

The Challenge

HISTORY OF NEGRO IN AMERICA SUBJECT OF LECTURE SERIES



Dr. Robert E. Martin, Associate Professor of Government at Howard University, will visit Bucknell from February 27-29. He will give a series of three lectures on "The Negro in America." His first lecture will be given at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 27, in the Olin Science Building,

and it will deal with the Negro "From Servitude to Slavery to Freedom." The second lecture, to be given Friday, February 28, at 10 a.m. will be concerned with "The Age of Reaction." Dr. Martin's final lecture, "Social Revolution," will be presented Saturday morning, February 29, at 11 a.m. Both of these will be held in the University Theatre.

Dr. Martin earned his A.B. and M.A. degrees at Howard University, and his Ph.D. at the University of Chicago. He was recently in charge of training a Peace Corps group for service in Gabon. Dr. Martin is an active leader in community affairs. He has been involved in several important government appointments, and he has written extensively in the areas of politics, government, and general education.

On Sunday morning Dr. Martin will speak to the Nine-Thirty Class on "Can a liberal democracy meet the stresses of political reality today?" Barbara Beach '65 is currently at Howard on the Exchange and has Dr. Martin for a teacher.

Dr. Martin's visit will be sponsored by the Departments of Political Science, Sociology, and History, the Committee for Equal Educational Opportunity, the Colloquy, and other campus groups. Mrs. Martin will accompany her husband. They will reside in the Hunt Hall Guest Suite.

FOR A POLITICAL UNDERSTANDING OF BURMA

Dr. Louis J. Walinsky, former Economic Advisor to the U Nu Government in Burma, will come to Bucknell on March 5 for an evening lecture. His subject will be "The Current Political Situation in Burma." An international economist, vice-president of Robert B. Nathan Associates, Inc., Consulting Economists, Dr. Walinsky has served missions in Korea, Iran, Afghanistan, Bolivia, El Salvador, and Burma, where he spent five years. A former teacher, he served the U.S. government as an economic analyst in various capacities prior to serving abroad. He is the author of two plays, "Brave New World," "Heil Hitler," and "Economic Development of Burma." He has been special lecturer at a number of universities, and is recognized as one of the most able interpreters of the current Burmese political scene, which seems to be baffling to governments.

Dr. Walinsky's lecture will be given under the auspices of the Departments of History, Political Science, and Economics, and the Burma-Bucknell Committee.



Former Prime Minister U Nu and Dr. Walinsky

SPEND A SPRING WEEK IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

HOWARD-BUCKNELL EXCHANGES

See Civil Rights Article

DRIVER TO DISCUSS O'NEILL



"Desire Under the Elms," one of the best offerings of contemporary playwright, Eugene O'Neill, will meet sharp and incisive criticism and evaluation following its Cap and Dagger presentation the weekend of March 6-7. On Sunday afternoon, following the presentation days of the play, a Critics Forum will tackle the elements of the Cap and Dagger performance, and plunge into O'Neill's suggestions of religious and existential predicaments and values.

Dr. Tom F. Driver, recognized critic of drama and theologian, is to be guest critic, serving with local faculty on the Forum's panel. Driver has directed plays of D. H. Lawrence, among other first-hand theatrical experience. He has written extensively on modern and historical drama.

"Modern theater is a revolt against (traditional) form, to accommodate the characteristics of passion in modern society," asserted Dr. Driver on a previous, well-received visit to Bucknell. He will pursue this theme further during his coming visit in a Sunday evening talk, entitled, "The Religious Dimension of Modern Drama."

Driver's Chapel topic will be "On Truth." His program is under the sponsorship of Colloquy and the Department of English.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Very often participants in the C.A. programs see only those parts of the program in which they are involved. The C.A. is much more than the composite of its various programs. It is a force which acts in quiet but powerful ways to stimulate the campus, or at least individuals on the campus, to act in response to the challenges on the campus or in the world community. Living in any community necessarily confronts individuals with challenge. It is one purpose of the C.A. to confront the University community with such challenges, whether they be to the social needs of the campus, national or world community, or whether they be to challenges to their own faith.

In an attempt to give members or other interested people a better perspective of our whole program, we hold occasional general meetings to examine the program as it exists and to exchange ideas on how it could be expanded or changed. This was the purpose of the meeting at Cowan on Saturday, February 15.

Our guests at this meeting were six students and a professor from Virginia Union University. They were spending four days at Bucknell as an initial step in an exchange which we hope to establish between Bucknell and Virginia Union, a Southern Negro university.

From meetings such as the one Saturday, we often get ideas from the members which enrich our program. Frequent examination of our program, objectives, and means of achieving them is necessary if the C.A. is to be significant in "providing opportunities for worship, study, and service," as well as with belief in God in order that all might find growth in faith as well as in mind."

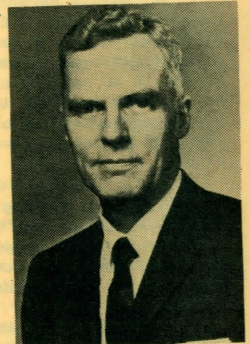
Dorothy Schindler

16TH ANNUAL BURMA-BUCKNELL
MARCH 13-15

On March 13 student hosts will welcome most of the Burmese students in the United States as well as the Burmese Embassy staff to the sixteenth Annual Burma-Bucknell Weekend.

One hundred years ago the first Burmese to attend an American university graduated from Bucknell. Since that time Burma has maintained close relations with Bucknell. Since 1932 Bucknellians have sponsored a scholarship fund for Burmese students, and in 1948 the Christian Association initiated an adventure in diplomacy which has become an annual affair.

Highlights of the cultural exchange are the Ambassador's reception on Friday evening, which is being organized by senior Nancy Morrell and junior John Forer; the Saturday evening banquet which features diplomat John Scott Everton as speaker and which Phebe Wieland is arranging; and the international party which follows the banquet and which junior Barbara Brunn and junior Tom Sedor are coordinating.



John Scott Everton

Co-chairmen of the program are senior Mack Day and Dr. Roy C. Tasker, while Forrest D. Brown, secretary of the Christian Association, acts as coordinator and Dr. James A. Gathings and Dr. David J. Lu serve as advisors. Senior Mike Andrews and junior Nancy Rummel are arranging for hosts and housing for the approximately 75 guests. Sophomore Kevin Cuddy and special student Mary Hale are coordinating Saturday morning lectures and discussions on politics, religion, and social life in Burma. Katie Frith is in charge of publicizing the program.

NEW INTEREST IN CIVIL RIGHTS

The civil rights movement at Bucknell is finally under way. The steering committee has elected Dr. David Martin of the Philosophy Department as faculty chairman and senior Reid Reynolds as student chairman. This committee made up of students and faculty is coordinating present civil rights programs as well as initiating new ones. Last week Dr. Martin and Reid Reynolds proposed that the SFC should set up a scholarship fund for Negro students and that a concerted effort be made to have more American Negroes attend Bucknell.

The Christian Association has several programs in this field which it is directly responsible for arranging. One of these is the Bucknell-Howard Exchange; presently junior Barbara Beach is studying at Howard. Next semester we again hope to have a Bucknellian at Howard as well as a Howard student at Bucknell. This exchange is for one semester. Full credit is given by Bucknell for work done at Howard, and the program is open to any sophomore or junior. Any student desiring more information about the semester exchange should contact Dr. Ebersole.

Another aspect of the Howard Exchange is a week exchange of Howard and Bucknell students in the spring. A group of Howard students will spend the week of April 4 at Bucknell. The dates of the Bucknell group's visit to Howard are under discussion, but will most likely be during spring recess. Any interested Bucknellian is urged to contact Reid Reynolds, 523-8165 or John Nielsen, Ext. 366. There is room for both hosts at Bucknell and delegates to Howard.

Still another program that the C.A. is helping to get under way is a tutorial program. Any Bucknellians interested in tutoring high school students to prepare them for college level work should contact Bruce McGraw at Ext. 350 or box B-121. This would be a summer project and might later be expanded into a year-round program.

Just a reminder--check the "Summer Opportunities" pamphlet for work project opportunities; included are voter registration in the South and social work in slum areas. For further information on these projects, contact Mr. Brown or John Nielsen.

C.A. TO HOLD CABINET ELECTIONS

On Monday, March 2, 1964, the Christian Association will be electing next year's Cabinet. Ballot boxes will be placed in the lounges of the main dormitories. All members will receive a ballot in the mail and are urged to vote.

DANFORTH INTERNE TO VISIT

W. Donald Campbell, Bates College alumnus and student at the Harvard Divinity School, will be a guest on campus, February 27-29. Mr. Campbell is this year on a Danforth Fellowship, serving as an assistant to Chaplain Joseph Washington at Dickinson College. He plans to make a study of the campus Christian program at Bucknell.

BARBARA BEACH WRITES FROM HOWARD EXCHANGE

Thursday, February 13

Dear Mr. Brown,

I have been here for two weeks now, and I thought I would write and tell you how things are.

Everything has been just wonderful. Everyone is so friendly and nice here. Already I feel quite at home. Everyone I see smiles and speaks, and people from all over (not just the girls who live near me in the dorm) have been inviting me to do all kinds of different things. I have been to some of the government buildings in Washington (when we were in the Capitol building we quite unknowingly stopped and talked to Speaker McCormack), to a concert by the National Symphony Orchestra, to some movies, to a basketball game (Howard vs. Kutztown), on a tour around Washington and Georgetown, to a party, to a native, home cooked dinner by a Nigerian student (it was very good, but very spicy), to study in the Library of Congress, and many other things too. And everywhere people have been so friendly.

My courses all seem to be very good. I have some of the best professors. I have a course in National Government with Dr. Martin. He is excellent. Right now he is involved in a voter registration project in Washington D.C., and he is requesting that his students participate in the areas around the school. He asked me to give his best regards to you when I wrote.

Everything has been wonderful except for one thought I can't stop thinking. I am afraid that if someone from Howard had gone to Bucknell for the semester, he or she would not have received a welcome at all like the one I have been given. I hate to think that, but I can't help believing it....

Sincerely,

Barbara Beach

SOCIAL AND COMMUNITY RESPONSIBILITY

The opportunity to work at Selinsgrove, Laurelton, the Evangelical Home, or with the handicapped children's swimming instructions is still available for all those who are interested.

SWIMMING INSTRUCTIONS for the handicapped children is carried on every Wednesday evening from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Sunbury YMCA. Transportation is provided, and no lifesaving certificates are required. Anyone interested should contact Biff Wright, ext. 366.

ELDERLY PERSONS at the Evangelical Home need volunteers to read to the folks, write letters and talk and listen to them. Entertainment groups would also be appreciated. Call Mary Ann Carson at ext. 409 if you are interested.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHING or NURSERY is available to those who wish to assist the local churches. Call ext. 425, Val Silbernagel.

BOY SCOUT groups in town can use some assistance. If interested, call 425 and ask for Val.

SELINGROVE STATE SCHOOL and HOSPITAL has over 2,000 people. Any number of volunteers that we can get would be appreciated. The services are: play activities with individual children, recreational activities with a ward, music instruction, Girl Scout program, drill teams, work in the pediatrics ward, visiting elderly patients, or religious education: Bible stories. Any other area that you can think of might be arranged if you are interested. Contact Nan McKay at ext. 415.

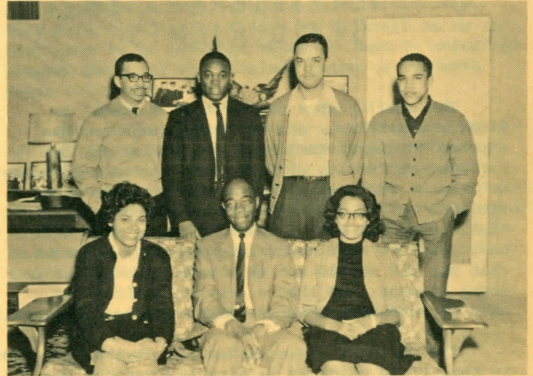
LAURELTON STATE SCHOOL and HOSPITAL also is in need of volunteers. Activities are swimming instruction, bowling instruction, music, Sunday vesper services, recreation program, psychology assistant, home economics instruction, parties and special events, and the Annual Fair in April. Chairman is Sue Kremer, ext. 404.

All areas need volunteers. Contact the chairmen of the particular service or Val Silbernagel at 425 for further information.

Image peddler please
show me who I am
pleads man
in every age of wonder
to the sage who responds
with a mirror.

Once,
one responded
with a glass
which we looked through
and saw...darkly...
who we are.

from four poems, Marilyn Plowman,
Drew University, THE INTERCOLLEGIAN,
January-February 1964, page. 17.



VIRGINIA UNION STUDENTS AT BUCKNELL
BAPTIST STUDENT EXCHANGE

STUDENT-FACULTY FIRESIDES PLANNED

All fired up for second semester, the student-faculty fireside committee announces its topics for the rest of the academic year.

Based on an opinion poll taken first semester, firesides have been planned around student interest. To attend a fireside discussion, students should contact the leaders of each particular fireside. Special notices will be sent to those who have indicated an interest in the fireside, but all are invited to attend and can learn details from posters.

The following firesides are now being organized:

1. Dick Wright and Barbara Kiefer are the student leaders for a discussion with Mr. Fitz Walling on the problems of selecting a freshman class for Bucknell. What are the decisive criteria? Will admission of girls decrease in the next few years?
2. Mardi Carrol and Judy Stern are planning a fireside with Dr. Ben Willeford and Dr. Douglas Sturm on Bucknell's role in civil rights.
3. Ann Bringsjord and Doug Sholl are in charge of a discussion with Dr. Elizabeth McLaughlin on James Baldwin. His writings and ideas will be considered as they relate to problems of life in America today for the American Negro.

Firesides offer an opportunity for informal discussion with small groups of students and faculty. Take advantage of this opportunity. Watch for definite dates in the near future.