishes, a book of poetry co-authored by Margaret T. Rux and two Rux relatives is published by McClure Press, White Marsh, Virginia. Miss Rudd is now a regional vice president of The Poetry Society of Virginia and also chairperson of the annual poetry contest for the Alexandria Branch of National League of American Pen Women.

Betty Edmonds Dunn’s son, James, is at East Carolina University. The Dunn’s love living on the James River.
Chris Brown's holiday at the Greenbrier in White Sulphur Springs.

Please send some news!

Jo Anne Garrett West and family have moved to a larger house in Chapel Hill. Jo Anne is very active with music groups. The two-piano team, of which she is a member, did a Rachmaninoff suite in a recital in November and is planning a full-length program for next summer.

Marit Haislip Paddgett and family spent Christmas in Virginia for the first time in nine years. Puggy is tax director of his company and Marti is working on her MA in sociology and working full time as a remedial math teacher in a high school math lab.

Pat Steckman Shifflett (Reb) is president-elect of the Virginia Association of School Executives and will begin her term as president in the spring. This organization, which represents principals, school and school administrators, presents their point of view on educational matters to our state legislators. Pat conducted a teacher workshop at Enon Elementary, where I teach.

Jane Bowles Hurst sent a Christmas card saying she would be working until March 1976, at which time she will resign to take a position teaching voice at her alma mater, the Collegeville School in Collegeville, Pennsylvania. In her spare time, Nick still enjoys working with antique cars.

We are saddened to hear of the death of Rose Dranchak Martin's husband, Charlie. He passed away from a heart attack in November. This came as quite a shock, since Charlie hadn't been ill or had any history of a heart condition. We extend our sympathy to Rose and her family.

Jeannine, 11, is taking piano lessons and was selected for the talented and gifted program in Henrico County. John, 10, had his first experiences with stitches after falling on his head at Westhampton. She was filling in for Dr. Johnson, who was on sabbatical leave. Ann received her MA from VCU and was still teaching one class at Westhampton for the fall semester.

I received a clever Christmas note from the Malcolm family. Ann Carol Yeaman Malcolm wrote it in poetry form. Daughter Ann Ross is a senior in high school and enrolled in Washington and Jefferson College for September 1976. Johnny is in sixth grade and takes voice lessons at the Virginia School of the Arts. He was filling in for Dr. Johnson, who was on sabbatical leave. Ann received her MA from VCU and was still teaching one class at Westhampton for the fall semester.

The news from our home is that Doug is a freshman at UR and Debbie will graduate in June and is looking for a college with an art program.

Don't forget to set aside the second weekend in May for our 20th reunion.

I want to thank all the group captains and members of the faculty for their hard work in supplying me with the news. A new secretary will be selected at our reunion. See you at the 20th.

Nancy Goodwyn Hill
11735 Dewberry Lane
Chester, Virginia 23831

Carolyn Moss Hartz saw several of our classmates during Homecoming weekend including Jean Anderson Farmer, Sue Hudson Parsons, Kay Crawford Trigwell, Gene Borum and Marriett Ayers Eggleson. Marriett modeled the formal, which she wore at our Ring Dance, for Friday evening's program, featuring fashions through the years.

Carolyn also saw Mary Jean Simpson Garrett and Harry at a football game and Violet Moore Neal and Jack at the Robins Center's open house.

Mary Ann Warren Smith, Lawson and their son, Danny, live in Lumberton, North Carolina, where Lawson serves as pastor of First Baptist Church. Danny, who is in junior high school, was a member of a mission team to New Andover, Massachusetts, last summer and he is vice president of the junior high youth council. In October, Mary Ann and Lawson attended the Youth Ministries Conferences in Williamsburg.

Sandra Motley Swan and husband Bob are living in Newport News, where he is assistant director, Service Division at NASA, Langley Field. They have been living in the Newport News area since college days except for one year spent in Boston where he received a master's degree from MIT. They have traveled in Europe and the Holy Land and, with 14-year-old Susan and nine-year-old Robby, to Florida. Sandy has been half-time doing church work and being a full-time homemaker.

Loretta Hudgins Johnson and Doug are enjoying Pittsburgh. Doug is a manufacturing consultant for Westinghouse. Her parents in South Boston kept four-year-old Scott and two-year-old Ann in August for Loretta and Doug to take a long weekend at Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. Loretta lives in a townhouse named Upper St. Clair, which is on top of the hill and has traveled extensively in Middle Eastern countries. She returned to Paris shortly after the holidays.

I'll need news for the next issue about June 15. Please write.
Jane Bibb Ranson  
P. O. Box 505  
Fork Union, Virginia 23055

Joyce Sanford Brittingham is still quite busy with her musical activities and daughter Laura. She also reports that Jim has been promoted in his work.

Mary Eleanor Hodge Strickland and family had a visit this fall from Suzanne Borum Baker and Bud and their two boys. They are living in Winston-Salem, where Bud is with the Waccocia Bank.

Folli McDowell Waters and Jerry have been kept busy going on company trips. Jerry has also made vice president of his company. They have two children, Patrick and Laurie.

Connie Zeno Riggle's husband is now vice president of his firm and they are located in Missouri.

Congratulations is in order for Elaine Johnson Yeatts, who has been elected to the Board of Trustees for the University of Richmond.

Cynthia Morgan Diggle reports the birth of her first child. Arny Elizabeth Diggle, born April 21, 1975, was premature but has caught up with herself quite well.

Carolyn and Herd Webb and Les have a baby girl born this fall. Carolyn, I am sure, is quite busy with her two youngsters. We would also like to extend our sympathy to Carolyn in the recent death of her father.

Please let us hear from you. Our class news is getting shorter and shorter.

Carolyn Urquhart Burkey  
135 Lake Street  
Pulaski, Virginia 24301

Mimi Proctor Gomes lives in Bon Air and has two children, Mimi, 8, and McGhee, 4. She has taken some UR enrichment courses and enjoys church work, needlework, DAR and swimming in the Westhampton pool. Her husband is an assistant actuary for the Life Insurance Co. of Virginia.

Nancy Keeter Fowler lives with her family in Seaford, where her husband is a cost estimator for the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Co. Their children are Leslie Paige, 4, and Brian Douglas, 1.

Pat Grizzard is an elementary school teacher in Capitol Heights, Maryland, and has completed some courses toward a master's degree plus 15 hours in counseling. She is writing a book and loves antiques, cooking Italian food, refinishing furniture and enjoying the big, old, nine-room house she bought.

Caywood Garrett Hendricks of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, is a medical reference librarian, while her husband is a resident (doctor) in dermatology. She holds her MS/LS degree from the University of North Carolina and was in a work-study program in biomedical librarianship at the UCLA Center for the Health Sciences.

Joan At Her Home In northern Richmond is a busy mother to Katherine, 3, and Mollie, 1, is active at Second Baptist Church and enjoys gardening, antiques and gourmet cooking. Her husband is a marketing manager for C&P Telephone Co.

Betty Louise Richardson Hodgkin lives in Durham, North Carolina, in a new home on a beautiful 2½-acre wooded lot. She and her husband, Wayne, did all the decorating and landscaping for her home. Wayne is deputy director for the Redevelopment Commission. Their children are Blair, 6, and Brook, 4.

Sandra Gilliland Hopkins writes book reviews for the Mi an Herald and sings in the choir of the Episcopal Church of the Resurrection. Her husband is a writer for the Associated Press.

Pat Schultz Hoy is a Spanish teacher in Chesterfield, Virginia, having completed her Med in supervision with a Spanish minor from UR in 1973. She enjoys cabinet making, re-finishing, sewing and gardening and mothering two-year-old Susannah Dare. Her husband is a lawyer.

Chi Chi Whitehead Huff lives in Richmond and has one child, Gary, 5. Her husband is an engineer with the Presbyterian Church in Eastwood.

Beverly Breitstein Hurwitz of Richmond is a homemaker and mother to Randy, 7, and Jason, 4. She likes needlepoint, is an active member of Women's American ORT and has played in alumnii tennis tournaments for the past few years. Her husband is a grocer.

Kedron Davis Jenkins is a reference librarian. Her husband is a marketing manager for C&P Telephone Co. in Richmond. Kedron earned her MS in library science and enjoys children's literature and herbs.

Janice Mays Kaylor and her family have done some traveling and enjoy both the University of North Carolina and was in a master's degree in English education. Their two children are Catherine, 12, and William, 6, enjoys teaching synchronized swimming and learning Spanish and has done a lot of tropical gardening of papayas, mangos and hibiscus. They will soon return to Washington, D.C., last summer.

Joye Jeanne Godther Leford of Richmond is a homemaker and mother of Robby, 8, and Angie, 1. She paints watercolors and reads mystery novels. She lives in Bon Air United Methodist Women and enjoys flower and vegetable gardening. Her husband is a sales/interior designer.

Kay Gingles, Florida, and has three children, Angela, 8, Sherry, 5, and Julie, 1. She received her MS in clinical psychology from VCU and enjoys oil painting. Her husband is a member of the board of directors for the Richmond Area Mental Health Association.

Tuck Hilley Money is a housewife, mother to Alison, 6, and Kristin, 4, and part-time lecturer at a community college in Fairfax, Virginia. Her husband is an attorney for the Department of Justice. Tuck earned her MS from University of Delaware and was vice president of Washington Alumnii 1972-1975.

Lynne Griffith Marks is a homemaker and mother to Christopher, 5, and Brian, 2, and lives in Westfield, New Jersey. Lynne has earned a master of music, is active in Westfield Newcomers Club, enjoys Sunday School teaching and teaching needlepoint, is an active member of the Westfield Congregational Church Choir. She is a member of the board of directors for the Richmond Area Mental Health Association.

Margaret Jennings McMichael is active in the Junior Women's Club in Fairfax, Virginia, and has one child, Virginia Ann, 8. Her husband owns and operates a tire business.

Judy Scott Masselum, her husband and daughter Amanda, 2, live in Needham, Massachusetts. Judy is a homemaker and part-time high school teacher and received her MAT degree from Harvard in 1967. Her husband is a counselor-recruitment coordinator.

Carolyn Sublette Meredith is a substitute teacher for Roanoke County schools. She attended West Virginia University and enjoys sewing, needlepoint, swimming and has one daughter, Elizabeth, 2.

Nancy Rowan Milmel lives in Montgomery, Alabama, where her husband is a captain in the Air Force and an instructor at the Maxwell AFB Aerospace Education Center. She completed her ME in guidance and counseling in 1972 and enjoys framing dried flower arrangements, church choir and youth activities. Her husband, Al, finished his PhD in education at the University of Denver in January 1975 and plans to make the Air Force a career. Since graduation from Westminster College, she has worked as a research assistant for the School of Educatio. Her husband is a biological teacher. She plans to return to teaching when her two-year-old son, Douglas David, is older.

Martha Butterworth Minton of Petersburg, Virginia, is married to an attorney for the firm of White, Hamilton, Wyche and Shell, and has three children, Marc, 10, John, 7, and Martha Ellen, 4. She likes needlepoint, knitting, tennis, bridge, leading Cub Scouts, teaching Sunday School and attending UR football games! Martha is president of Southside Alumnii 1975-1977.

Virginia Winn Morgan lives in Nashville, Tennessee, and has been a full-time student at Vanderbilt Divinity School and also does writing and free-lance editing for the United Presbyterian of Tennessee.

Beverly L. Keck attended the Presbyterian School of Christian Education in Richmond (1966-67), Union Theological Seminary in New York (1968-69) and expects to receive a master of divinity degree from Vanderbilt in August 1975. Her husband is a vice president of the Nashville University Center, an organization which maximizes cooperation between five private universities in Nashville—Vanderbilt, Peabody, Scarritt, Fisk and Meharry. She received his PhD in higher education in 1971 from Columbia University in New York.

Jane Nackols Moly IV lives in Richmond and has one child, Tonya, 1. She taught fifth grade in Henrico County until 1975 and is active in Woman's Church. Her husband is an agent with Southwestern Life.

Lydia Fitzgerald O'Neill lives in Fredericksburg and is married to a mathematician-physicist. She is active in the St. Mary's Youth Committee. They have three children, Kathryn, 9, Paul, 7, and David, 15, who has been a page for the Virginia General Assembly.

Kay Ramsey Parret lives in Chesapeake, where she is a homemaker and he is branch manager and area executive officer for Virginia National Bank. Kay stays busy with church choir, reading, embroidery, rug hooking and five-year-old Jennifer.

Nell Gardner Payne lives in Fayetteville, North Carolina, and is the busy mother of three children, Hiden, 6, Gardner, 3, and Barrett, 2. Her husband, a technical superintendent for Tex-Fix Industries, is married to a dentist and has two children, Catherine, 4, and William, 2. The parents have been active in the Junior League and enjoy antiques and gourmet cooking.

Elaine Newsom Partlow is a social work supervisor in Virginia Beach and is married to a minister. They have two children, Indonesian, 7, and John, 4.

Elaine Parsons Powell of Virginia Beach has two children, Paige, 7, and Robert H., IV, 3, and is married to an attorney.

Ann Parkinson is a school teacher consultant for emotionally disturbed and learning disabled children for the Chesterfield County Public Schools. She earned her MEd from VCU in 1972 and is secretary of the board of directors for the Richmond Area Mental Health Association. She is also a member of a Junior Active Company that presents local performances on a regular basis.

Elaine Parsons Powell of Virginia Beach has two children, Paige, 7, and Robert H., IV, 3, and is married to an attorney.

Lyn Jordan Rose is a computer programmer, has one child, Jordan, 1, enjoys bridge and gourmet cooking and lives in Rockville, Maryland.

Kay Woody Saunders lives in Atlanta and has two children, Gray, 7, and David, 2. Her husband is a CPA for Mitchell, Wiggins and Co. He is a CPA for Mitchell, Wiggins and Co.

Sandra Gross Schneider is married to a computer programmer, has two children, Jack, 13, and Matthew, 8, and enjoys cooking and gardening and lives in Richmond and is president of Schneider's Disposable Service, Inc.

Jane G. Schiller received her master of arts and teaching degree in 1967, and is married to a social worker and lives in Richmond.

Lyn Jordan Rose is married to a computer programmer, has one child, Jordan, 1, enjoys bridge and gourmet cooking and lives in Rockville, Maryland.

Kay Woody Saunders lives in Atlanta and has two children, Gray, 7, and David, 2. Her husband is an assistant professor at Georgia Tech.

Candis Gross Schneider of Richmond has three children, Andy, 10, Jill, 8, and Jonathan, 5, and is active in the Junior League. Her husband is president of Schneider's Disposable Service, Inc.

Gene Henderson Schutt received her master of arts and teaching degree in 1967, and is married to a social worker and lives in Richmond.
My husband, John, is now a computer programmer for Jefferson Mills here in Pulaski. Our two boys, Chris and Michael, are 4½ and 2, respectively. I stay busy teaching 12 piano pupils, playing for our church youth choir and being church Music Committee Chairman. Also, I am a La Leche League leader, an organization that helps mothers that want to nurse their babies, and enjoy Homemaker’s Club, Christian Woman’s Club and the Pulaski Music Club.

The next issue will include questionnaire information from the remaining names S-Z that could not be included this time because of lack of space. If you sent in a questionnaire that has yet to be used, please advise me of any changes. Also, we are no longer able to include complete addresses because of insufficient space. The alumnae office can supply you with most addresses.

1968

Linda Powers Massaro
8523 Betterton Court
Vienna, Virginia 22180

Jenny Compton Burrowbridge’s first child, Sarah Beth, was born in April 1975. Susan has retired from teaching and is enjoying staying at home with the baby. Her husband, Bob, is still the administrator of Saint John. She and her husband interned last year at Roanoke Memorial Hospital, Roanoke, Virginia. Last summer, they vacationed in the southwest and found Sarah to be a good little camper.

Susan Chapman Frick’s son, Robert Samuel, was born in April 1975. She has retired from teaching and is enjoying staying at home with the baby. Her husband, Bob, is still the administrator of Otterburn Academy in Bedford, Virginia. Susan said she is getting accustomed to living in a small town.

Ann Woodson Goehring has been married over three years and is now the mother of Daniel Walter, born in September 1974.

1970

Linda Tomask Wallace
8124 Sawmill Road
Richmond, Virginia 23229

Betty Willig Kati has received a master of science degree from Princeton University and is working for her PhD degree there. She is a member of the Bucknell University faculty this year as a visiting assistant professor of chemistry.

Sherry Bozler Carmichael is now Dr. Carmichael. She and her husband interned last year at Roanoke Memorial Hospital, Roanoke, Virginia. After a honeymoon at St. Thomas, Virgin Islands and a vacation in France, Sharon Morrisett Velebr and John have settled down in Richmond, Virginia, where they both work for the C&P Telephone Company. I am presently teaching general science, biology and chemistry at the Steward School in Richmond’s West End.

Remember to notify the alumnae office of any address changes so we can “keep in touch.”

1972

Rachel Pierce Price
2156 Cartwright Place
Reston, Virginia 22091

Jeannie McCaill Simer and John traveled last year in England, Greece, Turkey and Denmark. Jere Hudson Mollen and Al, who have just arrived for a tour of duty in Germany, hope to visit this summer.

1974

Margaret Rogers Hock
3505 Stuart Avenue, #103
Richmond, Virginia 23221

Judy Owens Hopkins and Hop have completed their second year in medical school at VCU and will begin their clerkships in March 1976. During the month of January, Judy will be working in the emergency room and during February, she will be in orthopedic surgery. In her spare time, Judy spends 10 hours a week riding with the Charlottesville-Albermarle rescue squad.

Nancy Bennett is teaching elementary physical education at Fall City, and Mary Kay Reynolds. She says it is really more like playground directing, since they don’t have a gym and everything must be done outside. Cathy Fass writes from Raleigh, North Carolina, that she is staying busy with work and night school.

Sandy Sperry is still at the Richmond YWCA and is teaching tennis. She hopes to teach two health classes this winter on consumer education and mental health. Also, living in Richmond is Cindy Nunn, who is working at Reynolds Metals. Ann and Terry Almarode are sharing an apartment at the Cloisters in Richmond. Also, living in Richmond are Sarah Hopkins, Susan Lindler and Linda Fernand. Linda is working as assistant music director at the James Episcopal Church in addition to teaching music in Henrico County. Steve and Mary Garnett lives in Ashland and works in the admissions department at Randolph-Macon College.

Marriages

Elizabeth Shiflette and Bill Cox, August 1975.

Births

1958 Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hickson (Martha Showill), a daughter, Ellen Clark, February 19, 1974.
1964 Mr. and Mrs. Roger Diggle (Cynthia Morgan), a daughter, Aryn Elizabeth, April 21, 1975.
1966 Mr. and Mrs. Leslie S. Webb, Jr. (Carolyn Wiltshire), a daughter.
1968 Mr. and Mrs. William R. Burrowbridge (Jenny Compton), a daughter, Sarah Beth, September 24, 1974.
1971 Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Frick, Jr. (Susan Chapman), a son, Robert Samuel III, April 9, 1975.
1972 Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Goehring (Ann Woodson), a son, Daniel Walter, September 19, 1974.
1972 Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Marker (Cindy Dalton), a daughter, Lisa Anne, July 29, 1975.
1975 Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Witter (Janet Utley), a daughter, summer 1975.

Deaths

1922 Mrs. Latie Holland Bell of Palm Bay, Florida, died November 29, 1975.
1927 Mrs. Katherine Throckmorton Taylor of Mechanicsville, Virginia, died December 27, 1975.
1928 Mrs. Margaret Chapin Perry of Greensville, Alabama, died December 24, 1975.
Letters to the Editor

Reconsider

Dear Editor:

Kindly permit me to express my disappointment with your response to Ms. Garner's inquiry regarding women's sports in the Winter '76 issue of the UR Magazine.

Your comments appeared wholly inadequate to me, and even inconsistent with certain other features in this particular issue on pages 12 and 22.

I hope you and your colleagues will reconsider your position and make every effort to correct a serious deficiency in the publication.

Wyndham Anderson, RC'61
Manager, Equal Opportunity Affairs
Pfizer, Inc., New York, New York

The only sports schedules which are published in the magazine, be they Richmond or Westhampton College, are the traditionally major sports—football, baseball and basketball—the ones which have always drawn the predominant interests of both alumni and alumnae. If we were required to list all schedules, we would have to devote two full pages per issue to this task. Combined with the number of pages typically used for classnotes, the total would exceed 40% of our space availability. We exclude reporting schedules of all other sports, irrespective of sexual distinctions. The athletic department publishes appropriate schedules and we are certain that interested persons could contact and receive information from both the Richmond and Westhampton departments.

Ed.

Think Again

Dear Editor:

Your article “Devaluation of the Liberal Arts?” in the Winter 1976 issue of UR Magazine has brought to mind some of my own experiences in Richmond College where I enrolled in 1919 at the age of 17 years. The school has had a great deal to do in teaching me to seek the important things in life and to distinguish between that which was lasting and that which was merely marking time while keeping up with social objectives.

Dr. Samuel Chiles Mitchell made a particular impression on me. He said that education did not consist of the ability to remember names and dates and places, but the ability to find out things which I did not know. He impressed on me the value of books—to look first at the author and his knowledge of his subject, to distinguish the difference between source material and the opinions of authors, and to know their purpose in writing and their prejudices. What makes the writer tick? In other words, he taught me to think for myself.

In one of his lectures, Dr. Mitchell said that there were not a dozen thinkers in the world. I remember that he mentioned Einstein as one of the twelve. I would add the name of Dr. Mitchell.

At the close of a lecture on the causes of World War I, Dr. Mitchell turned to the blackboard, wrote across it STANDARD OIL and dismissed the class. We got the message that big business has a great influence in the lives of men and nations.

I hope that the liberal arts college, as you indicated, can continue to be “a vital and sustaining force that creates in our people the ability to cope with vast and complex problems with analytical insight and a broad perspective.”

I was there when Richmond College, Westhampton College and T. C. Williams School of Law became the University of Richmond.

With the change from emphasis on things eternal to the more mundane consideration of acquisition of wealth and status, I fear that the University may be contributing to the young minds the impression that practicality and conformity to current mores may be more important than ideals to be obtained through analytical thinking.

Thank you for your article which has led me to think again.

T. Dix Sutton, L'23
Richmond, Virginia

Tickled Pink

Dear Editor:

The article on liberal arts education, in the Winter 1976 issue of the UR Magazine was really on target! This writer has long felt that most colleges and universities have evolved into little other than gigantic trade schools for advanced technology and, instead of building educated men and women, they turn out technicians in the various trades or professions.

While man must have “bread” to live, man “lives not by bread alone.” Too much concentration is placed on fitting students for careers in business, science, education, etc., when in fact the average student does not have enough worldly experience to know what his “challenge” or “thing” is. Naturally there are exceptions, but most students, career-motivated by their parents and associates, are fantasizing over professions and trades, which appear glamorous and rewarding to the uninitiated.

A liberal arts education enables the student to experience the diverse wonders of the intellect, the senses, and the past, thus becoming a “fuller” man. If he is lucky, the liberal arts student will be seized with “intellectual curiosity.” And once seized with this great gift of true education, he should never lose it.

Liberal arts education has almost become a dinosaur, because it has not evolved with our evolving world. While the precepts of Lowell, Mann, Dewey, etc., were great for their day, the world and its people have further evolved. While many educators would not agree, this writer finds the “boob-tube” the greatest educational device of our time.

As a businessman of 61, this writer is “tickled pink” that the finest educational series he has ever encountered is currently being shown at 6 am, six days a week on commercial TV. This is the “Sunrise Seminars” series on WTVR. Having matriculated at five or six colleges and universities, this writer finds it intellectually arousing and enjoyable to get up at 5:30 am every morning, when he really should be getting another half-hour or hour of sleep.

In the writer’s opinion, liberal arts colleges would do well to show some of these clips in classrooms, since they cannot help but stimulate the students and some of the “double-dosed,” “rote” teachers who are supposed to be educating them.

Leslie J. Knele
Chester, Virginia

P. S. While the writer never attended the University of Richmond, he has become a sort of adopted alumnus via City Stadium, receiving not only its publications, but also its request for alumni contributions.
Travel with the President

President and Mrs E. Bruce Heilman will escort a two-week tour of the Holy Land, Athens and Rome this summer. The tour, open to alumni, alumnae, parents and friends of the University of Richmond, includes sightseeing in the cities of Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Safed, Acre, Haifa, Tel Aviv and Bethany.

The tour will depart New York June 15 and will return June 29. The tour price is $1290 and includes transportation, two to a room in fine hotels, sightseeing and at least two meals a day.

For additional information and a colorful brochure, please contact Dr. E. Bruce Heilman, 7000 River Road, Richmond, Va. 23173; telephone (804) 282-5741.