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ENROLLMENT OF VSC DROPS TO 581; FIFTY-FIVE STUDENTS MAKE DEAN'S LIST

Judy Starling Of Hahira Chosen "Miss Pine Cone" of 59

TKE Brothers Go "NATIONAL" January 17th

On Saturday, January 17, the brothers of Mu Alpha plan to be initiated as Zeta Nu Chapter of Tau Kappa Epsilon Fraternity. Mu Alpha has been affiliated with the national group since 1955.

Dr. R. C. Williams of Atlanta, past Grand President of TKE will be the Chief Installation Officer. Beta Pi Chapter from Georgia Tech. will be on hand to aid in installation.

The Nationalization of fraternities this year is of great importance to the College. The brothers of Mu Alpha are proud to become members of such a fine organization.

Duval Speaks At Math-Science Meeting

Doctor Duval, professor of Chemistry at VSC, was the main speaker at the Math-Science Club meeting held December 10 in the House-in-the-Woods.

Dr. Duval gave an interesting explanation of the development of a new chemical product. A question-answer period followed the lecture.

Plans were made to enter a float in the 1959 Home-coming Parade.

From a photograph of the five lovely contestants who were presented at the Holly Hop, December 6, 1958, well-known T. V. personality, Steve Allen, chose Miss Pine Cone for 1959.

Judy Starling, a sophomore from Hahira, will be featured in the forthcoming yearbook with her maid of honor, Virginia Lamb, and court, Mary Shadburn, Charlotte Chapman and Jean Twilley. Miss Pine Cone will act as sponsor for the yearbook. She was presented her Crown by Jerome Clegg, editor of the 1959 Pine Cone.

Eighteen Pledges Of Gamma Mu Are Initiated

Eighteen pledges of the Gamma Mu Chapter of Kappa Delta Sorority received their second degree of initiation the afternoon of January 4. The formal initiation will be held January 17 at which time Miss Julie Eugua Ober, a national officer, will be here at VSC.

At the last meeting before dismissal for the holidays, the KA pledges honored and surprised Marilyn Dixon, vice president and pledge chairman of Kappa Delta, with a miscellaneous shower. The presents were displayed in a crepe paper decked umbrella and the room was decorated with blue and white. Refreshments were served and everyone had a good time.

KA was proud of the good scholastic record of her pledges. Four of the girls made dean's list: Sandra Ford, Judy Elmore, Sandra Massey, and Beverly Ann Green, and Beverly Ann Green.



Jerome Clegg, Editor 1959 Pine Cone Crowns Judy Starling

Valdosta State Continues To Grow In Might

This quarter enrollment is off somewhat. The number of students attending VSC this quarter not counting the Saturday classes which are counted on last quarter's enrollment is 581. Last quarter 684 students attended including the Saturday classes.

For various reasons many students are not with us this quarter. Poor grades and transfers have thinned the lot. Nevertheless V. S. C. presents a strong enrollment this quarter and continues to show evidence of future might.

"Whatsoever A Man Soweth, That Shall He Also Reap"

The story is told of a boy who wanted to play with some of his friends. His father told him that first he must plant some beans that had to go into the ground that day. The boy went to the field with the beans and began planting them—about two or three in each hill. It looked as if the beans would never get planted, so he began to drop a few extra seeds in each hill. Finally, he came to the end of a row and poured out all of the beans into the last hill. He then ran to meet his friends and forgot about the incident.

Several weeks went by. One day his father suggested they take a walk over the field. They came to the rows where just the right number of seeds had been planted and the tiny bean shoots looked perfect in the rows. Finally, they came to the last row and the last hill—the father said not a single word. The son stammered and could say nothing. Finally, his dad said simply but with finality: "Son, you always get what you plant."

This story goes back to the Biblical verse "Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." This should be a lesson for every individual in everything we undertake to do. If we want to get something out of an organization, a book, a lesson, etc. We've got to put ourselves into it.

Often we complain that there aren't enough student activities to keep up school spirit, but what we ought to think of first is "Are we participating in the ones we have?" Are we supporting our basketball team by attending games, are we supporting our cheerleaders by attending rallies, are we supporting our school publications by willingness to work or by making suggestions, or are we supporting our teachers by putting forth a little honest effort? To grow a peach tree we have to plant a peach seed, not an acorn, and so to expect a strong organization we have to plant strength and work not just complaints. Are you doing your part?

In Tom Dooly's Shadow

Beards To Be or Not To Be . . . Men, it's up to you

That familiar song title shouldn't refer to only one man, but should refer to all, or at least most of us here in the United States. We should all hang down our heads in shame because we have lost our MANHOOD. We stand aside and let the women run the country (amen) and almost everything else. Note that I didn't say "our" women, because they are no longer "our" women. Instead, we have become "their" men, and truer words were never spoken.

As proof of the above statement I offer the beard-growing incident at Valdosta State College. In keeping with the theme, Frontier Days, of Homecoming, several of the men began to grow beards, and immediately they were met with what almost seemed to be an organized barrage of ridicule.

Several of the men who are going steady received orders stating that they would not be allowed to grow beards. Strange to say, and rather disgusting to admit, but a few minutes after receiving those orders there were several newly clean-shaven men on campus.

It is also rumored that one or two of the faculty brought pressure to bear on several of the men. Those men no longer have beards.

To my mind, this is sufficient proof that SVC is going along with the national trend toward women rule. Though I can offer no solution to this problem, I would like to leave this one thought in your minds. (If you have one) "Men, do you intend to wear the 'pants' or the trousers in your family?" (There's no use, they won't answer anyway you put it!)



Bobby Coleman and David Brooks are shown here with the Hi-Fi given away by the Sig Eps, December 13.

EDITORIAL PAGE

DILLARD ENSLEY

AS I SEE IT . . .

We find ourselves faced with the facts — we are entering into a new quarter of study. The success of the students will depend on actual authentic interest and time spent in study, study sufficient to meet the demand of the courses.

The Canopy may seem rather skippy this edition, but due to the beginning of a new quarter, many of the organizations have not had sufficient time to carry into operation a mass of activities and programs.

While I am on the subject of the Canopy, I would like to mention a few points of interest concerning the "new policies of the paper" for the coming year.

The paper will come out every second Thursday — that is, twice a month. The reporters will be held responsible for their scoops, and if they are not in — that is too bad. The paper will go to press whether there is one or fifty stories to be printed. We have to have a deadline for publication — if for no other reason, for the printers. The staff would extremely appreciate all cooperation possible along these lines.

SHADES OF WOODROW WILSON

AN EYE TO THE FUTURE

by Gene Deal

May 1958. The fall of the Fourth French Republic. The re-emergence of Charles de Gaulle as a world figure. The turning point in the course of history? This may very well prove to be the case!!!

When de Gaulle took control of France she appeared headed for certain collapse. This would have been a disaster for the West, victory for communism. Instead, France under de Gaulle is becoming a strong settled state, a bulwark against communism.

But de Gaulle is not only reshaping France, he is helping to reshape West Europe — perhaps the entire non-communist world! He has brought political stability to France. By devaluating the franc and declaring it convertible on the world market he helped bring about the most sweeping economic reforms in Europe in the last 30 years.

This means an increase in free trade, greater competition for the U. S. and European countries, a check to inflation, and increased prosperity for West Europe — a prosperity that shows some signs of spreading to North Africa and the Middle East. Coupled with growing signs of prosperity in the Far East and South America, this seems to indicate a greater future prosperity for the entire non-communist world. This is the answer to communism. Hope. Not fear or panic.

Since World War II the West has resisted communism with military alliances — a sign of fear. Now we can face the future with hope. With the resurgence of free trade in the Western world comes the possibility of achieving Woodrow Wilson's greatest ideal — the creation of One World.

Increased free trade will mean greater mutual dependence between nations. And this mutual dependence will necessitate supra-national agencies. At present we have inter-national agencies to help maintain economic control, development and stability — the World Bank, the European Common Market, the International Monetary Fund, the International Finance Corporation, and the U. S. Export-Import Bank.

But these international agencies probably will not be sufficient for the future, for the increase in world trade will also mean an increase in world travel and a spreading of cultures. This will require international agencies for travel regulation and cultural development, possibly growing out of present United Nations Agencies.

Eventually the Western nations may form an economic union, a union from which could evolve a true world government. Such a world government is still a very remote possibility, but it is an ideal for which to strive, for if that day should ever come it will bring Peace to the world.

The present European economy reforms are at least a step in that direction. And it is a step made possible in May, 1958, with the rise of Charles de Gaulle.

Time Magazine has already given de Gaulle "Man of the Year" honors. But, for the role he is playing in reshaping our present world, future historians may accord him even greater honors.

CAMPUS POLL

Parade of Opinion

By Judy Thrailkill

- GIRLS! WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THESE BEARDS?**
- ANN MILLER** — Joe Patterson looks like he ought to have a harem.
- PEGGY THRAILKILL** — I think they look cute on some boys, but others . . . ?
- JUDY JOHNSON** — I think they are "tough" looking.
- ELLEN GRIFFEN** — I think it's a good sign of school spirit.
- BARBARA MONK** — I think they're all right, but I don't see why they had to start growing them so far ahead of time.
- ARDEN ANN BISHOP** — I hate 'em.
- DEE ROBERTSON** — They're all right because they're growing them for Homecoming. . . or is it just laziness?
- LIB ADAMS** — They all look like Gabby Hayes to me.
- VIRGINIA LAMB** — They hide ugly faces.
- KAY DOMINGOS** — I agree with Virginia.
- ELAINE LEWIS** — I told Judy J. what to say and I "mean" they look "tough."

Revolution In Female Attire Paris, France, 1959

The femine wearing apparel which is coming into vogue today continues to shock the growing public. To meet a young lady, hideously bestocked in those ultra conservative black things, is enough to nauseate not only the normal male but also the non-conforming civilized female. They tend to cause a group of sparrow legged girls to resemble so many black birds or crows flocked together on the wintry ground. The colorful leotards, of every known hue in existence, offer absolute no compliment to the feminine anatomical interests of men. The question is raised, "Why do women spend precious hours decorating the facial parts only to finish their dress by conning that wretched hosiery that girls the body from toes to waist?" When the light of the sun contacts the more colorful garments, they prove to have a neonic faculty that is blinding to the eye. As a result, the highly decorated face and good features of the approaching woman is unseen. As a matter of fact, nothing is seen but an initial blinding flash seen only long enough by the wounded victim for him to seek cover for the salvation of his eyesight. There radiates such a dazzling light from this leg vesture that the noonday sun is ashamed to make an appearance. (The sun's consolation, of course, is that it is a complement to this garish hosiery.)

Need it be said that the leotard is subjected to such severe criticism only because the fair ladies and others who grace the VSC campus are so harshly criticizing the beards that are being cultivated on the faces of many of the Valdosta State men. Some of these beards have been carefully and artistically cared for, only to find themselves removed because of the dogmatic insistence of some girl friend or fastidious faculty member.

It is appropriate here to urge rebellion against the "Crow-legged" set. It is a great deal more pleasing to look upon a bewhiskered . . . (Continued on Page Four)

Something of Value

by Lamar Pearson

The New Year faces us with many challenges and confronts us with many problems. No doubt we have declared resolutions for the curing of chronic ills and have established glorious goals that we have said we are going to strive to reach.

Every year we deceive ourselves with these sonorous declarations. But, seriously asking ourselves, do we really intend to abide by these various programmes that we have so ardently established. Some advocate establishing resolutions while others disdain.

Probably it is good that we should set these goals for ourselves. And I guess that we are not thoughtful of the many caprices that we shall have in the coming trials and tribulations of '59.

Probably we shall ask ourselves, what sort of financial policy to adopt, liberal or conservative. I suppose that this will well be determined by the person's income. Finance is only one of the multitude of problems that will present themselves.

Many of our students will become Alumni this year while the rest of us live on in future glories and revel in past accomplishments until at last we reach our summit.

Valdosta State will see an increase in student body. The Rebels will pull down the curtain on another successful basketball and baseball season, new faculty additions, and most of all a fervent school spirit, beards and all, climaxing the most successful home coming ever.

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How Do You Think ?

by Gene Deal

Whether he wishes to or not, everyone thinks. He has no choice. The human brain works 24 hours per day.

However, the brain does not always work the same way. When the brain is at rest, as when a person is asleep, the brain operates on a frequency of ten cycles per second. When the eyes are opened this frequency increases many times over. In fact, each of the senses produces a variation in the frequency of the brain waves.

How are these brain waves produced? This is not definitely known, but the latest research indicates that the action of the brain is electrochemical. The working unit of the brain is the neuron, or nerve cell. Each neuron is connected with possibly 100 other neurons by means of its axon and dendrites. The axon receives impulses from other neurons, and the dendrites transmit impulses to other neurons.

One thing now seems to be certain. The neuron must be stimulated by at least ten other neurons before it can be made to transmit its impulse. Thus the path of an impulse through the brain is at least ten neurons wide (though the neurons may actually be very far apart, since they are connected only by their long axons and dendrites).

When a sufficiently strong impulse is transmitted to the brain, this impulse travels along these neuronal passageways, the exact passageway being determined by which brain neurons are stimulated first. Once an impulse has traveled along a certain path, all subsequent impulses tend to follow the same path, apparently due to a decrease in resistance at the synapses between neurons. The greater the number of impulses traveling along a path, the greater the decrease in the resistance to subsequent impulses. This is the latest scientific explanation for the learning process.

All brains are in some way creative, though some are more creative than others. But an understanding of the creative process and of brain mechanics may help to increase the chances of a brain's being creative. To quote John C. Eccles ("The Physiology of Imagination", SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN, September, 1958, from which this article is drawn): "One can deliberately seek to experience some new imaginative insight by first pouring into one's mind hypotheses and the related experiment and then relaxing to give opportunity for the subconscious processes in the brain that may lead to the conscious illumination of a new insight. Such illuminations are often fragmentary and require conscious modification, or are so erroneous as to invite immediate rejection by critical reason. Nevertheless they all give evidence of the creativeness of the subconscious mind."

But underlying the whole creative process is the fact that impulses travel along neuronal pathways and that THESE IMPULSES CAN COMBINE AT ANY POINT THAT THE NEURONAL PATHWAYS CONVERGE. This means the creation of a new impulse, having different qualities than the original impulses.

What are the characteristics of a truly creative brain? The answer is highly speculative, but to again quote Eccles, "The creative brain must first of all possess an adequate number of neurons, having a wealth of synaptic connection between them. It must have, as it were, the structural basis for an immense range of patterns of activity . . . The synapses of the brain should also have a sensitive tendency to increase their function with usage, so that they may readily form and maintain memory patterns.

"Such a brain will accumulate an immense wealth of engrams ("congealed" neuronal patterns ready to be relayed by an appropriate input) of highly specific character. If in addition this brain possesses a peculiar potency for unresting activity, weaving the spatio-temporal patterns of its engrams in continually novel and interacting forms, the stage is set for the deliverance of a "brain child" that is sired, as we say, by creative imagination."

(For anyone who would like to pursue this topic further I highly recommend Mr. Eccles' article, as well as all the other articles appearing in the September 1958 issue of SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN, an issue devoted wholly to innovation in science. GWD).

The BIG Shave

When this was written, most of the MEN on campus were growing beards. The number has steadily been decreasing thanks to the effort of a majority of V.S.C.'s female population (both student and faculty). For the information of the uninformed, these beards are meant to increase school spirit for Homecoming. They are not to be ridiculed or discouraged but to be encouraged by the student body as a whole. We shouldn't fight among ourselves all the time, let's do something together for a change.

Whether you girls know it or

not, there is a lot of trouble and pain involved in growing a beard. And since the men are game enough to go along with it, making sacrifices, then why aren't the weak minded women? Shame on the men who are blinded by these maidens.

Several of the men were pressured into removing their flowing beards by outside forces. This is an unfortunate situation which shouldn't affect the remaining "Brothers of the Bush" who have fought a glorious battle against the female enemy. Congratulations MEN, but not Mice.

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PERSONALITIES OF THE WEEK

PAM PAULK

JOE TARPLEY

Alias "The Biology Kid" Alias "Tarp The Beard"

Last Seen On VSC Campus

Popular Pam Paulk and Joe Tarpley are our personalities for the week. VSC is lucky to have interested and active students as these.

Pam Paulk, a sophomore from Valdosta, Georgia, is majoring in Biology and plans to go into Pre Med.

Managing to keep pretty busy Pam is president of the Alpha Delta Pi Sorority, president of the girls Sports Club and Secretary of Panhellenic. She is a member of Sigma Alpha Chi, a member of Fins and Flippers and is sweetheart of the Sigma Epsilon Fraternity, also head cheerleader.

People, food and sports are very well liked by Pam. She enjoys shooting a rifle.

Recently she rated third runner-up in the TKE Fraternities' "Miss Calender" girl, also "Miss Personality."

Pam attends the Valdosta First Methodist Church.

A senior from Manchester, Georgia, Joe Tarpley is majoring in Business Administration (economics). After graduation he plans to be a sales representative for a corporation.

Joe is quite interested in the promotion of sports. He played on the varsity baseball team for three

years and is intramural assistant in the sports program. He can usually be seen refereeing football or other sports.

Social activities play a large part in Joe's college schedule. He is vice president of the senior class and a representative to the S.G.A. He is a member of the Business Club, the Letterman's Club and the Circle "K" Club. He is also a member of the Boy's Dormitory Council.

Charcoal steak, lemon cheese cake and people seem to be Joe's main likes, but loud mouths disturb him.

TIME OUT

By Jimmy Brozson

Welcome back to the old grind once more. It was real nice to notice that no one became a statistic in the books of the National Safety Council. However, a few of us became statistics in the dean's office on that unofficial list. The New Year's eve party is over, the bowl games played on New Year's day are now history, and Valdosta State College looks forward to a new year especially in the field of basketball, since we are fielding one of the best in years or should I say the best team since the school became co-educational several years ago.

Way back in December when the season began for the various schools which make up the Georgia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, the Rebels co-captain was picked by the Atlanta Journal as All - GIAC in a pre-season prediction.

There has been a shake-up on the Rebels because of academic reasons and other reasons. No longer on the Rebel squad are Wayne Garrick, Hansel Faulkner, Ed Gandy, Jan Rogers, and Pat Tomlinson. Three new boys have joined the squad this quarter and will certainly help the squad. The new members are John Moye, John Louis Carter, and Dwaine Skiles.

By the time this article is read the Rebels will already have played two games. The Rebels took on West Georgia on Saturday, the squad traveled to Atlanta for a game with Oglethorpe on Monday night and play Brewton-Parker in Mt. Vernon tonight. The first home game of the new year will be this Saturday night when the Rebels meet West Georgia in a return match.

Remember students let's go to the game Saturday night and yell for the Rebels. We want them to be playing in the tournament in LaGrange at the end of the season.



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Big Events Coming For KAPPA DELTA

A coming big event in the lives of Alpha Xi Delta pledges is their initiation which will take place during the month of January.

During the Christmas season the sisters and pledges delivered holiday basket of seasonal food and toys to needy families. This project was carried out in pursuance of a tradition established when the chapter was still a local group.

The pledges recently held a rumpousing the eyes, nose, and mouth. mage sale in uptown Valdosta as jects.

Alpha Xi's in the news recently include Charlotte Chapman, president of the pledge class, who was elected to the "Miss Pine Cone" Court.

Education Club Meets

The members of the Education Club met the week before Christmas holidays. Instead of carrying out a planned meeting, the members worked in groups or individ-

Revolution In

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cred gentleman who summons to us memories of our gallant predecessors than it is to look upon the "bird-leg" tribe which is something of a cross between the late Bee-Bop teen-ager and Grand mother Methuselah.

Rumor has it that Paris has presented a garment to the gullible American public called the "Couvre Tout" that leaves no part of the human body revealed except a small oval opening comprising the eyes, nose and mouth. This, of course, makes the leotard look highly modified. Hurry girls follow the swelling, rushing, pushing mob of barbaric women shoppers. It is understood that replicas of St. Joan of Arc's coat of mail are being given away free with the first ten million purchases. Don't be late for yours.

"The trend today among the fairer sex is to envelope the body with all the ugliness that this world can produce. We are no longer in the atomic era. We are in the 'Age of the balloon dress'.

ually in preparing seasonal decorations for the faculty's offices and the Administration building. The product of the club's efforts were seen all around and enjoyed by all

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