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Ford Grants Sum For Faculty Pay, College Hospital
We are deeply grateful to the Ford Foundation for its notable generosity. Such are Dr. Howard Law's words of appreciation for the recent grants to the College of $655,000 for improvement of teachers' salaries and to Hytopia Hall of $40,000 "to expand or modernize present facilities." The sums are part of a total grant of half a billion dollars made by the Ford Foundation last Monday to some 4,000 institutions throughout the nation.

The money has been divided among 615 regionally accredited, privately supported four-year colleges, 332 privately supported hospitals, and privately supported medical schools. The amounts and the sources were determined by approximately matching payroll- increases in liberal arts and sciences for 1954-55. Endowments and accomplishments were used as the basis for award. Speaking on this subject Dr. Lowry stated. The money is being used to carry out many creative actions the Board of Trustees (College) has taken in family salaries, research leave and travel, and departments. It also is a direct result of what a growing alumni fund and alumni dollars' funds enabled the College to do.

This will be used to increase instructors' salaries by adding to endowment funds with interest earned to be applied to such salaries, according to the rules of the Foundation. Information on specific handling of the awards is not yet available.

Wooster is the fourth largest in Ohio, following Oberlin, Case, and Western Reserve, and is twice as large as the average throughout the country.

The money was made for the purpose of enabling the College to "extend its services to keep pace with the rapid development in medical science." Speaking of this inclusion in education, Henry Ford II said that our whole way of life depends upon the quality of our education, and the Foundation is seeking to emphasize the importance of the college teacher to our society.
Alas, Trustees: We Need More Trees

College of Wooster
Wooster, Ohio

Attention: Board of Trustees

Dear Sirs:

This college campus has been unusually blessed with a great number of rather large oak trees. By saying blessed we do not refer to the aesthetic beauty of these trees, but rather to the practical use for which we consider the campus community have been long frugally and wisely. Joyce Kilmer may be right when he says that only God can make a tree. Yet, there are no doubts in our minds that we are equally as capable in our own way of making a tree into a billion-dollar tree.

Our zeal for exterior campus decoration has grown tremendously since the beginning of the year. Wonderfully large Parents’ Day signs, cory little canopies, transportation reminders, heart-warming “Welcome Alumna” posters, and hosts of other artistic signs have added immensely to a cosmopolitan atmosphere on campus. But, alas, our great progressive movement will suffer from a stunted growth unless you act to extricate us from our present problem.

With Color Day coming up in the spring we have made plans to add even larger and more eye-catching posters, but we are fast running out of tree-space. Therefore, we recommend that you, the Trustees, as the highest authority on this campus, transplant some bigger and better trees to our college grounds. With such additional trees we could expand our field of operation. Your support and our initiative could lead to a number of new trees on campus into a full-grown hillboard. A few new trees would keep the movement growing. Let the hammer continue to ring!

Faithfully yours,

A Friend of the College

—J. L.

Fervent Plea For Accuracy

Dear Editors (to keep it on an impersonal basis),

I have put up all year with the typical sloppy sportswriting of the student editors. The handling in the one issue Fifth which we defended standing as Kronenden leaders and then, in the following issue, making only passing reference to the game in which Fifth was simultaneously knocked from the unbeaten ranks and the League lead; the type of garbled stories which result when the reporter neither watches the game nor checks his facts carefully; but this is the last straw—without batting an eye, you have altered our record so as to make Eighth Section’s standing in the League fifth instead of the tie for third place which we earned. Here, point by point, is our record verse by verse:

1. Doubleday vs. Seventh, 7-6; best Five 18-0, Fifth 18-6, Third 14, tied Seventh 7, lost to Sixth 13-12.

and won a forfeit victory over Kerner Klub when they could field only 16 players.

2. Kerner Klub vs. Eighth Section, 10-6; best Fifth 18-0. (You say it is 6-2, which is an error.)

3. Eighth Section vs. Sixth, 7-6; best Fourth 18-0, Fifth 18-6, Second 14, tied Third 7-7.

This was a match between Kerner’s captain and myself, though we played a team composed of Firsts. We had several Douglas players including All-Star Bill Lori to a 6-5 tie. This leads directly into my next point.

Having regard to the League, Kerner Klub is in competition to either play its complete schedule or forfeit those games which cannot be played. Therefore, Kerner’s record should be 0 wins, 3 ties, and 9 losses. This would change the records of several teams. Seventh would lead the League with 7 wins, 3 losses, 2 ties, second place would go to Sixth with 7 wins, 2 losses, 0 ties; third to Fifth and Eighth with 6-2-1 records; followed by Douglass, 6-3-0; Second, 5-4-0; and a three-way tie between First, Third, and Fourth with 2-7-0 records.

Bringing up the rear would be Kerner Klub, of course.

Perhaps I am being unfair in this criticism, but I am trying to keep it objective. In the future, I would suggest one of two policies. Either the facts should be checked more carefully or the VOICE should drop the review of intercollegiate athletes. Granted, intercollegial murals have no wide range of interested followers, but that does not mean they should be reported hap hazardly. Do it well, or not at all, please.

Dan Collins

Reflections On “Organized Chaos”

To the Editor:

Another registration period is passed out of view, it might be well to reflect on some of the problems that emerge during the period of "organized chaos." One of these problems is the filling out of material irrelevant to registration on the reverse side of registration cards. This waste of time required for registration would be a second problem of registration, and the actual place these cards would be a third problem. Are all these drawbacks necessary to a system of registration? Isn't there a more suitable type of registration possible using the existing facilities on campus?

Information, Please!

Undoubtedly the real joy of registration is the tedious filling out of cards. This doesn't of course include the filling out of schedules, but the filling out of information which is supposedly already on file. This information includes such things as residence, church denomination, and last but not least birth date. This information is pertinent to the college all right, but are we required to go through the ritual of affirming it at every registration? Is it a matter of birth wouldn't vary much from year to year. Even if it did, it could be remotely related to registration?

Because of these senseless clerical jobs, registration takes much more time than necessary. If this ritual of filling out cards must be performed, why not let the faculty advisors do it instead of requiring the students before registration? If this were done, it would allow the students to fill out the cards before registration and would not take up so much of the time for registration. Generally speaking, the student checks over his schedule with his advisor before registration anyway, so why not fill out the cards at the same time?

Don't Fence Me In

The last "fly in the ointment" is that registration is concentrated in the actual location of registration. Calvin is far from being the ideal place for any such activity. It is far too small, and it is this smallness that causes the concentration and chaos of registration. A much more suitable location for registration would be the gym, where there is a lot more space available for registration purposes.

If the cards for registration were distributed beforehand, and the entire place of registration moved to bigger quarters, registration problems would exist in the least form it exists in today. The effects of just these few suggestions, if put into practice, would be beneficial to both the administration and the student body.

Robert L. S. Styer

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Against Ivory Towers

To the Editor:

Mr. Duncan’s letter in a recent issue of the VOICE was admirably written, but we feel that in some places the reasoning is regrettable.

Mr. Duncan feels that the definition inclusion, singleness of purpose, and uniformity, is a satisfactory one for an Ivory Tower. For the sake of discussion we will accept it. Our question is the following: is this desirable? To weed the student from the facts of life, from the ideas and ideals of others, and to allow him contact only with other middle-class Protestant minds seems to us to be hardly suitable preparation for a life to be lived amongst Catholes, Jews, Sun worshippers and all. Such people do exist.

The Protestant Church has no ill on either Earth or Heaven.

Definition Questionable

The remaining part of the definition, singleness of purpose, must also be questioned. Must we all inagine, without digesting, the material of a lecture, and then regurgitate it on an exam leaving

—J. C. Hough...
Wooster Tankmen Take Fourth Place

Despite a mediocre 15 points, the Scott swimmers showed enough to nail fourth place in the annual Ohio Conference team relays last Saturday at Oberlin's Grove pool.

First place went to Kenyon which took all the events except the 500 freestyle. Kenyon's losses will be on Lou Mitchell and Tom Davis, while the dangerous Mount Union feature Bruce Pohphey and Don Tallberr. The duo provided almost half of the Maristia scoring punch. Individual cogs will haul on Kenyon, with seconds in every event, was run up with 52 points while third place Ohio Wesleyan garnered 31. Behind the Scots were Akron and Wittenberg, each with 10 tallies. Individual winners for Wooster were.

Wooster's chances concluded 1965 swimming as host to Kenyon this afternoon. The remaining schedule is as follows:

Jan. 7—At Grove City, Pa.
Jan. 11.—At Kent.
Jan. 17.—Ohio Wesleyan, home.
Feb. 4.—At Oberlin.
Feb. 10.—Ann., at home.
Feb. 16—Allegany, at Meadville, Pa.
Feb. 24.—Case, at Cleveland.
March 31—Ohio Conference Meet at Oberlin.

For The Girls

by Anne Marsh

Last week-end five Wooster students went to Bowling Green University to attend the Mid-West Intercollege Synchronized Swim Meet. Ann Young, Margaret Jaggers, Ellen Crawford, and Liz Berkos went as observers. Ann, last year's top scorer, joined the team, along with Ann, after the winter lay-up. The Scots' team, with the exception of Ann, was composed of seniors and juniors only.

The Scots placed fourth in the meet, which was won by Bowling Green.

At the meet, the Scots had four events where they scored any points. They placed fifth in the relays and first in the medley, second in the tights, and fourth in the doubles.

Again at the helm of the varsity basketball team is Mose Hole. The popular athletic director is commencing his 30th campaign.

Keboe, our only participant, placed second in group A, the one requiring the highest skill. The members on the Women's Athletic Association Board and the faculty of the physical education department want to extend to all interested in both sports, a warm welcome for a MERRY CHRISTMAS and a PROSPECTIVE NEW YEAR!

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OPEN EVENINGS
Ivy Towers

(Comment from Page Two) 
us only with a grade? Or shall we absorb these ideas, muld them, turn them over in our minds, ex- press them in our own language, and then judge whether or not we can accept them into our personal creed or refuse to accept them while still respecting the minds that gave them birth? We desire an education more than a degree.

Dungeon, Not Tower

The examples bring out many facts which we grant are true, but these are extremes. Our Ivy Tower is not a place that exists in extremes only. Under the ideal of singleness of purpose, select- ion, and uniformity we lose perspec- tive on life. The authors of this article came to college to gain perspective. The school that is "like unto an Ivy Tower" seems to make it more like a dungeon where no outside light is welcome. Towers are high windows. We are no lighthouses.

R.I.P. Schlegel

Schlegel is dead at Wooster; let him Rest in Peace. It is true that young people are under a "bar- rage of complex and confusing ideas." Is this wrong? We do need guidance, but must it be on a Sun- day School level? Our Sunday Schools failed miserably in pre- paring us for the influx of ideas at college. So does it not follow that college will fall when we leave to join an authentic society by giving us a single-minded in- terpretation of these ideas?

Idealism Approved

We have nothing against ideal- ism and optimism as such; we are in favor of them. But will an im- mature idealism, born of truth, beauty, and the boundless joy of youth, stand beneath the battering it will receive on emergence from the cosmos of the Ivy Tower and is suddenly faced with the prac- tical ruled of the cynics, pseudo-intellects, and the lunatic fringe? We doubt it. An idealism that can survive must be both rugged and well-considered. Such a philoso- phy or idealism should rule out at once the "everyday drag of existence." No one truly idealistic looks upon the challenge of life as a "drag."

The "Outside World"

We want a heterogeneous group, learning not memorizing, digest- ing not ingesting, a group that is aware of the "outside world," a group that thinks beyond itself and is part of the world, not merely a critic. As the pianist cannot learn to express the full depths of Beethoven by practicing scales, so the student cannot pre- pare for the full impact of life by merely observing it objectively from a distance.

Sally Dunn
Gail Duguitte
Helen Hutchins

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