Bardian Taps Reserve Fund; Declared Unconstitutional By Committee; Austerity Program Advised For One Semester

EPC Extends Plan

The administration will be included in the Educational Policy Committee's enlarged plan to help instructors improve their teaching by the issuance of future evaluating sheets. Confident student opinion will be available to the administration whereas before only the faculty and students were concerned. EPC's role will be to work with both the faculty and administration in formulating the new evaluation plan. EPC also acts as a conciliatory body adjusting differences between student and instructor, providing a stronger link between student, faculty and administration. The Bard "no cut" system is enforced by a second committee.

An autonomous body, EPC is responsible only to convocation. Since much dealing are not made public. The 12 members of the committee, three elected from each of the four divisions, serve for one year. Candidates are elected each term, the stagger system being used, and are nominated by EPC, the faculty of each division and from the floor. The officers are Norman Alling, President; Joseph Pines, Secretary; Mary Kahler, Chairman of Absence Committee; Steve Montgomery, Chairman of Complaint Committee.

SDA Chairman Quits

Richter Resigns; Sees No Hope For SDA At Bard

Although the SDA chapter at Bard College has not been active recently, the student body is not under a majority of the community. The president of the community, George Pines, has resigned, however, the situation has yet to have a chance to speak up, for the advocates of the SDA position are unable to gather a 40% quorum in order to change the by-law. A 25% quorum is an obvious hoax which would give 15% of the community the right to govern the rest. A 40% quorum is more democratic but far from satisfying. But it is folly to believe that the remedy to our ailing CG lies in quorum rules. A 40% quorum is necessary but for the moment, a 25% quorum suffices. Adequate school spirit and adult maturity are lacking. During the last Convocation meeting, many of the Bardians were waiting for a quorum to assemble, four 'offshore strategists' sat in the store buying their grievances about Bard. Two other students, who read page 38 of yesterday's New York Times, while another student sits in a corner gazing into space.—(He must be a philosopher.) In the dorm next-door the three valiant Bardians were mourning; they had 'discussed' the problems of convocation but not to Convocation, they thought to the store and many wondered whether a community co-op store would not be cheaper to operate and more in keeping with Bard. At the Community Council meeting on February 26, 1951, Nancy Gulick introduced the following motion: "I move that community Council make an inquiry into the operation and efficiency of the College store by appointing a committee consisting of Joe Maxfield, Robert Ladd, Jack MacAdie, Don Lasnier, and Nancy Gulick." After some more discussion, the substitute motion was passed.

Lynek Goes Co-op...Maybe

For many years the Bard College store has been the target of angry Bardians who were unwilling to pay the high prices which compared unfavourably with retail prices in Red Hook. Time and again, groups of students demanded an investigation of the college store and many wondered whether a community co-op store would not be cheaper to operate and more in keeping with Bard. At the Community Council meeting on February 26, 1951, Nancy Gulick introduced the following motion: "I move that community Council make an inquiry into the operation and efficiency of the College store by appointing a committee consisting of Joe Maxfield, Robert Ladd, Jack MacAdie, Don Lasnier, and Nancy Gulick." After some more discussion, the substitute motion was passed.

BARD SURVEY REMODELS C.G.

Unnoticed by the community, the Bard Survey, directed by Miss Ruth Gillard and composed of Naomi Bellin, Kit Kauders, David Schwab, Whitney Bolton and Dick Muller, is meeting one week every Monday morning at 9 a.m. in Hegeman 30. The members of this committee (we better call it a class, for they earn regular Bard credits for their work) are concerned with the feasibility of a community co-op store at Bard. He offered to attend all books and files to the committee and to request Mr. Hayes to explain the books. But he objected to the tone of the motion, because its purpose was not to consider the advantages of having a co-op store but to cast doubt on the Administration's efficient handling of the present situation. He settled once for all a perennial question by disclosing that the Bard College store is a non-profit organization which operates on deficits each year. Taking into consideration President Case's clarifications, Charles Narf requested his Council representative to introduce the following substitute motion: "We, the undersigned, move that a committee be set up to inquire into the feasibility of a community co-op store at Bard. The committee is to consist of: Joanne Maxfield, Robert Ladd, Jack MacAdie, Don Lasnier and Nancy Gulick." After some more discussion, the substitute motion was passed.

EDITORIAL: Bored Politicians Shun Convocation; Self-discipline Needed If Bard Is To Survive

The Bard Survey is working hard to streamline the mechanism of our community government. Simultaneously, Convocation tries frantically to reduce its 45% quorum to 25% which would allow 15% of the community the right to govern the rest. A 40% quorum is more democratic but far from satisfying. But it is folly to believe that the remedy to our ailing CG lies in quorum rules. A 40% quorum is necessary but for the moment, a 25% quorum suffices. Adequate school spirit and adult maturity are lacking. During the last Convocation meeting, many of the Bardians were waiting for a quorum to assemble, four 'offshore strategists' sat in the store buying their grievances about Bard. Two other students, who read page 38 of yesterday's New York Times, while another student sits in a corner gazing into space.—(He must be a philosopher.) In the dorm next-door the three valiant Bardians were mourning; they had 'discussed' the problems of Convocation until four o'clock in the morning. An International Relations major, when asked why he didn't go to Convocation retorted: "I'm not(. Continued Page 2, Column 1)
The Crumbling Soviet Empire

Future historians will doubtless write of the 'Korean Crisis' as the first of a series of developments leading to the decline and fall of the Soviet empire. In this and successive columns special attention will be focused on the failure of the Soviet dream for their next 'surveillance'. This will bring disillusionment to its dreamers and ultimate disaster to its conceptors. This is the time to use the cancers growing within the Soviet empire. With the help of some of our foreign students we shall diagnose this current disease on the European continent.

GERMANY:
The former editor of the official Communist Party organ for Western Germany invited anti-Soviet Congress party to rally around it as opposed to the 'Titoist saviors.' He stretched the term 'Titoist' to include 'Trontskiites,' Left-wing Socialists extracted by their parties—so a few, any radical group de­

ITALY:
More than 70 high-ranking Communist Party functionaries declared that Italy should resist aggression from "any part." They plan to start an independent movement harboring all radicals opposed to Soviet imperialism.

FRANCE:
Communist Party enrollment in France has decreased by 30 per cent since 1946, the peak year of their electoral strength. This date is due rather to the interna­
tional situation than to any improvement in the economic and political situation of the country. Since the Communist aggression in Korea, it seems that the French people are more aware of Communist hypocrisy in conducting Peace­
al campaigns. At this time there is no broad popular basis for a 'Titoist' move­
tment, though various Communist intellectuals are advocating it.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA:
The deep-rooted hatred of the Czechoslovakian people toward their Moscow masters is clearly seen in the resistance of the non-Cominform as well as so of some Communist Party leaders. The latter has been proved by the purges and murders to which the Party has had to resort. The reason for this unpopular action was the growing deviation of many members, all of whom were influenced by the democratic and humanist spirit of Thomas G. Masaryk, the father of the independent Czechoslovakian Republic.

The outstanding figure among this group is the former Communist Foreign Minister Vladimir Clementis whose expulsion and arrest testify to Stalin's fear of the Party's 'old guard.'

Julius E. Fried, Paul Kolda

YUGOSLAVIA:
This declared recently that Yugoslavia was willing and capable of resisting any act of aggression from Stalin's satellites. Not only lack they the necessary

military strength, he remarked, but also the moral conviction which is the back­
bone of any, victorious army.

1952 Bandwagon

Governor Dewey and Senator DuPont controlling the delegations to the Re­
publican National Convention from the two largest states, now favor Eisenhower for President. . .

Usually informed sources claim that Truman will not seek re-election . . .

Main reason: Bess Truman . . . Allegedly, his current ambition is to unseat

Senator Krum of Missouri, one of his staunchest Republican critics.

House Cleaning .

Gambling and political favoritism are continuously corroding the American public body. Senor Estes Kefauver's (Ky. Dem.) Crime (and Gambling) In­
vestigating Committee has uncovered headlines for the Kansas Daily (Ill. Dem.) inquiry into RFC (Reconstruction Finance Corporation) loans find a

time needed. Truman made a grave mistake in covering up for the RFC. . .

He should be thankful that Democrats have taken the initiative in a field that would lend itself to political exploitation by Republicans. (The RFC, by the way, is not one of Roosevelt's alphabet agencies but dates back to Pre-Depression days. Having outlived its original purpose of bolstering the depression-ridden economy long ago, it is now 'a political trading bureau,' according to Senator Taft (R., N. H.).) Tobey asked outrightly for the abolition of the RFC, since it was abused by politicians of both parties.

At A Glance .

Russia is spending three times as much on jamming the Voice of America as Congress spends on the 'Voice' . . .

John Foster Dulles predicts that we will have a Peace Treaty with Japan before the end of 1951 . . .

Prediction .

The hostilities in Korea will come to an end soon, with the gradual retreat of the 'Chinese Volunteers.' Chinese and North Korean casualties have run up to 628,000, while the UN forces suffered only 48,000. Man Power figures that the Chinese-Communist economy and morale can no longer stand this spect­
acular waste of material and manpower resources.

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NEWS ITEM: “Big-time gamblers arrayed on site of college basketball. Seven players crowded up in tentative, sporty anxiety—meanwhile!”

Big Shel dropped the paper. He mashed out the over-worked butt and turned to the others. For the first time he noticed the symptoms of the crack-up on their own-viewed faces. “This ain’t so good,” he said dully.

Ho Ho Horig scratched his head; the others looked at him, knowing this gesture was the forerunner of something big. The words flowed easily, punctuated by smoke twin-streaming from his nostrils: “Yeah!”

Penny-boy looked around. “I was wonderin’? Maybe the smartest thing would be to forget about it altogether.”

Big Shel wheeled, disgust written in mono-syllables over his face. He pointed the thing to right now. “DeLu<:cia Smart! You smook! I already laid off three-oh-oh with Solly. He’s probably with Long Mort and the Greatneck Bounce now.”

Ho Ho twirled his own chain of thought: Maybe they see the papers andkeley.

Longplaying Shoom inquired, “Papers? Ha! Those two don’t even know whether to read the white or the black part?” He sneaked again, setting off a cacophony of hilarity.

“Right all right,” Big Shel growled, “Cut the yaks! If those city badges show we’ll all pot for a few seasons. And Jamaica opens in forty-three days.”

Big Shel spat. “Boy, that’s a speed-up.”

Ho Ho glanced. “Doc? I don’t trust him. I’ll lay six-two-and-even he found a precision and canny!”

Big Shel laughed easily. “Who Fields the Knife? Nah! Remember what he did for you, LP? (Longplaying blurred) “I almost mugged you before I recognized who it was. I’m still not sure it’s you.”

“Yeah? Well, can prove it’s me. I’m still carrying that load of happy-dust in my bi-cuspid.”

Penny-boy brought his thoughts back to the smoke-filled room. “Oh-yeah. I meant to tell you that during valley-ball last week. On the other side for a few minutes, more LP?”

The door swung open like a slap in the face. “What are you doing in here?” Big Shel cleared his face for action.

“Just left,” Phillips managed to say between panted breathing. “I got to go. Those city badges show we’ll all pot for a few seasons. And Jamaica opens in forty-three days.”

Ho Ho pulled up a disappearing sock from the back of his lead-tipped loafers. “Well, you must know that I’m not hip on these matching red-heads.”

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Ho Ho slumped at question-mark position, mirroring his mood. “What’s the idea?”

“Just this. Longplaying . . . pass out text books. No., not those long-odds tables, you crum. . . . the square stuff.”

Ho Ho shooked his head. “You know I wouldn’t suggest this if there was any other way. But this fix goes, the next thing you know we’ll be the pokers, dicer, book, numbers, and defining club shit all.”

Big Shel cleared his face for action. “Something like this happens every three years. It only happens to the best of the good.”

Ho Ho glanced. “The only organization on campus in which election by the organization itself is necessary for membership. It is a fraternal organization, but only in the same sense as is any other volunteer fire department in this country.

The Department has two engines; the first a 400 gallon water truck tank, the other a pumping unit which was bought by the members of the group themselves in 1948. Throughout the year, drills are held on every campus building, in order to familiarize the members with the procedure of what to do when fire strikes.”

All members of the community remember the antics of Chris Magee and John Rice after Department parties, particularly weaving around with ladders trying to climb into the window of their rooms after having been locked out.

The department is an integral part of the New York State Mutual Aid fire-fighting set-up, having aided the Town of Red Hook several times last year. All its officers belong to the Mid-Hudson-Harlem Valley Fire Chief’s Association, and many of its members have active membership in the Dutchess County Volunteer Fireman’s Association.

Severals times a year, loud noises on Friday nights may be heard in the vicinity of the Fire House. There should be no cause for alarm, as it is only one of the group of officers that are held by the group. These are times when the members express personal griefs about one another—thereby joining closer together in comradeship, because sometimes one might be called upon to save that person, or obey his command.

The BARDIAN is your paper . . . it needs your goodwill and cooperation if it is to please you.

Famous Last Words: A certain female found a worn out in her pot rose. She brought the plate into the kitchen to re-use it. Mrs. Smith: “It’s dead, isn’t it?” However, we might add that Mrs. Smith is doing a fine job so far this semester—No kidding.

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A bus will leave Bard on Thursday evening, March 22, 1951 to take Bardians to New York for “The Autumn Garden.” The tickets are either $5.40 or $5.20 or $7.00, or if you’re really thin in the chips see Marlene, Paul or Whitney.

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Music Club Plans Unfamiliar Contemp Works

The music club, meeting Sunday evening at 7.30 in the social room of Albee Hall, has initiated this semester’s recorded concerts with works by Mozart, Bartok, Stravinsky, and Mahler. Early music of the 12th through 17 centuries and the well known compositions heard on March 4, is the first of a large series of early music programs to be brought to listeners this term. Early music of the 12 through 17 centuries and the well known compositions of the 18 and 19 centuries have also been programmed.

William, Stevens, Burke
To Speak at Lit Weekend

After finding the South Hall door closed to all but the permanent residents of that lovely pink house (the house meeting still in progress) the members of the Literary Club beat a hasty retreat through the snow, converging on Albee Social, only to find that the Students for Democratic Action had also taken a fancy to that meeting place. The battle was short. The Literary Club infiltrated their ranks, until through the sheer weight of numbers, a victory was established.

After elections in which D. Newman was re-elected chairman and Clarissa Hall elected secretary, the Club drew up plans for a full semester of activities. Foremost among these plans was for the Literary Weekend to be held on Charter Day, now defined as the last weekend in March. It was announced that among the speakers obtained to discuss the topic Relation of Poetry and Prose, were William Carlos Williams, poet and short-story writer, Wallace Stevens, poet (he will also receive an honorary degree from the college), and Kenneth Burke, philosopher and literary critic. Plans to invite other guests, writers and students, and plans for the actual program of the weekend were also discussed.

It was further decided at this first meeting to extend the permanent residents’ meetings initiated last semester. A suggestion was made to center all the meetings about a definite topic, the development of tragedy, but objections were made and sustained by the majority. It was felt that random meetings would be more valuable both as entertainment and as a group activity. Also, it was suggested that other meetings be held during the week for outside lectures and for readings of student and faculty creative work. Another plan included the possibility of organizing a conference among all the art groups on campus that would discuss problems of criticism and expression similar to all the fields.

Since that first meeting, a reading of student work was held last Thursday, March 8, in which the poems and stories of Janet Smith, Andy Ashland, Barbara Barling, Bill Walker, D. Newman and Pete Stone were read and partially discussed. Also, a meeting was held the next night, Friday, the 9th, to read the poems, letters and art-criticism of Ranier Maria Rilke.

Thus, through the first meetings and through the generosity of Convocation in providing funds adequate to the needs of the Literature Club, a program has begun that should bring to the attention of the community important people and ideas in the literary field and should bring together those people interested in creative work, who, were it not for a group like this, might remain withdrawn and without roots in community life.

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