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## Nixon Hurts Party - Phillips

"Impeachment could become an extremely drawn out process", syndicated columnist Kevin Phillips told his St. Andrews' audience last night in the LAA. "It could be the focal point of the fall election." Phillips referred to the legal tangles which would surely involve the impeachment process if it were to take place, and predicted that the trial would not be concluded until the spring of 1975. He pointed out that many questions concerning the legitimacy of the jury (i.e. the Senate) and the legitimacy of the procedures of impeachment would be subject to judicial review.

Impeachment, therefore, would be a complicated web which might throw the U.S. into serious turmoil, especially if foreign nations were to take advantage of the confusion. While not explicitly

calling for President Nixon's resignation, Phillips, a conservative Republican who was chief "political voting pattern analyst" for Nixon's 1968 campaign, indicated that both the country and the Republican Party would be best served by Nixon's departure from office.

"If the President were to resign within six weeks or so, and Jerry Ford came in, I think you'll see the party rally around the flag." He dismissed the recent GOP losses in special Congressional elections as inconsequential, saying that these were anti-Nixon, not anti-Party decisions of the electorate. Phillips' point was that Nixon's resignation would not badly injure his party, even in the 1974 elections. If, on the otherhand, Nixon is still in office in November, and impeachment

procedures are taking place, "I can imagine 50-60 Congressional and 4-5 Senatorial seats being lost." Such a defeat would give the Democrats power to override Presidential vetoes, if the Congress was to vote strictly along party lines.

Phillips, however, is even more cynical about the Congress' competence than the President's. "If Congress gets the ball they're going to fumble." He referred to the Nixon Administration's tendency for the "forward fumble". They're so incompetent they'll fumble the ball but the Congress will pick it up and fumble it back at a point farther up the field than the Administration started, he analogized. "If the Democratic Congress is in the spotlight for the next three years, the Republicans think maybe they can win in '76 with the Boston Strangler," Phillips commented.

Beyond his constant cynicism toward the political process, Phillips showed a deep concern about the future of the nation because of a very serious leadership crisis. He considers nobody an outstanding 1976 Presidential candidate. "If Jerry Ford Becomes President within the next year (of which there's a 1/2 to 1/3 chance), he's almost certain to be renominated in '76." Ford, he predicted, could probably form a coalition with Southern Democrats who recently have tended to vote Republican in Presidential elections, forming the basis for Phillips' concept of the emerging Republican majority-to win in 1976, despite the impact of Watergate.

Phillips discounted Nelson Rockefeller as "too old" for a serious Presidential bid. Of Ronald Reagan, he said, "I think a movie actor is not going to run for President." He discounted James Buckley as having "no political savvy" and said that Charles Percy is considered a "posturing little twerp" by the Republican Party establishment.



Spring Convocation Speaker Dr. Proctor.

## Proctor To Speak At Convocation

At the coming together of the college community this spring, April 8 at 7:30 in Harris Courts, Dr. Samuel D. Proctor will be the guest speaker. He is the second lecturer in the Staley Lecture Series.

Currently Dr. Proctor is a Professor of Education at the Graduate School of Education (Martin Luther King Memorial Chair) at Rutgers University in New Brunswick, New Jersey. He is also the Senior Minister in the Abyssinian Baptist Church in New York City.

Dr. Proctor is a native of Virginia and is an alumnus of Virginia Union University (1942), Crozer Seminary (1945), and Boston University (1950), earning the doctorate at the latter in ethics. Other graduate study was done in sociology at the University of Pennsylvania and in ethics at Yale University.

Beginning his career as a minister in the Pond Street Baptist Church, in Rhode Island (1945-49) and as a teacher and dean at Virginia Union University (1949-55) he

has since served as President of Virginia Union University (1955-60) and North Carolina A & T University (1960-64) and held administrative positions with the Peace Corps, National Council of Churches, Office of Economic Opportunity, Institution for Services to Education and the University of Wisconsin.

Dr. Proctor has traveled extensively in Europe and Africa and has served on the governing boards of many universities. In 1964 he received an outstanding Alumnus Award at Boston University and in 1966 a Distinguished Service Award by the State University of New York in Plattsburgh. He has received honorary doctorate decrees from Bryant College, Davidson College, Stillman College, University of Rhode Island, Virginia Union University and others.

Dr. Proctor is the author of "The Young Negro in America", 1966, and many articles in various journals such as "Liberal Education," "Journal of Negro History," etc.

## Philosophy Major Instituted

The addition of a major in philosophy is the major change in the revision of the Division of Religion and Philosophy program recently passed by the faculty committee.

The new philosophy major requires twelve courses, including eight 300-400 level courses. The addition of a major in philosophy resulted from the philosophy department recently meeting the requirements of the American Philosophical Association.

Both the religion major and the religion and philosophy major have also been revised. Previously unoffered, a contract major

is now available for religion majors. This change as well as the addition of senior guided independent studies, are planned to allow the religion major to concentrate his studies in a field of special interest to him.

Plans are also made to expand the present curriculum, revising several courses offered presently. With the addition of new courses, the division hopes to increase the offerings in Philosophy by approximately fifty per cent. New courses include Philosophy of Science, Advance Logic, and at least one special studies course each year.

**Congratulations—Mr. and Mrs. Mark Smith for the birth of a new daughter born March 19, 1974.**

Floyd Blackwell, director of the P.E. Center, has asked the Lance to express his gratification to faculty, staff, and students for the kindness shown him during his recent hospitalization. Blackwell was deeply touched by his many calls, cards and visitors.

Blackwell has recuperated rapidly from surgery for removal of a benign tumor and has returned to work at St. Andrews.

## "Typical" Weekend Planned

Younger Brother-Sister weekend will be April 26-28. This is an attempt to show high school age people S.A. during a "typical" weekend. "Typical" weekend in the sense that the events planned represent the variety of activities found on the S. A. campus. It will be a weekend without speeches from any branch of the school, for it is an attempt to create a feeling for the natural S. A. atmosphere. It will also be suite oriented, so that in addition to the planned events, suite members will entertain and house their guests. There should be information sheet on the door of each suite. This sheet also provides space for

people to list the names of their guests. This is important because we need an approximate number in order for meals to be planned and other arrangement to be made. We need this information the week following spring break, so please write or talk to Kith and Kin before or during this time.

Proposed schedule of events:

Regular classes-afternoon, Piano Recital-8:00, Movie, Bedazzled-9:00.

Saturday: Faculty Divisional Coffeehouse 10-11, Poetry Reading-4:00, Farrago, Square Dance - evening

Don't make any plans at all for the weekend after Spring-break-April 5th and 6th! The College Union Board is sponsoring a really exciting weekend for everyone! The name properly given to this spring weekend is Bacchanalia. For those who have not heard enough about the Bacchanalia three years ago, or did not learn your Greek mythology, Bacchanalia is an "ancient Roman (or Greek) festival in honor of Bacchus, the god of wine and revelry". Details of events will be given on return from spring break but here are a few previews of what to expect: (all times and events subject to change)

Friday, April 5

Outside cookout by Epicure

Hootennany 7:00-1:00

Featuring Blue Grass Experience other known "bluegrass artists"

Contest for the students with the above professional as judges

Prices: 1st-\$50, 2nd-\$25.

Saturday, April 6

St. Andrews Olympics - Marathon Race 10:30

all types of races covering entire S.A. campus -

teams of 10 males/10 females

Outside lunch by Epicure

Bacchanalia Carnival 1:00-5:00

featuring Flea Market, Student Booths of

games, Crafts, and Art, Amusement Rides

St. Andrews Baseball Game

Girls Powder Puff Football Game 3:30

Delicious Dinner by Epicure

St. Elmo's Fire

PLUS: at least one or two other bands!

Now that you have some idea of what's going to happen

PLEASE make plans to stay around campus April 5th and 6th.

We feel it will be one GREAT WEEKEND. One to remember.

Watch for more details.

Susan Hamill