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Futurists See Hope For Spaceship Earth

BY MARSHALL GRAVELY

St. Andrews was host this Tuesday and Wednesday to a conference sponsored by C&C 402 on "An Economy for Spaceship Earth." The featured speakers were Dr. Martin Brofronbrenner, an economist from Duke University; Mr. Robert Theobald, futurist and lecturer: Dr. George Schweitzer, chemist from the University of Tennessee; Mr. Hervey Evans, President of McNair Seed Company, Laurinburg; and Dr. Arthur Cooper, ecologist with the N.C. Department of Natural and Economic Resources.

The seminar was begun Tuesday with an address by Mr. Theobald, in which he stated the need for fundamental changes in the value systems of humanity to deal with the ecological "metacrisis." He went on to explain how the crisis resulted from false economic assumptions and a belief that man could dominate the environment rather than adjust to it. Theobald said that four essential changes were needed for the new values. These were honesty, responsibility, humility, and love -- each stated in terms of the new communications era. These changes would result in authority from a power basis to a knowledge basis.

He concluded by offering two proposals for action. A proposal for immediate action was the establishment of a guaranteed income for everyone, and for long-range action, the establishment of a system of free goods with a non-money oriented economy. Responses to these positions and proposals were offered Wednesday afternoon by the other four panelists.

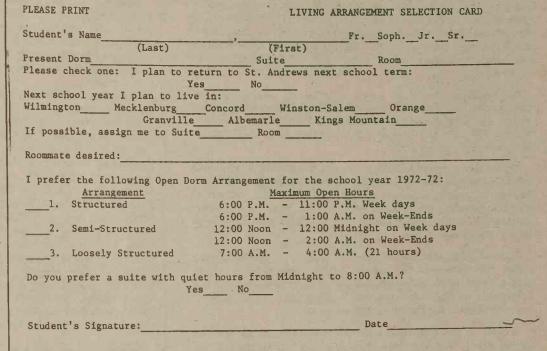
Dr. Brofrenbrenner began the responses by differing with Theobald's language but essentially agreeing with him in the nature of the problem. He said that he was pessimsitic about the prospects for the solution of the ecological crisis. He then presented his version of the economic plan for Spaceship Earth which included some the same concerns as Theobald's analysis, plus some new economic proposals in the framework of the present sys-

Dr. Cooper offered the view that the only hope for change was by working within the present framework of the system, even though it was inefficient and weak. He essentially agreed with Theobald in the problems caused by the failure of communication between people and government.

Mr. Evans agreed with Cooper in the need to use the system to meet the crisis. He added that it was impossible, in his view, to set up an authority system based on knowledge and an economy without money and profit. He also stressed that some 95% of the world's population is still living on a subsistence basis.

Dr. Schweitzer concluded the responses by stating that he was basically optimistic for the future. He agreed with Theobald as to the seriousness of the problem but did not see the same bleak outlook for the outcome of the problem.

The conference was summarized Wednesday evening with a panel discussion featuring Theobald, Cooper. Brofrenbrenner, and Evans, Each participant briefly summarizedhis previously statements and then each one had time for discussion of a specific issue with responses by the other panel members. Specific issues discussed were land conservation policies, governmental changes, and possible moves toward an authority system based on knowledge.



This Living Arrangement Selection Card is a facsimile of the one to be sent to all students, with parents' signature required for freshmen and transfers.

Tri-Level Dorm Proposal Passed By Hart, Faculty

BY LANI BALDWIN

This week Dean David Mc-Nair, who is both Director of Housing and Chairman of the Student Life Committee, released to the LANCE information on the proposed open dorm policy which is to be instituted in the fall. The new policy, which incorporates student choice in a tri-level living arrangement, was formulated by a special sub-committee of Student Life, consisting of Dean McNair, Professor Richard Prust, and Student Association President Ken Watkins.

The Student Life Committee had been charged by the faculty in May 1971 to formulate and present an acceptable open dorm proposal to the President, faculty, and students. The faculty agreed to implement any proposal accepted by the President, Since then, the Committee has been gathering information in its efforts to devise as open dorm system satisfactory to the needs and wants of the majority of those involved. The establishment of a tri-level dorm arrangement that can accommodate and allow for individual difference seemed to be the logical solution. This allows for differences in background, experience and academic demands placed on the individual student.

The proposal, passed by Student Life on February 10, and recommended to Dr. Hart for approval, was received as information by the faculty at their March 14 meeting, and is to be discussed by the students at dorm forum meetings next week. The schedule of dorm forums, which will be conducted by members of the Student Life Committee, is yet to be announced.

The Tri-Level Dorm Living arrangement, and further explanatory information, follows: (Continued to Page 4)

April Folk Festival Scheduled To Include Variety Of Talent

BY CHIP FRENCH

What's it all about . . . Wednesday, April 19 is the first day of the first attempt at a lengthy St. Andrews festival.

Under the guidance and organization of Charles Joyner, there will be a five day "traditional" folk festival in place of the usual Spring concert, Bacchanalia or Fling. The potential for participation and selectivity in what you do during those days is unlimited.

The aspect of "traditional" means that, with few exceptions, there will be no commercial entertainment. The performers will be participators in a sharing of music, voice, craft, national and regional traditions. They are coming from Scotland, England, Ireland, Connecticut, Arkansas, South Carolina, and North Carolina, They are Afro-American, Anglo-American, Native American, and friendly foreigners. Their pay will be your participation and their expenses are footed by the Concert and Lectures ComBoard, They will be living in dorms, wandering around campus, performing and jamming, all for the fun and benefit of their efforts and yours.

In keeping with the festival's theme, there will be a variety of offerings -- poetry, Women's Guerilla Theatre (Charlene Whisnant and Carolyn Kizer), bagpiping, square dancing, craft shows, Third World Sales, workshops, a water show, sing arounds, a picnic lunch and motorcycle race, evening concerts, a movie, and many other forms of participation by various areas of the college and other communities.

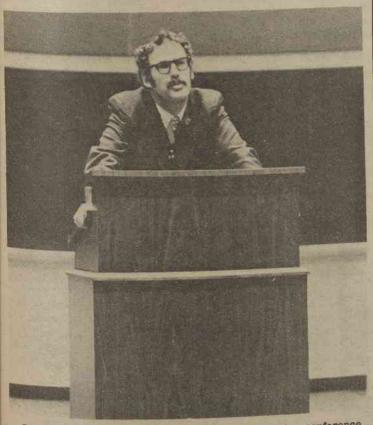
It should be noted that there is no license given or received for anyone (faculty or students) to cut classes or let down their normal academic pursuits. We hope that the faculty will appreciate the value, both as education, and as a Spring respite from normal routine. Perhaps they will join us and participate through their

mittee and the College Union | presence and their families. tion to any members of the S.A. community -- ALL are welcomed. For those who hold any sentiment about "community" sharing, interaction, participation, group-learning, and enjoyment. . . this festival should be an ideal expression.

Some have rightly expressed doubts that "folk music" or "traditional entertainment" is not their thing. You don't have to be sold on or particularly "tuned in" to the folk tradition to explore its possibilities or to share music or to enjoy the sharing of good feelings and fun. You may even find that "folk" can be a pleasurable second standard for your listening ear. Whatever is true for your personal tastes, the festival is a way to tune in to a strong and old tradition.

The people you will be meeting, eating with, living next door to, listening to or talking to are tops in their talents. "Dave and Tonie Arthur" are

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Robert Theobald, one of the participants in the conference on "An Economy for Spaceship Earth," during the opening address Tuesday night. (Photo by Rod Brown)