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Orientation: Vision of tomorrow's Albright?

by Linda Carvell
Features Editor

Contrary to tradition, to expectation, Customs happened last Saturday. Regardless of what occurred from Monday to Wednesday, the Customs Happening was the orientation trip to Model Cities. If the traditional customs is a period which introduces and initiates the freshmen to campus life, then last Saturday's excursion introduced and initiated the Class of 1972 into the larger life of the American-crisis world in which they live.

There were many attempts at inciting enthusiasm for work and at starting the spark of genuine interest in the project. One such was offered in the Field House, not too successful. One such was delivered from a dump truck, meant to be appropriate, but hardly. Believing that politics and publicity were necessary to insure success to the clean-up crew, the mayor mounted the truck, issuing his personal thanks and political smile. But where were the photographers? None of the attempts showed a promise or shaped the group into a working Good.

Finally the orders and directions came. Still no promise, but there was group loyalty and a few laughs. Throughout the shouting of locations, a bystander could have confused the Albright entourage with

the D-Day invaders. In fact, after receiving his weapon for the defense against broken glass, one neophyte carried his broom and marched much the same as a tin soldier. As of then, there was still a hollowness of purpose. It seemed that the helpers-to-be were getting a daylight look at their dates of the night before or seeking dates for the night to come.

With their directions received, the

freshmen and group leaders walked to their destinations. There they received their inspiration. Some worked in playgrounds, others in vacant homes, others on railroad tracks, all sites south of Penn Street. The area was not exactly a ghetto and the people involved were not exactly social workers. It didn't matter to the neighborhood because it needed help, and for once, Albright was ready.

Just before the onslaught, it was ques-

tionable as to the effectiveness of these students, called by some "paternal liberals," going into the Model Cities area where they might not be well received. The reality of the onslaught was quite the opposite. Most groups were treated with grateful smiles and warm hospitality. Some of the neighbors offered refreshments. Others offered friendship which could, hopefully, outlast that Saturday of orientation.

Of the several sites, Gilson Alley and Reading Iron Playground were
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Yrigoyen assumes chaplaincy

by Marion Bashore

This year the 'Bright has seen many changes, including a change in the office of chaplain. Albright's new chaplain, Charles Yrigoyen, Jr., was born in Philadelphia in 1937, but is a graduate of Reading High. The son of a minister, chaplain Yrigoyen was preparing for a career in traffic management when, in his junior year at the University of Pennsylvania, he felt the call to the ministry. After graduating from the university with a B. S. in Economics, he entered the Lancaster Theological Seminary and then the Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary. At the moment, Chaplain Yrigoyen is a candidate for his Ph. D. from Temple.

In addition to serving parishes in Gap, Lancaster, and Philadelphia, Chaplain Yrigoyen has had previous experience in campus ministry as the minister for a group of twenty Center City schools for advanced study including colleges, nursing, and technological schools. The chaplain went into campus work because he "enjoys academic atmosphere and being with probably the most exciting group of people today." He said further, "I am very happy to be on the Albright Campus and am eager to meet as many students as possible."
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Chaplain Yrigoyen speaks with Dr. Agnes Ronaldson.



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A SLICE OF THE PIE

by Alan G. Soble, Managing Editor



Sensitive American citizens are fully aware that their society suffers various symptoms, the causes of which are capable of destroying all of our former achievements. Legislation is suggested, but most of this proposed social reform is misdirected. We are content to attack the symptom rather than its immediate cause; this evil strategy is exposed when we club demonstrators instead of realizing that our urban problems cannot be solved until we decrease the percentage of our budget spent on defense. The American refusing to admit that it is futile to utilize police action against dissent is exhibiting the habit this nation has of lying to itself.

In two major disputes the American Establishment has revealed its stubborn persistence in lying. Foremost is the erroneous belief that we can (and must) win an economical war in Southeast Asia. On this point the present Administration still refuses to budge from its long-held position. Second is the outrageous and inconsistent Marihuana Tax Act of 1937, a law which remains as an irrational and unjust attempt by the Establishment to limit cultural pluralism on the American continent. Allen Ginsburg offers a reason why the Administration must continue to promote the hoaxes it has saddled itself with. For if the bureaucracy would try to cleanse itself and to confess its errors on one or two issues, what kind of trust would the public have concerning the government's efficiency in other matters? At best, deception is an expediency, and stability is only an excuse. It is difficult to find justification for falsity in any sphere.

As written by Arnold S. Kaufman, in his volume *The Radical Liberal*, errors committed entrap the human mind, and I perceive that errors committed by the Establishment entrap the operation of the bureaucracy. The only escape, says Kaufman, the only path to sanity and stability, is to release tension by finding fault elsewhere. Usually, the majority members purge their own guilt by focusing their punitive power against weaker minorities, a practice which is called "scapegoatism."

The late H. L. Mencken, referring to Aristotle's idea of *katharsis*, the cleaning of the soul, presented his own argument in favor of continuing capital punishment. Gassing, frying, or hanging a man, or a criminal, says Mencken, allows the public to feel self-righteously innocent. In effect, capital punishment is a glorified method of releasing tension upon a minority group (for a criminal is nothing but one who has not conformed to what is, in final analysis, an arbitrary system); what we practice when executing a person is scapegoatism. History provides us with a bloody example of scapegoatism: Nazi Germany's treatment of the European Jews. Those in contemporary America who fail to see important resemblances between the German persecution of Jews during World War II and the American treatment of leftist students, Negroes, and hippies today are blinded by their dogmatic faith in America and their ability to lie to themselves. The fact that countless lies must be told in order to sustain American life confirms the ugly necessity of scapegoatism.

There are some who struggle to live honestly in a nation where "living a life of integrity is deeply eroded if not destroyed" (Kaufman). One such man is Senator Eugene McCarthy, who will continue to confound the so-called political analysts that predict he will turn hypocritical and support Humphrey. In McCarthy we witness proof that political activists who do not succumb to diplomatic lies for the sake of expediency do not succeed, and have a good chance not to survive. This fault being true of this Establishment indicates necessary gross overhaul, and not one more Vietnam dead.

Letters to the Editor

Still racist

Dear Editor:

As an Albright delegate at the National Student Congress during the week of August 17, I had the privilege of being a voting member. It would have been quite easy to vote as a representative of myself, but as I attempted to maintain an awareness that it was the Albright community that I was representing my approach to the issues on the Congress floor took on many complex alternatives. I was faced with the choice of playing numerous roles as a representative of any one of the several factions which compose Albright College. I could have upheld the conservative ideals of the Albright administration, the moderate to conservative points of view of a great portion of the student body, or even the radical oriented

minority which represents Albright's resistance element, but despite all of these set patterns, I attempted to eliminate any clearcut ideology from influencing my decision making. Instead I felt myself compelled by a consciousness that believes the crusade for social equality and betterment must begin with each individual and not an ideology, an organization, or a movement. I have tried to assume a responsibility not only to myself but to any other individual who also believes that as an individual he too must face the challenge of finding the proper direction for our lost society. So ends my preface in attempting to explain my basic philosophy behind my decision to vote as I did, which was to challenge the credentials of the Albright delegation.

The issue which prompted me to define my tasks as a delegate was in-

EDITORIALLY SPEAKING . . .

ORIENTATION INITIATES NEW LOOK

This was the year of the new approach to Orientation, and the beginning of the new approach to education at Albright College. Not the hot and muggy days, nor even the fiercely obstinate conservatism of aging men afraid of change at Albright, was able to detract from the overall panorama that constituted America in Crisis, and which promises new vitality for our college. If the keynote of our Orientation program was the speech of Robert Aleshire, executive director of the Model Cities program, the keynote of this academic year was more eloquently struck by the Urban renewal project held Saturday morning, September 7.

Mr. Aleshire, the keynote speaker who was chosen by virtue of proximity and convenience (he met the required budgetary considerations), tried to invoke the image of the "new frontier" with constant allusions to the words of John and Robert Kennedy; his frequent use of rhetorical contrivances alternately impressed or depressed one, depending upon how awkwardly he stumbled over them.

There can be no doubt, however, that Mr. Aleshire was both well-informed about his subject and committed to its success. While eating dinner prior to his speech, Mr. Aleshire articulated a pessimism about the future of this country that is apparently reserved for personal moments. Before the students, he was a model of optimism, praising the change in the system already instituted by American youth and prophesizing even greater change and commitment. The debate following Mr. Aleshire's address symbolized a concern not usually present among freshmen more traditionally interested in football than urban renewal. But 1968 is certainly the year of surprise.

The urban renewal project was the heart of the Orientation program. Its transplantation into the freshmen experience was the center of generalized apprehension, yet if it sometimes suffered from unwanted fibrillations, it nevertheless survived the process admirably, suggesting that the New Albright has an optimistic prognosis.

The "fix-up, clean-up" efforts of the 366 freshmen and uncounted orientation leaders elicited warm response from the Model Cities Neighborhood and seemed to generate internal enthusiasm of an unprecedented nature. Many of the students were invited into the homes of the residents and treated to refreshments; many of the students finished their projects quickly and played easily with the children of the neighborhood; a few of the men were even invited into the homes of two prostitutes to help them move their furniture. It was welcome, also, to witness that the program drove the mayor of Reading, Victor Yarnell, into the streets of the Model Cities neighborhood, where he was confronted with angry residents who infrequently have the opportunity to speak with the mayor. The mayor was obviously uncomfortable in his new role, and remarkably unprepared to deal with the problems raised by his constituents; nevertheless the mayor was forced to enter an area of maximal social significance to the Reading community.

The renewal project could not eliminate blight or heal sores which have festered for many years, but it could serve to arouse the interest of the freshman class in a problem of urgent concern. If the project could not serve the immediate problems of our society, it could direct our attentions to these problems and *The Albrightian* believes that this was accomplished. Out of this experience, a tutorial project has been established for the total college community, and an immunization drive has been organized to be directed by the college fraternities. Other possibilities ranging from new and relevant academic courses to additional journeys to the model cities neighborhood are tangible possibilities.

It was unfortunate, however, that the spirit which stirred the students could not also stir the faculty of this college. Those on the faculty who claim the mantle of civic consciousness, who venture periodically into the city to attend their planning meetings or city conferences, might have also considered the importance of this project to the future of Albright. Its success was achieved in spite of their indifference.

The same cannot be said of Bruce Smith, chairman of the Orientation Committee, who worked so diligently and creatively in the formation of the program; to Mickey Mustokoff, President of Student Council, whose direction was instrumental to its success; and to Louis Neislogel, Dean of Students, who organized the project, keeping it alive during the summer months, finally working closely with the students as friend and counselor to the benefit of the college community. It is evident to *The Albrightian*, as indeed it must be to many others here at Albright, that we are witnessing great change which can only serve to improve our college. The 1968 orientation program was testimony to that change.

SMOKESHOP SMUGGLED IN

A cigarette machine has recently been installed in the Campus Center, and with its appearance the student body and the school administration have moved one step closer to mutual understanding and respect. Although the presence of a cigarette machine on campus is, in itself, of minor importance, the inability of the administration and students to communicate for over three years on this trivial issue is symbolic of the minor problems which both students and administration have allowed to stifle and overshadow discussions of much greater importance. Let both the administration and the student body be resolved that never again shall an issue of such slight importance be allowed to interfere with the important process of communication which is essential to the attainment of educational excellence.

roduced as a challenge at the opening legislative plenary. The University of Alabama's credentials were challenged as a result of an all-white elected delegation including the seating of a white appointed delegate. The most obvious controversy was over whether the appointed delegate should be white or black, but more important was the fact that Alabama was only one of all the colleges and universities in America which contain

elements of racism. It was at this point that I felt Albright College, as well as 26 other universities who challenged their own credentials, must be indicted on similar charges of racism. I felt strongly then and I feel the same now as I write about it one week later.

Albright College cannot escape the fact that elements of racism exist on its campus. It is time that the deception of a
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New Faculty (l. to r.): Marion Helz, James Weisz, James Moyer, Henry Shearer, Gary Adelstein. Miss Helz is instructor in English; Mr. Weisz, of the German department; Mr. Moyer of Business and Economics; Mr. Shearer of Business and Economics; and Mr. Adelstein, of the English department.

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church related school which practices and upholds a Judao-Christian ethic will no longer appease those who are the victims of racism on our campus. It is time that we stop blaming our middle class position as the sole determinate for our status quo and stagnate environment. It is time that recruitment of black students is seriously undertaken instead of hearing an excuse that there are no qualified students around. It is time that we realize there is racism on our campus faced by other minority groups as well as the black minority. And finally, it is time that students and administrators sit down and work together in an effort to educate one another in an attempt to improve this problem which we have ignored too long.

I have written this letter as a result of my three years at Albright College, as an individual who has seen, heard, and felt the prejudices of students, faculty, and administrators. Racism is not only found in low income areas, but it is also found at the bottom of Mt. Penn, on the campus of Albright College.

Very truly yours,
Herb Rogove
Vice-President
Student Council

NSA credential challenge

Dear Editor,

I feel that it is necessary to explain why the Albright delegation to the National Student Association Convention challenged its own credentials. Primarily, ours was a protest against institutionalized racism we have found to be inherent on the small college campus. We wished to strike down the veil of pseudo-liberalism covering our college and ones like it.

To condemn the University of Alabama alone would indicate ignorance at best. To overlook the problems facing this country as we move in the direction of equality would be to brand us as hypocrites. Our challenge is issued not only to Albright but to America.

Sincerely yours,
Michael Mustokoff
President Student Council

Chicago, a parallel

Dear Editor:

I feel that what America witnessed in the streets of Chicago on August 29 came very close to being an atrocity. I saw on television dissident youths who had turned to orderly protest bludgeoned into unconsciousness. Their voice, rightly or wrongly unified against war and suppressed dissidence, was forcibly silenced. Their voice was not muted by "talking



New faculty (l. to r.): Marsha Green, Ronald Green, Agnes Ronaldson, Jaime Rodriguez. Dr. and Dr. Green are both members of the Psychology department; Dr. Ronaldson of Home Economics and Dr. Rodriguez of the Spanish department.

sense" and reconciliation, but by helmeted, club-wielding police. Unarmed in peaceful protest, the youths were overcome and dispersed by Mace, tear gas and fixed bayonets.

Chicago was an example, though not typical, of how the responsive youth of today is silenced or unheard throughout the whole of society. This repression is not excluded from society's institutions for higher learning. Many colleges are managed by archaic Boards of Trustees, which routinely apply yesterday's solutions to today's crises.

Such is the state of Albright's Board of Trustees' policies and decisions. I feel that a parallel can most certainly be drawn between the actions in Chicago and the inaction of Albright's Trustees and unenlightened administration. Fortunately, on this campus opposing factions parry with ideals and rhetoric rather than with truncheons and gas.

Administrations in the years past have approved of a student government which was to be used as a tool by the students in order to foster evolutionary programs for the betterment of the college community. They have, however, at the same time imposed unrealistic limitations on student action and innovations which are frustrating proponents of peaceful change. Why have responsible student government actions been stymied time after time by a reluctant handful of key administrators?

A student council made up of responsible student leaders elected by a student constituency has not been given a proper voice. The unified voice of the students is being silenced within the echelons of the present administration by deaf ears and unsympathetic reactionism. In 1968, we the students advocating change and responsibility are calling for a full voice.

Our voice must no longer be silenced by inaction and uncooperation within Dr. Schultz's office building. We feel

Kline addresses Student Council; Reports on N S A convention

Tom Kline's report on the National Student Association convention, and the handling of old business carried over from last semester, highlighted the student council meeting held September 10 in the Campus Center Theater.

During his report, Kline discussed the debate concerning white racism and the decision of the Albright delegation to challenge their credentials in recognition of the racism that exists at Albright. Kline stressed the considerable amount of analysis of the issue before the decision of the delegation was finally reached.

Kline also reported the decision of the association to divide into a dual corporation which would permit political lobbying without the loss of tax-exempt status. His references to the various speakers who appeared at the congress included Dick Gregory, Al Lowenstein, David Harris and Michael Ferber. Kline also stressed

the significance of the convention to the Albright student, expressing the opinion that it was a significant venture into the mainstream of college activity.

In regard to the dining hall, it was announced that coffee and donut hour would be extended to run from 7:45-9:00 a.m. In addition it was also announced that milk would be served at the donut period on Monday and Thursday on a probationary trial status.

Mickey Mustokoff, Student Council President, announced the presence of a cigarette machine in the campus center. Mustokoff stressed the significance of this action as a political victory for the students, speaking in Churchillian terms of the "blood, sweat and tears" which resulted in the student conquest.

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the most successful. Scattered through the area were students playing with the neighborhood children, residents and students working together. The tin soldier found his purpose, as did all those who worked with him. If beauty can be described or captured, it was there among the collected trash, the trash which the city of Reading finally agreed to collect.

If the Reading officials try to claim the fame of that day, offends the truth, for it wasn't the city which roused the spirits or moved the emotion. Instead, it was that marvelous touch of the helping hand, the hand that shook the hand of the black man, pushed the swing of the black child, or lifted the garbage and the wrecked car from a deserted garage.

One scene directly caused by the project was the confrontation of the mayor, who had quick utterances from the truck but who had hardly an answer to the black man who questioned the use of funds. Jack came to watch volunteer students do a small part of what the city might. He questioned the tearing down of buildings, leaving people homeless, the committee talks which left the participants hopeful but later disappointed, and the future of the degenerating homes which, he said, were rented at exorbitant prices with Puerto Ricans and Negroes boarding in the first and second floors and rats boarding in the basement. A woman told the mayor that it was the Neighborhood Association which raised money to furnish the playground, not the city. The previous political smile sickened and the answers did not follow.

Freshmen group loyalty and the traditional customs changed a bit from the narrower scope of campus activity to the larger scope of civic concern. It was a necessary change in orientation.

Greaser appointed Financial aid director

An Albright College alumnus, chairman of the department of science at Lancaster (Pa.) Country Day School, has been named director of financial aid and placement for the college, Dr. Arthur L. Schultz, president, announced.

John W. Greaser, 2708 Avon Avenue, Midvale Manor, will become responsible for administering Albright's extensive scholarship program comprised of various forms of federal, state, and college sponsored financial aid. He replaces Alexander Campbell, Jr., who has been appointed associate director of admissions.

Greaser received the bachelor of science degree from Albright in 1968, and has completed advanced credit work in mathematics at St. Lawrence University, Canton, N.Y., where he attended a National Science Foundation Institute.

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE ORIENTATION COMMITTEE:

Dear Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the members of the Orientation Committee and in particular, Mr. Bruce Smith, Chairman of Orientation, and Mr. Mickey Mustokoff, for the excellent job which you all did in the Freshman Orientation program. I think this year's program was one of the best that we have ever had and I believe everything went smoothly due to your work and cooperation.

It was indeed kind of you to return to school early to help us with this job. Once again my sincere thanks to you all.

Sincerely yours,
Louis F. Weislogel
Dean of Students

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By Arnie Laikin, Sports Editor

Sports can no longer be recognized as an American institution unscathed by racial prejudice. The popular myth that collegiate and professional athletic establishments are free of discrimination against their Black athletes has been exploded by recent revelations, protests and on a positive side, responsive action by some of the establishments.

The particular quandary experienced by the Black athlete appears to be more acute in the collegiate rather than professional ranks. The Black professional athlete, if he is successful, draws a large salary and consequently he has at least secured, for himself, some sort of economic foothold in society. However, for the many Black collegiate athletes who were recruited from ghettos or other socially and economically deprived areas, their attempts to gain any sort of foothold in the world beyond the ghettos is mercilessly frustrated.

The frustrations and resulting dilemma compose a contradiction to one of the basic philosophies supporting a college education. Colleges and universities have shamelessly failed to prepare these athlete-students to face the civic, social, and economic responsibilities of adulthood. The institutions are guilty of not responsibly guiding a recruited Negro athlete who lacks an adequate college preparatory education through his undergraduate years so that he may graduate with his class, and be equipped to either enter a skilled occupation or continue his education. In short, many black athletes have nothing to show for their years in college.

The basic elements in the explanation for the black athlete's failure to emerge successfully through college are twofold. First of all, the individual, regardless of his striving may be frustrated in his efforts by a retarded pre-college education in which academic facilities were shoddy and some of the teachers may have been unconcerned or incompetent. The second element, which will be explained in greater detail, concerns the role of the college.

I first became aware of this problem after reading Sports Illustrated's first installment of "The Black Athlete". The issue was clearly sounded in the magazine. Below I will try to summarize the essential elements.

Black collegiate athletes, like their white counterparts, have a personal future to prepare for beyond what now can be called for many, the superficially glamorous years of their athletic eligibility. The victim of these disillusioning years is the black student-athlete, recruited from a disadvantaged area, who is unable to maintain passing marks in a normal liberal arts curriculum and is "advised" to take the least exacting courses in order to maintain his athletic eligibility. Consequently, the dazed collegian discovers that after four years of undergraduate work he does not qualify for a degree. Furthermore, his athletic eligibility is over and since he can no longer contribute to Exploit U.'s clinching of their conference championships he loses his scholarship. The abused individual is now unable to pay his own expenses to complete whatever courses he might need for his degree. Neither does he have his former disinterested coach who at least prodded him to attend the meager classes he once frequented.

After this "rewarding" college experience the frustrated black athlete has no where to turn except to the squalor of his pre-college days.

Recently, encouraging attempts have been made to remedy such exploitive treatment by such means as the hiring of Black coaches by some colleges and universities. These schools either recognized this problem on their own or were forced to recognize it by forceful protests and boycotts by their own black athletes.

Now is the time for all white spectators who idolize, taunt, cheer, or boo black athletes to become fully aware of the existence of this type of discrimination and selfish disinterestedness on the part of some college and university coaches, faculty members and administration.

With the spotlight of bigotry glaring on hallowed athletic reputations, college athletics is scurrying to preserve whatever integrity it still possesses as an American institution of equality.

Lions up for winning season

The sound of pads cracking can be heard on Kelchner Field in the late afternoons as the Lions enter their final week of pre-season practice before he season's opener with Lycoming here Saturday night, September 21.

There has been an air of great anticipation toward this season as the Lions will attempt to extend their present five game winning streak. Albright's toughest games appear at this time to be at the very beginning of the season. An opening game is always interesting since those nervous jitters have to be overcome.

This might be especially true for the freshmen, who will be playing in their first collegiate game. The second game pits the Lions against an unbeaten Juniata team of a year ago who appear to be powerful again. Albright will then proceed to travel to Massachusetts the following week to play an always strong Springfield team.

If Albright's defensive unit performs as should be expected, the Lion's could very well get off to a start that would extend their winning streak considerably. The defense will be bolstered this year by Tom Sweeney and Tom Gargullo who return to action along with Joe Kacanda, who missed most of last year after suffering a broken arm. In the secondary

we should be seeing a unit that worked well together all of last year as they combined for a large number of HAWKS (interceptions).

Senior safeties Herb Nauss and Don Seibert will be expected to be the inspiring and motivating force for the entire defense. Juniors Bill Cooper and Terry Rhodes round out the secondary and are returning with a year's experience behind them. Sophomore Frank Klassen will be heading up the linebacking core.

The defense is the squad that may be taken for granted or overlooked in a box score, but this is the team that must get the offense good field position.

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ble." Also, he hopes to complete his Ph. D. dissertation in the field of the history of Christian theology while here at the 'Bright.

Chaplain Yrigoyen, his wife, Jeannette, and his two children, Debra Jean, 9, and Charles III, 8, reside at 1401 North Thirteenth Street. In addition to serving on various committees in the Philadelphia United Methodist Church and conference, he is on the abstracting staff of a theological magazine, Religious and Theological Abstracts, published in Myers-town.

Eagles train at the 'Bright

By CARMEN PAONE, Executive Editor

Nearly every summer, Mark Raith travels to Nantucket Island with his family where he spends his vacation. Mark is an aspiring flanker back and one day he hopes to be catching passes for the Philadelphia Eagles.

He would practice for hours on end all of the moves which a flanker back must perfect to be effective. Up and down the isolated isle's sandy beaches would he run. He would weave in and out of the sand dunes pretending that the dunes were National Football League (NFL) defensive backs.

But one thing was missing for Mark out of this summer of fun. Back at Albright, the Eagles were holding their first training camp in Reading which was over 550 miles away.

What were they doing on any particular day? How does Bobby Brown look? What sort of new plays are they coming up with? These are just some of the questions which his inquisitive mind could ask.

Daily, he would scan the sports section of The New York Times looking for a small dispatch from the Pennsylvania Dutch Country about his favorite Birds.

But the dispatches were few and far between. Perhaps, you were isolated on another island this summer, or maybe you were isolated by an island of work. If that's the case and you didn't keep up with the Eagles' activities at Albright, then join me as I tell Mark about the Summer with Joe Kuharich and the Boys.

Well, Mark, it started off at a slow pace. At first, 23 eager and strong rookies came to camp July 14th looking for jobs. Meanwhile, the veterans were not sure they were going to have jobs at all. It was the time of the threatened strike by the players against the owners.

King Hill, a part-time bargaining agent, part-time quarterback, and a part-time nice guy, came to Reading that first weekend and established a strike headquarters at the Holiday Inn. Yes, Mark, the same place where some of the frats have their parties.

As it turned out, the strike quarters were not needed because the whole issue was settled within the next four days. Finally, the veterans arrived. They trooped in with an air of confidence and after the first day of practice, they slinked back to their beds at East Hall bathed in an air of sweat. Coach Joe Kuharich, also known as the talking machine, was on a hot tough in Vietnam, err his conditioning program. "We will be ready," he said with all of the air of a Bismarck.

Well, Mark, the Eagles were not ready by their first game with the Detroit Lions. You know the one that was supposed to be played at Mexico City, but was played at another foreign site—Franklin Field in Philadelphia.

The game was played sans tamales and all of the other Mexican artifacts were missing, but the Eagles and the Lions were there.

The Lions won the game, 20-3, Mark, and the Eagles lost Norm Snead as well

as losing the contest. Snead broke the fibula in his left ankle (ask the pre-meds to explain just which bone that is) and will be out until September 22. That's the story of the whole season, Mark. Snead is probably one of the best quarterbacks in the league. Last year he threw for 3,500 yards and hit for 29 touchdowns.

Without his strong right arm, the Eagles were in deep offensive trouble. They lost to Miami of the American Football League, 23-7, and then they were battered by Minnesota, 52-10.

The morale at the camp was about as low as Jerry Wolman's bank account. But then something happened. That something wasn't the discovery of an authentic Middle East dancer at one of the local bistros. Instead, it was a win over Boston by a slim 22-20 margin.

The win did wonders for the team because they came back next week to stun the Giants, 21-7.

That's about it Mark. It was a summer of excitement and boredom. It was a summer of hope at the start and then despair and finally back to hope. It was a summer that Albright College was mentioned across the nation on television and by the wire services. It was a summer that this writer received an insight into the Eagles that he never had before.

What's my prediction for the season, Mark? 3-11 no more and no less.

The young man excused himself from the conversation. His junior high football team was about to have a practice session. His slender body was moving around the field as he caught passes and dreamed.

HARRIERS PLAGUED BY PRESEASON INJURIES

Six runners showed up for Albright's new pre-season cross country camp which began on Tuesday, September 3. Coach George Mack welcomed his team nucleus of Al Adelman, Bob Dingle, Carl Kuhl, Paul Schleperdt, Scott Sheldy, and Arnold Laikin to the camp at a supper Tuesday evening. The following morning, after a brief silent devotion to the goddess of swift feet, the team began their first workout as a unit after a trying 1967 season of one victory against ten defeats.

The training camp consisted of three daily workouts. There were cross country runs at 6 a.m. and 4 p.m. and a 10 a.m. sprint workout. The morning jaunts were performed under the watchful eye of Mr. Bill Shirk, an Albright alumnus helping out Coach Mack.

Unfortunately by the week of September 10th the squad had been hit by injuries to runners Adelman and freshman Schleperdt. Also, Bob Fallan, Stunning a year ago as a freshman until injuring his foot, is recuperating from another minor injury, but is being counted on to recapture last year's form.

The squad has scheduled twelve meets. The first is a home game against Juniata on September 28. Come on out and yell at a runner!

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Part-time help wanted.