

## D.A. Meeting Explodes Into Heated Dress Controversy

The Delegate Assembly met for the second time this year last Thursday night in a two-hour session with Gailor food, forthcoming party weekend regulations, and the dress code as the main topics of discussion.

The meeting was called to order at 7:20 with Speaker Haynes Roberts presiding. First on the agenda were guest appearances by Saga representative Pat Boyle and Dean of the College Stephen Puckette. Boyle had come to apologize for the recent outbreak of what one wit called the "Pepto-bismol panic." He emphasized however that the illness contracted by large numbers of students had not been positively traced to the dining hall, although efforts were still being made to locate the source of the disease. Boyle ended by requesting that the Delegate Assembly establish a food committee to work with Saga in answering complaints and improving the food service.

Dean Puckette commented on the failure of the weekly Tuesday meetings in the Chapel to achieve either interest or high attendance. He requested that the D.A. send three representatives to a new committee formed last spring to study the problem.

The Speaker then reported on his meetings with members of the administration. Roberts reported that any change in the administration's position on the matter of keys for freshmen girls and 24-hour dorms was highly unlikely.

The first matter that came up under "old business" was the dress code. The Kennedy motion to abolish the dress code was taken from the table. Immediately, Martha Gibson moved to change the motion so as to read "rule" rather than "code." After the amendment was tabled, the Speaker suggested that the results of the delegates' individual polling of their constituencies be read. It immediately became clear that the extent to which the students had been polled (and what questions had been asked) varied greatly from dorm to dorm. Amid conflicting opinions as to whether the students had been sufficiently polled, a motion to vote by roll-call on the question of simply to "keep" or "change" the dress code passed. The vote was taken immediately with the results (after a confusing series of vote

switches) tied at 18 in favor of keeping and 18 in favor of changing the dress code. Speaker Roberts then broke the tie in favor of "keep" with his own vote. Immediately, Phil Lamson (senior at-large) offered a motion to simply "change the dress code." It was tabled, 24-14. A parliamentary issue then emerged when Steve Palmer (freshman at-large and McCrady) requested that he be allowed to vote twice. The Speaker replied that although the Election Committee had allowed Palmer to run for two seats, it had no authority to give him two votes. Pointing out that voting in the Delegate Assembly was by individuals, the Speaker ruled "one man, one

vote." A motion to appeal the ruling of the chair failed to muster even a majority (two-thirds being required.)

The issue of "paying guests" on party weekend was brought up by the delegation from Courts Hall. Their resolution was that the proctors be given the responsibility for registering guests (who would NOT pay) was passed unanimously. The Delegate Assembly then passed nine more motions in rapid succession dealing with parking lot lines, bicycle racks, and motorcycle noise regulations. A motion requesting the Election Committee to review the case of Steve Palmer holding two seats in the Delegate Assembly also passed.

## Pan Hellenic Council Votes \$10 Party Fee

by David Aiken

This party weekend, Oct. 29-30, all non-fraternity members who wish to attend fraternity parties will be asked to pay a \$10.00 fee. The money is being collected by the Pan-Hellenic Council and will be distributed among the fraternities to help defray expenses. Upon receipt of the fee the Pan-Hellenic Council will issue the non-fraternity member an identification card which will allow the bearer and his date free access to any fraternity house

after 7:00 pm Friday, and after 8:30 pm Saturday. Meals and liquor are the only items not included in the fee. Anyone who wishes to eat or drink with a particular fraternity is advised to make arrangements with that fraternity.

The fee, which was unanimously approved by the Pan-Hellenic Council, is meant to help the fraternities, whose members comprise approximately 60 percent of the student body, shoulder the cost of entertaining the entire student body. The Pan-Hellenic Council feels that the Sewanee tradition of free hospitality and of not discriminating against non-fraternity members must give way to economic necessity. It should be noted, however, that the German Club dance Friday night is open to all Sewanee students, and their dates free of charge. Anyone who has questions concerning the \$10 party fee should contact Bill Blumberg or Henry Lodge.

## Elections Extended

The deadline for nominations for student trustee, honor council, and student vestry has been extended until October 28 at 5 p.m. Nominations should be turned into the Registrar's Office. Consult last week's Purple for qualifications for each position.

In addition, the senior student vestry seat has been vacated. A nominee for this seat must be a senior gownsman and be nominated by a gownsman.

Elections for all these positions will begin Mon., Nov. 8 in the Thompson Union. Polls will be open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Those with questions should see Kyle Rote, chairman of the Elections Committee.

## PARTY WEEKEND SCHEDULE

Thurs.	8:30 p.m.	Chi Psi house, beer and movies (slight admission charge.)
Fri.	3:00 p.m.	SN, keg party
	3:30 p.m.	KA, grain party
	5:00 p.m.	BTP, keg party
	5:00 p.m.	PGD, faculty dinner
	8:00 p.m.	German Club dance featuring "Kalabash."
Sat.	12:00 p.m.	SAE and ATO at ATO house SN and DTD at DTD house LCA, keg and mixers BTP, beer DKE, keg party
	morning	SN, bloody mary's DKE, champagne
	10:30 a.m.	BTP, grain party
	12:30 p.m.	Fiji, keg party
	before game	SAE, setups
	2:00 p.m.	Homecoming Football game, Sewanee v. Washington and Lee.
	after game	SAE, setups SN, keg party LCA, keg and barbecue CP, cookout
	8:00 p.m.	BTP, "43 South", grain punch SAE, "Soul Groovers", grain SN, "E. Bartlett Band", grain
	8:30 p.m.	PGD, "Clearance."
	9:00 p.m.	ATO, "Reggie Sadler Review", keg DKE, "Iskaros". KA and PDT at PDT house, band LCA, "Virgin Wool", rum punch DTD, "Pooh Nanny and the St-ormers"
10:00 p.m.	CP, "Gabriel", grain, 'til 2 a.m.	
Sun.	12 noon	KA, keg party LCA, "pity party." BTP, keg party

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The Deans of Students (Donnalley, Webb, and Binnicker) have decided that their planned imposition of a \$3 fee on dorm visitors was ill-considered and will not go into effect. They plan to investigate general problems of party weekends with members of the Delegate Assembly.

# SS&OC Hikers Conquer Smokies

BY DALE GRIMES

On Tues., Oct. 12 the Sewanee Ski and Outing Club left for the Smokies on the first major excursion of the year.

After a five-hour ride on the Sewanee Academy bus, the party moved into its room at the Nestle Inn in Gatlinburg, then gathered around the pool to enjoy hamburgers and beer.

After breakfast Wednesday morning, the participants journeyed to Newfound Gap on the Tennessee-North Carolina border. From this point they hiked on the Appalachian Trail to Charlies' Bunion, taking note of the numerous outhouses along the way.

Stopping for lunch at Charlies' Bunion, the hungry hikers consumed peanut butter and jelly, cheese, turkey, Hershey Bars and water. Despite the heat generated during the climb, the mount-

aineers found the Bunion to be windy and chilly. As it was a clear day, Dr. Caldwell, leader of the group, was able to photograph most of the passing scene.

Following this feast, the revived adventurers braved the challenging heights of Mount LeConte, and for six miles climbed uphill. Of course, they had huckleberries and Caldwell's Hershey Bars and bubble gum for refreshment.

About 5:30 pm they settled in at LeConte Lodge. Despite the strenuous exertions of the hike, most managed to walk the one-half mile to Cliff Top for a view of the sunset.

Back at LeConte Lodge, there was no bath or shower facilities, nor any hot water. The night was bitterly cold and foggy, and the presence of stoves and numerous blankets were but feeble efforts at attaining warmth.

At 6:30 Thursday morning, Dr. Caldwell and Steve Hansen woke the girls to see the sunrise. After stumbling three quarters of a mile in total darkness, they reached a point which afforded an excellent view. The sky was perfect except for a few thin clouds deep in the valley.

As everyone else woke up, they were sad to realize the soreness of their blistered, swollen feet. But after breakfast they began the descent. At the foot of the mountain they were met by the bus, which carried them to New-

found Gap. There they ate lunch and gratefully discovered the comfort stations.

They drove to the highest mountain in Tennessee, Clingmans Dome. From there they hiked mostly downhill to the chimneys. This, according to some, was the "easiest and most fun part of the whole trip." The chimneys are made of slate; they have plenty of footholds, affording easy climbing.

The hikers really had fun going down the last Chimney. They made use of a natural asset and slid down the slope.

At the base of the mountain the hikers waded in the icy Little Pigeon River, with some people actually swimming—Max Giannelli in his swim suit; Cindy Levi and Bill Daniels in their clothes.

Afterwards, the group was driven back to the Nestle Inn. Everyone jumped in the heated pool, fully dressed and holding beers. Some of the boys found a liquor store in town and stocked up on warmth and cheer for the long drive home. They arrived in Sewanee at 1:30 am, Friday, exhausted but happy.

## Water Beds Flood Mountain Ten Users Describe Ecstasy

Water beds were big in the news last year. Several national magazines wrote of the woes and joys of owning them. They seemed at that time to be another passing fad, which would never make it to the Mountain.

But at Sewanee this year, water beds are owned by Mary Eschbach, Treadwell Rice Crown, Monty Adams, Jim Kennedy, Mary Ann and Frank Marrazo, Bob Kilpatrick, Roho Neal, Nat Lippert, and Joel Blakeslee. According to these users, water beds are easy to maintain.

They cost \$12-\$28 and are available in most major cities. In this area, Chattanooga, Tuscaloosa, and Atlanta are recommended. A purchaser generally has four sizes from which to choose: single (7'x3½'), double (7'x4½'), queen (7'x5'), and king (7'x6').

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Reaction among the owners was emphatically positive. The only complaint voiced was that of a leaky valve caused by the traditional use of beds as trampolines. Heat loss is a problem that seems easily overcome. Water bed heaters have been marketed, but they are expensive and have dubious standards of safety. Insulation appears to be the most common method of heat retention among Sewanee owners. Another practice is to place an electric blanket beneath the bed.

The general consensus of the owners is that water beds are a ball, and they faithfully recommend that they be acquired by all. One owner mentioned that the beds are being installed in Holiday Inns.

Smoking on them is no problem because of the insulation. The worst burn reported went through two layers of blankets. A favorite pastime is to unplug the bed in time to music. It is even claimed by one to be good for studying. The water

bed activity most lauded, except for the most obvious, is sleep. A person has "the ability to fall asleep on them at any time within two seconds of lying down."

A water bed has no "lumps" and is "like floating in space," producing a euphoric sleep conducive to "blissful dreaming."

Reactions from the administration and some faculty members were mixed. One faculty member described them as "decadent." Dean Webb presently has no objections to them at all, but would bate for one to burst. He also said that he had been invited to try one out, but as of this time he has not accepted. Dean Donalldy stated, "they are fine for a vacation home, but not for a university." Told of this comment, a user replied, "Dean Donalldy should have one in her castle away from the competitive world to unwind on."

A caution—water beds appear to be addictive. Most users fervently swore never

to sleep on anything else as long as they lived. In light of this, perhaps an OG committee should investigate the possibility of any detriment to the spirit of the Mountain.

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## FCC Trips In Tape: Radio Station Delay

BY DONALD FISHBURNE  
Managing Editor

The development of WUTS-FM, Sewanee's proposed student-run radio station, has been slowed because the expected approval for the station has not yet been received from the Federal Communication Commission.

Station Manager Bill McElveen said in September he expected FCC approval by this time and has been in touch with the FCC regarding the delay.

No equipment can be ordered for the station without FCC approval, so little can be done in the way of planning at this time.

The Radio Station Committee of the University, which met for the first time in September is expected to meet when the FCC approval is given to go ahead with installation of equipment.

The 10-watt station's offices, studio and broadcast facilities will be housed temporarily in St. Luke's Hall and will transmit from an antenna on the water tower behind St. Luke's.

Four thousand dollars of the station's budget for this year came from the student activity fee. About \$3000 more was given by private donors.

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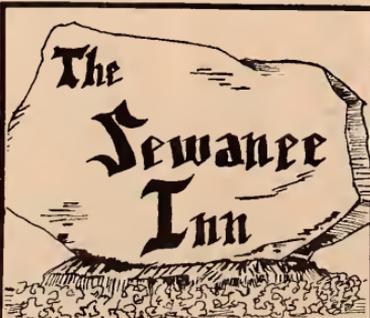
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# CAMPUS COLLOQUY

## Life According To Michener

BY JAMES MICHENER  
 (A one-time professor, editor, World War II serviceman in the South Pacific, and Pulitzer Prize winner, James A. Michener has brought a whole new dimension to the world of literature. One of the most prolific and exciting writers of the last three decades, Mr. Michener has authored such best-selling novels as Hawaii, Caravans, Iberia, and The Drifters.)

Don't be too calculating. Don't be too scientific. Don't let the shrieks terrify you or dictate the movements of your like.

There is a divine irrelevance in the universe and many men and women win through to a sense of greatness in their lives by stumbling and fumbling their way into patterns that gratify them and allow them to utilize their endowments to the maximum.

If Swarthmore College in 1925 had employed even a half-way decent guidance counselor, I would have spent my life as an assistant professor of education in some midwestern university. Because when I reported to college it must have been apparent to everyone that I was destined for some kind of academic career. Nevertheless, I was allowed to take Spanish which leads to nothing, instead of French or German, which as everyone knows are important languages studied by serious students who wish to gain a Ph.D.

I cannot tell you how often I was penalized for having taken a frivolous language like Spanish instead of a decent, self-respecting tongue like French. In the end, I sacrificed my academic career. Instead, I continued to putter around with Spanish and found a deep affinity for it. In the end, I was able to write a book about Spain which will probably live longer than anything else I've done. In other words, I blindly backed into a minor masterpiece. There are thousands of people competent to write about France, and if I had taken that language in college I would have been prepared to add no new ideas to general knowledge. It was Spanish that opened up for me a whole new universe of concepts and ideas.

I wrote until I was forty. This tardy beginning, one might say this delinquency, stemmed from the fact that I spent a good deal of my early time knocking around this country and Europe, trying to find out what I believed in, what values were large enough to enlist my sympathies during what I sensed would be a long and confused life. Had I committed myself at age eighteen, as I was encouraged to do, I would not even have known the parameters of the problem, and any choice I might have made then would have had to be wrong.

It took forty years to find out the facts.

As a consequence, I have never been able to feel anxiety about young people who are fumbling their way toward the enlightenment that will keep them going. I doubt that a young man — unless he wants to be a doctor or a research chemist, where a substantial body of specific knowledge must be mastered within a prescribed time — can waste time, regardless of what he does. I believe you have till age thirty-five to decide finally on what you are going to do, and that any explorations you pursue in the process will in the end turn out to have been creative.

Indeed, it may well be the year that observers describe as "wasted" that will prove to have been the most productive of those insights which will keep you going. The trip to Egypt. The two years spent working as a runner for a bank. The spell you spent on the newspaper in Idaho. Your apprenticeship at a trade. These are the ways in which a young man ought to spend his life... the ways of waste that lead to true intelligence.

Two more comments. Throughout my life I have been something of an idealist-optimist, so it is startling for me to discover that recently I have become a down-right Nietzschean! I find that the constructive work of the world is done by an appalling, small percentage of the general population. The rest simply don't give a damn... or they grow tired... or they failed to acquire when young the ideas that would vitalize them for the long decades.

I am not saying that they don't matter. They count as among the most precious items on earth. But they cannot be depended upon either to generate necessary new ideas or put them into operation if someone else generates them. Therefore those men and women who do have the energy to form new concepts and new ways to implement them must do the work of many. I believe it to be an honorable aspiration to want to be among those creators.

Final comment. I was about forty when I retired from the rat race, having satisfied myself that I could handle it if I had to. I saw then a man could count his life a success if he survived — merely survived — to age sixty-five without having ended up in jail (because he couldn't adjust to the minimum laws that society requires) or in a long landed in the booby hatch (because he could not bring his personality into harmony with the personalities of others.)

I believe this now without question. Income, position, the opinion of one's friends, the judgment of one's peers and all the other traditional criteria by which human beings are generally judged are for the birds. The only question is, "Can you hang on through the crap they throw at you and not lose your freedom or your good sense?"

I am now sixty-four and three-quarters, and it's beginning to look as if I may make it. If I do, whatever happens beyond that is on the house... and of no concern to me.



IBM Magnetic Tape "Selectric" Composing Unit

## Purple Computes With IBM Unit

BY DONALD FISHBURNE  
 Managing Editor

Its work will be done by the new composing system.

The PURPLE will join the computer age next month with the installation of a sophisticated IBM typesetting unit which is expected to improve the quality of the paper and reduce production time.

Other University offices and organizations are expected to make use of the system to speed repetitive typing and offset printing preparation time. The admissions, alumni, development and public relations offices are expected to buy time on the computer, along with the PURPLE.

The University, at the PURPLE'S initiative, has ordered a complete IBM Magnetic Tape Selectric Composing system. One of its uses will be to set type for the PURPLE.

Delivery of the system, which will be rented from IBM, is expected in the first week of November. The Provost of the University, who authorized the equipment order after consultation with various University offices, the PURPLE and IBM, is attempting to locate office space for the machine.

The PURPLE began using a much simpler version of the composer after it switched to offset printing (and left the University Press) last fall. Since that time, students have set type for the paper on this simpler model.

Administration and members of the community who would like more information on the capabilities of the composer should contact the Provost. IBM representatives will be on the Mountain around delivery time to explain all of the machine's uses.

The new model will have the capability of producing PURPLE copy in a variety of column widths and type styles. All of the copy will be justified (both right and left margins are even) by the machine.

Students who are interested in learning to operate the machine in order to set copy for the PURPLE (this is one of the few paid positions on the staff) should drop a note to the PURPLE, SPO.

In addition to setting copy for the PURPLE, the system is also capable of repetitive typing and other functions. The MT/ST unit in the Development Office, which had only this repetitive typing capability, will be taken out.

## J.D. Seiters Joins Staff

J. Douglas Seiters has joined the admissions staff of the college as assistant director of admissions. Along with Admissions Director Albert S. Gooch and Associate Director Paul Engberg he will travel to interview prospective students during the first semester. He will teach Latin and mythology in the college the second semester.

Seiters is a 1965 graduate of Sewanee. He made an impressive academic record here, and at the same time lettered in football, track and wrestling. He was a member of the Order of Gownmen, Phi Delta Theta, Omicron Delta Kappa, and was president of Blue Dey. He was elected to Who's Who in American Colleges. A native of Chattanooga, Seiters graduated from Baylor School and later returned as a Latin teacher and coach. In 1968 he married Ann Dwight Borden of Wilmington, Del.



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## Tigers Captured by the Zoo In Memphis Gridiron Safari

BY SUSIE BURROUGHS

"A tough game to lose" was how Sewanee coach Shirley Majors described Saturday's 9-7 loss to Southwestern. The Tigers controlled the game until the closing minutes. The loss was Sewanee's second straight conference defeat. Southwestern scored the winning field goal with only 7 seconds remaining in the game.

Sewanee jumped to an early lead in the second quarter on a touchdown by Gary Sims. Kevin Lenahan recovered a Southwestern fumble on their 30 yard line to set up the Tiger touchdown. A Sims pass to Mike Holland moved the ball to the six, and a penalty gave Sewanee half the distance to the goal. The Lynx of Southwestern held the Tigers on three downs before Sims carried the ball around the right side for the score. The point-after attempt by David Fox was good to give Sewanee a seven point lead.

In what Coach Majors called "an outstanding defensive effort" Sewanee allowed 184 yards rushing while still preventing a Southwestern score through the first 56 minutes. The Lynx finally broke through with a touchdown but failed on an attempted two-point conversion. With the score at 7-6, Southwestern executed an on-sides kick and gained possession of the ball. The Tigers held them for several plays but the Lynx connected on a field goal with only 7 seconds remaining on the clock.

The Tiger defense played their best game of the season. The front line of Bell, Taylor, Elder, Devenport, Richardson,

Lumpkin, and Lananah forced Southwestern to turn over the ball numerous times in the game, but the Sewanee offense was never able to generate a scoring effort.

The tailback duties were shared by Keith Bell, Gary Sims, and Johnny Walters. As often as the Tiger defense gained control of the ball, the offense promptly gave it

up again. Majors described the offensive game as "just not able to execute a play." Although the Tigers led most of the game, the offense accumulated only 123 total yards to 341 for Southwestern.

This week the Tigers host Washington and Lee for the homecoming game. They will again be looking for their second victory of the season.



Gary Sims, Tailback for the football team, after he ran for 80 yards against Austin College bare a few weeks ago. Sims scored the only Sewanee touchdown against Southwestern last Saturday.

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## On The Sauce

BY FLEA FERRIN

Well, legions of loyal followers, perhaps my supplement shouldn't have come out last week. I managed only 11-4 on my worst outing of the season. I'm now 63-12 (84%) for the year. This week I picked three upsets so I'll probably get gassed again — but that's what you lizards like to see. If I'm right I'll gloat for a week on my unsurpassed ability to forecast gridiron battles.

We get the Cornbuds a colorant Colorado on the color TV this week. There may be an upset, but I doubt it. The Shucks will get their claws flail against OU.

The Hogs started the third team last week and managed to squeak by North Texas State 60-51. Looks like we might get Georgia in the Col-

ton Bowl. I sure hope so — gravy!

Our Sewanee Tigers had one stolen from them last week down at the zoo. This week'll happen again — at least not on Homecoming. Let's all go out — fully sated — and cheer the squad on against those flaming geese from W&L. Remember that the libation of your choice may be purchased from the only Vandy fan left in the country — George Krantz. Perhaps I'll see you there. Gaze with me through the amber medium and see what's up this week:

Arkansas vs. Texas A&M — Another North Mexico power (?) goes down the drain. Hogs are beautiful!

Alabama vs. Mississippi St. The Necks from Moo U. nearly got the Vols last week, but they don't have the snowball's proverbial chance in hell this time.

Auburn vs. Florida — I'd love to see an upset but the game's at Auburn. Sullivan & Co.

Florida State vs. Houston — Tough game to pick; the Mercenaries from Baytown looked good against the Creeps. I couldn't care less who wins

so I'll irritate some more Texans e.g. Jeff Walker and Hamp Mabry — go FSU.

Georgia vs. South Carolina — I'm going to really be out-house on this one — the Chickens at home in the upset of the week.

Georgia Tech vs. Duke — another close one in Hotlanta. The Wreck over the Devils.

Kentucky vs. Virginia Tech UK can't even find the field much less play ball. They have to win at least two games a year so I'll let them have one.

LSU vs. Ole Miss — Rebel High is plagued with injuries but I think they might pull it off — they're not playing in Tiger Stadium and Charlie Mac. Soan't Pedro — just take another pull.

Nebraska vs. Colorado — The Buffs might take it, but I've gone out on the limb too far already. Shucks.

North Carolina vs. William and Mary — Another big game the Pansy Bowl. Oh well — the Heels.

Notre Dame vs. Navy — No way Navy. Can Catholics eat goat on Saturday or is that a mystic gooey?

Oklahoma vs. Iowa State — No kids should be allowed to watch this slaughter. The Wild Bunch of OU continues to roll.

Tennessee vs. Tulsa — Man, I'd love to see the Golden Hurricane win, but that would be two miracles in one year.

Texas vs. SMU — A real rodeo — Cows vs. Ponys. The Cotton Bowl will once again serve as the funeral home for the Mustangs.

Sewanee vs. Washington & Lee — I'm beginning to sound redundant when it comes to the Tigers. Let's all go out and watch them give us a Homecoming victory.

That's it — keep those corks and pop-tops coming in so we'll all be On The Sauce.

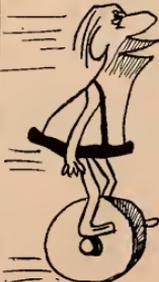
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