Inaugural Procession

Fight Over Rail Service Reduction Continues

By Janet Hall

The fight over the reduction in service at the Rhinecliff station continues. The opposition is led by Bard College, the Rhinebeck Citizens Committee, Boroughs of Commerce of Red Hook, Rhinebeck, and Kingston, the Auctor Iste, and St. Jeseph Institute. They are attempting to reintroduce public hours of service. Loss of passenger service has forced the New York Central Railway to decrease its operating facilities at the Rhinecliff station, from 9:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M. from 4:45 A.M.

The early closing of the station is an inconvenience. There is no shelter, no heat, no telephone, no sanitary provisions. And because there is no ticket agent, tickets must be purchased on the trains. The fear of the people in the area is that the reduction in service is the first step in the New York Central's plan to curtail the number of station stops in this area. The stations at Tivoli and Barrytown have already been closed. The change in hours of the Rhinecliff station went into effect in early August. An open hearing was held on October 2 in the Rhinebeck Firehouse in which a hundred persons including representatives from various school and civic organizations, city officials, and New York Central lawyers were present. Among those present were Mr. William Asp, Bard business manager, and two Bard trustees, Mr. Richard Rovers and Mr. Henry Scott. There were several alternatives offered to the New York Central. One was to hire a caretaker to keep the station functioning during the evening. The other was to leave the station open with no one around. Both of these suggestions, however, are unfavorable to them. The Rhinecliff station serves people from Germantown to Hyde Park. There is a hope that since the service has been lessened the New York Central will give a franchise to a bus. However, NBC lawyers are fighting this action.

The new time table which went into effect yesterday shows one train taken off, the 3:06 to New York. The balance of the schedule is as follows:

Rhinecliff to New York -

Trains at 8:45 A.M., 4:30, 6:34, 9:20 and 11:30.


Entertainment At Bard

By Ted Primack

The on mass resignation, this week, of the Entertainment Committee throws the question back where it belongs—in the students... all of them. In the interim of social peace occasioned by the demise of this organization, and with the leisure afforded by the forceable birth of itself in the foreseeable future, it might be well to sit...

Dean Named Danforth Scholarship Liaison

Mrs. Dorothy Bourn, the former Danforth liaison officer for the summa cum laude and fellowship candidates for the Danforth Foundation Fellowships for 1961. Danforth fellows are awarded to senior men and women interested in preparing for a career in college teaching. While the foundation terms the fellowships a relationship of employment, if funds are needed they may carry grants of up to $1,000 plus tuition and fees for single students, $2,000 plus tuition and fees for married students, plus an additional grant of $500 for each child.

The Danforth Foundation invites applications from students with or without financial need. Fellows are permitted to carry other scholarship grants, such as Rhodes, Fullbright, Marshall, and Williams. All Danforth Fellows will participate in the annual Danforth Foundation Conference on Teaching, to be held at Camp Minisawa in Michigan next September, 1961.

The function of the candidates as listed in the announcement from the Foundation are: men of outstanding academic ability, personality congenial to the classroom, and integrity and character including serious inquiry within the functions. Sec. F.

Art Bldg. Plans Still Indefinite

After Orient Hall burned in the spring of 1959, action on a new building was promised within six months. Mr. Asp, in a recent interview, confirmed that architects have submitted plans to the college but no action has been taken.

Building plans at present indicate that another dormitory to house about ninety students was promised and then the projected art building. The whole problem, Mr. Asp indicated, is now in President Klein's hands. He further admitted that he did not really know which building was to come first.

The new art building when constructed will house the painting studios, room for exhibits, classrooms, and possibly the sculpture studio.

Entertainment Comm. Resigns Under Protest

On Monday, October 24 Community Council accepted the resignation of the Entertainment Committee (effective following the semi-formal). This action was taken, according to the Committee, because of the lack of support by Community Council and the student body as a whole.

Stuart Small, former chairman, stated that not only does the student body show a lack of interest in this committee and its work, but also that there has been little unity and cooperation within the committee itself. He continued to say that it was not possible for a group such as this to function successfully when only a few individuals show spirit and are willing to work, and when their efforts are not appreciated by the remainder of the students.

In addition to this problem, he said, is that of private parties at the school. There have been incidents when individuals requested supplies from the Entertainment Committee as a special favor, and also incidents where such supplies have been taken.

The hope of the Entertainment Committee was to provide interesting activities for Bard students and to boost the "weekend spirit" here on campus. The plan this semester was to have a few big functions instead of smaller parties every weekend. In this way it would be possible to pool all available resources and consequently devote more time and money to the success of each individual party.

Scheduled events include a Folk Festival on September 23 (undecided as of yet), and a formal dance in December. However, the former Entertainment Committee has, in its resignation, disclaimed responsibility for these events.

Dr. Ira L. Reiss Publishes Book


Dr. Reiss attended Syracuse University for his undergraduate degree and did his graduate work at Columbia University and the Pennsylvania State University, receiving his Ph.D. in 1963. He had taught at Bowdoin College and at The College of William and Mary before coming to Bard.

An article on his book will appear in the December issue of Coronet.


**Editorial**

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Bard and help it to work. Perhaps if their money is taken over by two not-so-efficient secretaries. What about levying dues on the faculty and administration. Although it cannot be denied — and it is not my desire to deny it — that three-quarters of Bard's history was under the Episcopal church, the inference that this tradition has any great influence (other than the presence of the new administration) on life at Bard has not been discontinued. And to state that within an active religious life here (I can attest, from regular choir stall, to the mesu rally attendance at church) is not a grossly

Faculty Dues

Tongue Community Council is considering levying dues on the faculty and administration. That is clearly within their powers as the Constituency with which they have the right to levy dues on members of Assembly, defining the Assembly as “all students, and all teaching and administrative faculty.”

Faculty Apathy

While there may be student apathy to community government, at Bard, there is no question that the student body may not need a single member of the faculty who is not a member. The Council has called a meeting in three.

Taking Levies

It is hoped that the elected administrators will take a greater interest in Community government at Bard and help it to work. Perhaps if their money was involved, a concern for its expenditure might develop. Students pay 25 a term community fees. However, since the faculty does not benefit from the use of the community college, it is felt that this is a matter of little interest at present, and a token levy of $5 for each member of the faculty would probably be reasonable.

Library Funds

In our October 17 issue, David Frederickson in his Forum column, suggested that Council consider channeling some of the convocation dollars to the Library, to help fill the vacuum left by Administration's austerity budget. We are pleased to note that the Council has allocated $450 from convocation funds to the Library for the purchase of books.

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**Letters To The Editor**

I want to congratulate the Bardian on an issue which gives more articles of religious significance which has meaning. It would be of interest, and of value, I believe, if the Council could encourage articles of the kind of "David Fredericks: Education." The ferment in the educational community, could encourage articles of the kind of "David Fredericks: Education." The ferment in the educational community, could encourage articles of the kind of "David Fredericks: Education."

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From The President…

In this column I would like to set down a record of some of the things I have been thinking about, working on, and hearing about.

Library Books
At the church service on the day of the inauguration, a special offering was taken, and was announced as being a fund to be set up at the discretion of the president. I have designated this for additional book purchases for the library, over and above the amount provided in the current budget.

College Needs
A few months ago, the College's situation was as very precarious as that of a student put it last night, "we were all waiting to hear whether we could come back next September or not.'

Things are not that precarious now. We should thereby be able to put thought and energy on things beyond mere survival. I simply want to set down here the fact that this is being done. Following are some comments which are now receiving study:

1. Curricular course distribution and size of classes, particularly reducing the faculty-student ratio. Facilities are working right now on this important matter, seeking to maintain and extend the best in the Bard academic set-up, at a realistic faculty-student ratio which is realistic and economically sound.

2. Building needs. Obviously our present department is inadequately housed. Obviously our library is badly overcrowded as regards both book space and study space.

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Community Council

REPORT FROM INSTITUTIONAL COMMITTEE

Institutional Committee considers questions relating to Dining Commons, Buildings and Grounds, student rooming, etc. This term, it has met with Mr. Hoyt, Mr. Asp, Mrs. Bourne, and Miss Vosburgh to discuss its suggestions.

Institutional Committee recommended that Dining Commons hours be changed in order to give people more time to eat. The Committee also recommended that the telephone numbers of the Dormitory be changed. Before this, the phones on all floors rang when any of the floors were called, disturbing the whole dormitory. On this and other suggestions the Committee has received the full cooperation of the administration.

At the present, the Committee is looking into problems of the library. It is preparing a list of suggestions dealing with weekend library hours and reserve book procedure. It plans to submit these suggestions to the Faculty Library Committee.

The Committee welcomes suggestions and complaints from members of the community.

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