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This will be our last issue this term. Although we want to publish it possible for us to print 26 issues, for we did not have the benefit of $12,000. First on the list has to be our readers and contributors gave a lot of time getting this paper to you did fantastic jobs under often difficult conditions. thank everyone who helped!

Through the evaluation sheets that were returned we felt that we have accomplished something worthwhile this year. that The Fixer often makes mistakes. Our staff is made up solely of interested persons willing to give up 2-12 hours of their time a week. None of us have had journalistic training. Faults are numerous due to lack of staff (at times), facilities, funds, errors in judgement, etc. Over 50% of those returning the questionnaire said we were "better than the Breeze," while on 3 said The Fixer was "worse than the Breeze." (One admirer stated that "nothing could be worse" than the Breeze.)

Our main strengths were found to be our frankness, openness, attempt to provide the students with the "other side", and our uncensored style. This is why we exist. We feel the students of this campus deserve need a free paper which not only reports but also discusses and comments on campus and important national events. We desire to provoke a forum for opinion, dissent and comment open to anyone wishing to use it. We hope, in this instance the medium is NOT the message.

Our weak points were our bias, always being negative, representing only small minority of student opinion and distortion of the facts. We readily acknowledge the present liberal composition of our staff. We cannot present a positive picture of the present genocide in Indochina we do not feel that one exists. We leave it up to the established media to do this job. We try to present national and international articles which would have gone unnoticed if we had not printed them, the 'other side' so to speak.

We do not claim to represent anyone except ourselves. We are convinced a student paper should be informational as well as reportive. Facts do not always clear up a situation, and we never knowingly distort them.

Everyone is biased. It shows whenever you open your mouth or write on paper. We are biased, we disapprove of the war in Indochina, we hate racism, sexism and excessive capitalism, we feel students should be treated as adults and NOT as they are now being treated; most of our staff supports McGovern and will work to defeat Nixon in Nov., on and on. These biases will no doubt show in our writing, but it should not (cont. page 2).
A number of years back, after men came to Madison, an athletic fee was added to all of the other fees students pay. Later this fee was added on to the student activities fee from whence it is taken each year before the student activities fee is given to student government to be allocated to campus organizations. The total fee is increased for next year because the athletic fee has been increased, which makes the athletic fee approximately equal to the amount which is spent to maintain an ex-Knight on campus. In a time when much thinking is being given to priorities in life, perhaps we (the students, faculty, administration, alumni, Board of Visitors, etc. of Madison College) should be giving more thought to what other use this money should be put.

DO YOU THINK WE ARE A POLITICAL PRESSURE GROUP?

The budget for campus organizations requesting funds has been approved by the S.G.A. The following is the result: Campus Program Board, $38,000; Student Government, $20,370; The Breeze, $12,000; Bluestone, $22,000; Chrysalis, $5,000; Honor Council, $550; M-H, $1000; Dance Theater, $1,220; and A.A.A., $2,500. Harambee had requested money for next year to be used to sponsor two movies. They were refused the money because supposedly they are, at least according to the S.G.A. and the administration, a political-pressure group (and an extremely leftist group at that!)

EVALUATION, Cont.

show in the presentation of what others write. We feel we have accomplished this balance.

We welcome anyone who wishes to join our staff. We need to change, possibly you could help. We are doing something we believe in, and we hope we are allowed to continue.

Thanks again to all our readers, contributors, distributors, typists, artists and staff. Have a very meaningful summer.

the staff collective post script—while you are at home (even if it is only in passing) register to vote and obtain absentee voting instructions.

McGovern Wins In Few Mass Meeting

The last time the Rockingham Democrats held their mass meeting to select 17 county delegates to attend the district meeting in June, the National Democratic Party forces (committed to McGovern) won 17 delegates and two of the alternates. The meeting was contested by Mr. Workman (Mayor of Elkton, rumored to be a Wallace supporter) due to the failure of the student leadership to announce the meeting 10 days in advance. A new meeting was scheduled. The "Old Guard", conservatives, "right wing", etc., declared the results

FATHER ON THE HILL

According to the state of Virginia, the President is responsible for all pregnancies on campus! Back when Senator Bateman was first introducing Resolution 61-4 to the state legislature, he stated the following which showed this responsibility:

A parent of a freshman girl, who was a minor and who had become pregnant by a college senior, obtained a warrant against the administrator of the college charging violations of section 18.1-14 of the Code of Virginia and section 18.1-190 of the Virginia code... keeping a Bawdy House. The query was whether under the facts assumed, the administrator could be successfully prosecuted because of the Attorney General confirmed my fears for he said upon proof of the facts assumed the administrator could be convicted on both charges.

This possibility to consider, it is indeed the dedicated and brave administrator who would put into operation the desires of the students above what the Commonwealth says about open-house, 24-hour visitation, and co-ed dorms. Perhaps we are expecting too much personal resolution—courage in convictions—from those who must protect their own necks first.

THANK YOU

... to all the faculty for doing a wonderful job in making this last week an interesting one.

LIVE OFF-CAMPUS NEXT YEAR

It is not too late to get a room off-campus (or an apartment) at low-cost for next year. Conditions on campus will be very bad next year with overcrowding in the dorm rooms. The administration would like very much for all students who can to move off. If you are interested in moving off call the off-campus housing office sometime next week in the afternoon at: 433-6944.

The results of the second meeting would not be the same as the 1st. Friday night 280+ people turned out for this new meeting. Results: 17 McGovern delegates were elected. All 6 alternates were committed to McGovern also. (At the first meeting the old guard got 4 alternates.) Approximately 180 people voted for the McGovern slate as compared to about 100 for "uncommitted" delegates. About 50% of the McGovern supporters were college age or younger. Possibly the Rockingham Democratic Party will now finally become part of the National Democratic Party. Congratulations to the party.
And we'll try to decide what you
Finish what you began.
Finish what you began.
For it's due to the lack of you
Look at what I've become.
Look at what I've become.
Look back
So came get the rest of me
Look, look, look what you've done.
You have taken the heart of me
And left just a part of me
Look back
FINISH WHAT YOU'VE BEGUN
I can't think of a way
You have taken the best of me
And left just a part of me
Look back
And make you stay.

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Blue Cross and Blue Shield. They do not require parental permission if you are single women under 21, and just your husband's consent for married women. (Tel.-202-581-4000). Prebirth also does abortions up to 12 weeks. It also charges $315. It requires parental consent for children under 18. (Tel.-212-691-2063 or 691-3396). We also know of a local group who are allowing you to publish the report. Finally—you did ask for comments didn't you—I applaud your printing of the Lipton case and regret that it wasn't made public by the administration before now. Of course, it occasioned much comment good and bad but that is supposedly what this type of newspaper should be encouraging anyways. And yet, I understand that some of the AAUP members have pushed through a motion to the national organization to censure Mr. Lipton for allowing you to publish the report. I read the library's copy of The Fixer but if you have enough copies, I would appreciate receiving one. I will see that it circulates.

Thank you and good luck,

(name withheld by request)

The following is some worthwhile information furnished us by The Virginia Weekly out of Charlottesville. The information is from the Women's Health Counseling Group of the Charlottesville Free Clinic, 1001 West Main Street, 295-3691. The information is on where one can get an abortion. The Virginia state law on abortion has been changed so that women who feel that having a baby would be a mental strain—for financial, emotional, or physical reasons, (for example) can get abortions. We are not saying that abortion is an easy or pleasant choice, but if you need an abortion, don't let it be impossible! Every week abortions get approved at U.Va. hospital; and if a local abortion is too costly or inconvenient, we help with referrals, transportation, and financial assistance in some cases for abortions in Washington or New York. The following is a list of specific places one can have an abortion performed:

- In Charlottesville, U.Va. hospital Out patient Dept. will perform dilation and vacuum abortions up to 12 weeks from LMP (onset of last menstrual period). This requires a stay of about three days and two nights. Cost runs about $150, but your insurance may cover it (Medicaid does) and there is a social worker who will help work out financial problems. From 16-20 weeks from LMP this hospital does a saline abortion. This can cost more, and the stay may be up to five days. They do not perform abortions past 20 weeks from LMP at U.Va. Hospital.

- In Washington, D.C.: We do referrals to three clinics in D.C.—Hillcrest, Presbi; and Preterm. These clinics do vacuum aspirator abortions on an out-patient basis; you can go home the same day and come back another day. They have no need to rule on your abortion; you make the decision. Hillcrest only does abortions until 12 weeks from LMP. They need to set up appointments by 11 weeks. They charge those without Medicaid $150. They accept Blue Cross and Blue Shield. They do not require parental permission if you are over 18. (Tel.-202-2987300). Presbi also does abortions up to 12 weeks and charges $150. (Tel.-202-298-3963). Hillcrest also does abortions up to 16 weeks. It also charges $150. It requires parental consent for single women under 21, and husband's consent for married women. (Tel.-202-298-7300).

- In New York: We refer women to women's health and abortion project. They charge $100 and a $10 donation for a clinic abortion. They will arrange for hospital or abortion clinic if you need one. This costs more. (Tel.-212-691-2063 or 691-3396). This group has full time women counselors and is quite good.

Thank you and good luck,

(name withheld by request)