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Reported from The Newark Evening News.
Cripps and Sanderson Head Committee for S-256 Support

By George Gonos
Staff Reporter

With a bill that would give local autonomy to New Jersey state colleges facing the state legislature, a students' committee supporting this bill (S-256) has been formed at MSC.

The co-chairmen, Frank Cripps and Virginia Sanderson, have pointed out how they feel the passage of such a bill would be an improvement over the present system. They contend that policy making at the colleges is now delayed senselessly "because of the nature of the bureaucracy in Trenton."

The committee is concerned with delays in construction and in the receiving of purchased materials. It is believed that a more powerful local board of trustees would reduce the time loss in this area. The committee favors a board that would "actually hire architects, contract for construction and approve payment" of charges. In order that supplies be received sooner, they submit that the board should have the power to place orders at local school districts do.

The board would also be granted the power to hire faculty and staff. The state's Civil Service Department is now delaying final approval on appointment of a number of college officials.

Perhaps S-156's most important feature would affect the college budget. The students' committee holds that the "present system does not provide for enough flexibility in the use of money within the approved budget." They feel that the college president and the board of trustees should be given the opportunity to review the budget before it goes to the legislature and the governor.

The committee has taken action by circulating petitions supporting the bill in private communities. They have urged citizens to write legislators about the problem. Cripps has noted that while the bill is likely to be accepted by the State Senate, it will face strong opposition in the Assembly. Even if passed by both houses, it is subject to the veto of Governor Hughes.

The presidents of the state colleges favor the passage of the bill. According to Cripps, opposition comes from many appointed officials including State Chancellor of Education Ralph Dungan.

Clifton Conference Topic Of Open Faculty Meeting

By Arlene Petty
Staff Reporter

The Coordinating Committee of MSC will be sponsoring an Open Faculty Meeting. The committee, consisting of five professors from the faculty council, five members of the administrative council and five students, decided to hold this open meeting so that the MSC community might profit from the recent Clifton decision-making conference.

At the meeting to take place on March 13, a mimeographed sheet will be distributed, which will explain the conference. At Clifton, there was a three day meeting to which 57 faculty and 57 students were invited. Many problems were discussed, and there was general agreement that MSC is in need of change.

Goals of the college, decision making, school policy and campus expansion were all topics of discussion. Emphasis was also placed on the student and his relation to the college, and the urban community.

These topics will be discussed at the meeting in Memorial Auditorium at 3 p.m. It is expected that student attendance will be heavy.

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Jazz Comes to MSC Via Sinfonia Band

By Mike D'Andrea Staff Reporter

Jazz seems to have finally come of age at MSC with the widespread acceptance of the Sinfonia Stage Band. The band, conceived in 1966 by Ken Pampel, a senior music major, has received tremendous praise for its concerts given both on and off campus. Their best performance was at MSC last spring when they presented "West Side Story Kaleidoscope." This was the first presentation of this work by Kaleidoscope. Jass compositions also be presented.

The band is student operated and all members are students except Mr. W. Shadel of the music department, who is the adviser and a member of the group. The band was formed to give students a chance to explore the complexities of jazz.

One of the band's first performances was a full stage concert at the East Orange Hospital and concerts at several local high schools. The most recent concert was given at a stage band performance on Feb. 16, in conjunction with similar groups from Jersey City State and Paterson State.

The band's members are all professional musicians, although they receive no reimbursement for their performances with the band. The group is promoted and financed by Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, the national music fraternity.

The band plans to hold a concert at MSC on March 11. The main feature of the performance will be "West Side Story Kaleidoscope." Jass compositions by Ron Siebert and Neil Hefti will also be presented.

Sharon Meadows, last year's reigning Miss Montclair State, will crown her successor this Friday night in Memorial Auditorium. The annual pageant, sponsored jointly by Delta Theta Psi and Phi Lambda Pi is scheduled for 8 p.m.

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By Jeanne Schneider Staff Reporter

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The new groups throughout the state intend to demand similar deliberation and definitive studies with a view to developing alternate plans before any demonstration schools are closed. Dungan says the colleges need the room the schools now occupy to teach college students. He has not proposed any plans for the lower students in the grades to be displaced by the school closings.

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It's the Timing That's Important

Student protest in the form of a building seizure has once again hit an educational institution in the metropolitan area. Last Monday some 30 black students, about a third of them coeds, seized Cookin Hall on the campus of Rutgers-Newark "to force a reaction" to their demands.

Typically misleading was the Feb. 23 story, "State colleges fail cities and suburbs." The opening statement is the New Jersey "state colleges are failing to provide qualified public school teachers for city and suburban districts alike."

The article states that state colleges do not produce the "kind of teachers needed to bring full educational opportunity to disadvantaged youth." It negates to say which kinds of teachers will be.

Quoting from Ralph Dungan the article states that the state colleges are not geared to the city but to the "average — the suburban pupil — and they're not meeting that need adequately either."

Various public school administrators are quoted throughout the article, commenting on the unpreparedness of the state colleges to cope with urban problems.

Although it is true that state colleges have been slow to meet the immediate demands of the urban school problems, there are current state college projects to provide special teaching preparation.

Specifically at Montclair, the students can become involved in three teaching projects: Talent Search for Youth (TRY), Special Preparation for Urban Teaching (SPURT) and Upward Bound. Although Upward Bound tutoring brings urban high school students to the MSC campus, TRY and SPURT go directly to the inner-city classroom to provide both the holding student and the future teacher with information about each other.

These programs were not mentioned in the series until March 2.

Nor was there any mention in any article of the proposed program to provide teacher assistance to the Passaic public schools, MSC requesting $338,000 for this inner-city project for 1969-70 only for the entire amount to be cut out of the budget by the State Board of Higher Education.

The state colleges do not provide adequate teachers according to the demands set forth by the Star Ledger. Lack of funds doesn't help. It seems there has been a failure to "tell it like it is."

In part, the black militants demanded the removal of two admissions directors on the grounds that they are "racists": that all black students with a high school diploma be admitted to Rutgers University; and more black history courses and studies be added to the college curriculum.

These are indeed interesting demands that merit further exploration. "Backward" and "perverted" are the words the describe history courses offered by too many educational institutions in our society. The role of minority groups have been too long neglected by the chroniclers of significant events, for one reason or another. And while relevant to our times is a real key to understand history, black militants are, in reality, asking that separate history books be written about blackmen, thus segregating the blackman from western history once more.

The demand that all black students with a high school diploma be admitted to Rutgers is also interesting. It's a well-known fact that the ghetto schools (and that boils to nearly all Newark schools) are ill-equipped in terms of money and the quality of education produced. It is of little good to take a ghetto-educated student and put him in a university situation. Most ghetto students probably do not have sufficient reading ability and the store of academic knowledge that their middle-class suburban counterparts have. Consequently, remedial programs are needed as a first step, rather than plumping into mass university education and dropping out.

But may we so humbly ask: What is a "Racist"? The Kerner Commission just about accused everyone living in America of being a racist. And the black militants holding Cookin Hall asserted that the admissions directors of Rutgers-Newark are "racists."

Therefore, it's apparent that since everybody is a racist without really knowing it, it can be used as a very powerful bargaining tool. Hence, if the militants say someone is a "racist," they probably are. If someone asserts that militants are "racists" they're right too. Obviously, it's the timing that's important.
Black Militants Seize Rutgers Building
University Administration

Yields To Radical Demands

By David M. Levine
Managing Editor
NEWARK — After a three-day building takeover by black militants, Rutgers University officials have apparently agreed to meet the demands of protesters.

Two weeks ago members of the Black Organization of Students (BOS) submitted to the administration a list of 11 demands to restructure the admissions and curriculum policies of Rutgers-Newark. “The demands could have been easily met,” cited BOS member Willie Gibson, “but they were not even considered.”

According to a press-release from BOS, “the Rutgers administration...replied to our insensitive and non-compre-
hending manner which characterizes the relationship between whites and blacks in this country... (The reply) was tactfully designed (by) the great master of deceit, Malcolm Talbott.” Talbott is vice-president in charge of Rutgers-Newark.

Consequently, 60 black militant members of BOS seized humanities building Conklin Hall last Tuesday “to force a reaction.” Renaming the building “Liberation Hall,” the militants claimed they had enough provisions for two weeks. The militants, about a third of them coeds, claimed they would increase their demands if their original 11 were not met.

Basically, the militants demanded:

1. The removal of admissions directors Robert Swabi and C.T. Miller on the grounds that they are “racists.”
2. Negro students with a high school diploma should be admitted to Rutgers.
3. Negro students should not be dismissed before completing a full semester of work.
4. More black study programs.
5. More black faculty and administrators should be added.
6. The Rutgers administration and faculty should be added.

Police action after the building takeover was shunned by Talbott and President Mason Gross. At one point, however, police were called in to break up a crowd of white hecklers taunting black students guarding the entrance to Conklin Hall. Other white students carried a battering-ram to the classroom building but were discouraged by a nearby clergyman.

“Look at this,” exclaimed a member of BOS guarding the entrance to Conklin Hall. “This morning about five of Imperial’s guys tried to break into the building.”

The Rutgers BOS member pointed to a broken window in Conklin Hall. He went on to say that Anthony Imperiale, a Newark councilman, might sabotage BOS plans through the use of police force. “But we aren’t afraid of anyone,” he yelled.

But apparently a number of Rutgers students were not backing the demands of BOS militants. “I came all the way down here from Saddle Brook only to find this trash,” lamented one business major.

And a biology major claimed that the “demands presented by BOS are without a doubt absurd.”

A law school student stated: “Those jerks in that building are nuts. They think the world owes them something.”

On the other side, the proposals being advanced by BOS were receiving massive support from students from other colleges and the regional Students for a Democratic Society.

“My brothers are in there and they’re fighting for my rights,” stated a student from Essex County College guarding the door to Conklin Hall. “Many people think this is a racist fight,” stated a girl representing the SDS. “The truth is that the administration is filled with racism.”

As she talked, she handed out SDS literature claiming that Rutgers is run for the benefit of

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Hollander Plays Fillmore;
First Classical Concert
By Candida Joseph
Staff Reporter

New York’s Fillmore East took on a new and dynamic image Sun., Feb. 23, when Lorin Hollander performed its first classical program.

That Hollander was booked there was a surprise, but the evening itself was totally overwhelming.

Contrary to previous expectations – even those of the pianist – the concert was a sellout and a complete success.

Mr. Hollander, who performed last year at MSC, appeared in hip clothing and long hair. Instead of the usual program, he talked to a bit to the audience before each piece he played, trying to assure general interest and understanding of the work. But there was no condescension in his attitude, which would certainly have been fatal. A rapport was established and there was general communication between the classical artist and his audience.

The program included works by Bach, Prokofiev, Ravel, Debussy and Schubert. He excelled in the romantic works, but was slightly less successful in Bach’s “Partita in E minor,” which requires clearer phrasing, and a more disciplined approach.

But the “piece de resistance” was Hollander’s toccata “Up Against the Wall,” a mystical organ which employed Baldwin’s new electric piano to such fantastic effects that the already enthusiastic audience (the usual stoned Fillmore crowd) nearly went wild.

There is only one criticism which must be made and that is of the management. The manner in which they situated the piano made it nearly impossible for a large majority of the audience to see Mr. Hollander as he performed.

But Hollander’s playing was in tune with the life-pulse of those who watched him and his romanticism and deeply sensitive approach won him a standing ovation and such unrelenting cries for encores, that after three, the artist had to announce that he had “blown his wad.”

TRY Evaluation Begins
After First Semester Here
By Arlene Dusel
Staff Reporter

Students in Project TRY (Talent Research for Youth), a federally funded program instituted by the Higher Education Act of 1965, have just completed their first semester at MSC.

Administrators are now involved in an intensive investigation and evaluation. Dr. George G. King, director of project TRY, emphasized that it is the program that is experimental, not the students, and that projected changes will be the result of the investigation.

The TRY classes will end for two-thirds of its members in September. Some special non-credit writing classes will be held. However, most of the TRY students will be placed in regular courses. Meetings will be held with advisers to discuss problems and progress. New freshmen will be admitted to TRY again in September.

The TRY program has been established in many other New Jersey colleges also. MSC is planning a training institute this summer for conferences and consultations involving participating colleges throughout the state.

King prefers to call the students involved in Project TRY “disfavored” instead of “disadvantaged.” The program was initiated to overcome the pencil and paper difference of the SAT entrance examination. The main goal is to provide an effective means of education for these disfavored yet highly potential students whose talents would otherwise be neglected.

State Should Supply Dorm $ $ Says Parsekian

Ned J. Parsekian, Democratic candidate for the nomination of Governor, addressed the student body at Paterson State College on Feb. 20, and called for the State’s Higher Education Department, “to take a second look before increasing student dormitory rates.

“New Jersey is so far behind,” declared Parsekian, “in helping our young citizens secure a higher education that the state should do everything within her power to avoid raising the costs of education.”

Parsekian also pointed out, “as the author and sponsor of the first Educational TV bill in the State Senate, I am vitally concerned about the use of television, cultural and instructional outlets for the residents of New Jersey.

“Today, in New Jersey we are sandwiched between the two New York and Philadelphia commercial TV channels. New Jersey with very few exceptions is ignored because of the concentration upon metropolitan and national events. Public Educational TV is one of our best hopes,” stated Parsekian, “and we should waste no time in developing its use.”

SDS Questions
Recruiters At Paterson
By Don Pendley
Editorial Assistant

This “military machine,” as it was called by the Students for a Democratic Society (SDS), sent recruiters to the Paterson State College campus last Thursday. The recruiters, from the Army, Navy and Marines, were met by interested students and about 50 members of the SDS and the Black Student Union (BSU) while they were at Shea Auditorium at Paterson State.

An open forum was held at the SDS table throughout the day, drawing comments from many political factions and students. Discussions ranged from the rights of recruiters to be on campus to the structure of society.

At one point, the SDS members persuaded a recruiter to speak to the group, who spent time answering questions on the U.S.’ reasons for being in Vietnam. He then answered charges made by the BSU upon bigotry in the Armed Forces.

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Wrestlers Finish Second in Mets
As Grieco Cops 167-lb. Crown

By John Aneson
Sports Editor

The Montclair State grapplers were the big surprise of the 11th annual Metropolitan Intercollegiate Wrestling Championships held at Fort Schuyler, New York City, over the weekend as they finished second, nipping out Hofstra, a small college powerhouse.

New York Maritime, ranked in the top 20 small college wrestling teams in the entire nation, took the team title.

The team, which finished the dual-meet season with a fine 9-2 record, placed fifth in the Mets last year.

A good showing in the Mets is the ultimate in MSC wrestling; it is what the team strives for all year long. Dual-meet competition is in actuality secondary to this big tournament. The second place finish substantiates Montclair State as one of the small college wrestling powers in the East.

Jim Grieco gave another outstanding performance by repeating as first place winner in the 167 lb. weight classification. He will go on to the NCAA small college national finals at California Poly in two weeks to compete for the national championship. He finished fourth as a sophomore but was unable to compete last year due to a rib injury.

Mike Nuzzo (177) finished second for the second straight year as he lost in the finals after three sparkling wins. A junior, Nuzzo figures to be the outstanding wrestler and team leader for next year.

Outstanding performances were also given by Roy Genatt (130) and John Lyon (191) taking thirds, and John Bellavia (168), Glenn Guarino (115) and Dave Cornelisse (152) all taking fourths.

Final results were: New York Maritime, 136; Montclair State, 57; Hofstra, 55; C.W. Post, 39; NYU, 33; FDU, 26; Seton Hall, 21; CCNY, 16; Wagner, 1, Marist, 0.

WOMEN’S SPORTS

Wood and Green Set
For March Track Meet

By Rich Orloff
Sports Staff

Track for women under the watchful eye of Coach Joan Schleede is becoming more popular, especially here at MSC. A team which has been building steadily and looks forward to future success is now in the process of arranging meets with other women’s track squads, including powerful Southern Connecticut.

The girls have already participated in several development meets and took second place in one meet.

Contributing to the development of this sport are two of the wins — 21— set during the 1966-67 season and beat the old mark for the best percentage, 50 percent.

Miss Wood, a freshman physical education major from Butler High School, recently returned from the Olympic Trials at Lake Tahoe. Denise throws the shot, javelin and discus. Her outdoor four-kilo shot put mark of 42 feet 1 1/2 inches has earned her the distinction of being ranked seventh nationally. However, Dr. Schleede feels that since this ranking includes non-college participants, Denise may rank even higher.

Her best indoor mark is 41 feet 4 1/2 inches, almost a foot and a half over the national qualifying standard of 40 feet.

Miss Green, a junior physical education major from Montclair State, is an outstanding performer at the 60 yard hurdles. She currently holds the state AAU Championship and the Senior Women’s Trampoline Championship. During the track season, she also runs a leg of the relay team, and performs in the high jump and long jump.

Both girls plan to travel to the National AAU Championships at Philadelphia in March. Denise will throw the shot and Lou will run in her specialty, the 60 yard hurdles.

Gymnastics Score
Second Victory

Montclair State Women’s gymnastics team scored to its second straight victory by whipping Temple University, 70.56 to 43.49. MSC swept all three places in the balance beam and floor exercise.

Linda Monaco, the versatile gymnast, captured first places in the floor exercise, balance beam and uneven bars. The impressive freshman placed second in vaulting, while Kathy Hill took first.

Other competitors who shared in the victory were Sharon Toynbee, Jane Costello, Pat Rossetti, Lynn Cross, Gay Petermann, Margaret Boland, Pauline Scholes, Mary DeFrank and Joann Coleman. The team is coached by Virginia Crossman.

Final results: New York Maritime, 136; Montclair State, 57; Hofstra, 55; C.W. Post, 39; NYU, 33; FDU, 26; Seton Hall, 21; CCNY, 16; Wagner, 1, Marist, 0.

Hoop Team Suffers
Second Setback

By Lorraine Maul and Mary Wills

Montclair State’s Women’s Basketball team suffered its second defeat of the year by losing to Trenton 29-28. Jean Taylor, a senior, was high scorer with 18 points. Trenton’s winning basket came with six seconds left to play. This was the second time the team lost in the last few seconds of playing time. The first one was lost to Paterson by a 37-36 score.

The junior varsity team, however, continued their winning streak defeating Trenton State 23-12. They remain undefeated with a 4-0 record, while the varsity record stands at 3-2.
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A combined 51 point scoring effort by Baccarella and Howie Steiner supplied the Pineapples with the punch to move past the Lower Lounge B and A into first place in the National League's eastern division of the annual intramural basketball team league.

Baccarella also dominated the backcourt in the 64-48 victory. The Black Barons also remained undefeated with a 58-28 win over the Top B team. Western leader, Psi, Chi, rolled to a 100-20 romp over the Wee Five. Four men scored 20 or above for Psi Chi led by Dave Vandervelde with 25.

The newly formed Federal League opened last week with Kappa Sigma Chi defeating Epsilon Tau, 66-30; Omega Pi Delta beating the Brotherhood, 96-35; Agora over the Undertakers, 37-29; and Psi Lambda Pi topping the Acme A.C., 49-39.

SUMMER CAMP POSITIONS
Exciting work at boys' camp, June 22 to August 21. Mature staff from all parts of country (female students). In-room counselor at Varsity, YMCA, or Boy's State University. Apartment or dormitory residence. Valuable skills, references. Phone. Camp director, song leader, folk music, nature, astronomy, ham radio. Give me your skills and interests. Mah-Kee-Nac, 137 Thacher Lane, South Orange, N.J., 07079.

Answers to Last Week's Quiz

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Montclair State topped off the best basketball season in its 41-year history here last Thursday night in a New Jersey State College Conference contest, crushing Jersey City State, 102-64.

The victory, 12th in a row and 14th in the last 15 games, gave the conference champions the first unbeaten record in NJSSC history. The conference was formed in 1957.

Coach Ollie Gelston’s five completed its regular season schedule with 22 wins and only two losses. The record topped the previous high mark in total wins — 21 set during the 1966-67 season and beat the old mark for the best percentage, set in 1948-49, of .900. The Indians’ 18-2 this season.

The Indians, playing before a giant SRO crowd, were almost untouchable against a Jersey City State quintet that had forced the home line five to the wire before losing in the first meeting, 80-74.

In breaking the 100 mark for the sixth time this season, the Indians racked up another all-time mark.

Luther Bowen, who moved into second place in the all-time scoring at MSC during the contest, and Bob Sienkiewicz, playing the best basketball of his two-year career, shared high scoring honors with 29 points each.

Jersey City hung in the game for the first 10 minutes but could not match the Indians driving pace and wilted in the last five minutes of the first half.

Leading 29-26, Montclair State opened up its running game full blast just after the contest moved into the second section of the first half and almost ran the Goths off the court. MSC led at half time, 47-34.

Playing before a number of scouts from Wagner and Le Moyne, the Indians put on a brilliant second half show, ripping in 55 points while Jersey City State got only 34.

Gelston, not missing a single trick, removed his seniors one at a time to thunderous applause over the last seven minutes of play. Bowen, Lester and Oakes, coming home for the last time, each received two to three minutes ovation.

Coach Bob Elde’s Indian frosh-squad also closed out its schedule on a winning note, defeating the Jersey City State yearlings, 76-74.

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Lester came to Montclair after two years at Fort Scott Junior College, Kansas. He played under Coach Matt Lombardi at Newark’s Central High School and was one of the keys to a group IV state championship in his senior year.

His presence will be sorely missed on the court by both the team and the fans who marveled at his quick moves and leaping ability. Opponents will probably be quite happy to know that there isn’t a No. 11 around to swat down shots and grab the rebounds.

Bob Sienkiewicz

By Mike Galos

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Did you ever see basketball player with pegs sticks for legs? Well, if you’ve seen any of the Montclair State College basketball performances for the past three years, you might have seen someone who jumped like he did.

Bob Lester, only 6’2”, has drawn cries of disbelief from almost anyone who has witnessed his amazing leaping ability. It has become quite common to see a hand emerge from the crowd of arms and reach above the rim to grab a rebound or tap in a missed shot. That hand belongs to Bob Lester.

Usually the leading rebounder of a basketball team is a big 6’8”, 340 pounder, but that’s not true at MSC. In his three years at Montclair, Lester has led the team in rebounds. He recently became the first player in Montclair State basketball history to grab 1000 career rebounds.

Because of his jumping ability, Lester usually guards the other team’s big man. He almost always gives away two to three inches in height but manages to more than hold his own. Les holds the Montclair season rebounding record and also the record for one game, 35 against Jersey City State in 1967.

Although a great rebounder, that isn’t the only outstanding phase of Lester’s game. He has a career average of over 12 points a game and has an outside chance of scoring 1000 career points. At season’s end he has 957 and with one game left...

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