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Whatever Became of Those "Bright College Years}?"?

HERE IN THE season when young men and women are returning to college, how many adults can remember the glamour and excitement that once attended the individual drama of "going off to college"? The Norman Rockwell covers on the Saturday Evening Post depicted, with only slight exaggeration, the beaming smugness of the student in faddish "college" clothes, with packed bags and college pennant, watched with loving tolerance by parents and with admiring awe by the younger members of the family, while the dog sat at the departing student's feet and the cat smiled in imitation of the student's smugness.

In those long-ago, innocent days, college was regarded as both an adventure and a privilege, with the possibility of providing a passport to a status approaching an elite category. This elitism was very elastic. At one end of the spectrum would be the rich and/or well-connected who went to one of the name Eastern prep schools in order to enter college "as a good section," assuring themselves of membership in a club of social status and, thus, preparing themselves to enter the social-economic elite centered in Wall Street.

At the other end were the students who planned to enter a profession, such as engineering, law or medicine. Usually of well-to-do backgrounds, their economic positions were modest in comparison with the rich who (just as shown in the old cartoons) were swaddled in raccoon-skin coats, drove a Stutz Bearcat or a Dusenberg (when few American families had cars), imported their Prohibition Scotch via Cunard Line stewards or, like a couple of Yale fellows, commuted daily to New York to practice indoor polo (on their own ponies) in the old Squadron A Armorey. The professionals did not aspire to such "conspicuous consumption." Their elite was the elite of the specially trained. Many of these have done extremely well in medicine and law, in high-grade research and sophisticated industrial production, and some have occupied positions of real power in government; but essentially their elitism remained that of the specially trained.

Between these poles was the less readily classifiable segment of those who wanted an education." These students ranged in background from very modest to very well-to-do (none really rich, few really poor), and their backgrounds had little to do with their choice of liberal arts studies. Unlike the rich, they wanted an education, and, unlike the specially trained, they were interested in education in the classic sense, as in Europe, for the broad cultivation of their minds. Their fundamental difference from the other two categories is that to the liberal arts student education was an end in itself, unrelated means of earning a future livelihood.

Doubtless the nature of their education was helpful to those who became successful writers, editors, publishers, journalists, literary agents and critics, served as a foundation for those who went into graduate work and became teachers and, as university professors, also built reputations as critics, essayists, authors of profoundly researched books and con-

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Radiance of Nature and Spectacular happenings - - Virginia invites you for Pleasure...

SEPTEMBER is here, and with it the routine schedules that come with the return to school and end of vacations. Everyone is ready to settle down to a “long winter’s nap,” ala the brown bear in his cave. Right? WRONG!!

More and more, Virginians and out-of-state visitors are becoming aware of the boundless attractions awaiting them in the fall and winter months in the Old Dominion. The slogan “Virginia Is For Lovers” has fired the imaginations of young and old. We’re beginning to realize that there are no qualifications in the slogan. It doesn’t specify “in Spring,” or “in Summer.” It refers to Virginia—a Virginia that offers something for everyone no matter what the season.

The fall and early winter months usher in the spectacle of Mother Nature at her peak. Whether you favor the myriad of colors and cooler temperatures in the fall or the crisp air and periodic blue-white silence of glittering snow in the winter months, Virginia will comply.

And, Virginians, not to be out-done by Mother Nature, have scheduled spectacles of a man-made nature in an attempt not to compete with but to complement her gifts.

IN SEPTEMBER, in addition to the year around attractions which we’ll deal with further on, there are special events scheduled in various parts of the state. For horse lovers there is the Annual Warrenton Horse Show (September 4-6). With diversified classes, this show has attracted the outstanding hunters and jumpers from throughout the U.S. since its start in 1898. If you’re in the Tappahannock area on September 6, you can enjoy the Family Boat Races Regatta either as a participant or as a spectator. All types of family boats such as runabouts, sailboats, inboards, etc., race in this colorful event.

Each Wednesday and Thursday of this month visitors to Colonial Williamsburg can attend the Candlelight Concerts in the Governor’s Palace and be transported back to a romantic era in the early days of Virginia.

In a different area, music lovers can attend the 25th Annual Virginia Folk Music Festival which is also held this month. Division #1 for Bluegrass Bands will be held in Chase City on September 12, while Crewe will host the September 19—Division #2 for Regular Bands. The longevity of this Festival can be attributed not only to the excep-
Concert Director Cary McMurrn plays at a Governor's Palace candlelight concert in Williamsburg.

The “State Fair of Virginia Is For Lovers” is the theme. The major departments will have billing such as “State Fair Is For Livestock Lovers.” Other variations of the theme would be—Horse Lovers, Art Lovers, Thrill Lovers, Music Lovers, etc., to cover the 26 major departments of the State Fair.

Feature attractions this year include the world-famous Budweiser® Clydesdale Team, complete with “Bud,” their frisky Dalmatian mascot, who sits with the drivers behind this championship Scottish-bred hitch. These magnificent horses will appear before each Grandstand attraction during the week. And, for the young and young at heart there are the Young American Pavilion, Deggeller’s Amusements on the Midway, Gene Holter’s Wild Animal Show, and livestock exhibits. All of these, and more await visitors and the contributors to the many and varied exhibits which are an inherent part of any fair.

The Grandstand features are a mixture of thrills and entertainment for all. The almost unbelievable Demolition Derby will be featured on September 23 at 8:15 p.m. and on October 3 at 6:30 p.m. Stock car races follow on September 25 and October 2 and 3 at 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Then on September 26 at 3 p.m. and 6:30 p.m., and on October 3 at 3 p.m., the All American Hell Drivers take over for displays of their unique talents.

Lovers of Country and Western Music will be treated to some of the best during the Grandstand shows on September 27 through October 1 with shows at 6:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. nightly. Starting the all-star line-up, on September 27, will be Hank Williams, Jr. with the Cheatin’ Heart Band, Merle Kilgore and Lamar Morris. The feminine side is featured on September 28 when Kitty Wells appears, with Johnny Wright, Bobby Wright and Bill Phillips. On September 29, handsome Webb Pierce stars with David Rogers, Peggy Little and Rusty Adams (KoKo the Clown). September 30 brings us to the ever-popular Carl Smith with The Homesteaders. And, completing this segment of Grandstand features on October 1, femininity again takes over with appearances by lovely Jeanie C. Riley and the Harper Valley Express.

OCTOBER offers a pot-pourri of special events as, again, there is something for everyone. The State Fair, of course, continues through October 3.

In Northern Virginia, on October 1-3, 18th and 19th century homes are on display. And, art & crafts exhibits and sales are also featured during the annual Waterford Homes Tour and Crafts Exhibit.

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and the end of harvest, the 18th Annual Harvest Festival will take place on October 2 in South Hill. A country music show, float parade and harvest dance all contribute to the festive mood.

The 21st Annual Southeastern Band Festival in Bristol will be held this year on October 3. This is an educational event with nationally known adjudicators. Seventy high school bands from seven states gather here annually to parade and be judged against a standard.

Another October 3 offering is the Annual Fredericksburg Dog Mart. This colorful and unique event had its start in 1698 when early colonists traded their dogs for the Indians' furs and gold nuggets. The 20th century version consists of a parade, dog show & auction, hog calling, fox horn blowing, old fiddlers and archery contests and demonstrations. Dog trick acts and Indian dances are also featured.

For those interested in scenic beauty, well mixed with home-made mountain foods and displays, Monterey offers its Annual Highland County Fall Foliage Festival on October 2-3, 9-10. Highland County's claim to special fall scenery is based on an abundance of beautiful hardwoods plus the beauty of the Maple Sugar Orchards located here.

Colonial Williamsburg continues its Candlelight Concerts each Thursday this month of October.

Visitors from all areas will arrive in Richmond on October 9 to take part in the many facets of the 23rd Annual National Tobacco Festival. Starting with a Grand Ball and selection of an official hostess on Saturday October 9, a week-long schedule of activities is planned. On October 10, at 12:30 p.m. is the National Drag Race at Richmond Dragway with trophy presentation scheduled for 5 p.m. At 8 p.m., "The 1950's Rock an Roll Revival" will be held at
Continuing the week's activities, Friday, October 15 starts with Thalhimer's Luncheon for the Princesses at noon, with the public being entertained at that hour by the Ferko Wonder Bread String Band concert at Capitol Plaza.

The events awaited by all, particularly youngsters of all ages, the Grand Illuminated Parade at 7 p.m. and the Parker Field Parade Show at 7:30 p.m. culminate Friday's activities.

Climaxing the week's activities are the events of Saturday, October 16. The Tobacco Bowl at City Stadium will pit University of Virginia against Clemson University at 1:30 p.m. With a pre-game show at 12:30 p.m. and coronation of a new Queen at half-time, the Queen's Ball at 9 p.m. at the Hotel John Marshall will provide a gala finale.

Tours of Tobacco factories and the Petersburg Tobacco Market will be held Monday through Friday during the Festival.

Concluding this month's offerings is Yorktown Day on October 19. This is the annual commemoration of the day the American War for Independence ended with the surrender by Lord Cornwallis to George Washington at this battlefield site.

THE MONTH of November, with its cooler days brings still a different type of harvest. On November 5-6 the harvest of the Virginia Oyster is celebrated with the 14th Annual Oyster Festival at Urbanna. In this delightful town by the Rappahannock River, near the Chesapeake Bay, a parade, antique car show, beauty pageant and grand ball mark the end of another season.

Next, equine and canine events follow each other in Montpelier and Orange.

On November 7, the Annual Montpelier Races will be held on the estate of Mrs. Marion DuPont Scott at Montpelier Station. Flat races and steeple-chase races are run, with the feature race being the Noel Laing Handicap.

Then, on November 8-10, the Virginia Amateur Field Trial As-
Association Meet is scheduled for the Hawfield Estate in Orange. Dog owners, from east of the Mississippi, bring dogs of all ages to compete for coveted awards.

Berkeley Plantation, on the banks of the James River near Richmond, is the site for the commemoration of America's First Thanksgiving on November 21-25. Ceremonies and pageantry, parades and other events enter into this observance of the First Official Thanksgiving in America, December 4, 1619.

And, rounding out the month and season, the Boar’s Head Inn, at Charlottesville, plays host to A Thanksgiving Hunt Weekend, November 25-29. One can attend a “blessing of the hounds,” special evening entertainment, and a traditional Thanksgiving Dinner. There will be other fine dining and special activities available too, at this annual event in the heart of Virginia’s beautiful hunt country.

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Then, on December 4-5, Big Stone Gap hosts the Ninth Christmas House. Traditional customs and events including carol singing, a flower show, children trimming big Christmas trees, and a Nativity scene are there for visitors. The site is the June Tolliver House, and tea will be served both days from 2-6 p.m. Also included are six trees, in separate rooms, each decorated to represent Christmas in a different land.

The Richmond Department of Recreation and Parks delivers its first gift to the city this month with its annual presentation of the beautiful opera “Amahl and the Night Visitors,” on December 5 at 4 p.m. at the Mosque.

Also in Richmond, on December 18, is the Church Hill Christmas Candlelight tour. Restored homes in the Pilot Block will be opened from 2-6 p.m., with refreshments served both during and after the tour.

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THE JUNE TOLLIVER HOUSE—The June Tolliver House, where the heroine of The Trail of the Lonesome Pine actually lived while going to school, has been restored. It houses the classrooms and workshops where crafts of mountain life are taught. The Trail of the Lonesome Pine is produced here at Big Stone Gap as an outdoor musical drama. Other projects include the restoration of an old mill at the site of the June Tolliver House. This is the site of the Ninth Christmas House observance. (Virginia State Travel Service photo)

this retirement home for the BPO Elks.

Christmas in Williamsburg, December 19-January 2, captures the gaiety and tradition of Virginia's Colonial capital at Christmastide. During this two-week observance of colorful customs and contemporary events, many special events are scheduled including tours and Colonial dining.

On Christmas Eve, December 24, the Richmond Department of Recreation and Parks offers the second of its two gifts to the city as it presents the 42nd annual performance of "The Nativity," which, told in tableau form, depicts six scenes of the Nativity. This Christmas Pageant held at the Carillon in Byrd Park each Christmas Eve at 6 p.m. has become an annual pilgrimage for entire families who feel that it rings them the true spirit of Christmas. Many in the cast of Richmond citizens are now in their third generation with the...
kept alive in Shakespeare's Falstaff scenes laid in the medieval Boar's Head Inn of London.

The old ritual as revived in Charlottesville's Boar's Head features male voices in the "Boar's Head Carol," which was printed in 1521. It is possibly the oldest Christmas carol in the English language, now virtually forgotten. The singers making their lively rounds at Christmas Dinner in the Inn's Old Mill Room accompany themselves on recorders, hunting horn, drum, and guitar.

Again rounding out the month and season, is the Boar's Head Inn at Charlottesville. Christmas in Charlottesville will be held there on December 24-27. In an old English setting, this special time of the year is observed with wassailing, the traditional Yule Log, caroling, bringing in the ceremonious boar's head, and outdoor bonfires.

"Bringing in the Boar's Head" revives a medieval custom preserved in Elizabethan England and relished by adventurous Englishmen who settled Jamestown. But the Puritans banned the practice in 1652, along with many other robust Christmas customs of Merrie Olde England, and only the stubbornest old timers dared to preserve it. The memory of it, however, has been
THE FOREGOING are attractions of note listed in the Virginia Annual Events 1971 folder which is a service of the Virginia State Chamber of Commerce. However, in many cases, information on events does not reach the Chamber in time to be included in the folder. And, there are numerous attractions which are not of an annual nature, but are available for enjoyment all or most of the year. Somehow, human nature being what it is, we Virginians are often not aware of what our own state has to offer, yet visitors come from far and wide to see and enjoy this Old Dominion of ours. Read on...

Late word from the Jamestown area is that the Chickahominy Indian Festival will be held there on September 25. Starting at 2 p.m., it will include a flag ceremony, parade, Indian dances and crafts exhibits. Congressman William L. Scott will be the main speaker and there will also be a representative from the Bureau of Indian Affairs in attendance. Two queens will be crowned at this colorful festival—one chosen from the usual age group for such lovelies and one very young miss.

On October 2, the 3rd Annual Cart Mart (Antique Dealers and Friends) sponsored by the Loudoun County Chamber of Commerce will be held in Leesburg at the Court House. The Cart Mart, held in conjunction with the Waterford Craft and Homes Tour, has become an annual affair. Each year additional antique dealers, civic organizations and other interested persons participate. The proceeds are used for Restoration Projects in Loudoun County. Anyone desiring to take part should write to the Chamber at Box 427, Leesburg, Virginia 22075.

Other events in Loudoun County during the month of October are: October 16, Lincoln Area Dirt Roads Tour—a tour of 18th century Quaker homes.

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Before traveling inland, take time to enjoy the charm of the Eastern Shore. There is a complete tour available of this picturesque area which was discovered in 1608 by Captain John Smith. Virginia’s Eastern Shore first served as the “bread basket” for the colonists in Jamestown. Fertile soils and abundant sea-foods have continued to serve as the mainstay of the area’s economy.

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historical, recreational and scenic points of interest, covering every facet of Eastern Shore life.

To better understand the culture of Virginia, one must visit some of the fine old homes and historic sites, many of which are open year round. Places such as the John Marshall House, Smithfield Plantation, the Poe Museum, Rolfe-Warren House, Ellen Glasgow House, Berkeley Plantation, Carter's Grove, Shirley Plantation, Mount Vernon, Woodlawn Plantation, Stonewall Jackson's Home, Woodrow Wilson's Birthplace, Robert E. Lee's Home, Booker T. Washington National Monument, and many, many more tell the Virginia story through the years.

Then there are the many Battlefield Parks and monuments to armies in wars long ended. Yorktown and the Old Capitol at Williamsburg, and St. John's Church in Richmond all speak to the visitor of Revolutionary times. While the Civil War is commemorated by National and State sites such as: Manassas (Bull Run), where two great battles were fought; Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania National Military Park; New Market, with its new Hall of Valor in memory of a corps of VMI school-boys who helped the confederates win a victory; Richmond National Battlefield Park; Petersburg National Battlefield; Sailor's Creek; and, the village of Appomattox Court House where, on April 9, 1865, General Robert E. Lee and General U. S. Grant met and the papers were signed which officially ended the Civil War.

Camping is on the up-swing all over the nation. Thousands have bought camping equipment from the most primitive type to the luxurious camping trailers, some of which are like a home on wheels. Again, our state abounds from border to border in both public and private sites, any of which are open all year for swimming, hiking, hunting and fishing in season. Although some facilities may be limited after Labor Day, the beauty of the parks can be enjoyed, perhaps more, in the cooler weather of fall.

Traveling in the western portion of Virginia you might want to stay near Virginia's underworld. This is not meant to refer to the gun-bearing gangsters immortalized in detective stories. This refers to the magic of caverns crafted by nature and explored by man, nine of which have been developed with walkways, lighting and trained guides to help you in your exploration.

The nine developed caverns are: Battlefield Crystal Caverns near Strasburg; Dixie Caverns, 14 miles west of Roanoke; Endless Caverns, three miles south of New Market; Grand Caverns near Grottoes; the Caverns of Luray; Massanutten Caverns, six miles east of Harrisonburg; Melrose Caverns, six miles north of Harrisonburg; Shenandoah Caverns, three miles north of New Yorktown, Williamsburg, and Jamestown. (Virginia State Travel Service photo)
Market and Skyline Caverns, one mile south of Front Royal.

In line with the natural beauty of the caverns which offer a wonderland of forms carved from limestone by vanished underground rivers and a veritable fantasia of rock forms created by dripping water, one should not miss some of the other natural wonders Virginia offers. Among these are the following: Natural Bridge, which is one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World, is located on U.S. 11 and I-81 between Exits 49 and 50—here, the awe-inspiring "Drama of Creation" is presented nightly the year around; Natural Chimneys, located seven miles south of Bridgewater — seven chimneys, rising 120 feet above the surrounding plain; and, Natural Tunnel, 14 miles west of Gate City—a state park since 1967, this 850-foot-long, 10-story-high natural phenomenon is the passageway for a railroad.

Neither time nor space will permit an adequate description of a multitude of attractions not even mentioned here. Each city, town and hamlet in this state of ours has a myriad of attractions to offer all who will take advantage of the opportunities so near at hand. This is a remarkable state, offering everything from the history of days-gone-by to the once "Ruck Rogers" world that is NASA with something of everything in between.

There are some excellent guides to Virginia available both in pamphlet and magazine form which contain detailed information on the attractions mentioned in this article, plus those we could not tell the Virginia Story.

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SOUTHWEST MUSEUM, BIG STONE GAP, VIRGINIA

The Southwest Museum, located at Big Stone Gap, houses a collection of relics and other objects associated with the early history of Southwest Virginia from the pioneer days of Daniel Boone and the Indians. The Museum had its origin in a collection of historical relics begun by Mrs. Jane Slemp Newman and developed by her brother C. Bascom Slemp as a neighborhood museum. Upon the death of Mr. Slemp in 1943, this collection was bequeathed to the Commonwealth of Virginia to be used as a nucleus for a permanent museum. (Virginia State Travel Service photo)

not list at this time. Two of these that have detailed coverage are: Carry me back to Old Virginia, published for the Virginia State Travel Service, Department of Conservation and Economic Development, 911 East Broad Street, Richmond, Va. 23219; and, Virginia—Scenic History—land published by the Virginia Travel Council, 2309 East Broad Street, Richmond, Va. 23223.

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The Virginia Branch, AGC held its Annual Legislative Luncheon for the Virginia Congressional Members on Tuesday, April 27, 1971, in Washington, D. C. As usual this affair was a huge success and the Virginia Branch, AGC was pleased to note that all members representing Virginia in Congress were in attendance. These included Senators Byrd (I) and Spong (D); Representatives Thomas N. Downing (D); G. William Whitehurst (R); David E. Satterfield III (D); Watkins M. Abbitt (D); W. C. (Dan) Daniel (D); Richard H. Poff (R); J. Kenneth Robinson (R); William Lloyd Scott (R); and Joel T. Broyhill (R).

Distinguished guests representing the AGC were L. P. (Pete) Gilvin, immediate past president, National AGC; Richard Bernot, Director of Legislative Services, National AGC and Associate Editor of the Constructor Magazine; James Davis, Jr., Legislative Chairman of the Virginia Branch Robert M. Dunville (Robert M. & Dunville Bros., Inc., of Richmond), co-sponsor and introduced the guests.

President Dave Kjellstrom’s remarks were extremely well received. They were pertinent, to the point and very timely. His approach was positive and he stressed that the contractor wants to know what he can do to help the Legislators, not how the Legislators can help the Contractor. He offered the Virginia Branch’s assistance for the future and the Association’s appreciation for their past performance. His address quoted verbatim is as follows:

“May the VIRGINIA BRANCH AGC isn’t in tune with what’s going on in Washington. If we were ... this would have been billed as an AGC Legislative Rally ... not luncheon. In the past year the Virginia Branch, AGC has made a special effort to establish a liaison with municipal and state agencies and carrying this to the national level we like to think of this annual luncheon as our continuing liaison with you ... our representatives in the Senate and House. We now represent nearly 400 firms engaged in some way in the construction industry in Virginia, and our professional advice relating to industry problems is being offered to ... and sought by ... these agencies and other organizations. Our primary purpose in being here is not to see what you can do for us, but to see what we can do for you. Our staff and members are ready ... in fact most anxious ... to give their time and efforts to assist your offices in legislative matters dealing with the construction industry. When you seek construction advice, don’t let your fingers do the walking through the yellow pages ... just get in touch with the VIRGINIA BRANCH, AGC. I don’t mean to infer that we don’t have any problems, for certainly you have been reading about our foremost one ... OUT-OF-CONTROL INFLATIONARY WAGES. It still remains to be seen whether the President’s Executive Order establishing a wage stabilization committee and craft boards will be successful in controlling this problem. We ... in the AGC ... go back and forth from optimist to pessimist on this subject.

“In any event, the NATIONAL-AGC is preparing for introduction in Congress a construction labor reform law as a long-range solution to this crisis in our industry. With the present composition of Congress, I would judge that this may indeed be very long-range legislation. We do know from past experience, however, that you fine gentlemen will give it intelligent consideration in the light of what is best for our country.

“Again, may I express our appreciation for your visiting us today.”

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Center: (left to right) Senator William B. Spong, L. P. Gilvin, N. David Kjellstrom, President Virginia Branch-AGC.

Bottom row: (left) Bob Dunville, chairman of the Virginia Branch Legislative Luncheon, left, introduces Senator Byrd as he arrives at the meeting; (right) Representative David E. Satterfield III left, discusses point with Jack Houck, John R. Houck Co.; Harry G. Lee, center, Kjellstrom & Lee, Inc., listen.
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C. G. Winston

Mr. C. G. Winston has joined the staff of the Virginia Branch, Associated General Contractors, as Director of Services. Mr. Winston was formerly with Allied Chemical Corporation working in the field of Industrial Relations and Employee Services. He was in charge of Manpower Coordination, Professional Recruiting, Employment and General Services. Prior to this experience, Mr. Winston taught and coached in the Richmond City School System.

James F. Duckhardt, Executive Director of the Virginia Branch AGC, stated the experience of Mr. Winston more than qualifies him for the position. His duties as Director of Services for the Virginia Branch AGC will be to provide the necessary services at the district level for the contractor members. He will concentrate in the areas of safety, education, training and manpower development. He will also assist Mr. Duckhardt in his duties as Executive Director.

Winston is a graduate of John Marshall High School and Virginia Commonwealth University. He served as president of the senior class in both high school and college. He was also captain of the basketball team for his junior and senior years in both schools, as well as quarterback of the football team in his junior and senior years at John Marshall.

Mr. Duckhardt feels that Mr. Winston's services will greatly increase the value of the Association to its members. The Association plans to offer more services than in the past and to enter new fields of service. In order to keep abreast of the ever changing construction industry, the Association plans to develop educational programs for top management right down to the laborers. New conditions exist that were not present before, especially in the environmental control field. Although the contractors are far from being the worst offenders, they are very vulnerable to criticism as their work is done right in public view. The Virginia Branch AGC plans to make a positive effort to let the citizens of Virginia know that the contractors are concerned about pollution and keeping proper controls on the environment.

Mr. Winston will also further develop the Manpower Development Program of the AGC. He will promote the construction industry to young men in high schools and colleges. It is a difficult industry to glamorize, but there are certain benefits not found in other industries, both in monetary satisfaction and in a feeling of accomplishment. C. G. Winston's experience in dealing with young people will help him in this work.
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A T-shaped building, 88'4" x 86', the bank has a first floor area of 6164 sq. ft. and a second floor space of 4440 sq. ft. Exterior walls are brick and solite block back-up; interior walls are formed of stud and solite block. A part slate, part built-up roof and wood double-hung windows add to the features of the new building. Floors are covered with vinyl asbestos and carpet.

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The entire building is carpeted and has acoustical ceilings throughout. All glass work is tinted bronze and installed in bronze aluminum to blend with the interior finish and the exterior brick. A total electric heating and air conditioning system was constructed for future expansion of office area or for future rental space.

A picture of this building is being used in the brochure which Varco-Pruden uses for national advertising.

Subcontractors and Suppliers
(Roanoke firms unless otherwise noted)

Days Construction Co., Inc., Salem, general contractor, foundations, concrete, masonry, steel, steel roof deck, roofing & carpentry; Thomas Bros., Inc., Salem, excavating; Binswanger Glass Co., Inc., Greensboro, N. C., windows, window walls & glazing; W. E. Donald, Vinton, painting; McClung Lumber Co., Inc., Salem, paneling; Leonard Smith Sheet Metal & Roofing, Inc., Salem, waterproofing; Cunningham-Lewis Corp., insulation; Shields, Inc., acoustical & plaster; South Roanoke Lumber Co., millwork; Skyline Paint & Hardware, Inc., steel doors & bucks & hardware supplier; Cross Electric Co., Inc., lighting fixtures & electrical work; Noland Co., plumbing fixtures; Dickerson & Trent Plumbing & Heating Co., plumbing; Johnston-Vest Electric Corp., air conditioning, heating & ventilating; The Carpet Shop of Roanoke, Inc., carpet (all floors); Varco-Pruden, Inc., Winston-Salem, N. C., manufactured the structural systems and Mansard Facia around exterior of building as well as the metal roof system.
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The City of Portsmouth is quite proud of its new Motor Vehicle facility which was completed on June 30, 1971 and dedicated in ceremonies held July 30, 1971. Dignitaries from all state and local agencies were in attendance at the dedication.

Structural details of the 80' x 80', two-story air conditioned building include: exterior walls of masonry and tile; interior walls of plaster and wainscoting; built-up roof; aluminum windows; and, floors of terrazzo and tile. Total cost of the facility was $200,000.

Subcontractors & Suppliers (Norfolk firms unless otherwise noted)


Also, Manson & Utley, Inc., acoustical; Joshua Swain & Co., Inc., Portsmouth, ceramic tile & terrazzo; Ferrell Linoleum & Tile Co., Inc., resilient tile; Compostella Builders & Supply Corp., Chesapeake, millwork; Door Engineering Corp., steel doors; Electrical-Mechanical Specialists Co., lighting fixtures, electrical work; W. D. Sams & Son, Inc., plumbing fixtures, plumbing; Seasonair of Va., Inc., air conditioning, heating, ventilating; and, Baker & Co., hardware supplier.

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ON SUNDAY, July 25th the congregation of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Roanoke, held their first services in their striking new church building. As you can see from the picture above, the highlight of this building is the round nave which has seating capacity for approximately 200 people. Initially the construction involves only the 42' diameter nave area to the right with the nave area to the left being shown as the future and ultimate size of this beautiful facility. Jarvis and Stoutamire, Architects, of Roanoke, designed the structure and feature a 24' high exposed roof deck and beam ceiling for this nave area. The center of the ceiling encompasses a 12' diameter lexiglas dome to give natural lighting effects to all services.

The effective placement of ventilating ducts around the perimeter of the circular chancel and nave area gives an opportunity for diffused lighting which is hidden at all times from viewing directly by eye. The only exposed lighting in the entire nave area are small spot lights giving accent light to the altar and to the pulpit.

To the left of the nave area is a new Sunday School Wing encompassing six class rooms plus the pastor's study and storage areas. The exterior walls of the Sunday School area are formed by aluminum insulated window wall sections.

The exterior of the nave is beautifully decorated in exposed aggregate applied to concrete block. The size of the nave diameter made it possible to use regular concrete blocks resulting in increased economy of construction. The basic color of the interior is a light pastel blue accented with darker blues and reds. The center platform in the nave area is covered with a gold carpet and the seating for the congregation will be in multicolored chairs.

The present pastor, Reverend David T. Hinkley, believes that this new round nave will promote in a most dramatic way the "Family of God" concept with the altar (altar) as the center focal point. "Christ In Our Midst" was the fund raising theme for the project.

The congregation will be seated on all sides at all times during the service. This will allow ultimate flexibility in the types of services that can be conducted. The acoustics are most interesting in the room and will vary with the number of people actually in the room at the time. The chancel and the pulpit areas are portable and can be moved to different locations in the nave area.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church will derive much spiritual benefit from this new building and we are pleased to have had a part in the construction of it.

Subcontractors and Suppliers
From Roanoke were: S. Lewis Lionberger Co., general contractor; Concrete Ready Mixed Corp., concrete; PPG Industries, windows, window walls & glazing; A. P. Hubbard Wholesale Lumber Corp., structural wood; Ceiling & Floors Systems, acoustical; Skyline Paint & Hardware, Inc., steel doors & bucks, hardware supplier; Bud Weaver Heating & Air Conditioning, air conditioning, heating & ventilating.

Others were: Thomas Brothers, Inc., Salem, excavating; Ben C. Johnston, New Castle, masonry; Leonard Smith Sheet Metal & Roofing, Inc., Salem, roofing; James G. Bondurant Co., Hardy, electrical work; Smith's Plumbing & Heating, Salem, plumbing; Price Floor Covering, Radford, exposed aggregate coatings.
THE NEW Essex County High School was dedicated Sunday, April 18. The School Board and the Essex County Board of Supervisors extended an invitation to the public for the ceremonies.

Hon. Thomas N. Downing, M.C., delivered the dedicatory address. He was introduced by former school superintendent Eldon Christopher.

Other participants on the program included; the Essex High School Band; Superintendent Walter A. Harrow, who presided; the Rev. Daniel Montague; the Essex High School Music Department; A. Jack Andrews, chairman of the board of supervisors; O. L. Gladding III, Director of Instruction; and Jessie L. Holmes, chairman of the Board of Deacons, Mt. Olive Baptist Church.

Superintendent Harrow paid tribute to the memory of Austin Trible who during his lifetime served on the county school board and worked for the erection of the new school. Harrow also introduced J. Henley Walker, architect and Milton L. Hammond, contractor.

John E. Broaddus, chairman of the school board, accepted the keys.

H. Wayne Tucker, principal, extended the invitation to tour the new facility.

The building is a typical "wall bearing structure" supported on "strip footing." The main structural system for the supported floor and roof consists of precast, prestressed double tee panels, supported by masonry walls.

The entire first floor is a concrete slab cast on the ground. A portion of the building is two stories, with a supported floor having clear spans of 30' and 40'. This two-story portion and the single story gymnasium portion (clear span 84') is framed with an 8' (Continued on page 54)
ON TO SPAIN—

Wednesday, October 6th, will see the departure from Byrd Field of a group of approximately 80 contractors and their wives, headed for a jet-age "grand tour" of Madrid, Spain. A grand tour aimed at generating new ideas and developments in the construction industry.

This group of Virginia Branch AGC members will make Madrid the center of their visit to Spain, taking side trips to nearby places of interest. They will be headquartered in the new deluxe Eurobuilding Hotel which is located in the newly developed Avenida Generalissimo area—near the new convention center and much construction—which should be of great interest to those attending the Management Conference.

One of the places of interest for this tour will be the Royal Palace which is said to be the finest example of neoclassical architecture to be seen in Madrid. The exterior is in Italian style, and the interior very French. The building was constructed of Guadarrama granite and Colmenar limestone over the site of the old Alcazar of the Austrias, destroyed by fire in 1734.

Among the more representative modern buildings which will be seen are: the Ministry of Agriculture in Atoche; the Trade Union Headquarters in the Paseo del Prado; the Banco Central and the Fine Arts Club in the Calle Alcala; the Telephone Exchange and the Carrion Building in the Gran Via; the two skyscrapers in the Plaza de Espana; the neo-Herrera style Air Ministry; and, the Triumphal Arch in the Plaza de la Moncloa.

During their week's stay, the group will take side trips to other places of interest in Spain, one being Toledo, home of the artist, El Greco. Both Christian and Moorish styles blend in the architecture of this delightful hillside town overlooking the Tagus River. They will visit the Alcazar, the Cathedral, and El Greco studio, built in the 16th century, and they will shop for some of Toledo's famous steel. Then on to Segovia, ancient walled town defended by turreted Alcazar, and to Avila, a very interesting fortified city of the middle ages.

The Management Conference will conclude on October 12th when the group will return to Richmond.

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Recently two appointments to State Committees included a Virginia Branch past president and the Executive Director. These appointments were as follows:

Samuel H. Shrum (Nielsen Construction Co., Harrisonburg) has been appointed to a 3-year term on the State Advisory Council on Vocational Education.

James F. Duckhardt, has been named to serve on a State Advisory Committee for Engineering, Industrial and Agricultural Technology of the Department of Community Colleges.

VIRGINIA STATE C of C POST

Mr. Duckhardt has also been appointed to serve on the Virginia State Chamber of Commerce Committee on Natural Resources and Environment. This appointment was made by the newly elected president of the State Chamber, Richard D. Robertson, Vice President of Philip Morris, Inc. and was announced by Richard S. Gillis, Executive Director of the Virginia State Chamber of Commerce.

This committee is interested in the anti-pollution and environmental control problem of Virginia. The construction industry is particularly vulnerable to criticism on this subject. The Virginia Branch, AGC urges each member to take the offense and be a part of the solution of the problem and not a part of the problem itself.

Virginia Branch members are urged to volunteer to serve on any and all committees and groups that are taking positive steps to improve the pollution problem.

SAFETY AWARDS:

The Virginia Branch would like to congratulate the following firms for receiving a "Certificate of Commendation" from the National AGC for the year ending December 31, 1970.

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Virginia Independence Bicentennial Commission To Meet in Richmond

- The Virginia Independence Bicentennial Commission will hold a statewide meeting this month in Richmond to offer for public reaction its actions and plans to date and to receive suggestions from all Virginia municipalities and organizations interested in the 200th anniversary commemoration.

Governor Linwood Holton has sent invitations to all Virginia localities and historical organizations to send delegates to the all-day forum, to be held on Friday, September 17, at the Hotel John Marshall.

Following registration and coffee hour, from 9 to 10 a.m., the opening session will convene in the Commonwealth Hall, under the chairmanship of Delegate Lewis A. McMurry, of Newport News, chairman of the VIBC 18-member board.

Speakers during the morning session will include Senator Hunter Andrews of Hampton, E. M. "Tiny" Hutton of Alexandria, Mrs. Fay Moore of York County, Jack Smith of Roanoke, and Parke Rouse, Jr., of Williamsburg.

Governor Holton will address the group at luncheon in the hotel's Grand Hall, at 12:45. He will be introduced by Senator Omer Lee Hirst of Annandale.

The afternoon session will be made up of six, concurrent round-table groups, each with a member of the VIBC presiding, and each with a specialist in the field to lead discussions. Delegates to the conference will choose the subject in which they are most interested from among these: "How to Develop a County or City Research and Publications Program," "The Role of Schools in the Celebration," "Opportunities for Local Historical Societies," "How Your Community Can Attract Visitors to the Celebration," "The Role of the Negro Colonial Virginia and the Revolution," and "The Scotch-Irish in the Revolution."

Created by the 1966 General Assembly, the VIBC has held several hearings, launched a program of research and publications, and awarded a contract for the first in a series of films to be developed for the Bicentennial. The commission is now anxious to have the participation, suggestions, questions, and cooperation of all interested bodies in Virginia.

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- The opening of a Richmond subsidiary of The George Hyman Construction Company has been announced by A. James Clark, president of the Washington, D. C. area building contracting firm.

To be known as George Hyman Construction Company of Virginia, Inc., the subsidiary will provide the corporation with the "capability of giving 'on-the-scene' service to its clients in the Richmond and Tidewater areas of Virginia," Mr. Clark said.

He pointed out that the Virginia subsidiary would be tied into the company's main computer in Bethesda, Maryland to facilitate their bidding procedures, for payroll purposes and other management needs.

Mr. Clark named William F. Croghan as president of the Virginia subsidiary. Mr. Croghan is well known in the Richmond area, having served as president of the Thorington Construction Company, Inc., and is a resident of Henrico County. He has had more than 25 years of experience in the construction industry.

The Richmond office—at 4009 Fitzhugh Avenue—will be responsible for management of the corporation's regional operations.

The corporation also has a subsidiary, George Hyman Construction Company of Georgia, Inc., headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia.

The George Hyman Construction Company, which was founded in 1906, is well-known as builder of such Washington, D. C. landmarks as L'Enfant Plaza ($65 million), the New Senate Office Building, additions to Smithsonian Institute ($16 million), and many other government and commercial buildings. The company has a backlog of work in progress of about $200 million dollars.
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“‘We can’t give up on the cities and walk out,’” Paul Ylvisaker told the American Institute of Architects' convention, “‘but one thing we will have to stop is straight-line thinking in what we now know is a curving universe.’

If you plugged the straight-line ground rules by which we run our cities into a computer for 250 years, out would come Newark, N. J., with its $60,000,000 deficit, Ylvisaker explained. ‘And the same thing is happening in Las Vegas, Tulsa, Phoenix and other cities and at a faster rate.’

Ylvisaker spoke at Cobo Hall in Detroit, during a panel discussion focused on ‘What do we have to give up to create a livable environment?’

Also speaking on the question were Thornton Bradshaw, president of Atlantic Richfield Co.; Russell E. Train, chairman of the Council on Environmental Quality; and Carl H. Madden, chief economist of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce, who served as moderator.

Bradshaw felt that we didn’t have to give up anything of importance if we see the problems as a whole and in perspective.

He counseled that we might have to give up our freedom if we listened to the voices of doom and the ‘poets of the environment’ who want to sacrifice material progress at the cost of controlling the environment.

“We have to filter out the sounds of those who, for example, say that the automobile has to go.”

When Bradshaw asked the audience to think about what New York City would be like if the horse were the only transportation, he heard scattered, unexpected applause.

Former Conservation Foundation chief Russell Train said that there is now talk of an “environmental backlash”—that some people are complaining of slow-downs in economic growth because of exacting pollution-control standards, and “environmental escapism”—abandonment of our social objectives and priorities.

Despite this talk, Train said, we must realize the costs of pollution in dollars and in health.

“There is a growing body of evidence which indicates that the long-term effects of exposure to low concentrations of pollutants can adversely affect health and result in chronic diseases and premature death.” Major illnesses linked to air pollution include emphysema, bronchitis, asthma, lung cancer, and even the common cold, he said.

Speaking directly to the architects of the changes they must face, Ylvisaker said the profession must view itself as part of the developing “service economy”, not part of the older, self-regulating professions that developed directly from 16th-century guilds.

Failure to move seriously into this new direction of advocacy architecture was part of the reason some younger architects were pulling away from the Institute, he suggested.

In an interview later, Ylvisaker said that many of the older cities will become the focus of the service industries—schools, universities, hospitals.

Manufacturing enterprises with their need for large, horizontal space have of necessity moved out of many cities.

This panel presentation was the third and last of a series of “Hard Choices” on the professional program of the architect’s five-day meeting, attended by 3,300 architects and guests.

The week concluded with the Gold Medalist Ball at which Philadelphia’s distinguished Louis I. Kahn, FAIA, received the Institute’s highest honor, the Gold Medal.

Mrs. Helen Hammond Cady Named Honorary Member

The American Institute of Architects has elected Mrs. Helen Hammond Cady, of Pasadena, an Honorary Member for her “distinguished contribution to the architectural profession.”

Mrs. Cady, recently retired after 14 years as the executive secretary of the Pasadena Chapter, AIA, was presented the honorary membership at ceremonies at the 24,000-member Institute’s annual convention in Detroit.

Mrs. Cady, the widow of Dr. Wiloughby M. Cady, a research expert on guided missiles, is a graduate of Wheaton College and the Sawyer School of...
AIA Urges Full Funding for HUD

- The American Institute of Architects (AIA) urged Congress to grant the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) full funding as authorized in the Housing Act of 1968.

- The AIA contended that less of an effort will prevent us from reaching the goals of that Act—to solve the housing crisis and provide decent places to live for all Americans.

- Testifying for the AIA before the House Appropriations subcommittee on housing, George Kositsky said, "We share the exasperation of many who are dismayed that the Administration is withholding funds for housing and community development appropriated by Congress and approved as Public Law by the President." Kositsky is a Baltimore architect and a member of the urban planning and design committee of AIA.

- He urged Congress to continue to express "its commitment to meet the housing needs of our country by appropriating the necessary funds despite this present action of the Administration."

- Kositsky said that "architects across the country have thousands of units of housing on their office shelves representing a part of the tremendous backlog of applications now languishing in the pipeline. These units cannot be built without funding and until they are built, the needs of millions of Americans for better housing will go unfulfilled."

- In several programs, large discrepancies exist between what the Administration is willing to spend on the soci
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"Despite concerted efforts by the Congress to make more funds available for urban renewal, a Presidential veto and the Administration's freeze on funds has permitted only a billion dollars to be (currently) allocated to local communities for removing the blight and deterioration that permeates so many of our cities."

In public housing programs, Kostritsky said that of a total of $417 million in contract authority available in fiscal 1972 the Administration plans to utilize only $207 million or less than 50 per cent.

In open space programs, the AIA supported the administration's request of $200 million. Kostritsky said that "there are presently only four major tools for shaping urban growth at the disposal of public agencies—zoning, major transportation, water and sewer supply systems, and open space. The use of open space to control and shape metropolitan growth has been largely overlooked as such a tool. It is just as important to determine where urbanization should not take place as it is to determine where urbanization should take place."

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The remainder of the building is one story with a structural roof framed with 8' wide by 20' deep double tee having clear spans of 34'10", 39'0", 48'4", 41'10" and 55'6". This type of structure, wall bearing, has proven itself over the years to be economical, functional and reliable.

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Whatever Became of "Those Bright College Years?"

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distributing editors to magazines of opinion. However, these students who later succeeded in the world of arts and letters and communications media, as show music composers and lyricists, theatrical and motion picture directors, did not go to college to prepare themselves for these careers; they went to prepare their minds for a rewarding use in life. But whatever careers were followed, the former liberal arts students who continued the mental habit into adult life, came to form an elite of the mind.

This elite of the mind was sharply divided into two categories. The larger category was of the unselfconscious men and women scattered all over the country whose work lay outside the above mentioned careers but were individuals of highly cultivated tastes who enjoyed a rewarding use of their minds. (This unorganized category numerically declined among adults as the years brought responsibilities in business and in growing families which, to many, stifled the disinterested impulses.) The smaller category was the somewhat self-conscious Intellectual Elite—a recognized professional elite within the generally unknown elite of the mind.

Now, if there is one thing which Americans as a whole agree on hating, it is the Intellectual. No accomplishment is less respected in our competitive society than refinements of the mind. Also, any kind of "elite" is supposed to be anti-democratic. Of course, in practice Americans are flexible in their acceptance of elite status as long as it is called by another name. Certainly the very rich (to take the Kennedy family as the best known example) are not only recognized as an elite, by whatever name: they are actually revered. For they are the top competitors in a competitive society which values, above all things, successful competition. But an Intellectual Elite violates everything the American actually detests and is supposed to detest. This elitism represents an anti-democratism in which he can put his heart. As John Ciardi wrote in the Saturday Review, "The idea of an intellectual elite is ... authoritarian" ... and ... "patriotic faith" must reject an authoritarian elite.

However, as Ciardi continued, "I see the place of the deposed authoritarian elite (the snob) taken over by the authoritarian ignoramus (the slob)." The emergence of "the authoritarian ignoramus (the slob)" has been contemporaneous with the nation's mania, during the past 25 years, of sending every adolescent, male and female, to some college. Providing college degrees (not necessarily related in any way to an education) became a new industry. Community colleges sprang into being, existing colleges expanded (many placing an emphasis on the volume of numbers who passed through the classrooms), teaching became a service profession, what was called education became a commodity, and what was called a student became a consumer. Although the nation's long stress on secondary school education for everybody has demonstrably not improved the quality of the American society, it...
was typical of the competitive society’s value-system to make higher education a commodity, packaged and labeled (a degree), available to all consumers.

Unfortunately, like so many other of America’s panaceas, mass higher education produced some baleful side effects. The first casualty was the sense of a privilege that had been earned. When a college “education” became the right of everybody, its value dropped rapidly in the minds of the students themselves. In those long-ago days, if a college graduate belonged to none of the categorized elite, he still enjoyed some sense of prestige, if only by the virtue of being among the few, in a time when a small percentage of the population attended institutions of higher learning. We’ve all known extraordinarily successful men of the older generation, with well cultivated minds beyond their area of power, who never ceased regretting the lack of “opportunity” of going to college. Now that college has come to represent no more of an opportunity than grammar school, it has become little more than a continuation of enforced instruction which for all too many bears no relation to their needs, interests or future competence.

With the glamour and excitement, the sense of adventure, all gone, probably the majority of the anti-intellectuals being processed through classes submitted to this continuation of enforced instruction because the degree—any degree, from any college—was believed to be a passport to a preferential job. Until recently, support for this belief was engendered by employers’ insistence upon a college degree as a qualification for jobs. In a large local corporation there was a scholarly executive (one of those individual elite of the mind) who had grown up in an academic background, and he told of his disgust at watching a personnel administrator separate applications strictly according to college degree and no college degree. The degree might be from some inferior state institution, where the faculty members are encouraged to pass everybody, and the degree holder might be an unmotivated incompetent who, without the prevailing emphasis on body count in the institutions, would not have been admitted into any college. No matter. His application received automatic consideration while automatic rejection went to the applicant who might be a strongly motivated individual of high potential.

This emphasis on the degree produced, in all too many students, the impression that they were receiving a functional education—that so many hours spent in so many prescribed courses would qualify them to function in jobs. However this fallacy came into being, the national college-degree fetish obviously is a part of the whole “leveling” process, of which Robert Frost said, “We have homogenized society—that keeps the cream from rising to the top.” Everything becomes skimmed milk. And some educators, building the size of their student bodies as a means of getting larger appropriations, have undoubtedly encouraged both the emphasis on degrees and the “leveling.” But, as every action must have a reaction, the time had to come when, with every other person holding a college degree from somewhere, the degree ceased to be automatic assurance of a preferential job—or, in this year, any job.

Thus, the individual who had passed the required number of hours in dull dutifulness, in order to obtain his job-passport, discovered that his education was neither functional nor an education. He had been gypped by the Establishment. The feeling of being gypped even while in college accounts for many drop-outs, as the boredom of their courses accounts for many demonstrators. These drop-outs are not only dulars who should never have been admitted in the first place; they are also “under-achievers” who accuse the curriculum of lacking “relevance.”

The protesters against the lack of relevance in their course serve their cause badly by demanding such subjects as Black Studies, Women’s Lib, Pollution, Political Activism and heaven knows what all. With the possible exception of Black Studies after some depth of background has been developed, these are subjects for discussion groups among upper classmen who have already formed the mental disciplines and study-habits through fundamental courses. What the students are protesting about, without defining it, is the nature of courses which do not relate to the individuals’ subjective states of consciousness. Despite the over-use of the word, “alienation,” where the student is dislocated in seeking to find a “meaningful” role in a society whose values hold little appeal, he will be further alienated—more at odds with the system—by uncorrelated subjects which neither fit him for a competence in adult work nor develop him into “an educated man” in the classic meaning of the term.

In those long-ago days, when a college education had a meaning, urban high schools provided actual functional education—as in manual training.
League colleges had a 7% drop in applications. This doesn’t mean that the numbers of students entering these colleges will be effected, since they have long had many more applicants than could be accommodated. It just means that some high school graduates find it pointless to go, say, to Boston to grow a beard and riot when they can do the same anywhere else, cheaper and with easier courses. It means that all aspects of distinction are fading in the assembly line production of educational commodities.

Yet, if there can be a separation between the plodders after degrees and the students who cultivate the mental habit (becoming secretly the elite of the mind), those who aspire to become educated men and women in the traditional sense, despite the leveling system, can achieve a personal distinction as individuals by their own subjective standards.

Dr. Yolles, formerly director of the National Institute of Mental Health, in discussing the vulnerability of the young to drugs, found that alienation caused the individual to seek meaning in subjective states. He said, “Since you can not alter the world . . . you must alter your state of consciousness and perception, that is see the world and experience the world through a ‘high’.” Relevant studies, which engaged the student’s enthusiasm and related to his inner state of being, would be more productive means of altering his state of consciousness and giving meaning to his subjective state.

Of course, he must want to do it, rather than take the easy way, and admittedly the times are not encouraging for the self-discipline, self-denial and the tolerance for delayed gratification which must accompany a long-range goal. But, then, maybe the whole idea of the long-range goal belongs back in the nostalgic days of Ray, ray rah! Zizz, boom bah! when cigarettes (“coffin tacks”) were daring and ladies supposedly said, “Lips that touch whiskey shall never touch mine.” Maybe, as some advance thinking educators suggest, the whole commodity-consumer system of education will have to be demolished and something new devised. Then we must confront the reality that this leveling is the essence of democracy at work . . . and that, of course, is another subject.

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Clifford Dowdery

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