

Tufts University in Medford is holding its Winter Weekend this weekend. Featured for the Friday night performance will be the Pozo-Seco Singers. The Saturday night event will be a concert by the well-known folk artists, Simon and Garfunkel.

Admission to the Pozo-Seco Singers concert is \$2.50 at the door, and for the Simon and Garfunkel concert is \$3.25.

# Vietnam conference condemns US actions

By Kevin Kinsella

The Cornell Student Conference on Vietnam, held two weeks ago, gave sound evidence of the growing concern of college students over the United States military action in Vietnam. It is a demonstration of the trend away from the apathy that is common on the campus and is a confirmation that college students, who as citizens might be called to fight and die, have a right and a duty to scrutinize their country's foreign policy.

45 schools  
When the delegates, representing over 45 schools, assembled for the first time Wednesday, it became immediately apparent that their sympathies were decidedly opposed to the Vietnam War in varying degrees. This is not highly unusual, however, when one considers the assumptions made by calling the Conference. Normally, intercollegiate conferences are not called to endorse present policies — at least not in this country where conference delegates are paid for by their schools.

The MIT delegation was chosen by the Executive Committee of Inscomm to represent a wide spectrum of political sympathies. Chosen by interview were Roy Latham, Chairman of YAF, Kevin Kinsella, IFC Chairman, and Michael Yokell, President of the MIT chapter of SDS. Yokell was unable to attend and was later replaced by Jeff Wiesen, President of Baker House and the Dormitory Council.

### Format

The Conference format included discussion groups in the morning and afternoon, a Conference Reso-

lution Committee meeting in late afternoon, and lectures at night followed by a Conference Assembly. Although the discussion groups proved to be stimulating, the high point of the day conference was the evening lecture in Bailey Hall. Of 11 speakers at the Conference, it may be fairly said that only 3 supported US Policy in Vietnam.

Mark Belnick, Chairman of the Conference, reported that they would have preferred to have had an even balance of speakers but that "supporters of US Policy were hard to get and very expensive." Due to the sympathies of the delegates and the interested Cornell students admitted to the lectures, the anti-Administration speakers were very well received. On the other hand the three pro-Administration speakers were subjected to inexcusable rudeness at several points during their lectures.

### Asia scholar

Of the three, probably the most impressive was Milton Sachs of Brandeis who has been a Southeast Asia scholar since the 1940's. He was solidly grounded in facts and had spent years in Vietnam and Southeast Asia. The disagreements that most delegates had with Professor Sachs were on matters of opinion.

### Walkout

The final coup came about midnight during the final Conference assembly to draw up final resolutions. After a recess, the Chairman called the meeting to order to proceed to an undebatable vote. Lo and behold in the back of the lecture hall, a delegate from Rutgers jumped up, was ruled out of

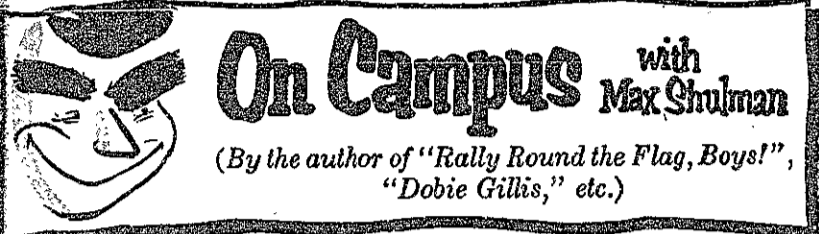
order three times, and announced that "You're out of order; this whole Conference is out of order . . . it's not representative of student opinion and I'm leaving." And so he, along with the delegations from Fordham and St. John's, packed up and left, joined by Mr. Latham of MIT.

### Resolution passed

The Conference resolution, finally passed at 4:30 a.m. Sunday morning, called for an immediate end to the United States bombing of North Vietnam, the beginning of actual withdrawal of US troops, and recognition by the US of the National Liberation Front as a "largely independent political force." Withdrawal of American troops would be supervised by an international commission and would not be dependent on the outcome of negotiations. These proposals were contained in the Conference's majority resolution, passed by a vote of 51-42-5 over an alternate resolution condemning the war in more moderate terms.

### Student involvement

More important than the resolution passed by the Conference was the proposal which was made for more student involvement in American policies. The recommendation, which was not voted on because of the lateness of the hour, encouraged the delegates to organize small group discussions sections on the war in Vietnam and other such controversial issues of American foreign policy. Such a policy, when correctly handled, is the best method to overcome the apathy so prevalent on even the most active of campuses.



## On Campus with Max Shulman

(By the author of "Rally Round the Flag, Boys!", "Dobie Gillis," etc.)

### WHO'S GOT THE BUTTON?

I'm sure it has not escaped your notice that underlying the adorable whimsy which has made this column such a popular favorite among my wife and my little dog Spot, there is a serious attempt to stay abreast of the problems that beset the American college student.

Many a trip have I made to many a campus—talking to undergraduates, listening to their troubles, hearing their grievances, reading their buttons. (Incidentally, the second and third most popular buttons I saw on my last trip were: "WALLACE BEERY LIVES" and "FLUORIDATE MUSCATEL." The first most popular button was, as we all know, "SCRAP THE SCRAPE" which is worn, as we all know, by Personna Super Stainless Steel Blade users who, as we all know, are proud to proclaim to the world that they have found a blade which gives them luxury shave after luxury shave, which comes both in double-edge style and Injector style, which does indeed scrap the scrape, negate the nick, peel the pull, and oust the ouch, which shaves so closely and quickly and truly and beautifully that my heart leaps to tell of it. (If perhaps you think me too effusive about Personna, I ask you to remember that to me Personna is more than just a razor blade; it is also an employer.)

But I digress. I make frequent trips, as I say, to learn what is currently vexing the American undergraduate. Last week, for example, while visiting a prominent Eastern university (Idaho State) I talked to a number of engineering seniors who posed a serious question. Like all students, they had come to college burning to fill themselves with culture, but, alas, because of all their science requirements, they simply had had no time to take the liberal arts courses their young souls lusted after. "Are we doomed," they asked piteously, "to go through life uncultured?"

I answered with a resounding "No!" I told them the culture they had missed in college, they would pick up after graduation. I explained that today's enlightened corporations are setting up on-the-job liberal arts programs for the newly employed engineering graduate—courses designed to fill his culture gap—for the truly enlightened corporation realizes that the truly cultured employee is the truly valuable employee.

To illustrate, I cited the well-known case of Champert Sigafos of Purdue.



When Champert, having completed his degree in wing nuts and flanges, reported to the enlightened corporation where he had accepted employment, he was not rushed forthwith to a drawing board. He was first installed in the enlightened corporation's training campus. Here he was given a beanie, a room-mate, and a copy of the company rouser, and the enlightened corporation proceeded to fill the gap in his culture.

First he was taught to read, then to print capital letters, then capital and small letters. (There was also an attempt to teach him script, but it was ultimately abandoned.)

From these fundamentals, Champert progressed slowly but steadily through the more complex disciplines. He was diligent, and the corporation was patient, and in the end they were well rewarded, for when Champert finished, he could play a clavichord, parse a sentence, and name all the Electors of Bavaria.

Poised and cultured, Champert was promptly placed in an important executive position. I am pleased to report that he served with immense distinction—not, however, for long because three days later he reached retirement age.

Today, still spry, he lives in St. Petersburg, Florida, where he supplements his pension by parsing sentences for tourists.

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Here's a sentence that's easy to parse: Subject—"you." Verb—"double." Object—"your shaving comfort when you use Burma-Shave, regular or menthol, along with your Personna Super Stainless Steel Blades."

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  - 2:00 — Department of Chemical Engineering, Graduate Seminar: "The Liquid-phase Alkylation with Propylene over Zeolite Catalysts-Kinetics and Diffusion." Rm. 24-121.
  - 3:00 — Department of Chemical Engineering, Graduate Seminar: "New Polymer Systems for Reverse Osmosis Desalination." Rm. 12-182.
  - 4:00 — Center for Materials Science and Engineering, "High Pressure Experiments on the Band Structure of Metals and Semiconductors." Rm. 10-105.
  - 7:00 and 9:30 — Lecture Series Committee, film: "That Man in Istanbul." Rm. 26-100.
  - 8:30 — 1967 Tech Show, "Lucky William," an original musical comedy. Kresge Auditorium.
  - 8:30—MIT Hillel Society, "Religious Education and the New Generation." John Graves, Student Center, East Lounge.
  - 9:00 — Interfraternity Intercollegiate Conference, Sala de Puerto Rico, Student Center.
- SATURDAY, MARCH 11
- 12:00—Bridge Club, Student Center, Rm. 407.
  - 1:00—Chess Club, Student Center, Rm. 473.
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