

American Ingenuity

Up Against People

by Arn Lewis and Bill Barrie

(Editor’s Note: A group of Wooster faculty and students are meeting tonight to determine the College’s investment in forms producing anti-personnel weapons.)

A major factor in the Allied victory in World War II was the use of small arms, developed by American industries. This same technological skill and efficiency is also being marshalled for the brush-fire type wars now waged by the United States in Indochina. Many well-known corporations have experienced a financial boon with the development and marketing of sophisticated anti-personnel weapons for use in the war. Vietnam, in fact, provides an ideal testing ground for such new weapons.

The U.S. Air Force Dictionary defines anti-personnel weapons as “designed to destroy or obstruct personnel” (I.e. people), these weapons come in many different forms, from bombs which can destroy a three-field football field, to projectiles that “shred” people or “nail” them to trees. A few of the better known anti-personnel bombs are the Pineapple, the Little John, the Claymore, and the Flechette projectiles. The Pineapple is a land mine which utilizes slivers which stabilize its flight and also increase its area of dispersion, exploding on impact and shooting out hundreds of steel pellets of varying size.

The Guava, an improvement on the Pineapple, was developed when it was learned that the escape of a few in a mine field of this type could mean the destruction of the enemy. The Guava bomblets are equipped with proximity fuses, so that when a few steps are taken to hit the ground, they explode 30 feet in the air and shower steel pellets down into the bunkers.

ALazy Dog is a grenade like bomb with a base of steel slivers. These bombs are like steel shot, each containing 40 bomblets.

In more sophisticated Cluster Bombs (Clubs) the “bomblet” releases several hundred small steel slivers in the area. These in turn explode into steel slivers that are both deadly and flexible. Flechette—projectiles are steel darts contained in a casing designed to burst at the blunt end. When fired from a 50mm Howitzer they explode, each releasing thousands of steel slivers that were especially made to fly nose first. A UPI correspondent in Vietnam reported that these flying slivers were used against Chinese troops in Indochina.

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In the Pentagon it has been asserted that these weapons are only used against the Viet Cong and not used against the Vietnamese. (Continued on Page 2)

Life Styles

by Bob Martin

New kinds of life styles are emerging on campuses and in urban communities alike. Many of these groups share a common quest to find a new kind of experience. Some exist as an attempt to establish kinds of community. Charles Reich speaks well on this in his book, "Greening of America." When speaking on the effect that the dialogue on these topics will have on the "Corporate State" he says:

"The new way of life makes both possible and necessary a culture that is democratic and pluralistic, a culture of community in which love, respect, and a mutual commitment to the competition and separation of the individuals in society, in which individuals in which he is enabled to grow without losing these values of the human spirit."

Many of the attempts at new life styles fail and cannot find their breath in our individualistic society. But the College of Wooster cannot remove itself from this context of "new consciousness." Discussions by members of this group on cove dors and desensitized housing are an indication that many people are seriously questioning present living conditions and sincerely searching for alternatives. Some have begun to appreciate that the college is a place where a student learns to become an inter-dependent self with a concern and sense of responsibility for his brothers and sisters.

One must recognize and appreciate that the college has made to institutionalize the democratic process. "The College is responsible for insuring the existence of a student body responsible within a context of freedom of choice, and individual freedom within the framework of a community and new Social Code of Conduct. Housing is a part of one in which the College needs to commit itself for more to implemen-

State SSS Chief Speculates on Lottery, Volunteer Army

by Malcolm Andrews and Bill Barrie

(A June graduation approaches senior men with low lottery numbers turn their attention to the draft. In an effort to thoroughly inform them Voice interviewed Co. Thrus- Matha Settacker of the Selective Service in Ohio. As a tape recorder was not used, the following is a summary and not a direct quote of the interview.)

A. Quotas are assigned to the Selective Service System from the Defense Department and the National Guard breaks down the national quota into state quotas. The state director then assigns a quota to each local board. The board must fill this quota by random selection numbers of the registrants; but as of March 1971 they are not permitted to call anyone with a random selection number above 170.

Q. What do you think will be the highest number drawn this year?

A. I really don’t know. It depends upon government policy. There is currently a move to reduce the level of manpower in the Army to about 600,000. It is too early to say. Last year we went as high as 105.

Q. Are bonuses available to those who draw quotas?

A. Yes. They are being met. Some local boards may not have enough but system-wide it adjusts well. But you won’t really know how much the bonus will be until this year. We have all deferment forms available, so if we will have to keep consessionsion objection and hardship deferments, but student deferments are unfair. A student deferment is available by taking a deferment now and holding it until the war in Vietnam is over or until the draft is abolished.

Q. If the law is not renewed this year what authority will selectives receive for service have?

A. The authority to induct ends in June. I’m not sure what any authority would have but I think Selective Service might exist to register. The administration calls for a two-year extension of the draft and abolition of 2-S student deferments.

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**Pentagonal Octopus**

Several incidents combined last week to make even the most red-blooded patriot feel stunned. Last Tuesday, before a Senate subcommittee, one of the Pentagon's own General Officers had to admit that civilians living in the nation's capital were using "civil rights agitators, agitators against the war in Vietnam, agitators against the draft, and other disturbers." The Pentagon's list, reported to number 25,000, included dozens on such plates saboteurs as John L. Simpson, S. Asa Butterfield, and others, who, it has been admitted it had "no evidence" of any constitutional or legal authority for such surveillance.

The admission was a compelling truth that is still unclear. The military's power seems to be illegitimate. Robert Humphrey warned Nixon against "violence of the heart" on Monday evening. Even the Defense Department said that if the administration was being purposely misused by the Pentagon, conceding that the Johnson administration's use of the military was "legitimate".

On Saturday CBS television aired the "Selling of the Pentagon," a documentary revealing how the Pentagon has provided a tremendous platform for preserving the Pentagon's image and the defense of the defense budget. The document is a chilling account of how the military establishment is being used to cover up crimes and cover up the truth. The documentary was aired on Saturday, February 23, and was a joint production of CBS News and the Department of Defense.

The military establishment, like any other business enterprise, is anxious to increase profits to the point of society. One way it does this is by creating a sense of insecurity among the public. For example, the Pentagon is using its power to control the media and to influence public opinion. The Pentagon is also using its power to control the political process. For example, the Pentagon is using its power to influence the election of politicians who will support its policies.

The military establishment is a powerful force in society. It is not only a force in the political arena, but also in the economic and social arenas. It is a force that is used to control the flow of information and to influence public opinion. The military establishment is a force that is used to maintain the status quo and to prevent change. It is a force that is used to maintain the power of the military establishment.

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**Cagers Accept NCAA Bid**

The College of Wooster has accepted an invitation to participate in the NCAA College Division Mid-East Regional Tournament to Bob Bruce, Wooster's Athletic Director.

The tournament will be held at All-Louisville Coliseum, Reading, Pa., on March 12-13.

Akrön University and Philadelphia were selected last week. No information is yet available on the fourth team selected, or the pairings. Tickets for the tournament may be reserved at the Athletic Department in Senior Center, or at the Varsity Club office. All tickets will be reserved and will be good for both evening's play.

The cost is $7 each.

The tickets will arrive at Wooster next week, and can be picked up in person, on a C.O.D. basis at the Severance office.

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**Frosh Lead Mat Hopes**

There is no tomorrow for the Fighting Scot wrestlers this weekend as they compete in the annual Ohio Conference championships at Hiram. The Scots learned what this weekend's competition would be like last Saturday when a tough Mt. Union squad tripped them, 20-14, and a scrappy Muskingum team tied them, 17-17.

Freshmen, the strength in Wooster's mat season all year, will be leading the hopes of the team. Countering yearling grapplers should be Jim Rastetter, second in the 200 yard butterfly; while Jim Imler grabbed second in the 200 yard breaststroke.

The Scot divers have been coming along all season and did a fine job, too. Bob Kerek and Bob Edwards lagged last first and third respectively in the required dives. Kerek also netted a second place in the optional dives.

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**Tankers Travel To OAC Finish Season At .500**

by John Brown

**VOICES Sports Writer**

The Fighting Scot swim team is winding up the 1971 season today and tomorrow in the OAC swimming championships at Delaware. The Scots sandwiched a win between two losses in the first three meets of the season, then fashioned a third meet winning streak, before dropping their last two to end with a respectable 4-4 record.

Last Saturday, a strong Hiram team soundly defeated Wooster, 72-50, in the Scots' final home meet. The win, however, wasn't strong with a first place in the 400 yard medley relay. Jim Imler, Jim Henry, Jim Cardells and Tom Metler swam the race in 4:07.0. Jeff Carter anchored the second place in the 200 yard freestyle (1:59.8) and the second in the 500 yard freestyle (5:33.2).

Bob Matchett reigned once again as the speedoist of the 50 yard freestyle with a 22.6. Finishing second in 51.0, Matchett was just nudged out in the 100 free. Joe Cummings and John Schaefer placed second and third respectively in the 1000 yard freestyle, while Tom Metler took second in the 200 yard backstroke at the time of 2:22.9. Jeff Keeler took 59th in the 100 yard backstroke.

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**Eaglettes Invade Monday**

The Scots' women's basketball team will travel to Muskingum tomorrow and close their season Monday at Hiram and 6:30 in their only home game this year. A strong team effort led the Scotsies last Saturday to cruise over Baldwin-Wallace, 51-36.

Setting a new scoring record for the season, points in one game, freshman Anne Baird canned 23 to take the game's point honors. She also grabbed eight caroms to tie junior Janet Nordstrom for the team's birthday bounders.

A sophomore, Pat Poulton, came off the bench to sink nine points, while Nordstrom gathered 10.

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134, Wes Dumos, 150, Larry Sprague, 158, and Mark Dief, 177, Junior Bob Yombo, 167, and senior captain John Hach, 142, should also be strong competitors.

Commenting on the OAC's, student assistant coach Mo Ralati, analyzed, "We have several strong individuals which should make a good showing. Teamwise, I just can't say how well we'll do, I guess time will only tell." Last Saturday's final, the Scot's final home meet, saw Yombo and Dief as the only two double victors. Yombo looked ready for the OAC's with impressive wins against the Muskies' Dennis Curtis, 1:11, and the Purple Raiders' Dan Wimmer, 10.6.

Dief, however, was more concerned with the improvement with solid decisions over Tom Hanselman of Muskingum, 60, and Monty's Jeff Hauser, 61. Dief's improvement caused Ralati to say, "Mark has developed very well over the season. I expect him to give a few people problems in the OAC."
MORE ON

State Draft Director
'A Kind Of Manager'

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Q. Has there been increase in conscientious objector applications since June 1970?
(As June 1970 the Supreme Court ruled that conscientious objection may be founded on deeply held moral, ethical or philosophical beliefs as well as religious beliefs.)

A. Yes, there has been a great increase. In the six month period from June to December, the Selective Service System in Ohio received 4,404 applications. Previously, we averaged about 100 a month. 596 applications were received in January 1971.

Q. Have you noticed very much draft counseling activity going on?
A. There are a tremendous number of draft counselors. They exist because Selective Service has done a poor job of providing information. We are trying to rectify this situation by printing pamphlets on Hardships, the Lottery, and C.O. These pamphlets have not been distributed to local boards yet. I just received them myself.

Q. What is your role as State Director?
A. I see myself as a kind of Manager. Other staff members know the technicalities, and I draw upon them for advice. I make sure all aspects of the State Selective Service work well together and run as smoothly as possible. Sometimes registrants feel that their local board is being unfair to them or denying them their rights. Rather than confronting the board members people with such complaints should come to me. I cannot order the draft board to classify a registrant into any particular classification, but I do have the power to order it to reopen the case and I can appeal a classification for a registrant to the state or national appeal boards.

Q. Do you see any chance for a volunteer army?
A. The voluntary army is feasible if another 100,000 men enlist. Pay is the deciding factor in encouraging enlistments. The Army is also trying to change its image by allowing men to have longer hair and to grow mustaches. The emergence of American society makes a military life unacceptable. We aren't going to get a volunteer army until we can get enough voluntary enlistments to meet our needs.

People who oppose the draft should spend their time trying to sell the army and make it look more attractive. Focusing on the draft because the military is used to perform a bad policy is a mistake. It is short sighted to destroy the military because we may need it.

The degree of civilization in a society can be judged by entering its prisons.
—Dostoevski