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UCO. Chaos or Coalition?

The United Collegiate Organization (UCO), the student government of GVSC, has in past been split into two factions: the "Old Regime" and a small but active group of "Reformers." Whether this chasm exists this year is a matter of much debate.

Under the leadership of Buz Graeber and his predecessors, UCO accomplished little. The Student Assembly, in which the "Old Regime" held all but three of the thirty seats, limited its actions by and large to Administration suggestions. Some students were so dissatisfied with Graeber's leadership that he was hung in effigy. Many of the less apthetic students though of UCO as an "Administration toy."



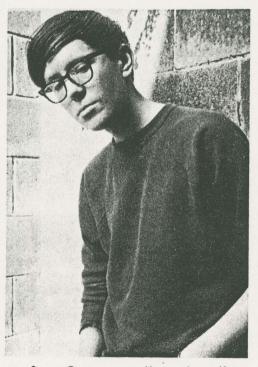
Pete DeWitt sees "progress".

In the spring elections, Pete DeWitt, Graeber's vice-president, was elected President of UCO. The "Reformers", who called De-Witt "Buz Graeber reincarnated," gained several seats in the Assembly and in the organs of UCO. Steve Cox, "Reformist" Chairman of the Cultural and Social Council (CASC), explains why he ran as a "Reformer": "A lot of us just though that students should be able to tell the difference between their 'representatives' and the Administration. The former syndicate of bureaucrats and student sycophants was enough to make you vomit." The first meetings of the new Assembly were overflowing with namecalling and accusations.

The present session of UCO could bring such reforms as a Charter amendment giving freshman representatives the right to vote in the Assembly, and perhaps even a new Charter. The present Charter, written four years ago by then-Vice-President Philip Buchen, has proved unworkable. "I could write a better charter in my sleep", former Dean Louis C. Stamatakos said.

What does the future hold for UCO? There are two major possibilities: UCO's factions could solidify into permanent or semi-permanent political parties. Or a coalition could emerge. At the present time, the latter alternative appears to be more likely. Leaders of both factions have stated their sincere desire to co-operate. But the issues run deep. Whether the differences can be conciliated is still largely an open question.

During the summer quarter some effort was made to close the gap between the "Old Regime" and the "Reformers." Presently, DeWitt and the "Reformers" state similar goals. If DeWitt and the "Reformers" can co-operate, which in large mea-



Steve Cox opposes "sycophants".

sure depends on whether DeWitt can convince the "Reformers" that he is more than "hot air" from Graeber's last breath," this session of UCO could prove to be the most active in the school's history. "This year for the first time", DeWitt said, "because of the wide cross-section of students involved, UCO has an opportunity to achieve more progress than ever before."

In an effort to increase communication between students and their representatives, UCO will have a public meeting next Wednesday at 3 p.m. in 132 Huron Hall. The proposed agenda will include discussion of two topics: the proposal for student participation in administrative bodies and the honor code. Students are encouraged to bring any other gripes.

2nd Great Pumpkin Coming

The yearbook staff is hard at work to make a better yearbook this year and to exceed last year's sales of 776. So far 307 yearbooks have been sold this year. Students may purchase yearbooks from October 5th to at least the end of October in the GT Room, Seidman House, and the Commons from 11-1 p.m. daily; and in the Commons only from 5-6 p.m.

Last year's staff was small, and many obstacles were encountered. Consequently, there were no group pictures of organizations and clubs. This year's staff is larger and has hopes for a better book.

Editor of the yearbook staff is Nancy Westcott; undergraduate editor is Phyllis Ward; senior class editor is Peg Korreck; business manager is Bob Crouse; photo editor is Gary Burbridge. Bob Hart is the photo consultant. Faculty helpers are Dean Hall and Prof. Mary Seeger.

Two days of yearbook sponsored activities are planned for October 27-28, including a Road Rally on the 28th and a campaign for the second Great Pumpkin to be crowned at the Friday night dance, October 27th.

The Vulture is Coming!

Schools and Slaves White the state of the s

Most public schools opened a month ago. Some did not. In New York City, in Detroit, in Holland, and in numerous other communities, public school teachers were out on strike. The issues were varied--sometimes money, sometimes working conditions, sometimes class size.

But in each case, there was a common denominator. In each case, the State threatened the strikers with force. In one case, a court actually ordered the teachers back to work, without a contract. But even in the cases where overt force was not employed, the threat existed. The resulting contracts were made under duress.

The meaning of these actions is clear: The public employee, or at any rate, the teacher, is a literal "public servant". He has no right to refuse to work. He must work even though he is bound by no contract. He is bound to his job almost as literally as the medieval serf was bound to his land.

Further evidence of this statist trend is offered by a leading educator suggesting that the public schools use actual slave labor. Howard Taylor, former president of Sarah Lawrence College, in a Look magazine article, argued that all college graduates should be forced into the teaching profession for a period of two years. He apparently had no qualms about resorting to such a stridently blatant form of slavery.

The root of this brutal demonstration and outspoken advocacy of State power is the philosophy of altruism. Altruism holds that man must live for the sake of others, that his life is not his own. It contends that man's sole purpose in life is the good of others. Hence altruism holds man's highest virtue is that of self-sacrifice.

The view of society entailed by altruism is that of a gigantic sacrifical furnace, in which men fight over whom is to be sacrificed when. The question of survival is simply one of choosing victims.

And now, the public school teacher has been chosen victim. At last, like the draftee forced into service and dying in a Vietnam swamp, like the businessman jailed under the Anti-trust laws, like the homeowner whose property is confiscated under Urban Renewal, the public school teacher can realize the full meaning of altruism.

"When altruism reaches so corrupt a stage, its full meaning comes out into the open. The emphasis changes from love to obedience, from handouts to handcuffs, from the Welfare State to the Police State." (Leonard Peikoff, "Doctors and the Police State.")

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Band

Announces Plans

Last week, the GVSC Band began rehearsing for a fall concert of French music. Entitled "Musique de la Garde Republicaine", the program will include Lully, Frank, Debussy, Bizet, and others. It will be presented on tour to area schools Dec. 1, and at GVSC Dec. 3.

Daniel Kovats, band director, is optimistic about the band this fall. He said that sixty students have signed up for band, up from fifty members last year. He added that the band still needs clarinets and oboes.

During the summer several new instruments were delivered, and Kovats expects delivery of more instruments in the immediate future. He also hopes to get additional uniform coats this fall.

Kovats plans to have a violin duetplay with the band later this year. Other plans include a student concert in March, participation in Arts on Campus in May, and other tours of area schools.

Contemporary Dance Group Planned

All Persons -- Male and Female, interested in a performing contemporary (Modern & Jazz) dance group, meet at 12:30 sharp in Room 142 LHH - Tuesday, Oct. 10th.

Anyone not able to attend this meeting may leave their names and class schedule with my secretary in the History Office complex, Room 254, LHH.

Professor Beidler



Unknown student, incensed by empty machines in Seidman basement, loses control. DIANE POSUISTAL '70



Robinson House lounge stimulus to student affairs.

Letter to the Editor GVSC Progresses

Editor, the Valley View:

After spending an entire summer devoid of anything remotely intellectual (save Playboy magazine), having exiled myself to a job as a laborer a la Howard Roark, it is refreshing to know that someone, somewhere has made some kind of progress. That someone is Grand Valley.

This progress I am speaking of is easily noted by the serious student upon his arrival on campus prior to the start of fall classes. Being a serious student, I noticed, to my delight, that windows had been added to Mackinac Hall, and some semblance of a roof was being put on the gymnasium, and the lawn behind Loutit was being torn up. Ah, progress! Minor surprises included a virtually vacant and, therefore, useless row of vending machines in the Commons and a lack of any records in the bookstore released after June 1, 1967.

However, these signs of progress were overshadowed by the granddaddy improvement of them all--registration. Someone should stand up and take credit for creating the biggest bottleneck since the gas truck tipped over on the expressway at the Scurve. Grand Valley has indeed reached the big time: with its registration second only to that of State of U of M in degree of absurdity and general chaos. Last year's fast half hour of registration in Lake Huron Hall has been improved upon immeasurably: now it takes two hours to register in the air of efficiency in Lake Michigan Hall. Time which last year would have been piddled away is now constructively spent getting fat ankles waiting for a scholarship check which covers 21/25 of one's tuition. It is my hope that Grand Valley will continue to improve at such a fast pace and that the powers that be, lovingly known as the Mothers of Invention, will keep up the good work. Who knows, perhaps next term's registration will be held at the Crew House.

Steve Straayer

P.S: The new parking stickers are ugly, too.

GV Apartments Reopen

The Grand Valley Apartments were closed last spring, June 21st, due to bankruptcy. The owners were unable to return the \$50-breakage-fee deposits to approximately one hundred residents.

Mr. Niggel is the new owner and manager of the GV Apartments. His contract includes re-imbursement to the former residents and, according to Mr. Lorenz, the new Housing Director, notification will be sent to those students within the week,

The GV Apartments are unapproved housing, which is available to students over twenty-one, or those with a partial class load.

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Apartment Residents Meet

Campus View Apartment residents had their first house meeting Monday, October 2nd. Among the various topics was discussion of names for the two buildings, which are likely to be Chaffee and Grissom Halls.

Mr. Gardener, manager of the buildings, spoke on conservation of electricity, since the apartments are total-electric. Rules and regulations were discussed. A reward will be given to the apartment with the best record for the term's clean-up inspections: a steak dinner for the winning apartment members.

In the Campus View women's building, there are 101 girls plus the building supervisors, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Apol. Resident advisors are Lil Elsinga and Joy Dannenburg. The men's building has 68 residents, including five married couples. The building supervisors are Mr. and Mrs. Bill Eppinga. Bill Davidson is the resident advisor for the men

The Eppingas and the Apols were supervisors of the Grand Valley Apartments last year, Muskegon and Wayne Houses respectively.



Open Meeting on 2nd Society

The Second Society will hold an open meeting on Thursday, Oct. 12, at 12:00 noon, in room 174 Lake Superior Hall. Members of the Second Society will present additional details of the program.

Interested students are encouraged to attend, to ask questions, and to give their responses to the program.

The Second Society was officially organized at a meeting held on Wednesday, October 4.



GVSC Theatre Student Director,
Mike Walston

Sheridan Company Complete

Mistaken identity is the theme of Richard B. Sheridan's comic play "The Rivals". Ensign Beverly, alias Captain Jack Absolute, becomes his own rival for the love of heroine Lydia Languish. Chosen for these two leading roles are Larry D'Haem as Jack, and Marion J. Reichel as Lydia.

Male members chosen for the comedy's cast are Richard Dean, as SIR Anthony Absolute, stubborn father of the hero; Gary Burbridge, as Faulkland, friend of the hero; Acres, played by Bill Wasserman, a country bumpkin; Phillip F. Bowman, as Sir Lucuis, a trigger happy Irishman; and Fag, David, and Thomas, played by Jan Bloom, David Higley, and Ken Cirisan; as servants.

Carol Nekimken plays Mrs. Maloprop, the dowager aunt of Lydia Languish. Julia, played by Starley Hinson, is a friend of Lydia and also is betrothed to Faulkland. Miss E. Baron plays Lucy, the clever servant girl. Other servants are James Lewis, David Maloley, and Nadja Chapman. Sue Anne Vander Veen is a maid, and Alex Dolcernascolo a Boy.

Rehersals will be held daily, Sunday through Thursday, for four hours a day; with time schedule to be set by the cast.

Performance dates are set as November 15 - 18 on campus. The next week holds a tour performance at Grand Haven.

Those wishing to work behind the scenes can meet in 132 Lake Huron Hall on October 9, at 6 p.m. for instruction.

Flu shots will be given in the nurse's office in Lake Michigan next week, 8:30-5:00 pm. Cost is \$1, payable to the business office; this must be made before taking the shots. Parental permission is required for

minors.

The Vulture Speaks

Mackinac Hall should be open in November.

Mr. Glenn Eskedahl, former Housing Director, has been drafted and is now in basic training for the army.

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Mr. Lautenbach says Manitou Hall will be open by January first. Mr. Ronkema sets the date for November first.

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Seidman House is not open on weekends, because it is felt that the capacity of the Commons is enough to compensate for its being closed.

Depending on how many men go out for basketball this year and attend practices, we may have a reserve team along with the varsity. Then we can win two games instead of just one.

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Any student who is interested in forming a Pre Law Club is requested by John Ward of the Political Science Department to attend a meeting on Oct. 10 in Room 131, LHH, at 2:00 p.m.

All Valley View Staff members should attend the Staff meeting, Friday at Noon.

The Commons is apparently in a different time zone than the rest of the campus. 33 min. slow.

The rumor currently circulating that Bobbie Gentry and Billie Jo McAllister were throwing Prof. Freund off the Tallahachie bridge is false.

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In addition to many primary and secondary teachers, Grand Valley will soon be qualifying individuals to teach the mentally handicapped.

The program introduced this year, co-

ordinated by Dean Hills and Mr. Martz, a-wards certification upon completion of the requirements for an elementary certificate and 45 credit hours of special education training and study.

Chuck Looman just received his final discharge from the United States Marines. Congratulations, Chuckl

The Vulture



Prof. Jones, new faculty member

Soc. Dept. Keeps Up With the Joneses

New to the sociology department of Grand Valley State College is Assistant Professor Curtis J. Jones.

Raised in Byron Center, Professor Jones earned his bachelor degree in history and his masters degree in sociology at Western Michigan University. He is currently working on a doctoral dissertation in Sociology from Michigan State University. This summer he spent two weeks in Detroit studying the aspects of crowd behavior following the July riots, which is the topic of his dissertation.

Tentatively he is planning for a similar trip to Washington $D_{\bullet}C_{\bullet}$ to work with the federal government in investigating other riotareas.

Before coming to Grand Valley, Jones taught at Dowagiac Junior High School, worked as a supervisor for the Fort Custer Job Corps, near Battle Creek, spent two summers teaching classes at MSU and last year was an instructor at Oakland University. His present classes at GVSC are introductory sociology and minority peoples.

Residing in East Lansing, Professor Jones is twenty-nine years old, married, and has two young daughters.

GVSC appeals to Professor Jones because it is a small progressive school with a student-oriented philosophy.

Canoe Trip Planned

The first Ski and Canoe Club meeting was held Tuesday, October 3rd. Slides were shown of previous canoe and ski trips and of the past Winter Carnival events. Membership dues of \$3 were collected.

Plans were made for the first canoe trip, to be held October 13-14, on the Pine River. There will be a six-hour stretch for canoeing. At 7 p.m. on Tuesday, October 10th, those wishing to go on the canoe trip will attend a meeting to learn the necessary preparations, precautions, and costs. The Ski Club treasury will pay for the food on the trip.

Other coming events, to be sponsored by the club, include Saturday's dance, "The End of the Blahs", and the blood drive to be held November 10th.

This year's officers are: Dan Kemp, president; Brian Bacon, vice president; Bill Zoellmer, treasurer; Sue Kelson, recording secretary; and Mary Kempski, corresponding Sec'y. Professor Bevis of the Biology Department is the Ski and Canoe Club Advisor.

WRA Formed

The Women's Recreation Association (WRA) is being formed again this year. This is an activities organization for all girls, not only phys ed majors and minors. The goal of the club is the formation of girls intermural games.

The first sport, for this fall, is volleyball; entry blanks are to be filed this week and are available in the crew house. Winter term will be spiced by girls' basketball, played as last year in the Jenison Junior High Gym. For the spring girls may join softball teams.

Not only residents, but also commuter teams are being formed. All games are coached (when necessary) by phys ed majors or others qualified. Any suggestions for further sports will be appreciated by Miss Boand.

Cheerleading Tryouts

Cheerleading practices began on Wednesday, October 4th, at which time those interested in cheerleading were taught one basic cheer to be used as a standard by all applicants. The prospective cheerleaders make up one additional cheer, both to be used during tryouts next week. This year, as last, there is one squad, composed of six regulars and two substitutes. Gail Fox is the only veteran to try out this year. The advisor for the squad is Miss Freeman, of the Phys Ed department. Cheerleaders will perform during basketball games only.