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Viet Nam Teach-In Scheduled For Tomorrow

The Vietnamese Past: The United States Future

By Michael J. Scarcella

The United States involvement in Viet Nam is an inescapable fact. An unfortunate fact to be sure, but nevertheless this is the situation as it exists today. Many have argued that the course of United States involvement since 1945 bears little on today's issues. The past is gone, and it is of no use to complain of previous mistakes. The question now, they propose, is how to solve the problem—how to end the war. This is indeed the major problem confronting the United States. However, those who would attempt to seek solutions for the future without taking heed of the truths of the past are doomed to provide inadequate solutions. It is only through an intelligent appreciation of the failures and mistakes of the past that one can understand the nature of the present and make some predictions on the future.

In essence, the failure of the United States to appreciate the nature of events in Viet Nam and her misinterpretation of major developments there is the primary cause for the Viet Nam imbroglio. For at the heart of each major decision that the United States makes today is the inaccurate reading of the type of war Viet Nam was troubled with in the early 1950's. Each step today reflects a failure of a pro-

gram or a policy of yesterday.

Perhaps the greatest mistake the U.S. has committed in Viet Nam is not to recognize the dual nature of the Vietnamese Communist. Had the United States viewed the Viet Minh as they truly were after World War II—Communists but also ardent nationalists—perhaps she could have better influenced the course of events which followed. The indiscriminate labeling of Communists as evil and not worth deal-

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Foreign Affairs Council, YM-YWCA Sponsoring Event

A Viet Nam "Teach-in", sponsored by the Albright YM-YWCA and the Foreign Affairs Council of Reading and Berks County, will be held in the dining hall from 7 to 12 p.m. on Friday, April 29.

Four well-known professors and a State Department representative will join Dr. Charles A. Raith in lectures and discussions on this timely problem. Professor Philip A. Eyrich is to serve as moderator. At 7 p.m. Dr. Raith will speak on American Foreign Policy Objectives. Dr. Vernon Aspaturian, Professor of Political Science at the Pennsylvania State University will follow with Sino-Soviet-Vietnamese Policy Objectives. Dr. Aspaturian is the author of *The Soviet Union in the World Communist System*. A question and answer period will follow.

The War and the American Economy and Society will be discussed by Dr. Terrence McCarthy, Professor of Economics at Columbia Uni-

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The Vietnamese War: Freedom Is On Trial

By William R. Maslo

International Communism is dedicated to the destruction of freedom throughout the world and, by that token, to the conquest of all free nations including our own. Three major efforts at this time is concentrated in Southeast Asia and in particular, Viet Nam. They are waging active war against the free people of South Viet Nam. Over 220,000 American troops are in Viet Nam today. They are there for two reasons: we have pledged our honor to protect the freedom and sovereignty of Viet Nam; the ultimate aim of the Communist world is to isolate and overcome the United States, and Viet Nam today is our first line of defense.

The liberal will tell us that the war in Viet Nam is only a civil insurgency: The struggling of a free people trying to overthrow the chains of a tyrannical political machine, which is supported only by American political force. Nothing could be further from the truth.

The Viet Cong, and its political arm, the National Liberation Front, are true believers in the Communist ideology. Eleven regiments of North Vietnamese Army regulars are presently in South Viet Nam. They take their orders directly from Hanoi.

Reams of evidence have been compiled by the Department of State to support this contention. Whenever we hear claims that the Viet Cong are in the spirit of the American Revolution we should remember that, by and large, these are the same people who described Mao Tse-Tung and his men as "agrarian reformers" and Fidel Castor as "the George Washington of Latin America."

There is also little evidence to indicate that the Vietnamese people do not appreciate nor desire our presence there. If such evidence did exist, I too would

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Dr. Arthur L. Schultz Officially Installed As Albright's President



THE BEGINNING — Representatives from 296 colleges (above) begin the parade to the Albright Chapel where the official inauguration of Dr. Arthur L. Schultz as Albright President took place. Dr. Schultz is shown below as he is formally installed by George C. Bollman, President of the Board of Trustees. The new President, tenth in Albright's history, then made his inaugural address.



CAPACITY CROWD WITNESSES CHAPEL CEREMONY APR. 23

By Jack Lattemann

Dr. Arthur LeRoy Schultz was formally installed as the tenth President of Albright College on Saturday, April 23. With representatives from 296 colleges and universities in attendance, greetings were conveyed to Dr. Schultz from the Church by Bishop Reuben H. Miller, president of the National Council of Churches and president of the Board of Bishops of the Evangelical United Brethren Church, from the American Council on Education to Charles A. Seidle,

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TO THE STUDENTS OF ALBRIGHT COLLEGE:

Words are inadequate for me to convey to each of you my deepest thanks and appreciation for your wonderful support, assistance, and cooperation on Inauguration Day last Saturday, April 23rd.

To the Albright College Concert Choir, the Woodwinds Ensemble, the student guides, hosts and hostesses, Alpha Phi Omega, Alpha Iota Sigma, Home Economics Organization, George H. Kershner, Organist, waiters and waitresses, and student representatives at the Inauguration Program, my sincere thanks. Your participation made the day a most memorable one for me.

Gratefully yours,
Arthur L. Schultz
President



AND THE END—part of the overflow crowd which filled the Albright Chapel last Saturday begins to leave the building (above) at the conclusion of the inauguration ceremony. A luncheon was held in the dining hall soon thereafter. Shown below are Dr. Schultz, his wife Louise and daughter Rebecca outside the chapel. The president's son, Tom, was not present for this picture.



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**Life,
Love,
Politics**

By William R. Maslo



In last week's Student Council mantle ceremony retiring Council President Emmett Venett reviewed the accomplishments of his administration during the past year. We believe Venett did a good job as president, but, as is customary, at such affairs, he took credit for too many improvements.

He began by asserting that Council should get a large part of the credit for the Albright Reform Movement (ARM) report because it was accepted by Council as a point of information. For anyone not familiar with parliamentary procedure, to accept a document as a point of information is to accept the report as presented, without commenting on its validity, a maneuver similar to that employed by many Congressmen in "reading documents" for the Congressional Record. The credit for ARM, if some credit is due must go to men like Marc Richman, Peter Beichtman and Dave McNeely who identified themselves with the movement to the extent that its success or failure became synonymous with their own.

Venett also stated that the students who circulated the petition asking for additional vacation time during the Thanksgiving holiday should have brought the complaint to his Council rather than engaging in such an unorthodox procedure as to present a petition to the President of the college. We believe that the maneuver was a good thing—especially if we measure its value by the results obtained. If Venett and Council were not aware that the student body was unhappy to attend classes until four o'clock the day before Thanksgiving, we can only deduce that they were not really knowledgeable of their needs and interests of their constituents.

To be sure, there were some proposals which met with mediocre success such as the creation of a parliamentarian position to instill some order out of the usual chaos at meetings. And let us not forget that Venett placed Council's treasury on the line and re-introduced big-name entertainment on campus. As suggested in the ARM report, a traffic court was established to hear student traffic grievances. The Ivy Ball showed a profit for the first time in recorded history. And, finally, Student Council was allowed to have its first office.

One of the most important facets of Venett's administration was the dignity with which he conducted himself while in office. He also worked in close cooperation with the administration for what he honestly felt was the best interest of the student body. Our former president walked, and sometimes stumbled, over the first mile; the road remaining is long and rocky. A strong Student Council chief executive is desperately needed to keep Council from becoming a meaningless body.

Mr. Leber . . . let us continue.



STUDENT PARADISE?—This is a workman's eyecrow of the construction of the Student Union Building currently in progress. Construction is proceeding at a normal rate and the project should be completed according to schedule. The dining hall, already minus its two front entrances, will lose its lobby this summer as part of the building plans.

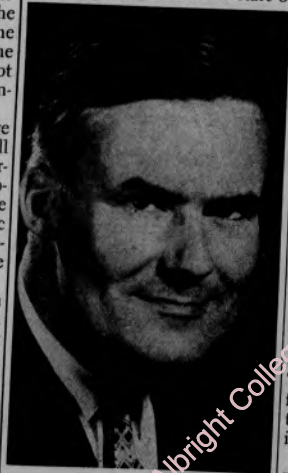


TOPICAL TRIO—These are the members of the Mitchell Trio whose appearance highlighted the second annual Junior-Senior Weekend on the Albright campus. Despite playing to a crowd not as large as anticipated, the visiting artists made a very favorable impression upon the students. In addition to the Mitchell appearance, a dinner-dance and a road rally were held during the weekend.

HALF-DAY ONLY:

FACULTY VETOES RECOMMENDATION FOR ONE DAY READING PERIOD

The faculty voted on the report prepared and presented to them by the Student-Faculty Reading Period Committee on April 18. This statement, as presented by the committee, urged the acceptance of two main proposals. The first was the rescheduling of registration day this semester from Wednesday May 25 to Tuesday May 24, in order to provide students with a day and a half reading period before the start of final exams on Thursday. The second proposal recommended the permanent establishment of a two day reading period before the start of final exams each semester.



Richard H. Lee
... discussion leader

**Film, Discussion
Feature Christian
Science Program**

The Faith and Heritage Club will present a program entitled "The Science of Solving Problems" in Smith Hall Lounge on Sunday, May 1 at 7:30 p.m. A film, "The Story of Christian Science," will be shown and Richard H. Lee, a Christian Science practitioner from Washington, D. C., will give comments and lead an informal discussion.

This year marks the centennial of the Christian Science Church founded by Mary Baker Eddy. For 100 years, Christian Scientists have been demonstrating the healing power of Love to overcome physical

ills, inharmonious human relationships, and mental and moral problems. The application of spiritual understanding in daily college life can be discussed with Lee whose advisorship to the Christian Science Organization at The American University has kept him keenly aware of contemporary college life. He attended Cornell University and began his study of Christian Science in the Army during World War II. He has served his local church as Reader, Building Chairman and Board Chairman. Before becoming a practitioner, Lee was active in music as a composer and director.

In relation to the second proposal, the faculty voted in favor of the establishment of either a one and a half or a two day reading period before exams next year. The faculty approved the idea of a reading period and agreed that it could be useful and beneficial to the students.

**Letters To
The Editor**

To the Editor:

I am deeply disturbed at the level, intellect and ethical, at which the current debate concerning "Come, Cheer Alma Mater" is being carried. I agree with your statement in the editorial of April 21, saying "it (The Albrightian) promoted what could become a stimulating and profitable dialogue" (although I think you could have chosen a more fitting word than "promoted"); this could be a profitable dialogue, but up to this time it has not been for the most part. Instead it has "degenerated into a . . . display of name-calling and satirical implications." But it is not "one-sided." Your arguments are as full of "name-calling and satirical implications" as anyone else's. For instance, in the April 21 editorial you again refer to "self-appointed intellectuals." What is that if it is not name-calling?

When the first publication of "Drum" came out, I was very impressed to read that its purpose is "to encourage discussion of significant issues." However, its very first article left me as disillusioned as your editorials, for, rather than dealing with issues, Mr. Richman has likewise resorted to name-calling. If calling the editor of the campus newspaper a "fool" is a significant issue, then heaven help us at Albright.

Forgive me for citing only you and Mr. Richman as examples. I have talked with many others who have delighted themselves with using the term "self-appointed intellectuals" to point a finger at someone. I have also associated quite frequently with some of the subjects of that epithet, and they, by no means, lack a repertoire of words referring to you. (I too share their guilt for this.)

However, I think there is still hope for this debate; some people (such as Mr. Damon in his article in "Drum") have refrained from "name-calling and satirical implications" and have argued against issues, not against persons. Mr. Glodek, Miss Mayo, Miss Farmer, Mr. Jeffrey, Mr. Moyer, Miss Wilkins, Mr. Ravetz, "a student of Albright," Mr. Zwerin and Mr. Soble have gotten back to the issues in their April 21 letters to the editor, rather than indulging in the immature arguing that has been going on.

All of us at Albright ought to heed the words of William James: "the blindness in human beings . . . is the blindness with which we all are afflicted in regard to the feelings of creatures and people different from ourselves." We must not let our own blindness (pride) keep us from seeing that the other fellow has a point of view that is important to him. If it is more important to preserve our own pride, then certainly our debate will degenerate. But if it is more important to be proud of Albright and concerned that she have and be the best, then our efforts to find and bring about the best will progress at a level which will be a credit to us all.

Respectfully,
William R. Granda

PAT CAR WASH

The Pi Alpha Tau sorority will sponsor a carwash on Saturday, April 30, from 9 A.M. to 3 P.M. at Breon's Atlantic Station on 13th Street in Reading. A charge of \$1.25 will guarantee a sparkling, shining car—the type that only a woman's touch can accomplish.

DR. SCHULTZ'S INAUGURATION

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vice-president of Lehigh University and from sister EUB institutions by I. Lvnd Esch, president of Indiana Central College.

After an anthem, "The Last Words of David" sung by the Albright College concert choir under director LeRoy B. Hinkle, Dr. Schultz was officially installed as President by George C. Bollman, President of the Board of Trustees. The new President then delivered his inaugural address, entitled "What Makes a College?"

He opened his speech by making the following declaration: "I will strive to think of my office as an opportunity to serve my God and my fellowmen. I will strive to be humble, as I walk in the shadow of distinguished men, am associated with an outstanding institution and am the beneficiary of a rich tradition. I will strive to be teachable for only he who is willing to be taught is himself worthy to teach. I will strive to remember the noble past, not as an idol to be worshipped, but as a foundation on which to stand and reach toward a better future. I will strive to keep persons and their ultimate good foremost in planning and action. I will strive to make God's purpose the motivating force of life, and the extension of His Kingdom the highest objective. These things I will strive to do, God being my helper. To the best of my ability, I accept the charge."

Extending his appreciation of assistance rendered to him by past President Harry V. Masters, Dr. Schultz stressed that "students, faculty, trustees, alumni, parents, townspeople, church members, donors and friends of Albright... really make this college." Observing that students come from many different backgrounds, the new President stated that the college "seeks to help a student to think clearly and purposefully, to have something to live for, to have something to live by, to accept and apply Judeo-Christian moral and spiritual values, to sense what is most important in life, to do the will of God, to use the Bible as the Guide Book for living."

Subsequently, Dr. Schultz praised the teachers of Albright. He said, "I have found that good teaching is at the heart of Albright College. Here is a point at which Albright can take pride in its past. If the student's mind is to be quickened by knowledge, if his spirit is to be sparked with inspiration, we must have great teachers." He also expressed his appreciation of the Board of Trustees and "those who compose the constituency of the College as partners in a common cause."

Finally, Dr. Schultz concluded his remarks by emphasizing: "All of us gathered here today must see ourselves in relation to Albright and the makings of a college:

1. Let students see the richness of all that Albright offers and desire to make the best possible use of college privileges which all too soon will have become a matter of record and beyond one's grasp.
2. Let faculty and administrative officers see the high privilege of investing their lives in young people who are becoming the leaders of the future.
3. Let visiting representatives

The Vietnamese Past . . .

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ing with left little room for an effective and flexible policy. The paranoic fear of the communist monolith which pervades U.S. policy is both inaccurate and inimical to United States national self-interest. Nationalism is a part of the Vietnamese, the U. S. should recognize this and use it to serve her own purposes.

The United States failed also to see the Viet Nam war as it truly was in the mid 50's—a civil war. Although the present Administration policy is based upon the theory that the war began as aggression from the North Vietnamese, there is little evidence to substantiate this.

It was, instead, an indigenous re-



volution began in the south by South Vietnamese against the oppressive Diem regime. Almost all the evidence compiled by American and foreign experts who have studied the situation support this contention. Bernard Fall, Felix Devillers, Ellen Hammer, George Kennan, and many more typify this support.

The danger in not recognizing the war as essentially a civil one is reflected in the approach to its solution. As Fall indicates there is much too much a political and social aspect to the Vietnamese war for it to be won by military means. The ineffectiveness of the U.S. in capturing the support of the Vietnamese people demonstrates how harmful a policy based on a misinterpretation can be. Perhaps if the U.S. had recognized the indigenous nature of the war more effort would have

been given to social and political reform which would benefit the populous rather than merely bolstering the Diem military machine. These two mistakes typify the important failures of the U.S. in Viet Nam. It is extremely important to be aware of these because they may soon enough find their way to the front of American foreign policy in other countries. It is dangerous for the U.S. not to see the subtle nuances that operate within the Underdeveloped countries. There are other means than force for dealing with the problems they present. Now, and in the foreseeable future, the U.S. is going to have to deal with these countries and the communist threat some of their internal parties may present. It is important that the U.S. look to the past—especially Viet Nam, and see the mistakes she has made. It is imper-

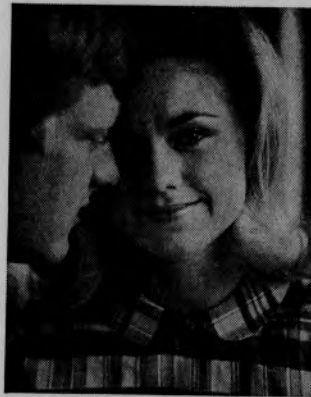
ative that for her own national self-interest and for the sake of peace that the U.S. recognizes that she cannot operate solely on a policy of force to maintain her status as a respected world power.

Freedom on Trial

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advocate withdrawal. The recent Buddhist demonstrations are but an internal power struggle. Buddhist and Catholic leaders alike realize the importance of American involvement in Viet Nam. The South Vietnamese people have over 500,000 men under arms to resist the Red aggression from the North. The people, and especially the college students, of the United States must realize that we can never again afford to appease an ideology which it proposes to conquer the world.

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