

3-3 PLAN IS IN BY FACULTY VOTE

Now: When Will It Begin?

By majority vote last night the faculty voted favorably on the principle of the 3-3 plan. The tally was 49 persons voting for, 12 voting against and one abstention.

What happens now? President Robert D. Swanson has asked the Ad Hoc Committee to meet one more time to consider the question

of implementation. They will report back at the next meeting of the faculty, to be held in February.

Presumably, the faculty will vote on it at this time.

Chairman of the committee, which has prepared the report on the plan, is Dr. Howard

Potter. Other members are Dean of the Faculty, Dr. William Boyd; Dr. Samuel Cornelius; Dr. Musa Hussayni; Dr. Jacob DeYoung; Dr. Frank Jackson; Mr. Wesley Dykstra and Mr. Paul Storey.

The 3-3 plan means that every student takes 3 courses every eleven weeks for three terms a

year. (For specific information on this plan, see story, this page.)

There has been some talk around campus of a mass meeting for students to discuss the plan in detail. For further information watch the almanian.

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The Winners!

Teke Took-ems, B-Ball No. 1 Reign Over A, B Leagues

by Bob Van Every

Intramural basketball for the 1963-64 season is now in the record book, as a result of the quick finishes in both leagues Friday night. In the "A" League, the Teke Took-ems took the championship with three straight wins, ending in a thrilling 52-47 triumph over the Sig Taus, while the "B" League finals proved that the Basketball No. 1 team was king. They squeaked out a 48-47 win over the Vets. Let's take a closer look, though, at the games that led to the Friday night in the senior circuit.

In Monday's games, the Sig Taus made a stirring comeback in overtime, while the Took-ems overwhelmed their opponents in the first round of the play-offs for all teams. In the first game, the Beavers were tied on two last second free throws by Ron Cain, causing the game to go into overtime. The Sig Taus went in front on baskets by Mike Tucker and Cain, winning on a quick jump shot by Cain after the Beavers had recovered the tie. The final score—Sig Taus 69, Beavers 67!

The second "A" League game, between the Took-ems and HTS, saw the Tekes grab a twelve-point half-time lead, flounder through the third quarter, but finally rally to come out on top by twenty-two points, 64-42.

As a result of these games, the winners—the Sig Taus and Took-ems—as well as the losers—the Beavers and the HTS's—were to clash in the second round of the double elimination tournament, to be played Wednesday night.

In the latter contest, the Beavers started strong in the first quarter, gaining a seven point lead, and held on until half-time, staying in front, 30-24. Al Borgman, accounting for a probable record twenty-points in that period, led his

team to within two points of the Beavers, 73-71.

The nightcap contest saw the Sig Taus hold the Tekes to only five points in the first quarter but lead by just one at the half, 14-13. Opening their lead to five points in parts of the third quarter, the Sig Taus seemed to lose their touch and the Took-ems went out in front for the first time in the game near the beginning of the final quarter. They ended their uphill battle minutes later, defeating their opponents 48-43.

As a result of these contests, the losers played Thursday night, with the Sig Taus coming out on top 60-53.

And so . . . the stage was set for what was to be the finale. The Sig Taus scored only sixteen points in the first half, compared to twenty-five for the Tekes. The Took-ems increased their lead to thirteen points during the third quarter and it appeared as if they would make a rout of the contest. The Sig Taus recovered though, largely through the play of Lockwood, and moved to within five points with two minutes left on the clock, with Barry Sims and Van Mulligan on the bench for the Tekes but the Sig Taus were unable to utilize their advantage effectively, the game ending with a Took-ems victory and "A" League championship, 52-47.

"A" League

	W	L	Pct.
Sig Taus	7	1	.875
Took-ems	7	2	.778
HTS	6	2	.750
Beavers	5	3	.625
Sig 6-1	4	4	.500
Take-ems	2	6	.250
Marauders	1	7	.125
Faculty	0	7	.000

"Top Five—A" League"

Lockwood, Sig Taus	126
D. Gray, Beavers	104
Bushouse, Took-ems	95
Huner, Sig Taus	95
Mulligan, Took-ems	94

"Top Five—B" League"

Rone, Mighty Ghosts	102
B. Jones, Colt 45 No. 1	94
Wyman, Peanuts	93
Peacock, Vets	88
Riddell, Vets	79

IFC Releases Rules; Rush Begins After Vacation

The rushing and pledging rules released by the IFC, Inter-Fraternity Council, are as follows for the spring semester:

a. The information panel will be held at 8:30 p.m. Monday, February 3.

b. The houses will be closed starting at 8:30 p.m. Monday, February 3 until after bids come out.

c. The rush list will be open from 11-1 and 5-7 from Tuesday through Friday, February 4-7.

d. Fraternity smokers will start at 8 p.m. or appointed hours on Tuesday, (Tekes) Thursday, (Delt Sigs) and Friday, (Sig Taus).

e. The bids will be handed out at 12 noon, Saturday, February 15 in Tyler.

1. All persons who sign the rush list must pay \$1.

2. All persons who sign must have three pictures of themselves.

3. All signees must have a 2.00 over-all average.

Pledging for the spring semester will run as follows:

First week—Feb. 16-Feb. 22

Second week—Feb. 23-Feb. 29

Third week—Mar. 1-Mar. 7

Fourth week—Mar. 8-Mar. 14

Fifth week—Mar 15-Mar. 21

Sixth week—Mar. 22-Mar. 28

(Vacation starts Thurs. Mar. 26)

Seventh week—Mar. 29-April 4

(During Spring vacation)

Eighth week—April 5-April 11

("Help Week" can be held during this period or, if desired, can be held one week later, thus giving eight full weeks of pledging.)

The rush lists will be stationed in Tyler as last semester with three fraternity representatives (one from each fraternity) there to answer questions.

The rush list will be open for signing at the above hours, at which time your money and pictures will be received by the fraternity representatives.

Feeling dragged out and weary? Worried about finals? If you think you have problems, just read this item which appeared in the December 13 issue of the Hope College anchor:

"The number of All-College dances shall be limited to one per week," quoth the Board of Trustees.

Thus, because of the all-college Christmas Dance tonight, there will be no dancing in the Student Union.

Hours for the Union, henceforth, will be 8-12 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, as well as 1-5 on Saturday afternoons.

A Union sub-committee, composed of Pat Simpson, Jim Boeringa and Cal Poppink, is struggling to solve the dancing conflict. Their proposal is for dancing in the Unions, regardless of other campus activities. Student Life Committee, as well as President Vander Werf, must approve the proposal.

African New Year For Smith

Dear Friends,

Harry, Denton, Immanuel, Noel, Samuel, Antonio, Jesus—these are the names of just a few of the many people who have gone out of their way to help Miss Case and me.

I met Phyllis on the 27th in Onitsha—a port on the Niger River whose market, the largest in West Africa, serves the Eastern region of Nigeria. In size and activity it reminded me of the Michigan State Fair. In the next three days we saw Neurvi, Owerri, Aba, and Port Harcourt. We were being mauled in the Aba lorry park by three competing lorry drivers when a young Nigerian businessman asked us if we'd like a ride to Opobo in his car. We learned that his name is Harry Opusunju and when he discovered that we wanted to spend New Year's in Opobo town he insisted that we stay with him.

Opobo town was founded around 1850 by a group of African slave traders under the leadership of King Jaja. It is on an inlet from the Atlantic and is accessible only by boat. The town functioned as a sovereign state and Jaja entertained important traders from several countries. The church and the houses of important men were imported from England and would look more at home at Cape Cod. Street lamps marked the sidewalks which crossed green carpets of grass. It was still much like that when we saw it on New Year's day. A dance contest was held on the sand of the Jaja compound, and each clan fielded a group of thirty to fifty dancers.

On the side were smaller groups—simple plays and clowns or jujus. The day was climaxed by the appearance of a juju (a man dressed up as a spirit—you might think he was a "witch doctor") on a roof. As he ran wildly about he was "shot" many times—guns were fired into the air and the juju was pelted with an egg each time. Finally he died and fell off the roof.

That was New Year's.

Sincerely,
Jerry

3-3 Raises Questions; Specific Answers Given

Boyd Deals with Tuition, Transfers, Benefits, Vacation

The 3-3 proposal has brought up many questions which have been unanswered for many students. Here is a collection of them with answers supplied by Dean William Boyd.

Boyd commented, however, that with these questions the students are leaping ahead of the faculty who voted only on the principle of the plan with specific details to be worked out.

Won't tuition go up, as it will be paid three times?

No. There will be no immediate effect on the cost of tuition. In the long run, the plan will help to hold down costs.

What about transferring credits to other schools?

Registrars are already accustomed to translating term

hours and semester hours and they will handle it.

What happens when a student fails a course?

Even under the present system, students who fail a course are not able to make it up with an overload and usually take a summer course. Most schools on the 3-3 plan require 36 courses for graduation but only 35 or even 34 must be passed. This is done so that the consequences of the failure will not be too great and students will not be too cautious about taking courses they may not do well in.

Will athletic schedules be affected?

There may be some difficulty in scheduling events but this has been overcome at other schools.

How has this plan worked at other colleges?

The students have greatly benefitted from the plan. Such quality schools as Dartmouth, Occidental, Lake Forest, Lawrence in Wisconsin and Carleton in Minnesota operate on the 3-3 plan. Kalamazoo College has a variation of it.

How will students benefit?

There will be only three courses to work with; schedules will be far neater and more efficient, for there will be few conflicts in scheduling; and there will be no Saturday classes.

These are the primary advantages of the system. They benefit the students and not the faculty or administration.

How many times a week will courses meet?

Introductory courses will meet not more than five times and probably four. Advanced courses may meet less than that.

What about student teaching?

The student would teach for one term and part of another and then take an education course for the rest of the term. This involves a reworking of the curriculum in the education department.

What about Thanksgiving vacation?

It is possible to have one and of the same length as at present; other schools on the plan do. The pressure of time comes not in the first term but in the last two.

Scots Are Busy; Face Chicago, I.I.T. Over Break

Two non-conference road games await the Scots during the semester break. Thursday, January 30, will find Coach Hintz's chargers in the Windy City to face the University of Chicago. The Chicago school was at one time a member of the Big Ten conference before dropping intercollegiate athletics. They have relaxed their policies recently and have scheduled some games this season, but they have not played any common opponents of the Scots.

On Saturday, February 1, Alma will travel to Detroit for a return match with Lawrence Tech. The game will be played at the spacious Olympia Stadium as part of LIT's Homecoming. In the season's earlier game Bill Pendell led the Scots to a 97-63 decision at Phillips Gymnasium. Other high scorers were Bud Acton with 22, Tom Miller with 17, and Ray Moore with 16.

Alma's cagers could use all the support possible in these two contests on unfamiliar courts. The game at Olympia will enable many Detroit area students and their friends and families to see the Scots in action. Several students are already planning to make both trips to support the Scots.

Lisle Program Offers Summer Opportunities

An interesting and worthwhile summer opportunity awaits the student who takes part in the Lisle Fellowship program. This "different type" of seminar explores the culture and humanity of countries throughout the world, besides the United States. It is a "group experience in intercultural relationships". It gives a practical understanding of people in a new modern approach to education.

Lisle is a summer workshop in which college students from many different types of cultures and backgrounds gather together to study, participate, and learn through "cross-cultural communication" of the societies of men. The applicants must be upperclassmen, graduate students, or young adults (although exceptions are made for freshmen and sophomores if they are well qualified). "Applicants are carefully chosen for intelligence, character, maturity, and recognition of the responsibilities of group life." The price for the summer-long workshop varies with the place going but ranges from \$250 (California) to \$1,400 (Japan). All the programs are economy priced and self-supporting with money going toward room, board, tuition, and travel expenses during the trip.

This year's summer programs will include seminars in California (the Bay area), Washington D.C., Jamaica, Denmark, Germany and exploratory service units will be stationed in Columbia and Bolivia. Educational travel seminars will travel to Russia and Japan.

An example of just what a Lisle seminar does can be seen in the description of the plans of the Washington seminar. There will be practical community field work in embassies, federal government, mental hospital, migrant labor camps, political parties, social

service agencies, interracial housing, craft center and others. There will be planned visits to art and historical sites and contacts made with congressmen and ambassadors. A special feature of the Washington trip will be a trip to New York City for the last nine days of the seminar. There will be community fieldwork, attendance at sessions of the World Assembly of Youth and a visit to the World's Fair.

The Lisle Fellowship is divided into four areas of learning: orientation, team study, field trips, and overall evaluation. "This combination of experiences provides: a living laboratory (learning by doing), interdependence for world relations, self-discovery, learning, and evaluation."

A parallel of objectives can be found in the Washington seminar example of just what the Lisle fellowship seeks to accomplish and what it will accomplish. This is carried out in all areas of Lisle concentration, such as Japan. In this travel-study seminar there is an opportunity to discuss with Asians their beliefs and ideals. There is an air tour of the Pacific Basin with stop-overs in Hawaii, the Philippines, Hong Kong, Formosa, and Alaska. There is planned an extended stay in Japanese communities and homes, a chance to live with employees from an industrial concern, a visit to the Peace Center in Hiroshima and other exciting experiences.

Only two seminars have been described. There are seven more for you to study and choose from. Further information is available at the Personnel Office, or may be obtained by writing directly to The Lisle Fellowship; 3039 Pittsview Dr.; Ann Arbor, Michigan. Better yet, talk to Lou Ferrand, who has participated in one of the seminars.

the end . . .

It's the end of the semester and about 16 issues of the paper have been put to bed. We are in the midst of finals. For freshmen it's a new experience and the end of that important first semester. For seniors, there's just one more to go. We will be glad to drag ourselves home or at least away for a semester break.

The almanac ends with a first. To our knowledge, this is the first time a paper has come out during exam week. We

thought the results of voting on the 3-3 plan were important enough to warrant this extra. (See story, p. 1). We thought that waiting for the first issue after vacation would be too long and the news too stale.

That is why we put out this issue. And we would hope that next semester, too, the chief end of the paper would be to serve its readers.

Land of Troubles

Peace Corp'er Tells Of Afro Contrasts

Nancy Raymond, class of '62, is currently serving in the Peace Corps in Africa. This is a letter received by some of her friends and relatives at home.

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One thing strikes me about Senegal and really sounds trite. Senegal is a land of contrast: geography, climate, people, villages, cultures. Now I'm really beginning to understand why Africa is having trouble in uniting her peoples and also in forming countries. The contrasts in one country are sometimes enough to make it non-viable.

On our trips to Casamance and Saint Luis, it took us all day to go from Dakar to Ziguinchor. For the most the roads were good and paved with asphalt. Below the Gambia River, though, the road is still under construction in many places and has deep ruts which were compounded by a lack of springs in the bus. They had told us to be prepared for any kind of hotel room. Much to my delight, my room was clean, air conditioned, and very comfortable.

Tuesday, we made an excursion in the countryside. At one of the centres (like a county seat) we picked up a guide, who showed us the way to a Djola village. For a moment I thought that I was in a museum. The village was deserted as everyone was in the fields working. Everything in the village was neat and orderly and very quiet. The homes were made of clay and mud with thatched roofs, and very cool. We left after about 30 minutes, after only seeing about six people.

Our trip to Saint Luis showed us the other extreme of Senegal. Here the influence of North Africa is immediately

noticeable in the dress and in the facial features of the people. There were many people who had Arab or Berber features, features of Caucasians rather than Negroes.

The most interesting (although a little morbid) site was the Moslem fisherman's graveyard. It is located by the sea and surrounded by a wall. As Christians are forbidden to enter, we didn't go in. From the bus, however, we could see over the wall. There are unpainted wooden markers at the head and foot of each grave. Strung over the markers are fishing nets. Occasionally there are stone markers with inscriptions in Arabic. What makes this graveyard unusual by our standards are the vultures. They are attracted by dead cows which are dragged into the graveyard.

In comparing northern and southern Senegal, another thing that is very noticeable is the construction of native houses. The people of northern Senegal use sticks and small poles for construction instead of clay. The overall appearance is much more flimsy than that of the Casamance. Northern Senegal also seems to be more populated than Southern Senegal. There seemed to be many more villages and they were not so scattered.

Well it finally came this morning! Our assignments. I am going to Thies which is about 231 kilometers from Dakar. This means about 3 hours by jeep and 138.6 miles. From all that I've heard about Thies it seems to be one of the best places in Senegal. I have only passed thru Thies when we were going to Saint Luis. Next to Dakar and St. Luis, I think it is the largest city in Senegal.

With me there will be two other women from our project, Jan Ghattas and Maudie Chivington. They are both the kind of people that I like to live with. Jan has just graduated from college and majored in French and English. She has a bubbling personality and is very quickly gaining confidence in this new environment. She has already traveled in Europe and the States. Maudie has already taught three years and is usually all smiles, but tends to be more on the quiet side. Her personality is definitely warm and friendly and people are at ease with her right away. Both Jan and Maudie are going to be teaching in "cour complimentaires" which is a school for people who could not attend a lycee or college for some reason. I'll explain it more when I know more about it.

Guess what I'm going to be doing? Social work. There is a social center in Thies and I'm going to be an assistant worker there. So far that is all I know about my work. It probably seems funny . . . that after 3 months of training to teach English that I end up doing social work. However, that's the way the Peace Corps works. Actually, in a way, I feel more comfortable knowing that I'm going to be doing this than teaching English. It should also give me an opportunity to do something along the sociological line, something toward more advanced studies in sociology. I'm not sure yet.

Now I must start packing for Thies. I can hardly wait to be in our own house. I have house-keeping fever! and am ready to set up housekeeping and be out of dorms.

Nancy

Around the Campus

The news from Helsinki is that the Dr. William Armstrongs will be back in Michigan around the middle of May.

Armstrong will teach graduate courses at the Brooklyn College campus of the University of the City of New York this summer, as he did last summer.

He is currently on a Full-bright teaching scholarship in Finland.

President Robert D. Swanson and Dean William Boyd were in Washington D. C. last week for conferences.

Swanson attended the Association of American Colleges, the Presbyterian College Union, and the Citizens National Committee for Higher Education.

Boyd attended the Convention for Academic Deans.

On December 12, Alma's

Math Club visited Leonard Refinery. Before the group of fifteen left Dow Science Building, Roger Blair gave a half-hour lecture on the schematic outline of computers. Roger has taken courses on computers at the University of Michigan. When the group arrived at Leonard, Roger showed them how a problem is formulated and how it is programmed into the computer. The demonstration was on the computer located at Leonard.

The club is planning to have

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS			
January 25—Saturday	5 p.m.	SEMESTER RECESS BEGINS	
January 28—Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	Supervising Teacher's Dinner	To Be Announced
January 30—Thursday		Basketball at U. of Chicago	
February 1—Saturday		Basketball at Lawrence Institute of Technology	
February 3—Monday		REGISTRATION DAY	
	7:30 p.m.	Film "Two Rode Together"	Dow Auditorium
	8:30 p.m.	Fraternity Information Panel	Tyler Auditorium
February 3-15		Exhibit—Paintings by French School Children	Dow Lobby
February 4—Tuesday	8 a.m.	Classes Begin	
	10 a.m.	Opening Convocation	

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letters to the editor

Dear almanac, May I reiterate? Of all of man's iniquities the worse to me, no joke Is the one that is tried in childish pride to be a man and smoke. I speak with words not wisdom went to many times, I did repent, and wish I'd heard dad's wise words spoke when he said to me, don't ever smoke At that tender age, had I but known I partook, of the weed that's the devils own.

To suck the things through smiles and tears perhaps a million o'er the years to hack, and cough and call them good. I've tried to quit and never could cause my system's full of nicotine without which I'd go "nuts" it seems. I'm tense and mean, and prone to gripe when deprived of cigarettes or pipe. No different tho, I guess than you If you're a slave to the darned

things too. The Science gives out health reports like you I'll give some smart retorts like Science doesn't know the answer they haven't proved, smoke causes cancer tho we all know we should cease their use for of good, they have no measure We won't, I know because we need This Damnable! weed of pleasure

Pete

with the greeks

Alpha Sigma Tau

The members of Alpha Sigma Tau would like to extend their heartiest congratulations to Ann Jefferies and Tim Johnson on their recent engagement.

We would also like to announce the election of our new officers for the year 1964. They are as follows: president, Karen Roehl; vice-president, Mary Ellen Cheney; recording secretary, Jeff Wilton; treasurer,

Judy Beaubien; corresponding secretary, Gretchen Azling; chaplain, Pat Folk; historian, Karen Waggoner; custodian, Jane Whitney; editor, Ann MacIntosh.

Delta Sigma Phi

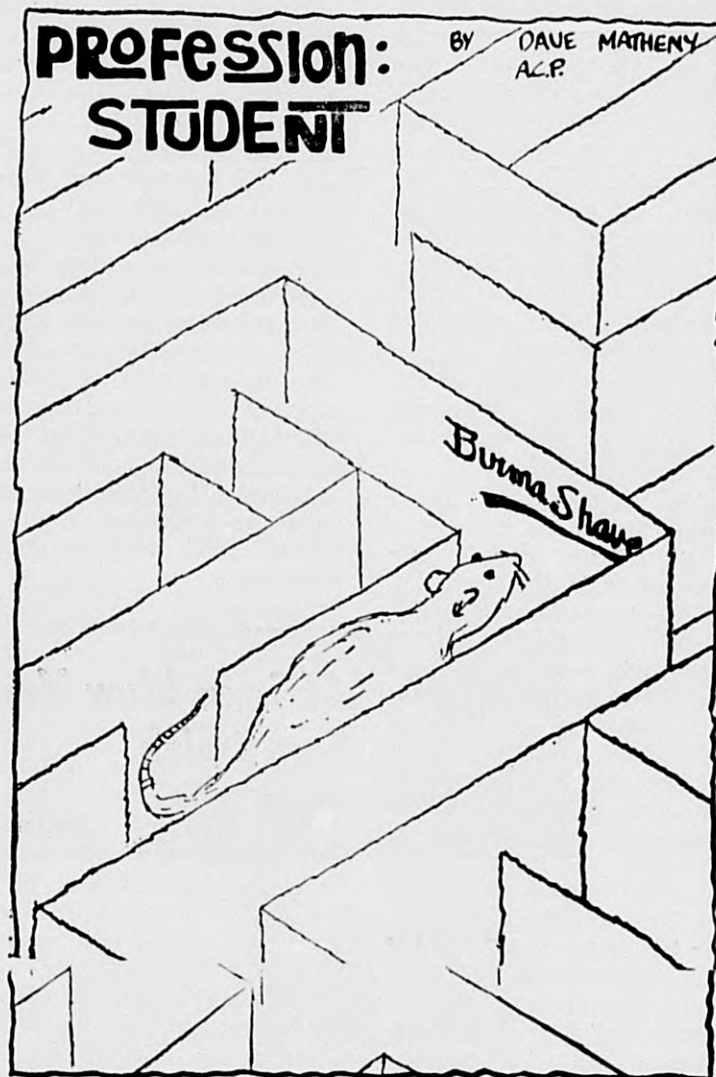
An important meeting of chapter alumni members was held last Sunday in the Highlander Room. Among the business matters considered was a new financial policy within the chapter and the selection of Mr. Ken Cook to act as Chapter Supervisor. The Alumni Control Board will meet next on February 15.

A pat on the back goes to our IM basketball teams for their efforts this season, and to their coaches—Hugh Hawley of Sig 6-1 and Bud Actor of Pork and Beans.

We would like to formally announce the pinning of Brother Bill Pendell to Mary Sue Crosby and the engagement of Brother Jerry Lafferty to Gretchen Kuhl.

Phi Omicron

Now that this semester is almost over, we are looking forward to a busy schedule for next semester. One of the first things we are participating in is spring rush. Unfortunately, one of our sisters will not be with us next semester. Kit Janssen is transferring to Hope College in Holland, Michigan and we want to wish her success in her new life there.



a high school teacher from Midland to talk about the revolution in high school mathematics. Also, the problem of transferring from high school to college mathematics will be discussed. Interested students are welcome.

Dr. Gunda Kaiser has been selected for the new 1963 edition of the Directory of American Scholars, Volume III: Romance Languages and Linguistics.

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