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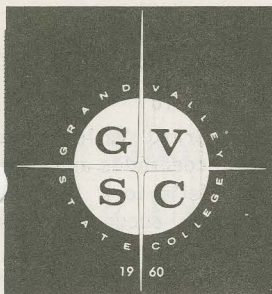
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# the Valley View

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## New Charter for Newspaper?

January 15, 1968, saw initial administration approval of a student-revised Newspaper Board charter.

Following last term's UCO student referendum on the original, administration-devised charter, in which a great majority was returned against the document, a special committee of the Student Assembly was appointed to revise the charter. The revision passed the Assembly January 10 by unanimous vote and was immediately submitted to the President's Executive Committee and the President's Policy Council. Both groups passed the revised charter unanimously on January 15.

The student committee instituted major changes in the document in an effort to clear up the many objections made by members of the student body to the administration version. These changes include:

1. Specific provisions are made limiting the Board's authority to remove the Valley View editor. According to the new charter, he can be fired only for such violations as bad grammar, editorialization of news, repeated missing of deadlines, refusal to give parties accused by the Valley View of moral offenses the right to reply, graft, etc. The Student Assembly apparently felt that the provisions of the original charter in this area were too general and could be used to destroy freedom of speech in an academic journal.

2. The editor is to have the right to vote in the Board's deliberations.

3. Amendments made to the Board's charter must be approved by vote of the student body. (This provision seems to lie in the direction of greater student power at Grand Valley).

4. The students are given the right to remove the editor by a large vote.

Other changes follow the prevailing trend of sharply limiting the Board's authority.

A resolution from Dean of Student Affairs Donald Hall will bring the new charter before the Board of Control January 19.

## Housing Rules at Issue

# SAPC Inquiry Held

The first of two open hearings on housing regulations was held by the Student Affairs Policy Council January 16. Approximately 50 students turned out for the inquiry.

Dean Donald Hall opened the meeting by expressing his desire that the hearings be "learning sessions" for both the students and SAPC. He then called for the presentation of documents bearing on the housing issue.

Pete DeWitt, UCO President, rose to present the results of a survey taken in the Campus View Apartments, and to recommend that students be granted the opportunity to live anywhere they pleased upon their presentation of a parental statement absolving the college of all blame in the event their child came to grief outside the college's supervision. Hall then opened the informal discussion with the hope that "we can ease off of this formality and get down to the nitty-gritty of talking to each other."

Students rose to question the capacity of the college to judge what living situations they could best adjust to. Gil Scott, a commuter, asked "if a parent says he'd just as soon his child lived in Joe Bloke's boarding house, what can the college do?"

Hall stated that he now has the authority

to institute open housing, but wishes to examine the question cautiously before taking any action. Dave Lorenz, Housing Officer, stated his belief that open housing would eventually come, but that the question was how fast it was to happen.

The meeting then became a gripe session on present rules in college-supervised quarters. Students spoke of poor maintenance of dormitories, "ludicrous" women's late hours policies, their desire for a parking lot in greater proximity to the dorms, the policy of camping, and the college rule against cooking in dorm rooms. Dean Hall replied to the last objection by noting that on the recommendation of a member of the Board of Control heating plates are soon to be installed on the lower floors of both dorms.

Students in attendance at the meeting seemed generally to feel that it was worthwhile, that "things are changing". Some expressed the opinion, however, that "the administration will never change; all of this is useless".

The second SAPC hearing will be held on February 14 at 3:30 p.m. in 114 Lake Michigan Hall.



Ad members note student points



# “Missed My Point. . .”

Dear Editor, Judy, and Terry:

Irritation, insubstantiality, and incredulousness surmise my feelings toward the latest “berations” (find that one in your dictionary, Judy) on DeGaulle and Jaques.

Smile, Judy, this paragraph is for you. Your misconception of the situation and attack on my person are infantile. Answer one question: If you believe that (and I quote) “. . . the political reproach was the major part of the article . . .”, why did you make such an issue of my labeling the prank insipid?

In the future, Miss Bore (sic), I invite you to criticize my often-dubious ideas. Please refrain, however, from making any comments on my person until you have made my acquaintance.

Terry W. Allen, you have completely missed my point. I invite you to reread the last paragraph of my letter, dated 6 December 1967: “This lack of political interest and knowledge, yet an undaunting quickness to criticism, is what I strongly reproach in the majority of GVSC students and in particular those who appreciate ‘decorative boulders’”.

The word “majority” plays an important role in the paragraph. In your letter you showed a token knowledge of a few issues concerning DeGaulle. That proves something for Terry but NOTHING for the MAJORITY of students at GVSC!

With the exception of Terry, I address a simplified sketch of the British candidature to the Common Market in the GVSC students: “Pro-British”

The first British attempt to gain entrance into the Common Market was in 1963. Today, several important reasons that push the British toward this decision are:

1. Anticipation of prolonged economic difficulties that the British feel they could more easily resolve by close ties with the Common Market.
2. The “brain drain”, an emigration of British scholars who find no suitable employment in England. Closer ties with the Six would enable these scholars to work for a few years in a qualified position in Europe, the return to Great Britain.
3. The entry would be a political victory for Mr. Wilson, who plans on re-election in 1971.
4. The desire to halt the deviation between the Common Market and British economic evolution.

### “Anti-British”

It does appear that France is the only country which keeps the door closed to the British. All Common Market countries do agree, however, that there are several points which are unfavorable to Great Britain’s entry:

1. Great Britain is the center of the

immense Commonwealth.

Direct contact and communication between member regions of the Common Market would be rendered more difficult.

The “pound”, a reserve money, has the center of its influence outside of Europe (practically outside of England). Any crisis of this money’s value, whether in London or Hong Kong, must be met by the Bank of England.

In the Common Market a country is penalized if it imports above a certain quantity of goods from outside the Six. According to BRITISH estimations Great Britain would have to pay the Common Market piggy bank 500 million dollars a year if she kept up her import trade with the Commonwealth countries on the present scale.

This penalty on import trade would plunge England deeper into her money crisis.

2. British agriculture had had a completely different evolution than that on the Continent.

3. The British entry could be the American “Horse of Troy”.

If the British renounce the standing of the pound as a reserve money, which they should in all “economic probability”, and agree to sever their economic ties with the Commonwealth countries, I would support their entry into the European Economic Community.

Douglas Wm. Jaques

### Editor’s Note

The VALLEY VIEW reserves the right to condense long letters, as was done above.

## Who’s Who

Robert Romkema has been named Superintendent of Physical Plant at GVSC in a reorganization of the GVSC plant department. Romkema, formerly campus engineer in charge of supervision of new construction and of physical planning, adds the supervision of maintenance and custodial service, the motor pool, and utilities in his new position. He has a BS in engineering from MSU.

Roger Lemmen, former Head Groundsman, was named Ground’s Supervisor; Charles Benham, former Head Custodian, was named Custodian Supervisor; and Robert Van Houdt, former Operating Engineer, was named Maintenance Supervisor. All new appointments were announced by David Jones, GVSC Director of Business Affairs.

“It is truly enough said, that a corporation has no conscience. Law never made men a whit more just.” Thoreau

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## GVSC Grows Up

By Gord Wolotira

1967 was the year Grand Valley State College came out of the cornfields and grey of age. In retrospect, let’s look back on some of the things which occurred in that year.

It was the year in which GVSC saw its first graduating class, among them about ninety pioneer students who had watched the campus grow from a one-building institution to a six-building complex. It was a year in which the long-awaited Commons was completed, a blessing to the dorm students who once had to trudge all the way to the GT room for their meals. Robinson House, Mackinac Hall and the Ski Chalet were also completed. Construction also began on the library and the gym, which will be hopefully ready in ‘68.

It was a year in which GVSC bade farewell to many familiar faces. Among these names were Buchen, Freund, Lautenbach, Verburg and Stamatakos.

GVSC fielded its first crew team in 1967, and it formidably lost to such established foes such as MSU, Purdue, Notre Dame and Alabama. The school saw its first yearbook last year, and also its first “underground newspaper.” It had its first student demonstration in October, in which both faculty and students spoke out to Senator Hart against the Viet War.

There were many visitors in 1967. Arl Guthrie, now one of the most popular folk singers in the land, gave a concert in Siedman House. Although not an election year, Senator Hart, Attorney General Kelly and Flint Mayor McRee all gave talks in the pit. The Erasmus Centennial last spring saw visitors from all over the Mid-West at our campus.

1967 saw the formation of the new collegiate program, known as the Second Society, which students have shown a highly favorable response to. It also saw a tuition raise, due to a budget cut, which most students found highly unfavorable. Also for the first time, all GVSC students were allowed to pre-register; which has met with both favorable and unfavorable opinions.

1967 is history already. It will be definitely remembered as the year “GVSC grew up.”

## the Valley View

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## The Doors Are Hung Up, Too

By Steve Cox

Just because Newsweek likes the Beatles, it doesn't mean they're the only group around. They have a good thing, and it's definitely art, but they didn't invent contemporary music and they're not the best at it. The Doors, for instance, are a lot better.

THE DOORS, their first album, represents an exultant conquest of the kind of mediocre timidity, rational insanity, and plain nausea that characterize our reduced-to-absurdity world. The opening song, "Break On Through to the Other Side", sets the mood for an album of triumphant exhortation to live for real and forget about the rest. Carried by love lyrics like "Soul Kitchen" and enriched by the mystic quality apparent in "The Crystal Ship", this theme culminates in "Light My Fire". Everybody's heard the butchered version of this song available on 45's; to understand what The Doors are about you have to GET INTO the seven-minute album version in which a long instrumental section of perfect form leads you down so far into your mind that you are exhausted by the time it brings you up again.

THE DOORS achieves tension by making you aware not only of beauty but also of the rumor that we are all being destroyed and that the end is coming sooner than we think. In The Doors' second album, STRANGE DAYS, the end is imminent. "When the Music's Over", the climactic song, is a progressive experience in total frustration, total isolation, and total helplessness against the oncoming Death. "Horse Latitudes" announces our isolated doom by means of a particularly terrifying metaphor: the drowning of animals to lighten ships becalmed in the dead tropics. And "Strange Days" presents our situation factually, precisely, and without hope.

Yet, the best thing about The Doors is that they still manage to change this terror, waste, and destruction into a strange beauty. That is The Doors' thing; it is what they proclaim in "People Are Strange": The world has made me a stranger, it is destroying me, but under the banner of my strangeness I shall find pleasure until the End.

There are, of course, other groups who express the profound emotions of our generation, but in many ways The Doors are the best at it. Their music is raw yet lyrical, sensual yet mystic, beautifully dead yet alive. They have created a great artistic dialectic, which flows with their music, their lyrics, and their voices around these poles. This reviewer happens to think that their creation is telling the world like it is, and going beyond it.

# Marines vs. SPU

January 17 and 18 saw the first confrontation at Grand Valley between military recruitment and peace activists. The scene, which has added a certain flavor to many other campuses in the nation in the years following the Tonkin Bay Incident, took place in the Seidman House lobby. Protagonists and antagonists (assign these titles to whom you choose) were a Marine Corps recruitment officer and the Grand Valley Student Peace Union.

During the two-day confrontation the USMC disseminated its job-opportunity propaganda from one side of the lobby, while the SPU gave out its propaganda, consisting of manifestos (from the Quakers to Jean-Paul Sartre), peace buttons, membership applications, and advertisements from the other side. Things were somewhat enlivened by the SPU tape recorder, playing Country Joe and the Fish, Joan Baez, Pete Seeger, and Bob Dylan. Little contact took place between the two forces, although at one point the recruiter asked SPU's opinion of HIS bringing music.

The recruitment officer, Captain Frank A. Huey, stated to a Valley View reporter that "No!", he has not encountered much opposition on other campuses. When asked his opinion of the demonstration, he answered, "So what! People in uniform protect their opportunity to dissent. Some forms of government don't allow you to". Asked his opinion on whether the Viet Nam war is in our national interest, he replied that he was not allowed to comment.

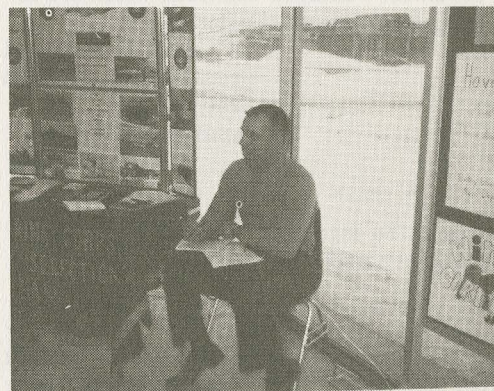
The attitude of the Student Peace Union was probably expressed by one of their signs: "Support Our Boys--Bring Them Home". Dave Hopper of the SPU was asked the reason for the peace table: "We're doing this because we feel that the war in Viet Nam

is an overt attempt on the part of the Americans to prevent self-determination in Southeast Asia. As a veteran of the US military



An American flag . . .

prior to the Viet Nam conflict, I feel such protest to be necessary, and in light of the nature of this conflict I would choose a jail sentence or expatriation in preference to participation in this aggressive action."



. . . and an American officer

The SPU-USMC confrontation seemed to excite a certain interest in the student body, as evidenced by considerable activity and debate in Seidman House the two days. (An SPU petition addressed to the Marine Corps through its representative acquired a large number of signatures, and both tables were well-frequented).

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Another SPU activity featured a pit session with Reggie Gatling, director of the Kentfield's Program in GR and a black power advocate, which was attended by approximately thirty people on January 12. Mr. Gatling accused the American body politic of "widespread racism" toward the black community, and advocated black power as a method of redemption for all America. Asked which side he would be on if black people were 90% of the American population, he said he would side with the struggle of the whites.

## Flicks Set in Grand Haven

Grand Valley has begun its continuing education program in Grand Haven. The first offering will be a non-credit course in appreciation of the cinema scheduled to begin April 4.

The course will consist of a series of ten films and accompanying short subjects together with a brief analysis of each film by a GV faculty or staff member. Discussion periods and coffee hours will follow each performance.

The fee for this course is \$12. The program, to take place at the Community Center Auditorium, is being arranged by Dr. Chamberlain, who plans to announce details of the films and the method of registration sometime next month.



# The Vulture Speaks!



## Crew Victories Predicted

Ice is on the river, the boats are in storage, but when the Mid-America College Rowing Association holds its annual conference at GVSC, the atmosphere will be "summery" (according to a publicity blurb from the Public Relations Office). Coaches and athletic officials of the ten mid-west colleges will develop plans for the annual regatta, schedule individual races, and discuss eligibility rules.

GVSC crew coach Jack Anderson forecasts a winning season this year for the Dakard. For the first time he has two heavyweight crews plus a few substitutes, and one lightweight crew. GVSC's first crew averages 190 pounds and 6'2". The 28-man squad is involved in a rigorous conditioning program during the winter months. Anderson states that the GVSC shells will be launched in the Grand River home water as soon as the ice clears. A new set of oars, ordered last October, is due for delivery in May. GVSC has two eight-man shells and hopes to add another next year.

Members of the Mid-America Association are Michigan State University, Wayne State, Purdue, Notre Dame, Marietta of Ohio, Kansas State, Minnesota, Wisconsin, St. Thomas of St. Paul, Minnesota, and GVSC.

The ten crews will meet on May 4 for the annual regatta, probably to be held in Marietta on the Ohio River. Only a few colleges have adequate accommodations for ten-boat races. GVSC hopes to host the regatta in the future when the college has acquired more equipment and facilities.

The Student Peace Union requests us to announce that they will provide transportation for anyone wishing to attend a Concerned Democrats conference at Walker Annex in Muskegon at 8 p.m. on January 26. Object is to promote anti-Johnson delegates to the national convention this year.

Organization announcements? Entrust them to the Vulture.

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The following message was slipped under the Vulture's door recently, when the night was black and the moon was full: "The Polish Liberation Front administration has set forth its program for 1968. Ranking Number One on its list of prime objectives is the destruction of the Vulture. Regardless of Professor Davis' opinion on censorship, the Vulture should be suppressed in order to prevent further suicides by students thrown into despair by his writing. Rumor has it that an amphibious force of seasoned guerillas is planning an assault on this bastion of academic freedom on the shores of the mighty, blue Grand River. Col. Milton Fitzhugh Carrutherski, an English expatriate, is planning an expedition against the Vulture's forces in late February, to be followed up by the main force of Purple Berets under Col. Casimir Zablaszki in early March. Should the Vulture request training in guerilla warfare, it has been announced by Sec. Rusk that the US refuses to get involved in any more Southwest Michigan conflicts, which are essentially domestic in nature.

Rudy Zuberowski  
Press Attache to the 5th  
Army, PLF  
Hamtramck, Michigan"

This is no ingenious satire on the Vulture's part, but a real threat. Help!

The Vulture is highly pleased to correct his statement of last issue concerning "work gangs" in Robinson House. According to more reliable sources, no penalties are to be levied against those students not desirous of performing janitorial service.

The Vulture's saffron-robed followers are hereby reminded of his imperative call to immerse themselves in the Winter Carnival activities this week.

UCO will sponsor a pizza-eating contest January 25th at the Village Inn on 28th Street. 50 cents entitles observers to pizza and coke.

ARA is sponsoring an Oriental Dinner January 25. The OD is open to everyone, and cash prizes will be provided for the best oriental costumes. The feast will cost non-dorm students \$1.25.

Ten dollar deposits are due Wednesday January 24th to reserve room at the Village Inn for the second ski trip this year of the Ski and Canoe Club. Club members will ski in the Boyne Mountain area the weekend of February 16-18. The first ski trip was cancelled due to poor skiing conditions.

The ski chalet is completed. The structure contains two benches, a loft, two heaters, a snack bar and two storage rooms. Also new at the ski slope is a beginner's slope, next to the old ski hill, on the other side of the chalet. Both hills are ready to be used, Wednesdays and Fridays 6-9 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays 1-6 p.m. The hill is open to GVSC students free of charge. Ski equipment can be borrowed from the crew house.

Skiing hours: Wednesday and Friday - 6:00 p.m. - 10 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday - 1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

In the NAIA, GVSC's Jim Kerr leads in free throws (44-53), and Dan Poole is 8th in rebounds (12 per game).

The coaches for spring sports are:  
Prof. Greenshields - Golf  
Prof. Salazar - Baseball  
Mr. Sharpshorn - Tennis  
Mr. Anderson - Crew

Bill Eppinga informs the Vulture that on January 17, an exact temperature reading in Superior stood at 93 degrees. At the same time people were freezing in Mackinac.

The Robinson vandals, as distinguished from pranksters, are really groovy people. Destruction is easy. Ever build something?

## Lakers Win One

On January 12 Grand Valley's Laker basketball team scored a crushing victory over the Milwaukee Institute of Technology. Final score of the game, which was played in Milwaukee, was GVSC--97, MIT (don't let those initials mislead you)--84. The victory was especially important in that the half-time break saw the Lakers behind 44-41.

Grand Valley's next game was hexed--it occurred on January 13. At Chicago, North-eastern Illinois State College beat us 84-58.

The Lakers' next two games are, unfortunately, away. Grand Valley carries its banner to Ferris State January 23, and to the other side of the state for a game with Oakland University on January 26.