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Communication Arts

Majors expand with growth of U.

Sacred Heart, as a university of the technological age, has encouraged the communication arts major that will give students the opportunity to enter the new expanding fields of communication.

Dean Maurice J. O'Sullivan recently stated the language plans that will lead to a communication arts major at SHU. He emphasized that the CA major may be a cooperative program with the University of Bridgeport and Fairfield, and SHU would necessarily have to arrange at some understanding on what these colleges are doing and plan to do in the future concerning the CA programs. Students may, for example, study theatre and radio at SHU, journalism at UB and television at Fairfield.

Dean O'Sullivan said that "we will have to understand what the phases of the major are to realize its practical applications in the Bridgeport-Fairfield area and at SHU."

The CA major has developed in phases at SHU, beginning with Fundamentals of Speech in the first year, and moving into drama and radio last fall. Currently Mr. Najemy, WSHU station manager, conducts a radio and television class. He stated that, "This radio, T.V. production course is designed for those who are motivated and interested in how to produce News programs, T.V. shows, and the like."

"Several elements," said the Dean, "determine the establishment of a major. First, there is the demand for these courses, and secondly, a desirable rate of speed must be maintained in introducing courses.

At any college, majors develop progressively -- SHU started with five majors -- business administration, history, English, accounting and math. This year biology, sociology, and psychology were added. Communication arts and modern languages are seen as future majors.

In order for a major to be incorporated into the University curriculum, it must be recommended by a faculty council, consisting of all faculty with the rank of assistant professor and above, which is the chief legislative body of the University. This faculty of the council is to develop and maintain in any major the quality that is demanded by the University.

UNICEF relief drive

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Pat Lombard, Marie Winans, John Katzenburger, Jim McMillan, John Wilson and Martha MacMahon take time out from a busy rehearsal schedule.

"Merely Players" stage Shaw's "Candida"

The Curtain of SHU's stage will once again rise as "The Merely Players" present George Bernard Shaw's "Candida." At 8:30 p.m. on the evenings of May 11, 13, and 15 and with a matinee at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, May 14, Shaw's play will make its appearance.

"The play goes very well," stated Dr. Florence Lea, director of the University Theater, "Although it is not profound, it has a serious thesis and is laced with humor. The audience is never really sure how the complications are going to be resolved."

"The cast of four men and two women includes: James M. Morrell, James McMath; Pressing Garrett, Martha MacMahon; Mr. Burges, John Katzenburger; Candida Morell, Marie Winans; Eugene Marchbanks, Patrick Lombard; Alexander Mill, John Wilson. Stage Manager is Frank Smoko and Douglas Kennedy will assist the director."

The plays are produced in an appreciation of a full Communication-Arts Department which is presently being expanded. Course offerings for the coming Fall and Spring semesters indicate the full bloom of the department in the near future.

SG plans revision of constitution

A constitutional convention planned for this summer by the SG may enable students to elect SG officers by popular vote in the future.

Meanwhile, freshmen, sophomore and junior student government representatives and class officers will be elected on Friday, May 12, 1967. Students wishing to run for class office or Student Government Representative may obtain petitions in the Student Government office N-214 or from any of the Election Committee members.

The Committee members are: Tony Russo, chairman, Manu Kriegshaber, Mike D'Ottillo, Carl De Profo, and Israel Menchero.

All petitions, which will require 10 signatures, should be returned to the Student Government office by 3:00 p.m. April 25, at which time a meeting for all SG candidates will be held in N-218 to explain the campaign procedures.

Campaigning will begin on May 1, and continue until May 12. On Thursday, May 11, SG hopefuls will have an opportunity to address the student body during commencement exercises. This year, as in the past, officers of the Student Government continued on Page 5

Campuses unite in fast for India

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Earlier this year, SHU faculty and students participated in several Recollection Dinners initiated by Father Daniel Berrigan to aid children in war-torn Vietnam. The evening involved a dinner of rice and tea with individual promises to abstain from other food until the following day. Donations in this case went to a Swiss hospital which cares for victims from both North and South Vietnam.

Committee outlines Senior Week

A committee of seniors, appointed by William Dean, president of the Class of 1967, is presently planning a series of Senior Week activities which will precede the first graduation in the history of the university, Saturday, June 10. Dr. Clair Hahn of the English Department is assisting the committee.

The program calls for an informal Class Night to be held in the auditorium. At this time, Dean Maurice J. O'Sullivan will present awards for outstanding service to the university. Other scheduled activities include the reading of the class history and entertainment.

Baccalaureate Night, the final pre-commencement activity, will take place in the gym beginning at 8:30 p.m. Seniors, their parents, and members of the faculty and administration will attend the Baccalaureate Mass followed by a buffet dinner in the cafeteria. Leland Roberts, choral director, is preparing the members of the Kreutzer Society to sing the High Mass.
Rational Faith

Freedom animates potential

"While irrational faith is rooted in submission to a power which is felt to be overwhelmingly strong, omnipotent and omnipresent, and in the abdication of one's own power and strength, rational faith is based upon the opposite experience. We have this faith in a thought because it is the result of our own observation and thinking. We have this faith in the potentialities of other people, of ourselves, and of mankind because, and only to the degree to which, we have experienced the growth in ourselves, the strength of our own power of reason and of love."

By Erich Fromm — THE ART OF LOVING

There is no doubt in our minds that SHU's greatest asset is the tremendously dedicated, more-than-competent faculty. Collegians from other universities often find it hard to believe that we have access to department heads and top professors as freshmen, while some have suffered through graduate students' lectures and others were unable to discuss material with busy or distant teachers.

When Fromm wrote of the increased faith in another's potentialities which corresponds to a growing awareness of oneself, he described an ideal teacher-student relationship: it flourishes as the professor stimulates a collegian toward greater freedom and depth in thought. We deeply admire not only other students who are developing the inner self, but also the selfless individuals who make terrible sacrifices by sharing the fruits of painful, time-consuming research.

Several department heads and instructors are especially respected by upperclassmen because they stimulate personal choice while stressing thorough research. The fortunate were never taught theology (or the philosophy of math, history etc.); they read differing ideas and struggled to reach personal conclusions. While some Catholic collegians memorized "proofs" for the existence of God, SHU's upperclassmen attempted to discover the Ultimate Reality through Chardin, Camus, Danielou — yes even Sartre.

We do not look to the highly respected professors as omnipotent rulers of our minds or actions, because it was they who opened us to the meaning of academic freedom. They showed us that one can no longer tuck a trusting little hand into a larger hand for security.

Perhaps it is for the above reasons that we now respect straight-forwardness, making discriminating judgments on contract renew­als. Fromm also wrote that "Having faith in another person means to be certain of the reliability of his fundamental attitudes, of the core of his personality, of his love."

There are a number of teachers who have earned our "rational faith" over the past three to four years. We look forward to further growth with them in the years to come.

Because I am flesh

I have eaten,
I have eaten too much,
I have eaten because others did,
Because I was invited,
Because I was hungry and you gave me to eat.

Because I was in the world and the world would not have understood;
And each dish.
Each mouthful.
Each swallow was hard to get down.

I have eaten too much, Lord,
While at the moment, in my town, more than a hundred persons queued up at the breadline,
While in her attic a woman ate what she had salvaged that morning from the garbage cans.

While urchins in their tenements divided some scraps from the old folks' home,
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Tri-a-logue

QUESTION: Should mid-semester exams as such be abolished?

STUDENTS

Joseph Mellilo — I think that if mid-semester exams are going to continue to carry the weight that they do, they should be conducted as final exams. If they are not to carry this weight then no definite period should be set for exams but only an average grade given at mid-term.

Maureen Dursi — Yes. The present system as it is set up should be re-evaluated and revised. Under the present system, the required mid-semester exams scheduled during one week of regular classes count frequently as much as final exams, spread over two weeks after the termination of classes.

With the worries of class assignments, papers, and the possibility of several exams in one day, students can hardly be expected to do their best under such conditions.

By the mid-semester, teachers usually have material (major test, papers, etc.) on the basis of which to grant an advisory grade; if they haven't, why require a grade at this time at all?

Without the added pressure of an unnecessary mid-semester exam week, students could more confidently devote themselves to studying and to preparing for tests and papers as they come.

FACULTY

Mr. Guidone — I think a mid-term puts the student on the alert and the teacher also. I think it helps. I don't think the mid-term grade should depend on it. I think it is a pressure and any pressure is good.

Mr. Roberts — They seem to impose a rather superficial structure.

Dr. Kelly — I don't think I've come to any definite conclusion. I think that in a way they are advisory; they put the students on the alert early in the term. There should be other opportunities for testing during the term. I think they have merit because they alert the student officially.

ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Croffy — I don't feel that they should be abolished. Reasoning strictly from a guidance viewpoint, there is value for an approximate evaluation of student progress to date. I like the present method of mid-semesters being guidance grades, which makes it possible for a student to pull from D to an A. I believe in a system that permits a student to re-evaluate his present progress, so that he can complete a given course with a certification grade by the end of the semester.

"I was hungry and you gave me to eat."

School girl eats lunch with her fingers, Indian fashion. School lunches contain protein-rich eggs and fish to supplement the common rice and vegetable diet.

"The grinding poverty and starvation with which our country is afflicted is such that it drives more and more men every year into the ranks of the beggars, whose desperate struggle for bread renders them incapable to all feelings of decency and self-respect."

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from Prayers by Michael Quoist

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Berrigan asserts yes to life, yes to god, no to death

by Joan Carrafiello

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Area priests view war theories

Four Catholic priests who are local representatives of the dio­cese's Ad Hoc committee to end the war in Viet Nam gave their views on the war last Friday when the school was broken into and ransacked in a search for money and valuables.

Captain Edward Maloney, head of security, stated that he did not think vandalism was a motive. The thieves threw furni­shings around in their search, but did not unnecessarily de­stroy them.

The offices broken into were those of John Crofty, Richard Matzuk, Dr. Enrico Frisone and William Grant. Security, the Student Government, the cafe­teria and the Mack Room also suffered break-ins.

Loses are still being evalu­ated, but a certain amount of damage was done to the cafe­teria and Dean Crofty's office. Two tape recorders were re­moved from the librarian's office, and cigarettes were also stolen from the cafeteria.

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Peace conscience panel

Where the Church has said war against an aggressor is just, Fr. Heron reminded his audience that this must be reconsidered in the context of the present where we are capable of destroying humanity. "Can we wage war when we have not made our primary concern the establishment of a world peace body?" he asked.

Accept suffering

On the question of non-violence, Father William Pratley gave what were admittedly his personal views. He defined non-violence as "to accept suffering rather than to inflict it on others — even to the ultimate sacrifice."

Reminding the audience of St. Paul's statement, "the language of the cross may be illogical to those not on the way to salvation," Father Pratley asserted his convictions that "I will resist with my entire life, but I will not kill — only love is strong enough to overcome violence and hatred."

Finally, Father David Richo of St. Mary's Church, Greenwich, expressed the role of conscience in conjunction with the war. He defined conscience as being "not something we form, but something we grow into" — as a "process toward sensibility."

"My conscience is maturing when there is a chord within me struck by the pain of others," he stated. Father Richo particularly stressed the need for the Church to develop conscience in many areas. "To have a conscience is to be alert to values," he pointed out.

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The Indians reached Martin for one run in the fourth inning and were unable to score the left-handed slants of the talented Derby lad.

Sacred Heart's best rally came in the second inning when Wally Hrabatok singled and John Donoghue followed with another single, but was thrown out trying to stretch the hit into a double. Hal Lindquist got the third Pioneer hit on a double down the leftfield line in the sixth inning.

The old timers contented themselves with stentorian yells of encouragement while walking only four. Only one of the two runs against him was earned.

At bat, Ford faced out a triple and two singles, scored three runs and batted in four. Shortstop Dave Oleszewski also knocked in four runs for the Braves with a triple and a single.

The lone Sacred Heart hit was in the third inning when, after Paul Gazo was hit by a pitch and Pete Janowsky walked and an error moved them up a base, Bruce Bernhard bolted a solid single to right-center field for two runs.

Quinnipiac virtually clinched the victory with a six run first inning featuring Oleszewski's triple for two runs and a single by Ford for another pair. The Braves added four runs in the third inning with the big blow, Ford's three-bagger, three runs in the fifth frame and a final two in the sixth.

The win evened Quinnipiac's record at 4-4.