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COMPANIES WILL CHANGE BUILDINGS IMMEDIATELY

Due to recent developments, it has been determined that all cadets will begin packing their personal belongings and prepare to move into another dormitory immediately following 8th hour today. All activities and practices are cancelled to allow for this mass moving.

Alpha and Bravo Companies will move into Mize Hall. Charlie Company will move into Clem Ferris and Delta Company will move into Sage Hall. Training Company will be located in the Special Staff Quarters.

Each Cadet will check out his packing box from the Quartermaster. Each Company Commander will have new room assignments posted. It is expected to be a smooth and expedient process.

Not only will this help Major Stratton in the recruitment program, but this will allow all Seniors to be under the same roof.

FINALS CANCELLED

In a special communique, LTC Kenneth Faerber announced that final examinations will not be given this year due to the excellence of academic work.

An anonymous source has reported that the real reason for this decision is the unconfirmed rumor that he was caught accepting a bribe from Cadet David Rose for a test grade.

St. John's To Become Co-Ed

St. John's Military School will become a co-educational institution with the beginning of the 107th Corps. This revolutionary development was announced by the Bard of Trustees.

The board felt admitting the girls would enhance the atmosphere of the school.

Plans are being made to provide housing for the new "Kaydettes" and to name a dean of girls. (See other stories regarding these developments elsewhere in the paper on page 99.)

Capt. McAlexander, school president, said it was felt the competition from girls who make better grades would help the academic program.

Speaking for the Cadets, Paul Gorsline said he felt such a move was unwise and unnecessary as most boys are only interested in an outstanding military program, good grades and the mall. "Girls and cars simply don't interest us," he was quoted as saying.

Girls' P.E. Director Named

Father Jim Cox was named Director of Women's Physical Education. He will take over the post at the beginning of next year.

When interviewed about his new job, Fr. Cox announced, "I intend to form a women's football team. The new team, the Kaydettes, will play the full football schedule for the coming year. We will have some tough competition, but I am sure that we will have a good season.

Fr. Cox also said that a full P.E. program will be available for all girls not participating in the athletic program.

CONSTRUCTION STARTS SOON

At a special assembly held in the Quartermasters, about 9000 students heard plans for the expansion of St. John's facilities.

The school plans the addition of an indoor swimming pool in the basement of Linger Hall. A new student union building will be erected on the area currently occupied by Mize Hall which will contain bowling, a state-of-the-art weight room and wrestling room.

Following the completion of the student union, a fund drive will be held for building a new dormitory. Until the new dormitory is constructed, an agreement has been made with the Ramada Inn to house the cadets currently assigned to Mize Hall, including taking all meals in the Ramada restaurant.

Upon hearing this announcement, affected cadets were highly resentful due to the fact that travel time between the motel and campus would create less time in the classroom. In an interview following the assembly, the company leaders were quoted as saying "We will fight them, we demand equal rights, and we will not rest until we can be assured that mess hall privileges won't be denied us."

New Boy Of Month Named for April 1

David John Godin, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Godin, Michigan, was selected as the "New Boy of the Month". Since entering St. John's six years ago, he has done a marvelous job in the performance of his duties.

Godin said the only things that he doesn't like about SJMS are the officers, food, barracks, rat system, the Cadets, military life, the people, Salina, getting up in the morning and going to bed at night.

Otherwise, the entire program is "very appealing", he said.

4 Cadets Investigated following White House Visit

The group of Cadets on the Washington trip may be asked to return to the White House. It has been learned today through Pentagon sources that these Cadets, Cole, Godin, Grassity and Radway became suspects of possible international espionage due to the increase in phone line usage during their week's tour of D.C.

Formal Inspection Postponed until June

Due to the conjunctivitis (red eye) epidemic and the cadet strain of sinus infection, inspectors from the 4th Region ROTC Division have refused to step on campus until sufficient quarantine period is allowed, approximately 90 days. A date of Sunday, June 12, has been scheduled for the alternate date.

Unknown to 4th Region, the campus epidemic is not "red eye" but the result of Mr. Dan Walker's latest class experiment. Ms. Sewell has been unsuccessful at coming up with an antidote for this epidemic as all attempts to get the secret formula has failed.

"Candlebox" to Perform At All-School Assembly

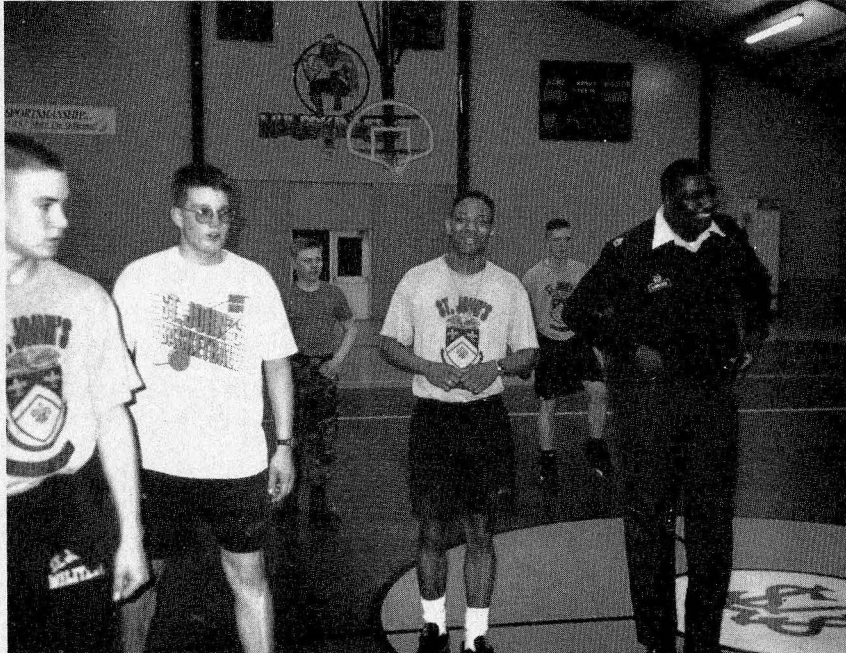
Kevin Martin, lead singer for Candlebox, has accepted an invitation for the Candlebox to entertain at an all-school assembly on April 1. They accepted the invitation, saying "Salina sounds like an exciting and real cool place - it's really boring at most places we perform."

FERGUSSON McALEXANDER PROMOTED TO OLD BOY

In a special promotion ceremony, Fergusson McAlexander was promoted to private first class. This is a historic achievement for someone of his age and stature. Fergusson's SMA, Patience Cox, recommended the promotion because of "his ability to make anyone smile". It was also noted that

Fergusson normally has a better haircut than most human cadets, and that his table manners were at least as good. According to Patience, his one weakness is chewing on shoes rather than shining them. On the other hand, he rarely sleeps in class and almost never barks back to teachers and staff members. An anonymous source indicated that his personality would be more than welcome in the staff cube.





Roller Skating to replace Basketball

The St. John's gymnasium is going to be changed into a roller rink to take the place of basketball.

Captain Skip McAlexander announced that changes are now being made in the gym to convert it to a roller rink.

The Captain said basketball was getting a bit old-fashioned and he wants to liven things up a bit. It will open shortly after Easter. Tonya Harding has been asked to be on hand for the opening. There will be skating every night and Free-For-Alls every Wednesday.

Lawrence Heads St. John's Dancing School

Dancing lessons are now being instructed by MA Roy Lawrence. The addition of this program to the curriculum by this talented individual is expected to add many new pupils to St. John's enrollment.

Among those enrolled, two have already graduated from his advanced class and are expected to do great things. Cadets John Calhoun and James Schultz are exceptionally light on their feet and perform often for the Cadet Corps.

New B & G Staff Set to Take Over

A special meeting was held last night in the Business Office. LTC Joel Looney called the meeting to handle the emergency situation created when all the members of the building and grounds staff announced they were leaving their jobs to enroll at St. John's. The grounds crew decided it was time to advance their education and earn merits for a change, letting someone else do all the dirty work.

The Board are looking for competent, hard working cadets to replace these men.

Quack Thrill Team Set to Perform at Linger

Cadet Joe Katin will take his Quack Thrill Team into action at Linger on April 1.

The trip to Linger, located on the west edge of the SJMS campus, will be made by Boeing 727 jet in an effort to save time.

The Thrillers will perform at recess intermission between arithmetic and geography classes.

Crawford to be Girl's Dean

Cindy Crawford, famed nurture girl, has just publicly announced her acceptance of the new post of dean of women at St. John's.

She said she arrived at the decision after much careful thought and when asked to comment she said, "I am looking forward to coming to St. John's with great pleasure. The caliber of students was the biggest consideration in my decision."

Rosy Cheeks Get The Girls

When asked to tell the secret of his success with girls, campus Romeo, Adam Burton, said, with an air of secrecy, "Its my rosy-red cheeks, it gets 'em every time."

Mass Revolt Rocks School

More than 90 percent of the St. John's Corps of Cadets broke into revolt here at noon mess yesterday in a demonstration that threatened to completely wreck the school.

The demonstration that has rocked Salina and disrupted the school year was caused by "too much weight-throwing by brass-happy cadet officers", said revolt-leader De'Andre Grassity. "Me and my boys plan to show these characters how to run this here joint," Grassity commented.

Cadet officers brought the revolt to a head when they declared that all non-coms and privates would eat only bread and water, leaving the usual Thursday meal of individual 19 1/2 ounce filet mignon steaks for cadet brass only.

Faculty Evacuated

School officials, headed by Mrs. Waggoner and Mr. Weis, made a mass move out the front gate, shortly after the revolt started.

Order was quickly under control when the Cadet Choir responded with a barrage of vegetable throwing.

All Reduced in Rank

The former officers have all been reduced to the newly created rank of PTC (Private tenth class).

"Civies" Authorized by Commandant

Major Mike Miller, commandant, announced that civilian clothes will be authorized to all Cadets. The only time that the uniforms must be worn is during classes and at formations. He also said vouchers may be signed by Cadets for the purchase of clothes in any of the Mall stores.

Experimental Prescription to be Used

Ms. Sheri Sewell, head nurse, has agreed to take part in a research program conducted by the Saliva Pharmaceutical Company. By dispensing small amounts of this ingredient into the campus drinking water, "spit" upon initial contact with air, will instantly take on a reddish, pepper scented, powder form. If a Cadet "spits", he will immediately be surrounded by an eye-burning, sneeze producing cloud.

Cadets LaVerne Stika and Eric Siskowsky have agreed to lead the experiment.

CORDLESS COMMUNICATIONS

An anonymous gift has been received by the school to be used to purchase telephones for cadet use. LTC Looney has been testing top-of-the-line phones and has just about agreed to purchase Maxon cordless phones for each Cadet. Unlike most cordless phones, this phone comes complete with a full-function cordless receiver PLUS a hands-free speakerphone with its own keypad on the base.

This pocket-sized flip-type cordless receiver has an incredible 7-day standby feature meaning Cadets can leave the unit on their person for up to 7 days and still have plenty of calling power. Everything will be done to assure that no Cadet misses a personal call, whether he is in class or walking tours.

Each Maxon will have a 9-number autodialing, automatic redial and 20-bit digital security code with 1,000,000 possible combinations. With this feature, problems of misuse should be at a minimum.

Emergency Session

An emergency session of the board of trustees has been called for today to make last minute plans for the girls who are to arrive soon. The meeting will be at 2400 in the banquet hall of the Cozy Inn.

May Hunt Squirrels on Sunday Park Pass

SFC Roger Kelsey announced today that Cadets will be allowed to check out H&R Model 12's from the Armory on Sunday afternoons in order to go squirrel hunting on park pass. He said he hoped this would stimulate Cadets interest in the use of weapons.

APRIL FOOL EDITION

The first of April was set aside as a day for people to change their folkways in another direction, 180 degrees, and find relaxation in doing what might be termed "silly" by some but to most broad-minded persons, is just plain fun.

As you have noticed, the Skirmisher staff too, has put out a paper full of nonsense for you. We certainly hope you enjoy it.