

University Is High with PCVs

Of the nation's 3,000 colleges and universities, the University is one of the twenty-second largest contributors of Peace Corps volunteers, according to recent reports released by the agency.

As of Oct. 1, 1967, at least 100 Volunteers, including 51 now serving overseas, had been selected for Peace Corps service.

They have served in sub-Saharan Africa (10), East Asia and the Pacific Islands (11), Latin America (10) and in the North Africa/Mideast and South Asia region (10).

One other Pennsylvania school also falls into the top 20 Peace Corps schools.

The University of Pennsylvania ranks thirteenth with 141 Peace Corps volunteers.

The University ranked twentieth last year for total volunteers produced since 1961 when the Peace Corps started out in eight countries.

By next spring 10,000 volunteers will be overseas in 58 countries working primarily in education, community development, health and agriculture.

New requests this year have come from The Gambia, Upper Volta, Lesotho and Dahomey in Africa; and from Western Samoa, Tonga and Fiji in the South Pacific.

Ceylon is also the first country to re-invite the Peace Corps after a previous program had been discontinued.

The Peace Corps is now the largest single employer of college graduates except for the military. Over 3.2 per cent of 1967's 582,000 graduating college seniors (18,000) applied for Peace Corps service.

Eighty per cent of these received invitations to train for an overseas assignment.



Orchesis Tryouts

ORCHESIS Vice President Margi Thoren (left) and Secretary Millie Cardamone perform in a scene from last spring's dance recital. Orchesis, the coeducational dance club of the Women's Recreation Association, will hold tryouts at 7 p.m., Jan. 9 in the dance studio in White Hall. All graduate and undergraduate men and women are eligible for membership in the dance club.

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Vaughn Says Peace Corps To Seek Draft Deferments

The Peace Corps announced Monday it will urge on behalf of Volunteers seeking draft deferments for two years of overseas service.

Agency Director Jack Vaughn, concerned by mounting induction calls to Volunteers serving overseas, said he will take an "active role" in seeking future deferment cases before Presidential Appeal Board.

In the past the agency performed a largely informational function—advising Volunteers and relatives of Selective Service laws and procedures and conferring to local boards the fact of the Volunteer's service.

In future appeals, Vaughn will write letters to the board describing the circumstances in each case and urging board members to grant a deferment until completion of the Volunteer's overseas tour.

"We have a serious situation," he said. "The problem of induction notices to overseas Volunteers is becoming a major concern for us. Pulling a Volunteer off a productive job at mid-tour is unfair to the nation, the host country, the Peace Corps and the individual."

Vaughn said Peace Corps Volunteers have lost about 60 deferment appeals before the three-man board in the last six and one-half years. While adverse rulings by the national board have involved less than one-half of one per cent of the estimated 10,000

draft-eligible men to have served in the Peace Corps, virtually all of those have occurred in the past year, he said.

Of the approximately 100 Volunteers who have already returned to the United States for draft induction, two were disqualified for physical reasons and returned to their overseas assignments.

The vast majority of Peace Corps Volunteers are granted deferments for two years of overseas duty because their service is deemed by their local boards to be "in the national interest," as recommended by Lt. Gen. Lewis H. Hershey, the draft director.

However, some local Selective Service boards refuse deferments even though Peace Corps service does not relieve Volunteers of their draft obligations. If the local board is upheld by the State Appeal Board, the case may reach the Presidential Appeal Board which makes the final decision.

The appeal process often takes months to be resolved and the Peace Corps frequently sends Volunteers to their overseas sites while their appeals for deferment are pending.

Vaughn said the Peace Corps, having provided upwards of 400 hours of intensive language training during the 12 to 14 weeks of preparation, often sends Volunteers overseas to begin service "rather than risk the loss of their newly-earned language fluency during the long waits for final approval or disapproval of deferment requests."

Marine Corp Recruiter On Campus

Captain Frank W. Tuckwiler, of the Marine Officer Selection Office in Pittsburgh, will be on campus next Monday and Tuesday to interview and test students who wish to receive a commission in the United States Marine Corps. Interviews and testing will be conducted on the ground floor of the Hotel Union Building.

The officer programs available to undergraduates are the Platoon Leaders Class (Ground) and Platoon Leaders Class (Aviation). These programs have two six-week training periods, which with successful completion, leads to a commission upon graduation.

Medici Letters Sold at Auction

PARIS (AP) — Collectors paid \$8,500 at auction to buy 60 letters written by Catherine de Medici and 40 letters by her son, Charles IX, to the French ambassador in Spain, Baron de Fourquevaux. The letters were written between 1585 and 1572.

Honor Students

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Montgomery County: Judith A. vandenBroek, 15-1/2 Huntington Rd., Abington, with distinction, formerly attended Ogontz Campus. James B. Wilcox, 620 Lansdale Ave., Lansdale, with distinction. Cynthia A. Miller, 810 Melrose Ave., Melrose Park, with distinction, formerly attended Ogontz Campus. Joseph D. Kopp Jr., 207 Krowson Terrace, Willow Grove, with distinction, formerly attended Ogontz Campus.

Northumberland County: Patricia Erdly Luckenbill, 105 E. 4th St., Watsonstown, with distinction.

Philadelphia County: Barbara Jo Gittner, 8900 Roosevelt Blvd., Philadelphia, with distinction. Judith M. Shapiro, 2131 Hoffnagle St., with distinction.

York County: Rebecca J. Kunkel RD 1, East Berlin, with distinction. Jacqueline B. Rozet, 1696 Old Old Farm Lane, York, with high distinction.

Out of state students receiving honors include: **California:** Douglas L. McMillan, 3521 Curtis, San Diego, with distinction.

New Jersey: Gregory C. Digner, 4 Penn Rd., Cranford, with high distinction. Mary C. Dealery, 400 Chester Ave., Moorestown, with distinction. Barbara A. Kerr, 106 Maple Hill Pl., Wayne, with distinction. Harvey I. Kautler, 41 Mayfair Dr., West Chester, with distinction.

New York: Jane B. Hyman 55 Lafayette Dr., Port Chester, with distinction.

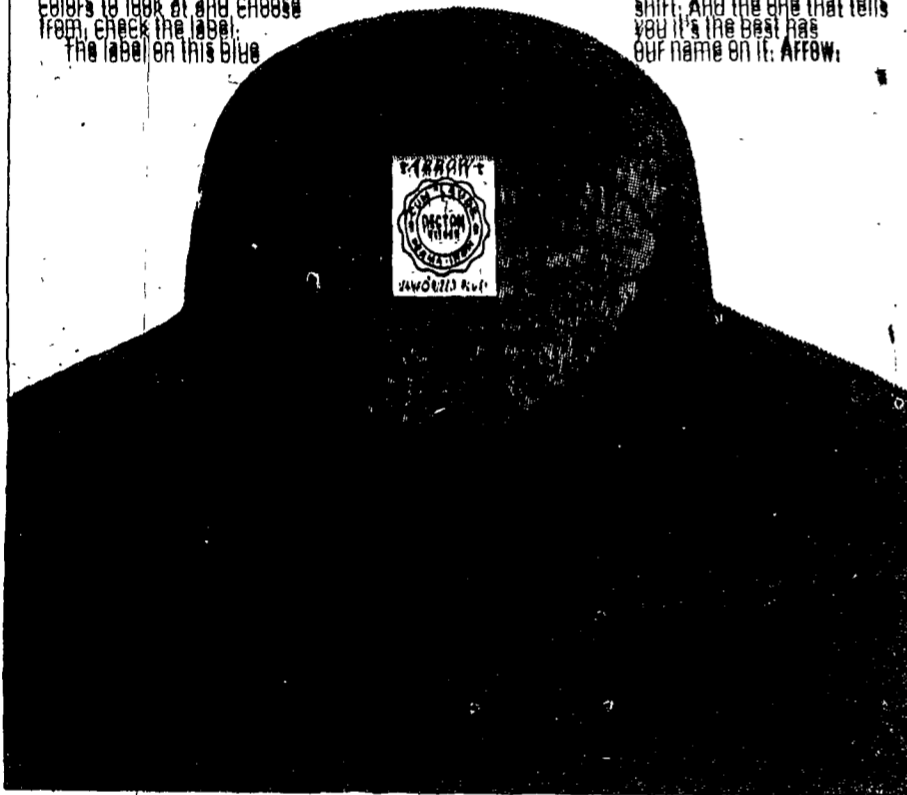
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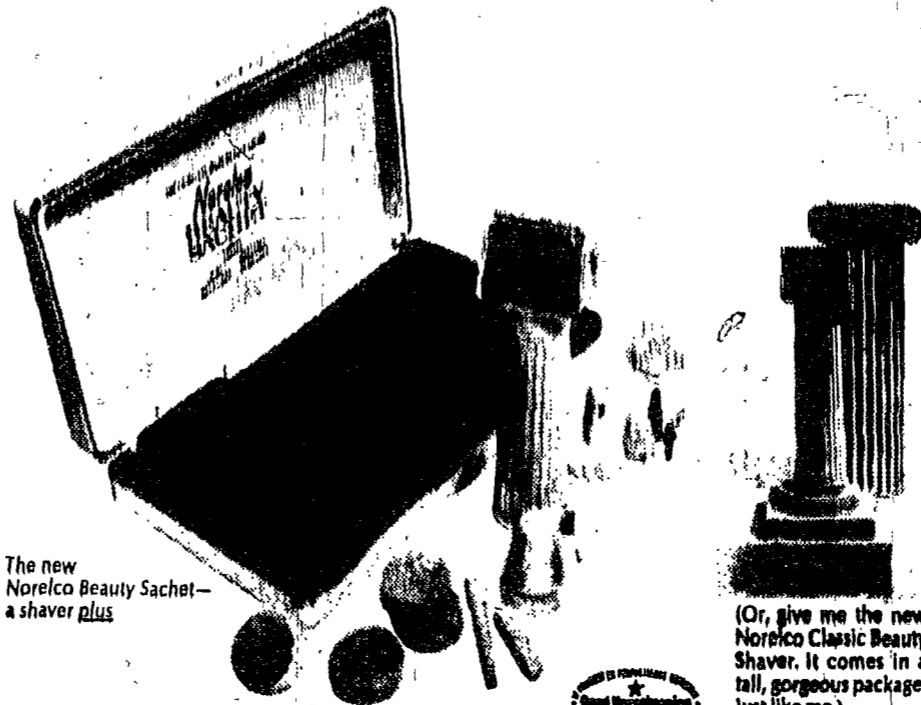


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PAPERBACKS IN REVIEW
A publisher's survey of what's new in the way of unrequired reading

The subject of this month's column is not a paperback, and, in a sense, it is required reading. Required reading, that is, for all who are concerned about their own and their nation's future: about the quality of American life in the 60's, 70's, and beyond.

To Seek A Newer World, by Senator Robert F. Kennedy, is a book which poses a simple question: "Whether we are prepared to dare" — dare to admit the failure of enshrined policy when necessary, dare to try bold new approaches that keep pace with "the whirlwind of change and hope and progress."

The question is simple, but our problems are awesome and complex. As Senator Kennedy states a few of them:

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"We have passed civil rights legislation of a reach and depth unknown since the Civil War; yet never has there been a greater sense of alienation and more open hostility between the races."

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These, and other problems among peoples, countries, and generations, cannot be dealt with in generalities. **To Seek A Newer World** is filled with Senator Kennedy's specific recommendations for legislative and executive action . . . and for your individual action. Rightly, the book begins with an appeal to, and on behalf of, youth.

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To Seek A Newer World by Robert F. Kennedy is published at \$1.25 by Doubleday & Company, Inc., Garden City, New York. You'll find it at one of the best equipped bookstores in the country — your own college store.

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