Student Gov. Announces
Mid-Winter Formal

The Student Government recently announced plans for a series of social activities to be held during the mid-semester recess, Jan. 22-27. In response to a student petition, Dean O'Sullivan rescheduled final exams so that all could attend the festivities without worrying about exams.

Plan for Winter Formal

Highlight of the weekend will be a formal dance on Friday evening, Jan. 22, from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. The dance will take place at Mary Journey's Inn, Fairfield Ave., Bridgeport. A buffet dinner will be served at midnight; appetizers will be served throughout the evening. Tickets for the formal will be $12.00 per couple. A five-dollar deposit must be in by Dec. 15; the balance must be paid on or before Jan. 11. To facilitate sales, SG President Bill Dean has appointed Peter Schwickert, Israel Menchero, Kieran Kilbride, Chris Nagot, and Tony Russo to collect money for the tickets.

And that's not all . . .

Our basketball squad will challenge the New Haven College varsity five at a home game Saturday, Jan. 23.

Frosh Put Kilbride
In Driver's Seat

More than 60 percent of the class of '68 turned out to elect their class officers. Chosen were Kieran Kilbride, president; David Murphy, vice-president; Barbara Nishbail, secretary; and Roseanne Neri, treasurer.

During the freshman conven-


ton Tuesday, Nov. 17, ten of the twelve candidates for class officers delivered a campaign speech to an audience of some 250 students. The election took place Wednesday, Nov. 18, and Thursday, Nov. 19. Student government officials tallied the ballots at 3 p.m. Thursday.

In his campaign speech on Nov. 17, each candidate spoke generally of himself and of the office he hoped to fill. With one exception, none of the candidates mentioned any specific policies he would carry out if elected.

Plans Monthly Meetings

The exception was Kieran Kilbride, a candidate for class president. Kilbride pledged at the time that if placed in office, he would set up monthly meetings for freshmen, during which they could discuss with him whatever grievances they might have over school procedures.

Now that he has been elected, Kilbride said he hoped to get these meetings underway "as soon as possible."

"With the help of the other officers of the freshman class and the freshman class as a whole," he said, "I am going to do my best to make our freshman year a memorable one for the University."

"We Are the Pioneers"

Sharing the responsibility with him in this undertaking will be vice-president David Murphy. Opening his campaign speech Tuesday like a cheerleader exhorting the grandstand, Murphy thundered, "Sacred Heart is a G-R-Reat SCHOOL."

In that speech, he suggested an analogy between the university's first students and the first settlers of frontier America. Murphy claimed that "we are the pioneers who will clear the way and build our school."

"It is the class officers," he said, "who are the instruments through which this goal will be achieved."

As vice-president, Murphy promises, "I will work very closely with (president) Kilbride and try to better my class."

Jesuit Author
To Discuss Censorship

Irish to Stage
"Country Boy"

The Thomas Davis Irish Players, one of the more prominent dramatic societies of the New York metropolitan area will present their production of "The Country Boy" in the SHU auditorium Saturday, Dec. 12, at 8:30 p.m.

"Country Boy" by John Murphy is reputed to be the most notable and most unusual play to come out of Ireland in recent years. It constitutes part of the repertoire of Dublin's famed Abbey Theatre, and has been produced with great success both in Europe and in the United States.

"Censorship Today" will be appraised by Father Harold C. Gardiner, S.J. at the convoca-
tion of Dec. 15, according to Dr. John R. Rycenga, chairman of the English department. Dr. Rycenga will introduce the author, critic, and lecturer.

Literary editor of America, Father Gardiner is also chairman of the editorial board of the Catholic Book of the month Club. He has recently been named literary editor of the National Catholic Encyclopedia.

His book Norms for the Novel is widely used as a text by teachers and critics.

Some of Father's other works

Father Gardiner attended Woodstock College, and Cambridge University in England, from which he received his Ph.D. He joined the Society of Jesus in 1922, and was ordained in 1935.

History Department Presents
Tribute to Late President

Mr. Thomas Schlereth, instructor of American history, presented a tribute to the memory of John Fitzgerald Kennedy on Monday, Nov. 23, in the SHU auditorium. This program is the first in a series, sponsored by the history department to promote interest in history.

"The Sounds and Scenes of America."

Mr. Schlereth is now preparing a series entitled "The Sounds and Scenes of America."

Mr. Schlereth intends to present the series to the students after its radio debut.

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Letters to the Editors

To the Editors:

Today, I had the privilege of attending Mr. Schlereth’s program honoring the memory of our late President John F. Kennedy. Mr. Schlereth judiciously selected and edited recordings of the most important and most inspiring of our late President’s speeches. Mr. Schlereth’s introduction and commentary were clear, concise, and thought-provoking. The entire program was moving without sentimentality, intellectual without abstraction, and most eminently successful. I want to personally and publicly thank Mr. Schlereth for taking the time from his busy schedule to put together this enjoyable program. I am sure that the approximately 35 other people attending in my thank you.

It is not the success of the program that has elicited this letter, but the lack of response to this situation. There were fewer than 35 students at the program. According to our publicity figures there are 643 students in the day program at Sacred Heart. Of this number only 35 could find the time—one hour—to honor our late President and expand their own knowledge through the perceptive guidance of one of our ablest teachers.

I feel sorry for those for whom did not attend; they missed a moving and enlightening program, the best of the memorial programs that I have seen. I feel sorry for them because once again they have missed a chance to prove themselves as real university students, to prove that we have a real university. A real student is a person who enters voluntarily and joyfully into a dialogue with his teachers; a real university is a place where this dialogue takes place. It is exceedingly apparent that this enthusiastic dialogue is being entered into by only a small number of our students here at Sacred Heart.

John F. Kennedy called on all of us who are young in heart and spirit to become pioneers on a new frontier. We at Sacred Heart should be especially heedful of that call by forging ahead in both the intellectual atmosphere and knowledge and enlightenment.

Let us begin the meaningful dialogue, let us build a real university.

We will have another chance to rectify today’s situation by our contributions to the Kennedy Memorial Library Fund. Let us build as generously as we possibly can in our contributions.

Let us prove that we are interested in expanding and that we have a genuine new library. Let us in Mr. Schlereth’s words, “... pay honor to a great young man.” Let us adapt to our situation here at Sacred Heart, the words of that great young man, “Let us begin.”

JOSEPH R. MILLICHAF
Department of English

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from the editors’ desk...

Perhaps you have noticed, as we have, in the past few weeks the excessive amount of murmuring and talking in the classrooms. This general undercurrent has been increasing and has reached such proportions that several teachers have been forced to speak to their classes about it. Such action should never have to be taken in a college classroom.

We all realize that classes occasionally become excited and must be calmed down. We also recognize a student’s right not to pay attention in class. If a student does not wish to learn, this is his own affair.

But noisy inattention such as social conversations or impromptu vaudeville shows make it impossible for a professor to teach and for the students to learn.

The disturbances we have been experiencing lately are generally caused by a small number of students. However, we are all guilty of this infraction at one time or another. If we are going to be more sensitive in class, let’s at least devote ourselves to daydreaming or some other solitary pursuit. If we cannot act like attentive and mature adults, we should at least act like polite children.

S t u d e n t
C o n t r i b u t i o n

By DAVE LAYDEN

Inasmuch as the Second Vatican Council has been hard at work uniting all Christians, it seems appropriate, as the Christmas season approaches, for us to recall the bonds which unite the various divisions of Christianity in celebrating the feast of Christmas.

The main similarity in outward worship, of course, the joyousness which prevails over the entire Christian world. More important, however, is the common goal with a deeper meaning which all Christian communities share. This goal is the rebirth of one’s conscious knowledge of God, and the realization that this individual renascence can be accomplished only in cooperation with the grace of God and through one’s church.

The Council has provided us with the impetus to undergo this rebirth of soul which should follow it through, and thus become more aware of our position as Christian laymen in the future world.

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Priest Probes Race Question

Father Rollins Lambert, chaplain of the Newman Club at the University of Chicago, addressed the student body at the Nov. 18 convocation. Fr. Lambert spoke on the civil rights movement and race relations in general. A convert to Catholicism, Father was the first Negro priest to be ordained in the Archdiocese of Chicago.

According to Father Lambert, understanding of the civil rights question requires that Americans first see the problem with its moral implications; then devise effective action; and finally take that required action.

Since the civil rights problem is a moral issue, Fr. Lambert suggested that the religious principles involved should be concretized in everyday action. Much work is needed in the areas of job opportunities, adult and college education, programs to combat the high-school dropout problem, and vocational training programs.

In conclusion, Father Lambert pointed out that while morality and love can not be legislated, the Civil Rights Law can restrict discrimination where it exists. Citizens must realize that it is one thing to follow the law and another to do so willingly.

Co-eds Hear Bernstein, See Bonnard

On a recent trip to New York City, thirty Sacred Heart University co-eds and faculty members attended a “Young Peoples Concert” in Philharmonic Hall. Leonard Bernstein conducted the television concert which featured a work by Danbury composer Charles Ives, among its four selections.

Miss Magdalen Tackowiak, Dean of Women, said that the concert was intended to offer the young women of Sacred Heart an opportunity to enjoy "a musical banquet."

Miss Magdalen Tackowiak accompanied some of the co-eds on a tour of Lincoln Center while another group attended a presentation of Gilbert and Sullivan's "H.M.S. Pinafore" and "Trial by Jury" at the New York City Center. Another group visited the Museum of Modern Art which featured an exhibition of paintings by Henri Bonnard.

WSHU-FM ANNOUNCES BROADCAST SCHEDULE

WSHU-FM is on the air six hours daily, Monday through Friday, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. with programs of selected music and news. In addition, the radio station will continue to broadcast periodic reports from Bishop Curtis, interviews with interesting persons, and other special events that may occur from time to time. All special programs will be announced prior to their broadcast time.

The revised WSHU-FM schedule is as follows:

11:00 Sign on
11:05 Sacred Heart program
12:00 News
12:05 World of Great Music
1:00 News
1:05 Afternoon Serenade
2:00 News
2:05 Afternoon Serenade (cont’d)
3:00 News
3:05 Wonderful World of Music
4:00 News
4:05 Wonderful World of Music (cont’d)
5:00 Sign off

Committee Intends To Study Academic Standards and Procedures

President William Conley recently announced the formation of faculty committees for the purpose of educational development at Sacred Heart University.

Dr. John Mahar leads the committee designated to establish policies, objectives, and curriculum planning. Dr. Alan Reinerman will chair the committee for instructional improvement. A third committee, headed by Miss Magdalen Tackowiak, will explore discipline and guidance.

Mr. John Crofhey, director of student personnel, outlined the direct implications to the student body of Dr. Conley's action.

The students will benefit from the utilization of the total faculty experience. Through democratic processes the administration and faculty will arrive at standards and procedures necessary to attain the excellence to which, as Dr. Conley has often stated, the University is dedicated.

An example of the direct benefit to the student, said Mr. Crofhey, will be the development of classroom structure and procedure with the result that "optimum benefit will be received for energy expended by the student."

Books In Review

The Dubliners

James Joyce

Viking Press (p. 28)

"He watched sleepily the flakes, silver and dark falling obliquely against the lamplight. The time had come for him to set out on his journey westward... His soul swooned slowly as he heard the snow falling faintly through the universe and faintly falling, like the descent of their last end, upon all the living and the dead."

James Joyce expressed the central theme of "The Dubliners" most eloquently in the proceeding passage from "The Dead."

Within those short lines one sees the complete despair which Joyce experienced (in the person of Gabriel Conroy) when he concluded that his fellow countrymen were so masked by superficiality that they ceased to exist as separate identities.

In "The Dead" Conroy is a sensitive person who sees the shallowness and lack of self-knowledge among his people. Throughout the story he attempts to communicate with others but is frustrated by their inability to grasp his meaning. Ironically, Gabriel alienates his fiancée and his friends from the atmosphere which they both despise before he is able to make himself understood.

Joyce adds his views on the Catholic Church and Ireland's heroes throughout the book; a most poignant example appeared in "The Dead."

On his way home, Gabriel passed a statue of the great Irish hero, Daniel O'Connell; it was covered with snow. Upon his arrival home, the disillusioned man suffered a final blow when his wife proved that the lack of communication was complete; he was truly alone. The snow which had blanketed O'Connell's statue began to fall again; only Gabriel realized that his fellow countrymen were so masked by superficiality that they ceased to exist as separate identities.

"The Dubliners" contains numerous criticisms of the Irish; in each story they are centered about Joyce's belief that the people were living in a world removed from reality and truth.

Merry Christmas

From the Obelisk Staff
Squad Overpowers Bryant

Bryant dominated the first half by capitalizing on Pioneer miscues and turning them into scores. But the second half showed a rejuvenated SHU squad overpower the home team by scoring on a wide variety of shots. With 14:05 remaining in the game Hank Jaskiewicz aced on a driving layup to put the Pioneers ahead for the first time in the game 53-52.

The lead changed hands three times before Bill Elliott put the Pioneers in front to stay with 6:08 showing on the clock. Frank Bruno and Bill Elliott played their usual fine game sharing high scoring honors with 20 points apiece. Elliott scored on a driving layup to put the Pioneers ahead for the first time in the game 53-52.

The SHU offense took the tap again to begin the second half but immediately fell victim to sloppy ball-handling. The SHU cagers could do no right and the Huskies, taking advantage of the situation, quickly ran up a lead of 18 points. At this point Coach Hall yanked the first five and inserted the second five who showed great spirit, hustle, and determination that "the team will be a go team" he believes the team can "equalize the other team by running." He emphasized the fact that "the team will be a go team" and emphatically states that "we will run!"

Strong Squad

Coach Hall believes that this year's squad is basically a stronger club than that of last year due to "the depth of talent on the bench." He feels that this strong bench will aid the team substantially.

The coach gave mention that only two members of last season's quintet are returning to the line-up this year. Co-captains Bill Elliott and Frank Bruno, both of whom enjoyed outstanding seasons last year, are repeaters. Dave Riehl, another member of last season's starting team, will be out of action for at least six weeks, because of a broken ankle. Coach Hall feels that Riehl's absence will deal a great blow to the team, for Dave was one of the leading scorers for the Pioneers last season.

Outstanding Freshmen

Coach Hall commented on three outstanding fresh cage-men—Hank Jaskiewicz, Joe Griffiths, and Jim Hamill. All, he said, have exhibited enough talent to be tagged as "potential starters." These three round out the starting five.

Mr. Hall remarked that one of the strongest assets to the team this year will be the support of the student body at the games. He strongly emphasized "the need for spirit to provide an extra incentive to the team to play harder."

Ambushes on Pioneers' Path

Dec. 14 Quinipiac Away
Dec. 16 St. Thomas Sem. Away
Dec. 19 Iona Away
Jan. 15 Cheshire Academy Away
Jan. 18 St. Peter's Home
Jan. 23 New Haven Home
Jan. 25 Norwalk Tech Home
Jan. 27 Quinipiac Away
Jan. 30 Cheshire Academy Home
Feb. 4 UConn. Away
Feb. 9 Univ. of Bridgeport Away
Feb. 18 Fairfield University Home
Feb. 20 Danbury Home
Feb. 27 St. Thomas Sem. Home
Mar. 3 So. Hampton, L. L. Away

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