“50 Years After 1968, We Are Still Living In Its Shadow”
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Faculty of 1968

~140 members (now 246)

- 18 women (now ~80)
  - 100% white (now 90%)
Enrollment: 3,234 (3,559 now)  
Tuition: $970 ($34,600)  
Room & board: $830 ($10,200)
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Representatives of the United States Navy and Marine Corp will be on campus October 21st and 22nd to discuss officer training programs. The officer training programs are designed to interfere with the student normal course of study. If programs are open to full-time students in good standing as well as graduate. Officer training tests will also be administered.

The selection teams may be contacted at the Student Counseling Center and the Kressler Lee Inn at either day.
Vietnam: anti-war protests, the Tet Offensive & the draft

February 27, 1968

Tet offensive - January 30, 1968

541,000 Americans in Vietnam
~17,000 killed in 1968

March 15, 1968

Forty-seven Calvin professors place anti-war ad in GR ‘Press’

Fourty-eight college teachers in the Grand Rapids area, forty-seven of whom are from Calvin College and Seminary, placed an advertisement in the Saturday, March 9, Grand Rapids Press, entitled “A Statement on Vietnam.” The ad called for support of “appeals for action toward peace.”

The text of the ad was drawn up by Dr. Dirk J. Jellema, Professor of History, and James DeLoren, Assistant Professor of Political Science. Mr. Jellema is a Republican and Mr. DeLoren is a Democrat.

The “Statement on Vietnam” was circulated among the entire Calvin faculty. The one-eighth page $120 ad was paid for by contributions from the signers.

The full text of the ad read: “Recently a group of military men, now retired, issued a call for cessation of the bombing of North Vietnam. Included are General David Shoup, former Marine Corps Commandant; Rear Admiral Arlen H. Trelfa (awarded the Medal of Honor in World War II); Brigadier General B. E. Hughes (MacArthur’s chief in World War II); W. W. Ford (commander of the United States forces in South Vietnam); and Brigadier General E. R. Bliss (a leading expert on Communist China). A similar statement, urgently calling for an end to the war, was recently issued by the Catholic bishops of South Vietnam.

Signed the statement, which admitted that the ad “didn’t say too much,”

Dr. Bernard Pfeiffer, Professor of Foreign Languages, signed the statement but also felt that it was “rather mild. I could have made a stronger statement,” he said.

Dr. W. E. Radtke, Professor of Classical Languages, felt that the sentiments expressed in the ad had existed in the faculty for some time, and that the “talking behind scenes material” just “takes a few men to get up the enthusiasm.”

Opinion was divided among those who did not choose to sign the statement. Dr. Nicholas V. Wetterstrom, Professor of Philosophy, stated: “I am the religious person who would probably argue that this politically wise action should be taken in America — but I did not like the procedure of taking someone else’s signature.”

Dr. Lester DeKuster, Professor of Speech and Director of the Laboratory Theater, thought: “I think it would be a serious mistake to make any publicity (continued on page 5)
Civil rights – 1967 summer riots in Tampa, Newark, Milwaukee & GR

in Detroit: 46 killed
1,400 building burned
Demonstration precedes Board rationale on Gregory decision

The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees forwarded a rationale concerning the Dick Gregory decision to Student Council President Gerben DeJong last December 18.

The rationale, which was signed by Board Secretary Elois H. Oostendorp, came only four days after a student demonstration was held in front of the Franklin Commons to protest the decision.

The statement began by commending DeJong and the Student Council for "the spirit in which you presented your case for the reconsideration of its (the Board's) decision on the Gregory lecture." DeJong and five other council members, John Weeda, Daniel Dekker, Ronald Pollinder, John Osweila, and Marvin Meyer appeared for about thirty minutes at the December 14 Board meeting and extensively presented their rationale for inviting Gregory to lecture.

The statement reiterated the Board's initial decision but stated that it appreciated the Student Council's formulation of the "Speakers' Package." This pertains to the Council's suggestion that Gary, Indiana, mayor Richard Hatcher, a moderate Negro spokesman, be included in the same lecture to contrast Gregory's position.

The Board then defended its decision by saying, "We do not question your right to discuss varying points of view on the important social issues of the day." It also stated that Gregory would be very able to expound on "civil rights and the sad plight of the Negro."

This concession was followed with perhaps the only direct statement divulging the Board's basic motivation for its decision. It read: "However, the abrasiveness and vulgarity manner of his presentation and style, as observed by the Board, is not desirable in an atmosphere of the University."