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Jefferson Welcomes New President Bluemle

by Steven Gamburg

"One of our highest institutional priorities in the year ahead must be the continuing quest for new knowledge and better ways to preserve and maintain health care," stated Dr. Lewis W. Bluemle, Jr., in his inaugural address on September 7th. The inauguration of Jefferson's new president was held concurrently with the 154th opening exercises at the Walnut Street Theatre.

Bluemle feels the best way to achieve this goal of "excellence in research, medical education and practice" is with exceptionally talented faculty members who respect the independence of both science and the practice of medicine.

Bluemle came to Philadelphia after successful presidential positions at New York's Upstate Medical Center and the University of Oregon's Health Sciences Center. He received his A. and M.D. degrees at Johns Hopkins University and served at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania as an intern, resident, fellow, and faculty member. His many awards include membership in Phi Beta Kappa and Selection as a Markle Scholar in Academic Medicine.

In a warmly received speech delivered before an audience of alumni, faculty, students and friends, Bluemle praised Jefferson's new Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Frederic J. Ballard, as a man of "good judgement and vision."

Bluemle also acknowledged the fine work of fellow Trustees and Chairman of the Board, William Bodine, in making Jefferson "a truly superior institution."

Bluemle stated that he looked forward to a "period of more active collaboration in areas of mutual interest," with regional institutions of higher learning.

He praised the recent expansion of Jefferson's programs, including the College of Allied Health Services' dental hygiene program. Other new programs in the planning stages are physical therapy, occupational therapy, and advanced placement studies in radiologic technology, and nursing.

However, he cautioned against too rapid an expansion into such medical disciplines as dentistry, pharmacy and veterinary medicine by quoting Thomas Jefferson, "Let us pursue a venture in quality."

Vice President for Planning, George Neword, was chosen by Bluemle to "coordinate a comprehensive determination of the future of Thomas Jefferson University."

Bluemle ended his remarks by stressing the importance of educational goals, that of reinforcing "an attitude of caring among health care professionals."

Clinical Teaching To Open

by Gail Greenspan

The construction of TJU's new hospital, occupying the block between Chestnut and Samson and 11th and 12th Streets is nearly 3 months ahead of schedule. The projected date of completion is now June 1, 1978. It will be in full use by September of next year.

The hospital will have 271 patient rooms, 338 of which will be single bedrooms. In addition, the Foerderer Pavilion (185 beds) will continue to be used, making a total of 556 beds in the new building.

The projected cost for construction is $94,556,000, funded mainly through a municipal bond made possible by The Hospital Authority of Philadelphia.

The new hospital is usually referred to as the Clinical Teaching Facility because it will be highly oriented toward student education. Every nursing station will include a small unit to be used for individualized student instruction. For example, on the 3rd floor of the hospital, there will be six 90-square foot teaching rooms located behind the nurses' stations.

Each teaching room is equipped with a closed-circuit television and a computer terminal outlet which will be used when patient records become completely computerized.

There will be four teaching rooms on the 5th floor and six teaching rooms on both the 7th and 9th floors. The 3rd, 5th, 7th, and 9th floors are inpatient floors. On each in-patient floor there will also be one large House Staff and Student Study Room. Several patient labs, each 300 square feet large, are also planned for the in-patient floors. In addition to these special facilities there will be many classrooms and conference rooms scattered throughout the building.

On the 9th floor, an Audio-Visual lab will be built. It will contain a closed-circuit television system, which will have outlets in all the classrooms for a complete tape room, and a facility for viewing films, including a special ongoing surgical operation. Outlets for these films will be at several locations throughout the hospital, thus increasing student involvement in the hospital.

Certain areas have been designated for use by the College of Allied Health Sciences. At least two rooms on the 9th floor will be classrooms at various locations and supervised by the College of Allied Health.

In addition to these specific accommodations, not to mention the pharmacy, a complete medical laboratory areas will be added to the building.

The corporation area will be decentralized, and the teaching library will also be moved to accommodate the new hospital.
thought might be supported among our faculty. Looking at it in reverse, although I have not yet heard that there might be some interest on the part of State government to increase this requirement as the ongoing price for continued support. I think we would resist that. The quid pro quo is pretty well established in terms of the dollar amount of support that we receive and the percentage of students that we accept from the State. There would have to be an awfully strong argument to increase the percentage of acceptances without upping the support. Now that's logic talking. What happens in the political circles may be another thing.

ARIEL: It sounds like whatever is going to happen that tuition rises are still in the immediate future. Are we going to get more involved in the kind of decisions that effect the tuition increases? Are we going to be included in the discussions of finances in general?

DR. BLEUMLE: Well, again, I can speak best on the basis of my own experience in involving students directly through their own representatives. It's my understanding that at Jefferson tuition issues are discussed pretty much within the province of a given school, rather than generically for the whole University. The initial judgments are made primarily by the dean regarding the fiscal health of his college, that is, what's required to make up the experience in involving students directly through their issues are discussed pretty much on the basis of my own University.

ARIEL: What are you planning to do in general about the research effort at Jefferson?

DR. BLEUMLE: Jefferson has always, at least in recent history, maintained a rather moderate balance between its research and other academic pursuits. The fact that we have a bumper-sized student body becomes a practical consideration of how many faculty hours can be invested in the research mission. As a private institution with finite resources, we would have to identify the dollars to boost the faculty effort in research since we are not in a good position to direct the faculty to spend more time on research when they are up to their eyeballs in students. If we take that course, it would be at the price of reduced quality in education. What we have to do on every faculty appointment is to make sure that we have the best person we can find not only with the ability to teach but also with the energy to pursue research.

ARIEL: Considering our current budget crisis, can you justify growth of the University into other fields particularly in the allied health sciences?

DR. BLEUMLE: Our College of Allied Health Sciences will continue to grow. Its cost-effectiveness during the early stages of that growth will not be as favorable as later on when a certain level of maturity is reached. But we will give these developing programs the leeway they need and I will support this growth. With regard to the broader issue of the growth of the entire University, whatever we do is going to have to pass at least four tests: Is it health related? Are its graduates needed? Will it make the best use of our resources? Will it be of service to the local community?

There will be orderliness but I have an everlasting desire to see this medical university flushed out in terms of having all of the traditional component parts. I am much more interested in the quality of what we do.

Dr. Bleumle was interviewed on August 31, 1977 by Nicholas Tepic, Richard Perry and Dave Gastfriend.

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JMC SC faces packed agenda

by Martin Trichtinger

On Tuesday, Sept. 20, 1977, President Ronald Spring called the first meeting of the JMC Student Council for the 1977-78 academic year. Other members on this year's executive board include Vice President John O'Brien, Treasurer Dale Tucker, and Secretary Cathy Zumbier.

The JMC Student Council, which meets on the third Wednesday of every month in Room 139 of Jefferson Alumni Hall, has made a major change in its financial operation this year. Due to the separation of the Student Activity Fee, the control of the council's finance is removed from the administration and given to the council itself. Thus, the council is given more power and discretion, which according to some members, will enable the Council to better serve Jefferson medical students. After an active summer centered around Bruce Goldberg's Committee on Student Liability, which has established coverage for students while on rotations at non-affiliated hospitals, the Student Council entertained discussion on other pressing issues.

According to President Spring, one of the most important tasks facing Council is that of changing the approval of the Housing Code. Presently there is no class enrolled at the medical school which has approved the code (the freshman class has not yet voted on the measure). The Dean has determined that the code must be approved by 75% of the participating class in order to have the code take effect. The alternatives to be discussed include reducing the approval percent to a mere majority, or making the acceptance of the code a mandatory provision for matriculation at the medical college. At present there are no plans to discuss the revision of the code's content or wording in order to increase student support.

The main function of the Tuesday meeting was to make a list of topics to be discussed in the upcoming year. High on the priority list were problems of Student Housing and Curriculum. The council's concern with Housing is three-fold: first, to examine rent increases by the Housing Office, secondly to look into better ways of responding to tenant complaints, and finally, whether or not the Housing Office should be asked to find rooms for those students who may request them.

With regard to Curriculum, many issues were outlined which will be examined by Susan Packer's Special Committee. These issues are: 1) Eliminating the requirement to pass the National Board Part I for promotion to junior year. 2) Allowing those students who did fail the first part of the Board's to take rotations away from Jefferson. 3) Changing grading to a Pass-Fail system. 4) Reorganizing the Senior Tracts. 5) Correcting the deficiencies in the Structure and Function block of the 1st year. 6) Adjusting the calendar of the Junior year.

The final area of discussion will be needed proposals for a new council with a more active student body. This will be a part of the Council's goals for the year. President Spring called for suggestions from the members on how to make a more active student body.

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Picnic on the plaza. Freshman medical student Diane Gillam feasts on free food at hospital centennial celebration.
BRITAIN: British economic and political stability was hailed but perhaps illusory respite from the inflationary erosion with which it has recently been beset. The failure of a three-day conference of trade union leaders at the Trades Union Congress voted by a 3-to-2 margin to limit the future wage increase in 1978 to 6 per cent. Individual unions to one per year. Unfortunately, the T.U.C. lacks the power to enforce this agreement and the leaders of the militant National Union of Mine Workers have hinted that they are prepared to flout the ruling. A midwinter strike is still a definite possibility.

CHINA: On the first anniversary of Mao Tse-Tung's death, Chinese leaders issued a decree warning against exaggerated respect for the late Chairman. They stated that Mao's thoughts should be used as a general guide to the solution of Chinese problems, and should not be followed slavishly. These statements are widely interpreted as an attempt to pave the way for policies more moderate than Mao's, and as an effort to repudiate the type of personality cult which followed the death of Lenin in the Soviet Union.

ISRAEL: Israel's position on Mideast Peace negotiations (ball pointed by plans to maintain military installations on the West Bank of the Jordan) has been strongly protested by President Carter. In addition, the U.S. State Department released a policy statement to the effect that the Palestinians must be represented at any peace conference. Observers see little room for compromise on any side.

SOUTH AFRICA: Protests initiated last summer by young black students in Soweto, the "African" township outside of Johannesburg, threatened to flare up again recently. The students were successful last year in having Afrikaans (the language of the White ruling class) dropped as the language of instruction. Spurred on by the memory of this victory the students demanded that the entire white republic of South Africa be scrapped. The issue has been clouded by the death of Steven Biko, President of the National People's convention and leader of the black consciousness movement in South Africa. Biko died in prison following a hunger strike he began after being incarcerated for "subversive" reasons. The Soweto community leader told foreign newsmen in Johannesburg that he was "afraid the government can win in the short term. It is very powerful. The students can be suppressed, but the legacy of bitterness will be incalculable."

TERTIARY SYphilis in the UGANDA: A Soviet physician recently removed a growth from dictator Idi Amin's neck. The growth was not Amin's head.

GSO on the go for this year

by William J. Adams, Jr.

This September marks the second year of involvement by Jefferson's Graduate Student Organization. Formed because of an "identity crisis," felt by graduate students in various departments, the GSO last year provided a forum for social and scientific interaction between the students in various departments. Through parties, seminars, and a spaghetti dinner, the GSO pursued its goal of creating an awareness of other graduate students, here and in other schools.

Plummeting scores explained

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Dr. Aponte cited two additional factors that he believes may have contributed to the drop in Boards performance: lack of sufficient time to cover more material, and certain gaps in the coverage of the same topics in the basic sciences by different departments. Exounding on the latter problem, Dr. Aponte cited the Pathology of Infectious Disease, taught by both the Microbiology and Pathology departments, as an area of difficulty for Jefferson students in the National boards Part 1. While he maintains that this area is primarily the responsibility of the Microbiology Department, Dr. Aponte is hopeful that increased cooperation between the two departments, perhaps in the form of co-departmental seminars, will remedy the problem in the future.

Upstairs, in the Microbiology Department, Dr. W. Schaedler, Professor and Chairman, shared many of the same sentiments. Expressing concern over the outcome of June's National Boards, Dr. Schaedler also mentioned the growing tendency by department in recent years, to "bend over backwards" to pass the "borderline" student as an important factor in the disappointing Boards results. He and Alcoholism. Concern is becoming so great that the institute is considering putting a warning on all alcoholic substances. Even such a bold step would not have much impact, however, for Dr. Noble points out that this is only another ramifications of the serious alcohol abuse problem facing the nation.

Meditaed Melee

U.S. Senator Frank E. Moss of Utah, chairman of the Subcommittee on Long Term Care of the Senate Committee on Aging, estimated that 10% ($1.7 billion) of all Medicaid funds are wasted. The senator's committee interviewed 50 physicians selected on the basis of their known associations with laboratories offering kickbacks to "Medicaid mills." The physicians typed as being "primarily foreign medical graduates working for Medicaid mills," who "were not the recipients of the kickbacks." The illegal rebate allegedly went to the businesses who own the Medicaid mills. The Senate report further allege, based on regional differences in age distribution and need for hospitalization, They also recommended a shift from retrospective cost reimbursement to a prospective rate setting system, claiming that the present system encourages waste because physicians and patients are less aware of the cost of treatment at the time it is delivered.

Fetal Alcohol Syndrome

The problem of congenital defects caused by excessive consumption of alcohol by pregnant women is a serious and growing problem, according to Ernest Noble of the National Institute of Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism. Concern is becoming so great that the institute is considering putting a warning on all alcoholic substances. Even such a bold step would not have much impact, however, for Dr. Noble points out that this is only another ramifications of the serious alcohol abuse problem facing the nation.

V A Rolle Evaluated

A three year study by the National Academy of Sciences has recently completed a study on economy and utilization in the distribution of veteran's hospital beds. The members recommended a reduction in the present allocation of 4.4 per 1000 persons to 4.0 by 1981, with enough flexibility to account for regional differences in age distribution and need for hospitalization. They also recommended a shift from retrospective cost reimbursement to a prospective rate setting system, claiming that the present system encourages waste because physicians and patients are less aware of the cost of treatment at the time it is delivered.

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**ARIEL RETURNS**

The spirit and goals that brought about this renaissance issue of ARIEL echo the spirit and goals that gave birth to the ARIEL in March, 1969. Since that time Jefferson has grown from a medical school to a university. ARIEL, now a university newspaper, reflects that growth, but its purpose, as expressed in the first issue, remains the same:

"Out of the spirit of this development (from medical college to university) has come the reality of student participation and student awareness. The foundation of ARIEL is, according to its charter, to foster student involvement in the development of this reality. So much have our programs and student society meetings demanded a means of disseminating this information to those interested. As new and old education theories affect the students, these must be able to react critically to these programs. And a means of communicating the concern for student participation in the areas of administrative policy and admissions must be created."

"Membership of the staff is open to all students: medical, graduate, nursing, health sciences, intern, and residents. The Editorial Board, although at present consisting only of medical students, will be expanded to include representatives of all the schools at the college. Editorial policy and management are the responsibility of this board. Financial and editorial independence has been achieved..."

"The success of this student newspaper depends not only upon its staff but also upon the interaction of all students, faculty, and administration. We expect that the Letters-to-the-Editors section will be an important aspect of this paper; for many others have indicated articulate interest in establishing means of communication with the administration."

"As the college moves toward a university, we expect that this paper will ultimately be operated by undergraduates as in most universities. But the history of the school and the idealized prototype of students and administration, even at this date, demand a beginning. At this time an underground newspaper would not serve the realities we have outlined; therefore, we have sought and received the support of the Student Executive Committee, The Commons Board, the administration, and the Dean of the School of Allied Health Sciences. No one group can claim that it represents all of the student newspaper is open to anyone who has something to say."

"Perhaps only because we're journalists, but perhaps because it's the truth, we feel that the major problem confronting this university is silence. TJU still behaves like a medical college, three schools, a general hospital, a school of medical technology, and some others sharing a group of buildings—the university evokes the old metaphor of one hand not knowing what the other is doing. Students express dissatisfaction with the administration's laccomonism. Even within the individual schools lack of communication is a major hindrance to quality education. The Pathology and Microbiology departments, as revealed in the article on the national boards, pose a striking example. We cannot solve all the problems at TJU, but with your support we can try. By at least fostering communication between the different schools and departments, we can help draw Jefferson's diffuse elements into one university. So we begin..."

**Curriculum Changes**

As all but the first year class at Jefferson knows, the first two years of this curriculum are largely spent in acquiring knowledge in the basic 'scientific' aspects of medicine. Some sciences are applied to the practice of medicine. Classically this occupied all of the time for the two medical school years while the last two years were spent acquiring this acquired knowledge to clinical situations and in learning clinical skills under appropriate supervision. With time there have been changes made in this approach and, by and large, the changes have been good. Partly as a result of those changes, a clinician, I am involved in teaching in the curriculum of the freshman year. Unfortunately, as I am not a member of the basic science faculty, I am not well enough informed to comment specifically on the content of this curriculum and its relationship to the development of the medical students skills. My knowledge of the basic sciences faculty and what is taught to freshman and sophomore medical students still depends too heavily on my memory of my own experiences as a student too many years ago in another medical school. On the other hand this may give me a peculiar advantage in that I am not intimately involved in the curriculum in any light as long as the entire two years, and can therefore take a little more of a student's view of things. It seems to me that perhaps the first two years are very much delivered into a new world, with strange faces, new disciplines and new approaches to a simulate in fairly short order. He or she has certain preconceptions and certainly has expectations about the course of a medical school, but I'm not sure these turn out the way they were conceived or expected in the outside world. Perhaps that is because Jefferson, like any medical school, is a special world unto itself. That is a mixture of good and evil. In a way it is something of a make believe world and an analogy might be the world that L. Frank Baum created at the turn of the century to delight the minds of children. As people in my generation (or before) might remember, Mr. Baum described the journey of four persons through the land of Oz. The four persons and their traveling companions, the scarecrow, the cowardly lion and the tin woodman. They were on a quest to reach the Emerald City of Oz in search of a way back to the real world, and to get the Emerald City to search for the Emerald City of the medical degree and the goal it promises of a return to the real world with the wisdom, courage and compassion to practice the art and science of medicine in short to become a physician.

**Bluemle stresses need for Ariel**

I am pleased that ARIEL after three years of hibernation, is being revived under the editorial leadership of James Lockard. This student publication is important for several reasons. First, as a communication device it can keep us all informed about matters of student interest. Unfortunately interesting is how much we need to do it. So much happens at Jefferson that goes unreported, unrecognized, that we lose any sense of community that might otherwise be instilled. Congratulations to David Gastfriend, et al., for getting the ball rolling again, and giving a voice back to the student body so that we may report, complain, praise, and speculate on matters of importance to us all.

While there are many of us here who think "change" is a forbidden word at Jefferson, many things have changed in the past two years (and some remarkable). We have a new president, an innovative and straight-talkers in the form of President and Dean, H. E. Kass, and the Dean of the School of Allied Health Sciences. No one group can claim that it represents all of the student newspaper is open to anyone who has something to say."

We have seen in the Honor Code rejected by three straight classes and must question continuing the practice of presenting the Code to incoming Freshmen. We have seen Jefferson's admissions policies questioned in a court of law. All of these things have occurred, and without the Ariel, how are we to know about them? The entire Jefferson administration must support the Ariel and use it as the forum it was first set up to say our piece or state what's on our minds.

Ron Springel

**Student Council President Jefferson Medical College**

**Dear Freshmen**

By this time, you have been barraged from all sides with advice, predictions and horror stories concerning the freshman year in medical school. Upperclassmen, parents, and faculty may have offered helpful hints on everything from what books to buy and how to study, to how much exercise you need and what to do in your free time. All of this is great, but supposed to be only if viewed in the proper perspective.

You have worked hard to get here in the first place. So you probably already have study habits, etc., that are needed to carry you through. The point is you must temper everything you hear with a knowledge of yourself, your abilities, interests and desires. To make it through medical school (or any other pursuit that requires dedication and foresight) it is not necessary to become the embodiment of an idealized prototype or to imitate anyone. It is necessary to incorporate the new-found rigors into your own personality with your own unique strengths and outlets. This is especially true in medicine since the wide range of specialties attracts all types of people.

So despite all the advice you may be sick of hearing, take one more fragment: remember that if you have made it this far you probably have what it takes to make it all the way.

George Rial

Class of 1980

**Follow The Yellow Brick Road**

by Laird Jackson, M.D.

Originally these remarks were made in direct reference to the medical school curriculum, the so-called 'basic science curriculum.' Intended at first as a comment on those years and as an explanation and apology for the behavior of its faculty; they may also obviously be applied to the succeeding two years of the curriculum I am flattered by the invitation of the editors of ARIEL (maybe it should be called Phoenix as it rises quietly from .......) to re-present these thoughts.

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That road however, like the original yellow brick road, is beset with lager, traps and obstacles. Luckily, like Dorothy's, starts with a meeting with Jefferson's equivalent of the Munchkins (referring to her orientation week) which includes (of course) an audience with the good witch of the North whose advice the student must remain for today. As with Dorothy, our students are warned by the witch that she be Ox is necessary to the civilized path, on the contrary it has never been civilized and therefore still has both witches and wizards at large. The student must remain for today. The student are further counselled to adhere closely to the path of the Yellow Brick Road for the journey to the one responsible for turning a sheaf of manuscripts into 8 pages of handwritten notes. It might also be worth noting that the student might be hard-pressed to make their way as best they can.

Dangers along the Road

Some of the most notorious (to the student) of these obstructions are not in the curriculum of the first thirty days. After all, Eager to get to the heart of things and deal with 'real' people, the student is frequently impugned by assignments in biochemistry or physics. As such, a student, particularly when they seem 'irrelevant' - a feature which is closely associated with early or late hours of the day or with Friday or any day proceeding a holiday, or, as we refer to it, the weekend. However, one of the most important curricular changes in recent years has been the attempt to make things in the basic sciences more relevant. Classic courses such as biochemistry and physiology have been integrated into what is supposed to be a more relevant' approach called Cellular and Tissue Biology. Anatomy and Histology are closely dissi\n
ated as Structure and Function. Still, certain powerful and wise wizards retain their autonomy and identity with the preservation of such disciplines as Pathology and Microbiology. In short the student is exposed to all of the most marvelous advances of the sciences and technologies of the 20th century and particularly the last decade have brought to the surface. This is a bewildering amount of information to the new student and difficult to keep in perspective. Therefore each of these courses has hours interspersed where wizards from the land of the North (the clinical faculty) are invited across the great desert to deliver some words of wisdom on their experiences in the application of this newly acquired scientific knowledge. In addition there are specific courses involving an introduction to the clinical side of medicine with numerous clinical wizards involved and a course about the approach to the patient. Unfortunately, it is not likely that it's from the east because that direction is safe now that the witch is dead. Finally there are many students who try to attempt to prepare the students for entry into the real world by trying to relate the land of the North to the world - that course is called Medicine and Sociology is perhaps over it by the jolly good visit of these not so real and dangerous people.

Wizards Fool Themselves

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Boozin' Blues Make News

by Ivy Drap

A friend of ours who is enrolled in TJU’s CAHS Baccalaureate Nursing Program wrote in the other day to catch us up on her summer and to tell us what was new around TJU this fall. She writes:

Things seem to be rolling right along on our rapidly expanding campus occupying three blocks of Center City. Classes have been in session for several weeks, and, while the butterflies are back on campus, occupying the fourth floor of the library, the first TGF is coming up soon. We have a new president of the University, the third-year medical students are complaining about getting up before the sun rises, and the frustrations are doing their best to impress new students. Yet one of the more interesting things I have stumbled across on campus this fall is the presence of the "Tappa Kegga Beer Not-So Secret Nursing Society," also known as "TKB," founded in the spring of 1977 as a joke by several members of the BSN junior class. I talked with one of the founders, a former Marj, who told me: "Actually, to us, the joke wasn't so very funny at the time. We were in the process of finishing our junior year of nursing, and though we had been told we would soon see the 'light at the end of the tunnel,' we were convinced that someone had ripped off the light bulb."

The story seems to go that several members of the class felt a strong need to find an outlet for all their energies through something other than books. They felt that the demands of school left little time for anything else. To relax, offer emotional support to friends, or just to find out what else was going on in the world.

TKB is still in its early stages of development. As one member of the society, who wishes to remain anonymous, but recently frosted her hair, put it, "We aren't walking a straight line with our eyes closed... but every meeting it gets closer!" Despite the hiatus of the summer, the TKB members have returned to campus, determined more than ever, to make this society work, to increase membership, and to gain recognition by the BSN, not to mention the CIA, IEC, FBI, and BOS. Already, several board meetings have been held with an overwhelming number of pitches consumed in the name of mental health. Every member of TKB is a member of the board, and their "rush" is year round. Anyone is welcome to attend. Meetings are held ad lib., P.R.N. - almost anywhere from TGF's, to Pub Nights, to Doc Watson's, to Locust Bar, to IOFS Spruce.

Although TKB is not limiting its goodwill and support to just nurses, they do have a "soft spot" in their hearts for all nursing students. They realize that becoming a nurse is not an easy task, requiring much time, dedication, and grey matter. As another member of the society, whose name sounds like a well-known Philadelphia sandwich, said, "It is our belief that if one works hard, one should play just as hard in order to counteract the detrimental effects of working so hard in the first place. Our membership may not represent the top half of the class, but boy, do we have personality!"

In closing, I just want to add that I believe this "Tappa Kegga Beer Not-So Secret Nursing Society" is an excellent idea, and I expect that they will go places on their "goodwill tour" besides the local bus and social functions. They are a subtle crew, they know what they want, they know what they need. They are open, friendly, and eager and able to talk about serious subjects as well as laugh at themselves and situations they find themselves in. I would recommend keeping an eye on this group; they could be the hottest thing since the TJU color glasses.

ADDENDUM: Speaking of TJU coke glasses—an experiment being conducted by various members of the second year medical class has shown that TJU coke glasses have a higher level of lead in their decal than the MacDonalls glasses sold this summer. Students Cates and Mogref have started pouring into the glasses, which they claim are actually quite tasty. We have yet to see any significant changes in their actions, but they are hoping that through this experiment they will become immortalized at TJU by being allowed to pose for slides for Dr. Apontes’ Pathology Course. Coming next issue: The Best and The Worst of TJU.

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Film Clips

‘Realm’ Insensible

by Patrick Solan

American Film, the magazine of The American Film Institute, took a survey of subscribers asking them to name the five best films of all time. They plan to use this information for a television special sometime this fall.

Of course this sort of thing is silly, but I bring it up for a purpose. A movie review is not much good unless you know the viewpoint of the critic, maybe if I tell you what I said, on the spur of the moment, were the best American films of all time, it will give you a clue as to what I think about movies in general. Maybe not.

Citizen Kane. Probably the first serious American film that can be taken seriously. Enough to justify Orson Welles’ existence.

2001: A Space Odyssey. Can a movie be one of the best of all time just because it looks good? That depends on how good it looks. Dazzling for now the satire and the melodrama (which should not be dismissed lightly) 2001 deserves a place here on the basis of its astonishing special effects. We’ve seen them since in everything from Tums commercials to Star Wars. Almost enough to justify Barry Lyndon.

Cabaret. Probably my most eccentric choice. But it’s hard to think of another musical with such a gripping plot and even interesting subplots. Usually drama suffers when music is added, but here they reinforce one another. Not enough to justify the Nazi party, but at least we get a couple good movies out of them (see below).

The Wizard of Oz. I hadn’t intended to make this a mother-daughter act, but it couldn’t be helped. One tends to take The Wizard of Oz for granted, like popcorn and silverware. All three are marvellous inventions, and we should stop now and again and appreciate them. It would be enough to justify me, if I could think of any way to connect myself with it.

Casablanca. Bogart and Bergman falling in love and fighting fascism. The best movie to have come out of World War II, or any other war, for that matter. For bringing “As Time Goes By” to our attention, Casablanca deserves another round of applause. There’s no justification for not having seen Casablanca: it’s been on TV more times than I know Luce. By now I have buried this month’s main review in the middle of the column. This was not entirely accidental.

Many thousands of words have been written about Nagisa Oshibara’s In the Realm of the Senses. I thought that it would be easy to add a few hundred of my own. Well, it’s easy to write around Realm of the Senses, but it’s difficult to find much to say about it.

It’s easy to review the reviews. To wall against decadence and adulated New York critics. To call the movie “Last Tango in Tokyo.” It’s tempting to list the sexual and sadomasochistic inventory. To describe what was inserted into which orifice where. Such a recitation would doubtless seem more interesting in the telling than it did in the viewing.

In the Realm of the Senses is porography for the pretentious, S and M for snobs. This scarcely seems a great leap forward.

Ah yes, the plot. A man and his mistress copulate constantly, frequently in public. She becomes totally dependent upon him. He is not quite so devoted to her, and returns from time to time to his wife. She is annoyed. He allows as how he’s heard that strangulation and sex go well together. She obliges him several times, eventually causing his death. She emasculates him posthumously, apparently intent upon saving his genitalia as a souvenir. Or good luck charm.

All this could easily be ignored if the movie were not, as the advertisements point out, “The sensation of Cannes London, Berlin, Chicago and Filmex.” I hope they find something better to talk about soon.
Jeff Rugby bruises...
but loses to Villanova

In the bone-crushing league that is called the Eastern Pennsylvania Rugby Union, the final tally after a match is not one solely of points. The amount of bumps and jars given and received is also accounted for. It was this category that Jefferson's squad clearly won on September 17, though the record book will show that Villanova Law took the match by a 10-8 score.

The Jeffmen were led by captain Walt Prociak, who from his "lock" position managed to unlock the Nova defense for two tries. The pride of the pharmacology graduate program singled out scrum half Gary Thrivitt and winger Chip Alexander '80 as having played excellently during the afternoon.

Although the loss was disheartening, the season opener was not a total disaster. In true Jefferson style, Prociak commented, "We lost a tough game...but we won the party." Of this enthusiasm, the EPRU would be proud.

The Rugby Union is a league of sixty teams in the Delaware Valley area of which Jefferson is one. The Black and Blue schedules games with the lower-power teams in the Union due to the class of opponents in the higher echelon, which consists of teams with pro football players dotting their rosters. There are ten grad and ten med students on the team, which has joined with Hahnemann's "Big Ed", 6'6", 200 lbs, who should enforce for the Jeffmen this year. The team's equivalent of the Academy Awards—the "Turkey Awards"—should be a razzmataz season-ending affair...Mike Murphy '80 sacrificed ten stitches below the eye from an illegal Wildcat "head kick" but gamely showed up for class Monday morning.

Free rides to games are always available and the team welcomes all spectators. Contact Walt Prociak at 923-6748.

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