Mail Via Femal

Mrs. Carol Horner, secretary of the Dean of Men, sorts the mail that rolls into the college over the Christmas vacation.

The Muse Abused' By Whiting, Conrad Is Gun Shoe Choice

The annual Gum Shoe Hop will again make its appearance on the Scott Auditorium stage on February 3. This year's script is entitled The Muse Abused, written by Mr. Whiting, who wrote the musical last summer for the college's summer theater. He is a Junior English major from Watkins Glen, New York, Loretta Conard, a Junior majoring in music education from Wooster, composed the music.

This year's hop, in the form of a country club, is based on an historical situation. The cast of 19 includes such historical characters as Frederick the Great, Buddha, Robin Hood, along with imaginative characters such as Alphonse, a French ambassador, and John C. Calhoun, Enslaved. This singing and dancing show will be directed by Mr. Jim McQuillan, a Junior biology major from Wooster, Ohio. His opening speech held the latter part of this week have not been released.

Woodband Field Plays Next Week At Class Formal

Harry Woodford and his eight-man group, the Woodband, will play for the Sophomore-Junior Formal, Saturday, February 4. The price of the tickets is $2.50, and they can be purchased at the Office of Douglas Hall, for information concerning tickets and transportation.

World Fast dance, have appointed Helen Molloy and Leonard S. Waring as decoration chairman. The theme will be "Stairway to the Stars." Ken Pukszyn, president of Andrews Council, has announced the men of Andrew Hall will serve refreshments in their recreation room during intermission. All women attending the dance will receive 12.90 admissions.

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Professor Alfred Stroup is serv- ing as Wooster's college represent- tative for this program. Application forms and information may be obtained from him.

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Sonnet Published

Each year poets written by college students throughout the nation are selected and placed in a national anthology. This year's sonnet was written by Bill Whit- ing, a junior English major from Watkins Glen, N. Y. This sonnet has appeared in the current National Anthology of Collegiate Poetry.

CONCERT CHOIR PRESENTS 'THE SEASONS' BY HAYDN

by Jo House

Haydn's famous oratorio, The Seasons, will be presented Sunday evening, January 9, at 8:15 in Memorial Chapel by the Concert Choir, the choir under the direction of Professor Richard T. Pool. The choir will be conducted by the leader of the Men's Glee Club. He is also director of music at Trinity Lutheran Church in Canton, Mr. Beattie, Professor of Voice at Wooster, will be the soloist.

The choirs for this oratorio will be Janette Schmidt, soprano; Karl Trump, tenor; and Herbert Seidler, bass. Mrs. Schmidt has appeared here many times, most recently as soloist in the Ravinia Repertory last spring. Mr. Trump is a Professor of Voice at Wooster.

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**Voice Of A Young Democrat**

by Charles Kinzie

The political climate of this nation needs immediate attention, for while we divide our national attention and energies over insubstantial momentary problems a good portion of our national confidence is being eaten away.

Caused by the fear of national and international communism, the political climate of America today is one of fear and insecurity. We have not yet grown accustomed to co-existence with communism either here or abroad. Consequently we are ever on watch for "commies" of democracy. We have so highly developed our senses concerning this matter that we are now in a state of widespread suspicion and thus basically open to the hangarings of communist demagogues. America today is afraid, and being afraid she has unwittingly aided the overthrow of her government by the persuasion of those who have been wrong or have dared to disagree with the many.

Out of this climate of fear have grown two political life, one well publicized and the least important of the other, an outgrowth of the first, not as well known but of more lasting importance. This fear complex has allowed the growth of Mr. McCarthy and his "iron." McCarthy has skyrocketed to fame on one thing, that (when we admit this fact to ourselves we will fade away) the fear of the American people. Likewise McCarthyism has continued to grow, deriving nourishment from our cowardice, even when McCarthy's personal fortunes have waned. But more important, a career developed in our government as a result of this fear and its resultant "iron." This career presents a problem now and will continue to be a problem for years to come. The morale of government workers, particularly those concerned with the State Department and the Foreign Service, is now at a low tide. No matter what the political faith of the administration in power, it must depend upon the permanent staff of civil and other federal employees to implement the government's foreign policy. Unprepared and malicious attacks upon these employees has resulted in a situation where no one will undertake any original thinking or express any thought other than those currently popular. Our government services is almost void of any intelligent, bold or intellectual thought. Anyone doubting these circumstances need only read the New York Times.

To the Editors:

I believe with a good many other people that the expulsion of the late lamented Mr. Schlager was an entirely justifiable act on the part of whatever authorities of the College of Wooster were responsible. The college is founded on the principles of Christian ethics; most students and faculty are aware that when these principles are violated they should also realize that any person coming here under false pretenses and handled out dishonestly, in the shape of Mr. Schlager was founded and is operating on, is certainly liable to dismissal by the force that hired him. I only wish that Dr. Lowry had pointed out in chapel that Mr. Schlager was given a full year's salary before his exodus.

I could not see why Don Reiman's article in last week's VOICE accomplished besides proving that he was exposed to a course in College of Wooster. Having talked to the student we learned Thomas Acquinas to justify the Great Dissimilis seem to me both irrelevant and unnecessary. The last for the article seems to be one of confusion, placed metaphors, and wandering logic. It sounds very much like a second-rate philosophy paper with its dissections on the ultimate end of man, the will, the neo-islamization and neo-orthodox ideas. (The phrase "neo-orthodoxy," by the way, I find very difficult to swallow. Does he mean the college is following a new or modern form of a traditionally accepted faith, which is what that phrase means?)

This is a two-edged letter; one part offering my thoughts on the dissimilis, the other, a piece of direct writing and reasonable reasoning.

Yours truly,
Bill Whiting

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**Wooster Office Equipment**

SALON

From page one of Foreign Affairs and 40 trad- ing associations through the Ministry of Education, both of which afford language teaching experience and opportunities to become better acquainted with France.

A joint committee of French and American educators will make nominations from the a

BOOK DISCUSSION

On Sunday, January 9, 1966, there will be a discussion on Arthur Miller's Death of a Salesman at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell in St. Bath's Street.

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What’s An Independent?

Dear Editor:

A lot of talk has been bandsed about the hill billy concerning the Independent vote, and I think it has been accompanied by a lot of Jesse James thinking. Three distinct issues have been muddled together without proper discrimination. First, the term “Independent” is used to describe the person who registers for the primaries as such. This is an improper and most unfair use of the term. Then there is the individual who, although registered as either a Democrat or a Republic, chooses to vote independently for whichever party he feels is in the right. There is also the third-party supporter. This is the one on whom the term “Independent” is usually bestowed. Yet these three distinct political types have been referred to in the same breath as being identical, politically dormant, and base enemies of the democracy.

Those decent people in a little doubt that he who registers Independent is leaving himself from the primary balloting and is refusing to identify himself with what he thinks is wrong may well despair of righting it.

In reference to those who, although registered for a given party, choose to vote independently of that registration, the comparison has been made with the "mugwumps" of 1884. This is indeed the apt comparison. In that year some Republicans bailed the party and voted for Gree, Cleveland. Their power is manifested in that Cleveland won. He was running against James G. Blaine, who, as speaker of the House, had been actively aiding the Little Rock and Fort Smith Railroad of Arkansas in which he owned stock. The famous "Mulligan Letters" had exposed him for what he was and it seems to me that a party loyalty would have been in direct opposition to national loyalty. Passively remaining Republicans would have put an unsuppor- ted candidate on the field of our country and yet those who energetically refused to do so are today desirously referred to as "mugwumps."

There is also another point thrown upon the third-partyite. He is above the petty political maneuver in Fenn and told that he is doing the country directly to that position. He is reminded of the glorious two-party traditions in America and told this system is one of the God-given blessings of America.

Those who so attack third parties invariably fail to look at America as a whole. Let us do as we do and view some of the third parties since that time. In 1892 the People’s Party of America, commonly known as the Populists, demanded a graduated income tax, public ownership of independent railroads, restriction of immigra- tion, popular election of senators, the initiative and referendum, and state banks. The Democrats, recognizing that this new party could wield, immediately seized on many of their issues and seized the Populists. In 1896 the main issue was one of the most exciting elections of our history was reform. By 1900 the Re- publicans took the respect for their issues by their choice of their vice-presidential candidate. When he became president the follow- ing year he carried into effect many of the reforms earlier advocated by the Democrats and herein began the so-called "TR," the trust busting.

In 1912 another reform party, the Progressives, made their ap- pearance. Their platform called for an impressive list of reforms, in- cluding the direct primary, initiative, referendum and recall, vote for women, the eight-hour day, the prohibition of child labor and the establishment of a separate department of labor, fed- eral supervision of corporations, and a lower tariff. How many of these would be rejected today? Yet the driving force that put these questions before the public was a low third party. Wilson’s program of reform was directly influenced by this Progressive platform and he claimed a similar credit for the program on the strength of the large vote garnered by another party?

I hope that the rather careless use of the word “Independent” will be eliminated on campus in the future, and a clearer statement of the problem thus achieved.

Dick Graham

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Pre-vacation Meets Sink Scot Tankers

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At Kent on Friday, December 10, the tarsen lost their second meet of the season to Kent, 56-30.

Wooster started off the meet with a win by the medley relay team of Kane, Ware Crain, and Swanson, shatking up a five point lead. First places in the 200 and 50- yard free style races gave Kent the lead, and they never fell behind again, although Wooster, fighting hard for a win, took four more first places. These were by Kane in the diving, and by Dunigan in the 100 yard free style, 440 yard free style, and the individual med- ley, in which he broke the Kent State pool record with a time of 1:44.2.

The third and last meet before Christmas was against the powerful Kenyon team at Kenyon. Most of Wooster’s scores were second and third places. However, Kane and Ware Crain, driving the diving, and Dunigan won the final relay, making the final score of the meet 50-29, favor of Kenyon. Branden registers the loss of the meet was the individual medley, in which Branden of Kenyon bested the record. Wooster’s loss to Kenyon in the 100 yard free style.

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Further information and application forms may be obtained at many post offices throughout the country, or from the U. S. Civil Service Commission, Washington 25, D. C. Applications will be accepted by the Civil Service Commission until further notice.

New Book Reviews

Aspiring Literature

Campus Writing Today is the title of a new national review of college writing which was established in 1955 by Bantam Books. The review will be edited by Nellie Miller and Jackson Jerome of the Antioch College English Department.

The plans for the review include sections for stories, poems, portions of novels, short plays and sketches, essays, and articles. The contributors will be limited to present-day students of North American colleges and those who have attended such schools within the last three years. All material to be considered must be unpublished except in campus publications and must be recommended by a member of the faculty. The deadline for submissions to the first annual issue is March 1.

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Protection Is Not The Answer

Dear Editor:

It seems to me quite evident that the controversy of whether a professor not of the Christian Faith should be allowed on the faculty is one that should be discussed in terms of the modern college student and the modern church rather than medieval theologians. It is true that this is a church-supported college, receiving money and other aid from the Synod. The college should be a Christian college, supporting and strengthening the Faith of our fathers. But is this being done in a positive and forward way, or is the college right in protecting us from criticism of our Faith?

Our Christian Faith has, in the past, withstand many persecutions. Some of these persecutions are still being committed in various parts of the world. But these persecutions of the physical and mental kind have served for the most part to strengthen our Faith. They have seeded out the spiritually weak and the intellectual doubters. Only the strong are able to meet the lions of the arena, the brain washings, and the arguments of the unbelievers successfully, thereby making their own Faith even stronger.

There is another threat to our Faith which is even more dangerous. This is the threat that comes from among the ranks of well-meaning Christians. This is the threat and the curse of protection from personal persecution. This they have done by stating in the teaching contract that a teacher must express and exhibit a sympathy for the Christian Faith.

It is a well known fact that most college students go through a period of skepticism of Religious Faith. This may go so far as to become agnosticism in some of us. Despite the worries of our elders, college students return to their Faith after this growing experience as better and stronger Christians. However, if the student is unable to find arguments pro and con, it is likely that he will wear his decision and become fixed in his attitude of infection, leading to the greatest of weaknesses, that discovered by N. Y. Varkonyi, apathy. This college has an abundance of the pro side taught in classes and preached at church and chapel. The pro side is also well represented in the bull session. But where are those taking the opposite side? They are not weighted by sheer volume in a bull session. They are certainly not held the pulpit or the teaching desk, as has been so aptly demonstrated. They might be found in the library, but the average student has little time in this busy life to plow through the stacks to find arguments against his own Faith, or to be more specific, against a Faith to which he has clung and to which he would like to cling, but one that a present arose grossly doubt in his mind.

Thus by protection from mental persecution, the student adopts, the attitude of "I am a Christian, I guess." He goes into life a member of the church, having neither the conviction to use his name by faith to become a strong, active Christian. He merely swells the rolls, going to church, singing the hymns, but adding nothing to the church beyond his own physical presence.

Sincerely,

H. L. Hutchins.

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