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Zimbalist breaks silence

## Dismissal contradicts English department goals



Professor Donald Zimbalist appeared Monday afternoon to a packed house in the Autzen Senate Chambers to read his statement.

by Pat Pine

Second-year professor of English Donald Zimbalist refuted a dismissal recommendation by English Department Chairman Richard Lord Monday in a university-wide meeting. Nearly 125 persons gathered in Autzen Senate Chambers to hear Zimbalist say, "As the (English) department had agreed to operate on a democratic, consensus basis, and as the department had already produced an official policy statement which is in clear conflict with Mr. Lord's statement, I am at a loss to know how he can justify his recommendation. . . ."

Lord, currently serving as chairman of the department under a rotating chairmanship system, recommended Zimbalist's dismissal during a meeting last week, reported in THE COLLEGIAN, November 30. Zimbalist protested that Lord's revelation, in a meeting of English majors, having been reported in the news media, had forced him to speak on the issue, saying, "It was neither my intention nor my desire to make this matter into a public debate; however, now that the issue has been made public, it is my hope that calm and reason will prevail, and if it does, I am confident that justice will

be done."

Zimbalist contended that Lord had misstated department policy to the public. Lord stated that "the top priority of the English Department, at the present time, is the need for: (A) an experienced professor at the senior level (b) with competency in Shakespeare and Early Renaissance Literature. . . (although his (Zimbalist's) teaching has been well received by students, his contribution to the department, in terms of priority, is perhaps minimal."

Zimbalist, who specializes in American literature and writing classes, retorted, ". . . What Mr. Lord neglects to mention is that all of the above (death of senior professor James Douglas, in June, 1972; resignation of Shakespearean professor Donald Smith last year; decrease in freshman enrollment this year) events were known to the department prior to August 28, 1972, when the English department drafted an official statement of departmental policies and goals." Zimbalist added, "... Nowhere in this official document, drafted by and approved by the entire English faculty, is there any mention of priority need for (a) an experienced professor at the senior level (b) with competency in Shakespeare and Early Renaissance literature."

Explaining the official statement's top two priorities, Professor Zimbalist noted that equal status was accorded to English and American literature and that the second priority was to improve Graduate Record Exam scores of English majors. He stated, "... In 1972, thirty graduating English majors took the Graduate Record Exams; of this group, 83% scored below the 68-percentile level, and 73% scored at or below the 58-percentile." The professor, emphasized, "What is most troubling about these scores is that we discovered that students graduating. . . magna cum laude were making GRE scores so low that they were virtually excluded

from any graduate school requiring such scores for admission. . . (and) many, if not all, of the honors students who had made shockingly low scores on the GRE had had no courses in American literature. . . as the GRE heavily stresses American literature, it is a statistical probability that students deficient in American literature will inevitably fare poorly."

Reviewing former chairman Donald Smith's evaluation of Zimbalist's teaching, Zimbalist noted Smith's recommendation that Zimbalist examine the GRE, recommend curriculum changes and organize weekly review sessions for English majors in preparation for the exams. Twelve review sessions were organized this semester. Zimbalist conducted the first and third session in American literature. Six sessions concentrated on American literature and six on British literature.

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## Bearcats capture Tip Off title

The Willamette Basketball team won an easy one, a more difficult one, and escaped with a win in double over-time to capture the District II NAIA Tip-Off Tournament championship.

The double overtime win, which clinched the championship, came against the surprising George Fox College Bruins from Newberg, Oregon.

In the second overtime with the score 74-73 in favor of the Bruins, Gary Erickson, highly touted Willamette transfer, broke loose on a pattern play under the basket, and scored a layin with 15 seconds to go, putting the Bearcats in the lead. Mike Coleman later sent two free throws rippling through the nets to ice the game and put away a 77-74 victory.

The game had promised to be a tight, emotional game. George Fox who had a composite 1-17 record in the previous twelve years the tournament has been held, reached the championship game by knocking off Northwest conference powers Linfield and Lewis and Clark. At least one-third of the crowd was rooting for the Bruins in hopes of another upset.

The score was close in the first half with the Bearcats playing good defense and running their pattern offense well. At halftime the score was 37-32 for Willamette.

The second half started off continuing the same type of play

as the Bearcats managed to reel off six unchallenged points to build up a 61-51 lead with ten minutes to go.

The Bearcats seemed to be in control until the inspired Bruins hit four two-pointers mostly from the 20-30 foot range while holding the Bearcats scoreless. This brought the Bruins to within two points with seven minutes left.

Then Sam Ibarra, G.F.'s floor general fouled out. This slowed the men from Newberg down and the two teams exchanged baskets until the final buzzer when the scoreboard showed a 67-67 tie. George Fox had a chance to win in the final seconds but a final 30 footer went awry.

In the first overtime Willamette held a two point lead in the waning seconds until G.F.'s Ken Greenwood canned a baseline jumper to knot the score at 71-71.

This led to the final overtime in which the Bearcats escaped the fate of their NWC rivals, who had fallen earlier to the George Fox jinx.

Gary Erickson was game high scorer with 25 points, followed by guard Donn Wassom with 16. Center Rich Grady hauled down 15 rebounds.

The opening game of the tourney and the opening game of the season for the Bearcats was Thursday against the Oregon Technical Institute Owls.

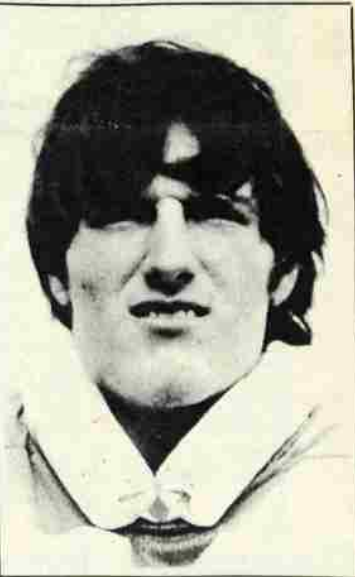
OTI featured a run and gun

offense which kept them in the game in the early going until Rich Grady scored underneath to put the Bearcats ahead 18-16. They never trailed again as the OTI offense degenerated into a listless one-on-one contest.

The Willamette pattern offense, after some early ragged play, poured it on and the defense was tough throughout the game. The final score--WU 88, OTI 54.

Gary Erickson, after a cold first half, came on strong in the second hitting six shots in a row and garnering game scoring honors with 22 points. Rich Grady was good for 19 points.

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## Brooks named All American

Bryon Brooks, a defensive linebacker on the Willamette football team, was named Tuesday to the Associate Press 1972 Little All-American football team. Brooks, a six foot 204 pound junior from Oregon City, has been a standout in the Bearcat defensive unit all three seasons he has been at Willamette. Joe Scafield, Willamette football coach, describes Brooks as a "very smart player who is extremely quick."

Earlier in the week Brooks received All-Coast honors when he was named to the First team defense, while teammate Dwight Jeffers, a senior defensive tackle from Sweet Home, Oregon, was named to the Second Team defensive unit.

The COLLEGIAN extends its congratulations to Brooks for his All-America and All-Coast honors, and to Jeffers for the position he received on the All-Coast team.

## University Band plans tour

President Corson has given his "initial favorable reaction" to a European concert tour by the Choir and an instrumental ensemble from the University Band, in the early summer of 1974.

A total of 46 students plus two faculty directors (Professors Farrier and Brennen) will make up the touring ensemble, which will be able to combine in different ways to present a 35-voice choir, a brass choir of 10, a woodwind quintet, a brass quintet, a vocal chamber group of 16 (the Willamette Singers), and combined choir and wind ensemble. The tour is planned for approx-

imately four weeks, and would include England, Scotland, Holland, and one other country still to be decided. The group would fly to Scotland immediately after graduation ceremonies in May of 1974, and would travel by bus in Europe. They'll fly home in the middle of June, although some students expect to stay longer on their own.

President Corson indicated his tentative approval was partly based on the very successful concert tour of a similar touring group from the Choir and the Band in 1970, which drew rave reviews from European music critics.



The following prayer by Peter Marshall has been helpful to us and we commend it to you as we extend warm Christmas greetings and appreciation for the opportunity to share this year with you.

"We thank thee, O God, for the return of the wondrous spell of this Christmas season that brings its own sweet joy into our jaded and troubled hearts.

Forbid it, Lord, that we should celebrate without understanding what we celebrate, or, like our counterparts so long ago, fail to see the star or to hear the song of glorious promise.

As our hearts yield to the spirit of Christmas, may we discover that it is Thy Holy Spirit who comes—not a sentiment, but a power—to remind us of the only way by which there may be peace on the earth and good will among men.

May we not spend Christmas, but keep it, that we may be kept in its hope, through Him who emptied Himself in coming to us that we might be filled with peace and joy in returning to God."

James H. and Dorothy Corson

## New English course to begin

Have you ever noticed that fewer than 5% of the writers in the popular Norton Anthologies of Literature are Female? Have you ever wondered about "Images of Man"? A new course next semester will address itself to these questions and many, many others. Professor Birnbaum's English 208 (11:00 MTTF) will study a wide variety of 20th century women writers, including Virginia Woolf, Eudora Welty, Joyce Carol Oates, Sylvia Plath, Sonia Sanchez, Flannery O'Connor, Mary McCarthy, Lorraine Hansberry, Carson McCullers, Lillian Hellman, and Germaine Greer. The aim is to study the educated woman in 20th century literature with relevance to the students' own education and lives.

## Christian's sought

A call for young, mature Christian volunteers to serve Jesus Christ in the Philippines for 10 months has been issued by Dr. W. Stanley Mooneyham, president of World Vision International. The volunteers will be part of 25 five-man teams who will pave the way and follow-up two evangelistic crusades set for the Philippines in November, 1973 and April, 1974. The trust of sending teams into the Mindanao area of the Philippines is a joint effort of World Vision, World Impact Inc. and the Jesus People International. Theme of the campaign is 'REAL' (Revolution, Evangelism, Action, Love).

## Denmark found in Salem

Hidden in the center of the Semler Optical Building on State Street is a small part of Denmark. Mr. John Holm, a two year resident of the U.S. runs the gift shop, featuring articles imported from Denmark.

The most noticeable feature about the store is the wide assortment of wooden objects starting with wood horses priced from \$1.95. There is a selection of the famed "wooden shoes" also imported from Denmark. Besides handling the original black shoe, which Mr. Holm said was the "first shoe made in Denmark," other brighter colors are available. The shoes are priced from \$10.00 to \$14.00.

If you are a person who doesn't like wooden objects (although you would probably change your mind after visiting the gift shop) Mr. Holm has a group of embroideries made by his wife, Elsa. Handpainted China and jewelry carefully painted and "fired three times" as Mr. Holm stressed is another unique feature of the shop. It is made by a Danish lady living in McMinnville, Ore.

Some beautiful paintings are also offered for sale. The paintings are done by the proprietors

father who still lives in Denmark.

With Thanksgiving over and Christmas quickly approaching, there are not only more selections available for gifts but there are decorations for sale. Objects to brighten up your Christmas tree start at \$.30. So if you are in need of a gift for "someone who has everything" or need something to get you in the Christmas spirit, stop in and pay Mr. Holm a visit.

Going into Mr. Holm's history we find that he opened the gift shop a year and one-half ago although he has lived in the United States for two years. He said his wife and he originally thought of moving to the U.S. after visiting his sister who married and has lived in this country for 17 years.

Mr. Holm has a very friendly personality and is willing to help, as this reporter discovered. When asked how business is, Mr. Holm stated that "it has been slow but is picking up" apparently due to Christmas.

Remember, the shop is located on the 300 block on State Street in the Semler Optical Building.

# Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

Please find enclosed a very important poem which has been recently compared with the great poem of World War I, "Flanders' Field."

There are many reasons for bringing this to your attention, and we hope, through you, to your many extensive readers.

1. This is the only poem in American history that was ever read before the entire assembled Congress of the United States. It was read by Congressman Peter Peyser of Nyack, New York.

2. It is the only poem in American history ever to be printed in the Congressional Record.

3. It is the only poem that President Nixon had his staff refer to the American Bi-Centennial Commission with the request that it be used to represent the United States during its 200 year anniversary.

The writer of the poem, who is now a totally disabled veteran,

## Glee?

To the Editor:

On December 5, the Freshman Class elected its 65th Freshman Glee manager. Or it would have but for the fact that there were no candidates. In theory, the prospective candidate is to obtain a managers petition from the A.S.W.U. Office. The petition requires fifteen signatures of support and is then to be returned. The election follows resulting in the selection of one student who administers and oversees the preparations for this sentimental activity. Well, that is the theory anyway.

This year was different from the start. In the senate, representatives were asked to consult their dorms to determine the demand of this tradition. If demand proved to be slight or apathetic, Glee would be abolished. On November 28th Senate re-convened. In totality, Glee was very strong in support. The mere thought of Glee aroused sweet and sentimental nostalgia from the upper-classmen and profound curiosity from the freshman. With these guidelines the Senate proceeded in its course and Glee manager petitions were made available. But no petitions were taken out, and consequently, the election never took place.

To pursue the obvious, it seems that sentiment and curiosity are not enough for Glee to be realized. On December 5, the Senate again entertained a motion which would abolish the annual spring event. The motion was tabled in order to investigate the impact of the action on the campus. Reasons for the apparent lack of interest were discussed and it was mentioned that lack of publicity may have been the problem from the start. If that be the case, then this article will serve to correct the abnormality. If not, then Glee should truly be forgotten.

It is already too late to elect a Glee manager this semester, as intended. The opportunity will again arise in January if the students desire. Precious time has already been lost if the show is to proceed. The "tentative" date for Glee 1973 is April 17th. Think it over more seriously now for the fate of Glee is indeed in question.

Stephen Sloan  
Glee Manager '72

wrote this at the age of 17, about half an hour before going into Europe on D-Day, where he received a fractured spine as a result of enemy action. To this day he still believes it expresses the hopes, dreams and aspirations of all mankind, instead of endless wars and futile killing.

This enclosed poem has also recently won second place from among 5500 entries in an International Poetry Contest submitted

from all over the world.

In a further effort to bring about peace, love, and understanding throughout the world, we are sending you this material, along with the earnest prayer that you share it vision with your readers, as the writer has given his permission for it to be reprinted.

Sincerely yours,  
Wayne Edwards

## Battlefield Thoughts

*The hand of death is over me,  
I see its palm stretched out,  
And know the thoughts that men have known,  
The things they fight about.*

*A peaceful home with lawn so green,  
And trees to shade the sun,  
A squeaky swing when night draws near  
As children halt their fun.  
A garden plot where flowers grow  
To show their buds above,  
A hand is there to care for them;  
Men fight for things they love.*

*A dusty farm with rows of grain  
And work that must be done,  
A sweating brow still high with hope  
That can compare with none.  
The cows to herd, the wheat to tie,  
The grain that must be sown,  
A heart is there to toil beside,  
Men fight for things they own.*

*A chapel high upon a hill  
Where cares can all be told,  
A moment's peace from daily strife  
Away from tears and gold.  
A prayer about a distant friend,  
Or things that one should give,  
A minute then to talk to God;  
Men fight that men may live.*

*Though death still stalks my every step  
I know my land is right,  
Although I am on battlefields  
I walk with God tonight.*

—Ralph B. Doane

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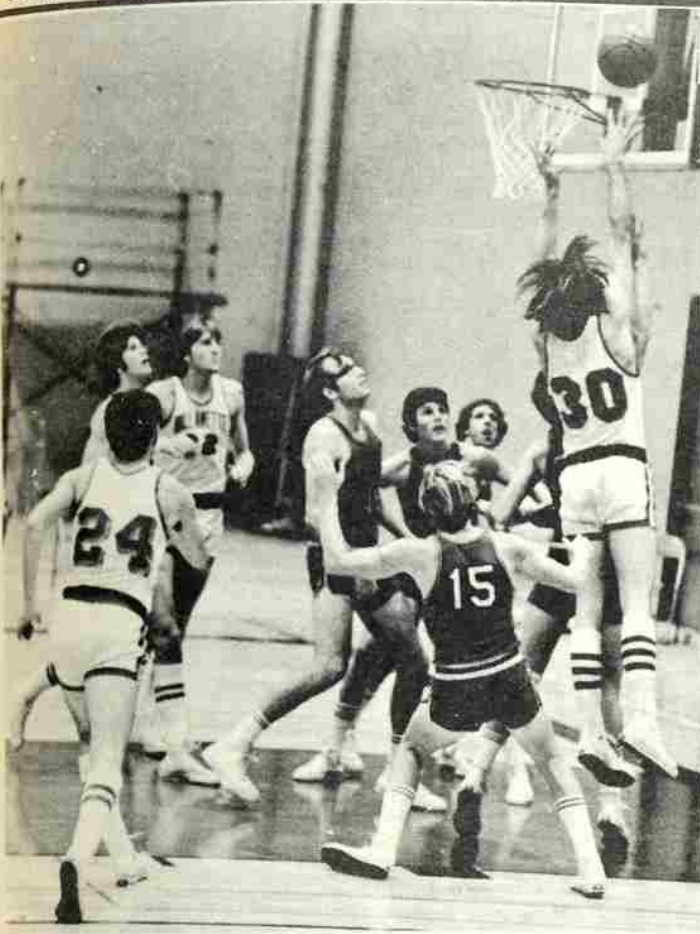
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Rich Grady (30) scores two points in Tip-Off action last week.

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In the semi-final game it was the Bearcats against the Oregon College of Education Wolf Pack. The tournament was being played on the Wolves' home court, so they were looking for an upset.

The Bearcats were confronted with an aggressive, swarming type defense. This was confusing at first, but Willamette managed to score their first four buckets. At halftime W.U. led 24-19 on the strength of three straight shots by Dan Grove who came off the bench.

In the second half the Bearcats scored on four straight shots. The Wolves then had to open up, thus being easy prey for the W.U. pattern offense. The always tough Bearcat defense kept the scrapping Wolves at bay.

The final score was W.U. 65 OCE 46 with Gary Erikson again the leading scorer with 19. Four other Bearcats scored in double figures.

Out of the six places on the all-tournament team, one was taken by center Rich Grady, and another by forward Mike Coleman. This was the fifth time in twelve years the Bearcats have won the tournament. The last time was in 1966.

Coach Jim Boutin thought the team played "generally well" and was pleased with the team's ability to play well in pressure situations. He had special praise for junior guard Donn Wassom, who shot well in pressure situations, and the other senior guard Gary Erikson who was the team's leading scorer. Erikson, in Boutin's opinion is "blending in well." He also thought team

play was the main factor in the three wins and expressed optimism concerning the rest of the season.

## SAE's lead in IM points

Sigma Alpha Epsilon padded their leading total by capturing the intramural wrestling championship in IM action last week. The SAE's scored 33 points to edge out Sigma Chi and Kappa Sigma who scored 32 each.

Individual weight class champions were: 118-Dan Barkley (Kappa Sig), 126-Brad Gysland (Sigma Chi), 134-Keven Cross (SAE), 142-Jay Jamison (Kappa Sig), 150-Joe Story (Hawaiians), 158-Dan Koenig (Law III), 167-Dave Nall (Deltas), 177-Jeff Ives (Matthews), 190-Save Demarest (SAE), 205-Don Koster (Kappa Sig), and hwt- Chuck Marshall (Independent).

The SAE's lead the IM race with 494 points while Law II is second with 451.

The top five point getters in swimming included Sigma Chi (48.5), Delta Tau Delta (40.5), Law II (32), Beta Theta Pi (25), and SAE (24).

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## Zimbalist

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tish (one partially devoted to Shakespeare). Noting Smith's concern with GRE review sessions and revising the curriculum to introduce more American literature, Zimbalist said, "Not Renaissance, but American literature, is clearly the number-one priority in the English Department. . . Lord's response to the problem is, first, to ignore the official statement of departmental policy and, second, to fire one of the department's few American literature teachers and to replace him with a second teacher of 17th century British literature." He added that the English staff would, if Zimbalist were to leave in favor of a Shakespearean professor, be composed of seven specialists in British literature, one generalist and one specialist in comparative literature.

Criticizing Professor Lord's evaluation of Zimbalist's impact in the department, Zimbalist claimed personal distress at Lord's remarks and asserted that Lord made his evaluation without ever attending any of Professor Zimbalist's classes.

Zimbalist concluded with the following:

"Now should the department change its goals tomorrow, should it decide that it is no longer a goal for our majors to be prepared for entrance into graduate school, then, of course, that is another matter entirely. But this is not the case. As matters presently stand, the unilateral decision to hire a second 17th century teacher is, I believe, in violation of both the letter and the spirit of our stated. . . policy. . . My point is simply that Mr. Lord's conclusions are not supported by a single shred of factual evidence, and, in fact, his conclusions are, in my judgement, refuted by the facts."

The meeting closed with a brief question and answer period. Zimbalist's responses included his remark that he was willing to accept alternate teaching positions, and that other staff with major degrees in American literature could also teach American literature, but the latter answer was qualified to include the possibility of teachers who major in English literature teaching Milton (or Shakespeare).

Zimbalist consented to the presence of Interim President James Corson, who asked permission to listen to the presentation. Several other members of the faculty and administration attended the gathering, which was sponsored by students majoring

in English (English Majors Organization).

President Corson will decide on Zimbalist's dismissal prior to December 15, the deadline for notice of non-reappointment under University policy.



Al Hayward and Terry Plummer pose with awards won at the Western States Speech Tourney.

## Hayward, Plummer place

Two members of the Willamette speech squad traveled to the Western States Speech Tournament held in Stockton, California, over Thanksgiving vacation. Terry Plummer and Al Hayward were accompanied by James Nelson, speech squad coach, to the tournament where 67 colleges from 11 states were representative.

Terry Plummer earned a second place trophy in the Extemporaneous speaking category, which

topped both USC and UCLA in the standings. Terry also went on to become a finalist in the Expository speaking category.

Al Hayward, veteran member of the speech squad, won a third place trophy in the Expository category. Al also placed in front of USC and UCLA in the competition.

"It was," stated Jim Nelson, speech squad coach, "an outstanding performance by both Terry and Al against competition."

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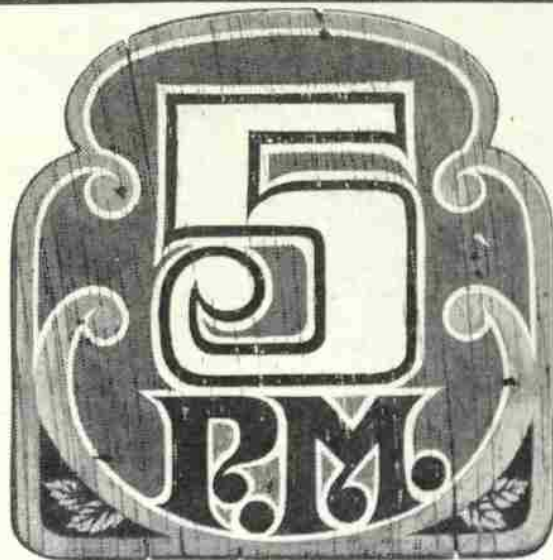
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## WILLAMETTE LIBRARY RECEIVES GIFT

SALEM, ORE.---The 18-volume reference work for art libraries, "Propylaen Kunstgeschichte," has been placed in the Willamette University Library as a gift in honor of two 1970 graduates, Timothy and Sandra Fujimoto Collins.

Dr. Cameron Paulin, chairman of the art department, explains that the new edition is particularly useful for the study of art history "as it is largely devoted to illustrations of works of art throughout time, and is worldwide in scope."

## WILLAMETTE RECEIVES TWO GRANTS

SALEM, ORE.---Willamette University has been presented two grants totaling \$3,900 by The Sears-Roebuck Foundation.

The grants, awarded to Willamette last week, are part of \$1,500,000 in Sears Foundation Funds now being shared by more than 950 private, accredited two and four-year institutions across the country.

Nationally, private colleges and universities will receive \$1,000,000 in unrestricted grants and an additional \$500,000 through a Sears Foundation program to assist college and university libraries.

## WILLAMETTE PROFESSOR INVITED TO INDIA

Salem, Ore.---Dr. Ted Shay, chairman of the political science department at Willamette University, has been invited to participate in an International Seminar Dec. 5-10 in New Delhi, India and plans to leave Oregon this week.

Author of a book on the Nationalist Movement in India, Dr. Shay will be among 200 Indian scholars and guests from 20 other countries celebrating the 1972 Centenary of the birthday of Aurobindo Ghose, India's greatest philosopher/saint of the 20th Century.

Prime Minister Indira Gandhi will chair the seminar, which is the culmination of an entire year's Centenary activity and celebration.

## INFORMAL RUSH ENDS AT WILLAMETTE; SEVENTEEN COEDS PLEDGE SORORITIES

SALEM, ORE.---Informal rush has ended at Willamette University with 17 more pledges being named to four national sororities.

New pledges and their sororities include Lois Earwood, Lohrville, Iowa and Lori Lash, Missoula, Montana, Pi Beta Phi; Leslie Taggesell, Salem and Jani Ashton, Bellevue, Wash., Delta Gamma; Kathryn Concannon, Woodside, Calif., Elizabeth Hunter, Carmel, Calif., Carla Grena, Great Falls, Mont., and Alison Lockwood, Bellevue, Wash., Alpha Phi; Elizabeth Hanson and Sharon Paulson, both of Salem, Betsy Clark, Pomona, Calif., Gail Hutter, San Marino, Calif., Anna Jean MacLean, Corapolis, Pennsylvania, Stephanie McDonald, Tacoma, Wash., Nancy Parish and Melissa Wye, both of Manhattan Beach, Calif., and Merle Taira, Pahoa, Hawaii, Alpha Chi Omega.

## CLASSICAL GUITARIST JOINS WU STAFF

SALEM, ORE.---A classical guitarist has joined the teaching staff at Willamette University and will begin classes in the College of Music this spring semester.

David White, who has studied with Alice Artz and most recently with the internationally-known Ako Ito and Henre Dorigni in Canada, will teach as a part-time instructor in applied classical guitar beginning in January.

White performed as an accompanist for the Hoffman Singers from 1963-1966 and participated in a duo "Butterfield and White" (violin and guitar).

# Fletcher explains WU ROTC program

by Dave Bond

Eugene Fletcher is a professor at Willamette--- he's also on active duty as a lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Air Force. Holding a master's degree in mechanical engineering, Col. Fletcher has been with the Air Force for more than twenty years, in occupation activities ranging from flying to research and development to his current position as Professor of Aerospace Studies and head of Willamette's ROTC department.

Assisted by a junior officer and an office staff, Col. Fletcher has been at WU since last January. The Air Force periodically invites its officers to apply for teaching posts with the ROTC detachments located on campuses throughout the country. He describes his experience here thus far as "very enjoyable." "Willamette was my specific choice, and I feel fortunate to be here." He says his family likes the Northwest and his eldest daughter, Jamie, plans to attend Willamette next year.

Air Force ROTC is a two-year course open to eligible juniors or students with two years of undergraduate or post-graduate work remaining. Students qualify through both written and physical exams, and must attend a six-week training session during the summer before they are admitted into the program. The course is designed to prepare its member for flying or non-flying activities as officers in the Air Force. Active duty obligation ranges from three months to six years after graduation and commissioning. The first year involves an in-depth study of Air Force history, with the second emphasizing leadership and management training. Currently,

fourteen students from Willamette, OCE and Linfield participate, and classes meet twice weekly on Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

Why consider ROTC, or for that matter, the Air Force? Says Fletcher, "For those interested in flying, it's the only way to go. Other advantages include career flexibility... if you're a pilot, you can combine that job with other interesting fields. Most Air Force jobs are translatable into civilian careers, and with the current employment situation, this experience is essential." He cites his own career as evidence of the diversity and opportunity available.

Participants in ROTC all receive \$100 a month allowance, and of the fourteen enrolled, five are on full tuition scholarships. Pilot qualified students receive flight instruction leading to a private pilot's license. Also, several annual visits are made to Air Force installations in Spokane, Las Vegas, and Salt Lake City, transportation being provided by the Air Force.

Commenting on the increased enrollment this year and the overwhelming number of applicants for next year's class, Fletcher believes there is a gradual softening of the anti-military sentiment on College campuses.

Fletcher conducts his classes in an informal atmosphere, and there is little save for the uniforms, that would distinguish them from any of the others taught at Willamette. He takes an active interest in his students, offers frequent counseling sessions, and is accessible to any complaints or questions about the system.

Col. Fletcher attributes a combination of "good breaks, variety, responsibility, and working with great people" to his making a career of the Air Force. He plans to remain at Willamette for three or four years.

Asked why ROTC has received its share of animosity from students in the past, he responded "I think it's a lack of knowledge on what really goes on in the military. People ought to more thoroughly investigate ROTC before making any conclusions."

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