ABC will televise Panther football game

By Steve Riley '82

Middlebury College will be the regional spotlight this Saturday afternoon, as ABC-TV has announced plans to televise the Middlebury-Norwich college football game from Potter Field at 12:30 p.m. EST.

After a Monday afternoon network decision to televise the regional match-up as the first part of its weekly doubleheader, Middlebury Athletic Director Tom Lawson negotiated with ABC officials. This marks the first time a New England division III football game has ever been televised.

ABC announced its decision during the Cleveland, Ohio “Monday Night Football” program, and the local media picked up the story in Tuesday morning editions. But according to Lawson, the final acceptance by Middlebury did not occur until 10:00 a.m. Tuesday morning.

Lawson emphasized that “there was a lot of talk about the decision and after a careful weighing of the pros and cons we agreed that it would be an acceptable program.”

He continued by saying, “We are very pleased with the agreement. ABC has assured us that both academic and athletic integrity would be maintained.” Both schools will have a one-minute segment featuring their institutions and Middlebury President Olaf Robison will give a short discussion on the on-going goals and purposes of the New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC) in the Middlebury Directory of Sports.

Prexy Robison announces leave of absence

By Jennifer Gold '82

College President Olaf Robison announced plans to take a leave of absence from February through April of 1981, and again for eight weeks during the summer. He informed Student Forum representatives at their Nov. 2 meeting that the decision stems from the fact that he had been made a member of the Middlebury College Board of Trustees, permitting him to take a vacation.

Robison revealed that he accepted the presidential post at Middlebury immediately after resigning as Bowdoin College’s president. He noted, however, that this move necessitated his fulfillment of a one-year lease that Bowdoin’s board of trustees had granted. As a result, he explained, he has had no time off for ten years. “I’m really looking forward to being off-duty,” he assured.

During the spring, Robison mentioned his plans to catch up on recent developments in US/SSB relations. He said, “My hope is to try to get my reading up to date,” and to meet with the Soviets in Moscow.

He also intends to visit Washington, D.C., where he will continue his duties as a member of the United States Commission on Public Diplomacy. Regardless of any change in Presidential administration, he will serve until April 6, 1982.

Altemity efforts capture first

By Elizabeth Freck '82

Displaying a tremendous community effort, the town of Middlebury took first place for "best overall program" of energy conservation in the Altemity Week competition held on Oct. 22-23. St. Stephen's in Brunswick, Connecticut, earned the award for the greatest decrease in energy consumption with a 17 percent reduction, while Middlebury had a 14 percent reduction.

A committee, composed of one representative from each participating town in New England and Canada, named the towns’ conservation efforts in fourteen categories, including the degree of effectiveness with which business, industry and the private homeowner reduced energy consumption. The Middlebury Chamber of Commerce also submitted a scrapbook and video presentation describing the details of the town’s involvement in energy conservation.

In addition, he indicated that he will work to develop new energy-saving strategies, such as using faculty and staff meetings and reviewing recommendations from various administrative, faculty and student committees, to participate in the competition.

Clifford said that he will handle fundraising when necessary, but the bulk of the effort to obtain funds will be continued by Walter Brooker, vice-president for development.

Robison noted that he will return to administrative commitments in June, while Clifford will coordinate the summer energy savings program.

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At the time of this interview, the decision has already prompted a lot of enthusiasm around campus, and will serve to promote the purposes of this institution.”
Faculty vote approves Winter Term grades

By Jennifer Godl ’82

The faculty ratified the Educational Council proposal at their meeting Monday, allowing professors to request that their Winter Term offerings be letter graded in contrast to Curriculum Committee approval.

The proposal specifies that the Curriculum Committee will consider letter grading for courses that duplicate regular semester courses and that serve as prerequisites for other courses. The Council suggested that those courses offering advanced, specialized, or experimental material continue to be graded on an honors/pass/fail basis to encourage students to study disciplines outside their majors.

The revision amending the College Handbook rule that all Winter Term courses be graded on an honors/pass/fail basis was supported by a large majority of those faculty present at the meeting. The change will be implemented by Winter Term, 1982.

Prior to the vote, Educational Council member and Dean of Students Russell Leng defended the proposal, saying that the revised policy would allow greater flexibility for faculty to determine the most appropriate manner in which to evaluate students.

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Rules change raised

By Maria Pedani ’83

A move to revive certain rules in the College Handbook, dealing with the Judicial Council process of administering punishments for student violations, was made at the Oct. 28 Community Council meeting.

Judicial Council Representative Douglas Carrier ’82 challenged the present procedure for handling driving violations. Currently, if a student is caught driving on the campus, her car is impounded and remains impounded while she awaits hearing. Carrier argued that the student is being punished before guilt is determined; the Council may take up to two weeks to convene.

Student Forum Chairman Caleb Rick ’82 explained that “Unfortunately, it is a long process.” He said many individuals must be notified of the offense before action can be taken. The violation report initiates in Campus Security and then is delivered to the Dean who notifies the student. Finally, the Judicial Council reviews the case.

Carrier also said that the Judicial Council feels certain punishments were too severe, and that infringement of some rules called for lesser punishment. Members felt the decision was incorrect. Carrier requested that the Judicial Council possibly permit graduated punishment.

Association of Religious Student

By Ken Cox ’84

“The state of the College is good,” President Otis Robinson announced at the annual Student Forum gathering of administration, faculty and students held last Sunday.

Robinson sketched out major College renovation, fundraising and development plans.

He cited the following renovation projects in the near decade: Field House, Sunderland Hall and its cinema facilities, Wright Theater, several dormitories, and courts.

The President also noted that the College has to look to other parts of the country for its applicants, as evidence of the increasing diversity of the College. “We will be able to do very well with diversity if we can get financial aid giving up,” he said. He noted that the percentage of students on financial aid has increased from 18 percent to 23 percent since Robinson took office. His goal is “to make it possible to admit people without putting any attention to their ability to pay.”

Robinson said, “We can afford to keep some things the way they are. We are doing very well right now.”

He added that he believed that a College work program would increase the sense of community as well as help the College financially.

President Robinson finally commented on the College community, in which he noted that “there is something to do with the possibility of community.” Since Middlebury is small, he claimed that the College was easier to promote a sense of community providing “most people wanting it to be.”

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Save energy

TO THE EDITOR:

The controversy among towns in the six New England states and three maple syrup production centers in Nova Scotia over the past few years has been a consistent feature of the energy crisis. I write to express my appreciation of the efforts made by all concerned to reduce energy consumption. However, I feel that a more effective way to reduce energy consumption would be to encourage individuals to adopt energy-saving habits in their daily lives.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

BSU approves

TO THE EDITOR:

We are pleased to announce that the Board of Student Union has approved the use of the new energy-efficient lighting system in all college buildings. This decision is in keeping with our commitment to reducing our carbon footprint and promoting sustainability.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

COLOMBO MARSH
Chairman, BSU

Recruit blacks

TO THE EDITOR:

In our efforts to attract and retain a diverse student body, we are pleased to announce that we have recruited a new student from the local community. This student's involvement in our programs and events has been positive and we hope to see more students from diverse backgrounds join our ranks.

Sincerely yours,

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President of BSU

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Peter Campbell

The discussion

I'd always thought that a small school meant small faculty, not small classes and small dorms. But the experience here has been quite different. In my classes, I get to know each professor individually. I think this is important for my intellectual growth.

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News Analysis

Reagan Republican impact analyzed

By June Jarcho '82

The election returns are in, and now Reagan's sweeping victory, and its implications, are being analyzed. A strong, overwhelming conservative movement accompanied the new President's victory, changing considerably the political outlook for the next four years. Despite this shift towards conservatism, though, other principles of democracy were tested. Both the establishment of a serious third party candidacy and the newly shaping parties of citizens using their vote as a tool of controlling representatives accountability, should affect policies that Reagan and newly elected conservatives pursue in the following years.

The impact of the conservative sweep is especially seen in the Senate, where all but one incumbent liberal Senator running for re-election was defeated. Three liberal Senators - Frank Church, Ben Nighthorse, and George McGovern were all defeated. These men were targeted by conservative coalitions as important Senators to defeat in the 1980 election. Their losses mark the successful beginning of "lobbying" groups entering the campaigning stage of politics. As of press time, the final composition of the Senate was still uncertain. The Republicans now hold more seats than ever in their party history, and had gained seven with three still to be decided.

The House, however, will narrowly remain Democratic. The Republicans won the battle with Reagan's Presidential victory, would seem to indicate that the country has given its new representatives a clear mandate to act on unprovided, but said they would.

Yet the real implication of this political turnabout is not a sudden change in the political outlook of the American people. Instead, they have used the 1980 election to focus accountability by representatives to their constituents. The conservative sweep was not so much an outright embrace by the voters of conservative beliefs, but rather a reflection of voter unhappiness with Carter, and on his coasts, the targeted liberal Senator. The unpredictability of the election right up until the final result seems to be in place, more than voters did not enter the polling places with firm, long-standing conservative beliefs. Many last minute decisions were made, registering dissatisfaction with the incumbent, rather than approval for the future.

Carter was defeated, in part, due to his ineffectiveness in the economic sphere. High rates of inflation and unemployment were issues as the key issues upon which they voted. Carter's last minute campaign pitch, to depict Reagan as a pro-war, anti-environment candidate was not enough to deter voters from supporting Reagan. Instead, voters expressed their concern for the economy and their desire for a "strong" president by electing Reagan. The final scramble to release the hostage in Iran, also, seemed to backfire on Carter. The American public was sick of being entered with a false Carter. Ultimately, the public's expressed to the hostage issue only increased the people's belief that Carter was a weak president.

The other political phenomena that surfaced during this election was the emergence of Anderson's "successful" campaign. Anderson, as he said in his concession speech, never expected to win. But, he did present a third option which 6 percent of the voters decided to support. He brought a lot of attention to the flaws in the two-party system. But, the unfair laws surrounding the system for a spot on the ballot to the popularity in funding of the two major candidates. His ability to understand a social movement, a nationwide campaign for free ballots to re-elect their candidates and concerns themselves with the real possibility that third-party candidates might emerge with more strength in the future.

What this all translates into for Reagan and the newly elected Republican majority is that the American people are now demanding more, and the Republicans must be seen as the people who are meeting the demands, and if not satisfied, will not feel compelled to support them. Most likely, the most conservative of Reagan's stand will be to reduce military spending, de-regulate industry, and conservative socialists on the "moral" issues (ERA and abortion) are expected. But if Reagan is served in any of his goals, his policies must swing to the middle, closer to realistic legislation. For, if four years from today Reagan has not accomplished what he promised, especially in the economy, he will become the third incumbent president in-a-row to fall from office.

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Related Correspondence

On behalf of the entire "Alimony Celebration Committee," we want you to know that you can all be very proud of a job well done. When you stop to realize that 7,000 people worked together, completely united around a single objective, you have to be truly amazed!

We have demonstrated, not only in the people of Vermont, but also in all the people of New England and the Canadian provinces, that this can be done. Now, let us continue to lead the way in energy conservation. "Alimony" means Energy, Alternatives for Eternity. Let's prove that now is "Alimony Celebration" was not just a three day program, but rather was the beginning of a continuing program of energy conservation awareness.

Again, congratulations to you all.

G. W. ROBINSON

Middlebury College President

Congratulations

TO THE EDITOR:

President Ray! Thanks to your understanding, your awareness of my feelings, and your enthusiasm, Middlebury is "Alimony Celebration 81.

The Alleman Town Hall has been named the winner of the 1981 Overall Conservation Days Competition.

GREAT EXCURSIONS: A great event indeed. Will say nothing, unless provoked. When provoked, will scan class with hostility and cunning. Often confuses with quasia-genius who uses "shy" as a cover-up for not knowing material.

Mr. Opinion: The breed doesn't merely read and regurgitate. We read critically, comparing all works and contexts and making an inner set of beliefs. We often comment with dazzling reverence on the most morose of works: "Yeah, well I think this dialogue of Plato's has guts."

Check Mark Observed: A cold analytical reading of the general system at Middlebury. Will shoot the system as much as possible with as little effort as possible. Like a trip in another planet. Will often find a channel to rhythm is not just a rhythm, but a rhythm. The play is usually unfulfilled.

Nicholas: Having scored with a theme early in the year, this fellow will now be relatively free, and his current theme, hang on regardless of its relevance: "It's like man's fall from innocence."

Next discussion, just for fun, chart the rules out on a chart, but we are just an endurance. Afterwards, let the class know of your conclusions. Your popularity will skyrocket.