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Scholarships Offered By Engineering Group

For the ninth consecutive year, the American Society of Tool Engineers will again sponsor an International Education Awards program for engineering students interested in pursuing tool and production engineering as a profession.

In making the announcement, ASTE Executive Secretary Harry E. Conrad said, "No force in industry today offers greater challenge to the young engineer—or greater opportunities for advancement, than manufacturing. The growing complexity of space age manufacturing due to the

introduction of countless new products, new materials, new methods and radically new approaches to our production problems, has presented industry with a pressing demand for the tool engineer expertly trained in the "know-how" of modern manufacturing." Tool Engineering is not confined to any single branch of industry, but enters all phases and segments of the manufacturing processes.

College or university engineering students who are interested in tool engineering or related fields as a profession and who have completed their freshman and sophomore years, may apply for one of ten \$700 scholarships. Juniors may apply for their senior year, and seniors for a year of graduate study. Technical institute and junior college students are offered ten Awards of \$400 each to further their second year studies of such subjects as metal processing, plant layout, tool design and development, inspection and quality control, and the manufacturing processes. Competition is open to engineering students in both the United States and Canada. A high level of scholastic achievement, a demonstrated interest in tool engineering as a career, and financial need are the basic requirements to qualify.

Application forms have been sent to the Deans of some 400 engineering schools. Selection of winners will be made by the ASTE National Education Committee early in March. Grants will be made effective beginning in the autumn of the 1959-60 school year, and will be paid directly to the institution, on a quarterly or semester basis. The student must maintain satisfactory grades to receive the balance of the allotted Award.

Interested students should address requests for additional information and application forms to the following address at the earliest possible date: Education Director, American Society of Tool Engineers, 10-740 Puritan Ave., Detroit 38, Michigan.

Dance Highlights Winter Weekend

This evening Theta Gamma's ninth annual Winter Weekend will get underway with an open beer party at the 813 Club on Hudson Ave. Entertainment will be provided by Mona, a singer and pianist. Music for dancing will be played by the John Thyson Quartet. The Snowblast is to be held from 8 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.

Tomorrow evening the main event of the entire weekend, Snowball, will be presented. The highlight of the evening will be the announcing and crowning of the Snowball Queen. She will be crowned by Miss Pat Morrow, the queen of 1958 Snowball.

The candidates for queen are: Gail Harrington (Ret 1), Judy Smith (Ret 1), Brenda Romball (BA 1), and Jean Fisher (BA 2). The music for dancing will be provided for by Joe Bennett and his orchestra.

Sunday afternoon a closed dinner party will be held for Theta Gamma brothers and pledges with Alpha Psi and pledges, to complete the weekend.

Council to Study RIT Graduation

With the statement by President Kay Finley that "something is lacking" in RIT convocation ceremonies, Student Council began discussion on how to improve graduation at its meeting on Monday, Jan. 5.

At present the graduation ceremonies, held in the Eastman Theatre in late May, consist of department heads and members of the board of trustees who are seated on the stage; a speech by Dr. Ellingson; and a guest speaker. Graduates do not come to the platform to receive their diplomas, nor do they receive any individual recognition.

A committee headed by Bud Lockwood (Photo 4) was created to look into ways of improving the ceremonies, and activities connected with them.

Some of the suggestions made by Council were: have the graduates turn around and face the audience as their department's degrees are conferred; have two ceremonies, one for AAS and one for BS graduates; reading of graduates' names while the diplomas are given out; having a speaker of higher caliber.

Another suggestion was made to have only one graduation per student, either AAS or BS, but not both. "Graduating twice takes all the thrill out of it," commented one member.

Finley reported that two improvements would be made this year. Department heads and the board of trustee members will wear caps and gowns and graduation with honors will come into effect.

Evening School Names Gibson Assistant Head

The appointment of Mr. John B. Gibson as special assistant to the head of the Evening Division, Mr. Burton Stratton, was announced recently.

Mr. Gibson will take over his new duties on Feb. 1, 1959, after his retirement as Director of Industrial and Public

Development and teaching of the division's management courses and work connected with RIT's industrial relations program and extended services will be his duties while at the Institute. Mr. Gibson is presently the secretary of the board of directors of the Rochester Hospital Services Corporation and past chairman of the Personnel Group, Industrial Management Council.

Rochester Cub Scouts Tour Department of Printing



THAT'S A PAPER CUTTER—Mr. Hector Sutherland, of the Printing Department, shows Rochester Cub Scouts RIT's Printing Department. In conjunction with Printing Education Week, the Cub Scouts theme for January was printing and the printing industry. (Hausman Photo)

Report on Leadership Conference Criticizes Institute Policies

The second Leadership Conference, sponsored by Student Council on Saturday, Dec. 6, 1958, was considered a success by all students attending. In view of the wide interest expressed by the rest of the students and faculty, the Reporter begins this issue to publish excerpts of the official report made by the student discussion leaders at the conference.

The first report is that of the group that discussed Student - Faculty - Administration relationships. Robert Kohler (Photo 4), was student discussion leader, and Mr. Alfred Davis and Mr. Alfred Johns were representatives of the Administration.

Problems or Inadequacies of the Institute Discussed:

Raising of Parking Lot fees—a student felt that the Administration might have saved itself much "harassing" if the Administration had taken the time to explain exactly why the action was taken, when the action was taken.

Class cuts—it was felt that the college student is mature enough to be able to operate under a system of unlimited cuts.

Book store—most present felt that students should not be exploited by a profit making book store.

Evaluation of Instructors—all present felt that it is time for another student evaluation of instructors. The students felt that they alone knew the teaching effectiveness of the instructors.

Electives — it was felt that there are too few electives at RIT.

Lack of cooperation of Administration — it was felt that too often the Administration says things will be done and they are not. (i.e. plowing of the student parking lot.)

Closing of snack bar during assemblies—all present felt that the library and the snack bar should remain open during the assemblies. Students who will not go, will not go whether the snack bar was open or not.

Institute- Officials Reply to Report

Administration reactions to the proposals made by students at RIT's second leadership conference were reported by Robert Kohler (Photo 4) at last Monday's Student Council meeting.

Kohler, who acted as chairman of the committee that ran the conference, gave the feelings of Dr. Mark Ellingson, Institute president; and Dr. Leo F. Smith, dean of instruction. Along with students who had led discussions at the conference and Council president Kay Finley, he met with these members of the administration on Tuesday, Jan. 13. The leadership conference took place on Saturday, Dec. 6, 1958.

One of the points covered was what the students termed outdated instructors with "archaic" teaching methods. Kohler quoted Dr. Ellingson as saying that he felt the situation was not as serious a problem as students made it out to be. The administration is continually trying to improve instructors and their methods, he added. This was pointed up by the fact that the Middle States Association evaluation team which visited RIT last spring considered the level of instruction particularly high.

A new class cuts system was also suggested by students at-

tending the event. They proposed that an unlimited number of cuts be allowed each student. The administration reply to this was that unlimited cuts would be impossible in the first and second years, but that one of two other solutions might be tried. These were 1) a progressive system that would allow more cuts in the higher class levels, and 2) a system allowing unlimited cuts in the fourth year.

The communication between students and administration was agreed upon by both groups as poor. Dr. Ellingson and Dr. Smith made the suggestion that the administration have a column in the Reporter to tell of any changes in policy made by them. It was also proposed that Council itself should have a space set aside in the paper in which it could dictate what was printed.

The changing of a student's program while he is still in a particular course of study at the Institute was pointed out by the students as poor. Dr. Ellingson and Dr. Smith said that there was nothing the student could do about this, as the administration reserved the right to change a program when it felt it was advantageous to do so.

Dr. Smith was quoted by Kohler as saying that the school was in business to train people for business and industry, and the rapid progress in these fields made changes in the curriculum necessary.

The question of whether or not a student should be allowed to take more electives was also discussed. The answer to this problem depended upon the policy of the individual department heads, according to Kohler. It was suggested by one Council member that students could audit some courses with the approval of the instructor and the department head.

Finally, the two representatives of the administration felt that the cooperation between Student Council and the administration had not been good thus far this year, but that this would be corrected in the near future.

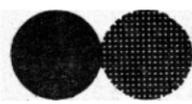
Art, SAC to Start Graduate Program

The announcement of the proposed graduate program in the two departments constituting the Division of the Arts at RIT is another forward step in Institute history.

Based on the recommendation of the evaluating team of the Middle States Association, the new program will make the Art Division well qualified and well equipped for studies leading to a Master of Fine Arts degree.

As the situation stands now, any student wishing a program of advanced studies in the arts and applied design must go outside the state to find it. Most of these students go to Cranbrook Academy of Art at Bloomfield Hills, Michigan. The proposed graduate program here at RIT will not duplicate the program offered at Cranbrook, but will stem from the needs of the undergraduate program. Holders of the baccalaureate degree and properly equipped for advanced studies would also be welcomed from other institutions.

Admissions to the courses of study leading to the master's degree will require a bachelor's degree, with a minimum of 27 quarter credit hours in design, drawing, painting or the crafts taken during the course of the baccalaureate program. A further requirement would be the submission of a suitable portfolio of work that would reflect the ability of the individual to carry out a program of advanced study in the field of his choice. In addition, the candidate would present a prepared statement of objective and purpose.



EDITORIAL

Saved By Fifty Feet

Burlesque didn't even get a chance at RIT. Thanks to the effective pressures from the Institute and Commissioner of Public Safety, Ken Townsend, opening of the theater was cancelled by an old statute found on the book of Rochester. The law states that no theater may be in operation within 50 feet of a church or school. The Capitol violates this provision, as there is a church across the alley, and RIT down the street.

The new proprietors of the Capitol stated that they would not contest the decision, thus, ending the shortest controversy in modern RIT history.

Only regret on the Reporter's part was that the student boycott didn't get a fair test. Probably wouldn't have worked anyway.

Blame Yourselves, Students

Last year the Reporter started a "campaign." By the end of the year, it looked like the fight would be won. This September, the editors sat in their tower office and waited for wheels to start turning. Nothing happened.

When nearly all of the department heads at RIT approved the proposal for student representatives at faculty meetings last year, everyone applauded. The Reporter because of the campaign it had waged; Student Council because it did the ground work; students because it gave them a voice in how their departments were run; and faculty because it would give them a better gauge of student opinion. Everything was fine ... until this year.

Instead of attempts to initiate the program, it was met with apathy from all sides. In general, no one, from department heads to students had the energy to spare for starting the ball rolling. In cases where some person or group showed the initiative to begin organizing such a plan, the lack of interest on the part of students kept progress at a standstill.

Briefly, here is the program as it was presented last year to the department heads: a student was to be elected by the entire student body of his department. He would serve as a representative of the students to the faculty and department administration, and would sit in on faculty meetings as a student representative.

One department—photography—has had a similar plan in operation for several years. The department head states that it has been most successful and has helped clarify several situations.

Actually, however, if anyone is to blame, it is the people who had the chance to put the program into operation and did not take advantage of it . . . the students.

The Litterbug Strikes Again

Maturity is a word some people hate to hear. It's somewhat like the weather. Everyone talks about it, and very few do anything about it. Unfortunately, this is sometimes especially true of college students. They are concerned about becoming mature individuals, yet may act in a manner more complimentary to three year olds.

For instance, visit the snack bar some afternoon after the daily stampede has subsided. It's usually a mess, to put it bluntly. In spite of signs on the wall asking students to please put their papers into a trash can and not on the floor, paper bags, napkins, food and candy wrappers are knee-deep in some places.

This is one place where the blame falls entirely on students. Snack bar employees cannot and should not be expected to be janitors too.

Next, enter some classroom, almost any one will do. Walk up and down the aisle and look at the desks. Many, of them will have been "decorated" by the unartistic hands of someone who writes "Joe and Helen," or a forgetful pledge who had to copy the Greek alphabet, or a bored scholar who wrote, "I can teach better than this guy."

Again, the blame rests in one place—with the students.

Enter one of the lavatories around school. If it's in a clean, neat condition, it's a rarity. Once more, it's the fault of careless students and not of the custodial staff.

Yes, this school has a lot of things wrong with it. Maybe you don't care for the way it is run, or some of the instructors and courses. One thing is certain, however—it won't get any better with an immature attitude that expresses itself in petty acts of carelessness or destruction.

Thanks From the Staff

Thanks from the Reporter to two fraternities on campus: Kappa Sigma Kappa and Theta Gamma. Surprise of all surprises was the sign in the Eastman Building congratulating the Reporter upon going weekly. Also, thanks to Theta Gamma for their support of our December press conference.

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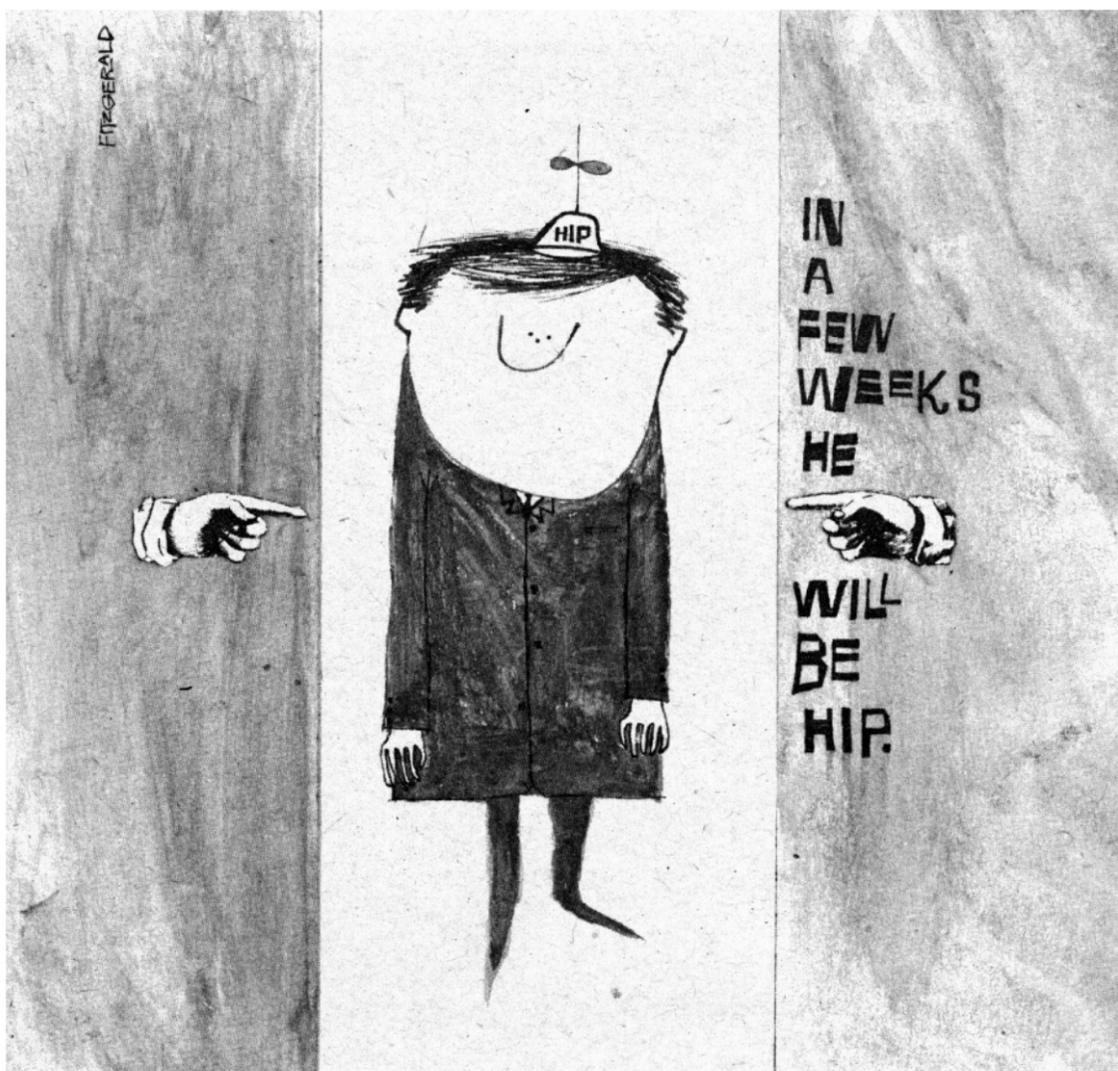
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Each listing includes a description of the job, the necessary qualifications, the salary, and the name and address of the employer. Information is also given on how to apply for positions with a sample resume to assist applicants. The best summer jobs are filled early in 1959, so job seekers should apply as soon as possible.

Copies of the directory may be obtained for \$3.00 each by writing to The Advancement and Placement Institute, Box 99K, Station G, Brooklyn 22, N. Y.

Language Courses

Strange Sounds Are Heard From RIT Evening Division

By John Fuller

Sounds new to the 58 year-old Eastman Building have been heard here every Tuesday and Thursday evening since the start of the 1958-59 college year. To trained ears, these utterances are of Indo-European and Teutonic origin.

Speakers of these foreign languages are students in the Institute's first courses in German and Russian. Presently, half-a-hundred are enrolled in the year-long division program, according to night school officials.

To the student, these courses represent a new vision in technical education. To the instructor, they recall memories of the past. For ten years ago, Mrs. Vlada Sebalis left the Russian satellite of Lithuania for the United States.

Mrs. Sebalis brought an extensive European background to this country. Since 1948 she has offered it to students of Nazareth College, where she is an associate professor. At Nazareth, Mrs. Sebalis teaches voice and German. Now, four years after receiving citizenship, Professor Sebalis has joined the RIT Evening Division faculty.

A well-qualified instructor, Mrs. Sebalis holds a masters degree in language from University of Vilna (Vilnius), Lithuania,

and a masters in music from University of Munich, Germany. She is adept in Polish, Italian, Lithuanian and English in addition to languages taught.

Introduction of these courses to the night school curriculum is to meet foreign language demands in technical fields. After fundamentals, special emphasis will be given to reading, according to the instructor.

"So many excellent technical publications appear in German and Russian, it is of great help to be able to read these languages," the former Lithuanian tells her students.

German classes have an enrollment of 26. Russian, 24. Among those studying these languages are several members of RIT faculty and administration.

Knowledge of Russian is of immeasurable importance in understanding the Soviet Union, the professor believes. Language enthusiasts find Russian interesting since it is different from most languages taught in colleges, she claims.

When asked about progress of her RIT night students, Mrs. Sebalis gave a broad, confident smile and replied, "I'm very satisfied."

Leadership Conference . . .

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should not have the right to break this contract.

Improvement of Communication and Conditions:

Students: Following of various channels (faculty member, dept. head, Dean of Instruction, president) by students having various academic questions or problems. More serious outlook of students towards Reporter.

a. Thorough reading.

b. Question Reporter through Letters to the Editor; getting across to Administration why a certain action should be taken. Better communications between Student Council and the Administration. See proper Administration head. Getting to source of rumor to find truth. Council to keep students better informed through "Student Council News."

Administration: Letters in the Reporter, under separate section, as to what actions are being taken and why. Getting across to students, through the various

channels, why a particular action has been taken as soon as possible. News letter by Administration to student body concerning finances of Institute and stating actions taken to better the Institute or conditions thereof. Representation of Administration at Student Council meetings. Allowing students to participate in programming of classes.

Both Administration and Students: More student-faculty department meetings. The problem of student representation on the department faculty meetings was discussed. It was felt by all that the students have something to offer the departmental administration.

All present felt that a student should sit in and have a voice in departmental faculty-meetings. The students felt that they are the ones who are taking the courses and are studying under instructors, and therefore are in a good position to make recommendations to the departmental administration,

Eminent Chemist Visits Institute

The Chemistry Department was recently visited by Dr. Harry H. Sisler a representative of the American Chemical Society. Dr. Sisler, a nationally known figure in chemistry is affiliated with the University of Florida.

After a tour of the Chemistry Department, Dr. Sisler held discussion sessions on the academic program of the Chemistry Department, the service courses offered by the department to students of other departments, senior student and faculty research, and the opportunities for students in graduate schools of chemistry.

Dr. Sisler also addressed members of local American Chemical Society Student Chapters.

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"Pledges Revenge ..."



"Hang Down Your Head ..."



"Together We Stand" United??



"After That Hidden Beard ."

Teams Triumph During Weekend

Wrestling . . .

The RIT varsity wrestling team went back into the winning column when they defeated Cortland State Teachers College 20-10 last Saturday night.

The Tigers jumped off to a 20-0 lead after the first six matches. Cortland's 177 pounder Elmer Akeley then pinned Tech's Bob Cully. The Red Dragons picked up five more points when Coach Earl Fuller decided to forfeit the heavyweight match to give Ken Klaus's leg a rest.

Chuck Missakian started the Tigers off on the right foot with a 13-7 victory over Cortland's 123 pounder Bob Ridall.

Doug Cullen, making his first home appearance this season, decided Bob Hannon 6-0. Then "the Baltimore Bullet," Ramon West, went into action by running his season record to 7-1, with a pin over Nick Rocchia.

Captain Jerry Huffman remained undefeated with a 5-0 decision over Cortland's Leo Johnson. Jim Kennedy, RIT 157 pounder, won a close 5-3 victory over Al Scheer. He was followed by Dick Zoyhowski's 10-6 decision over previously undefeated Stan Nevins.

Matmen vs Alfred

Tomorrow night Coach Earl Fuller's wrestlers will face a tough Alfred University team at the Ritter-Clark gym.

Alfred came from behind to defeat the Tiger grapplers during the 1956-57 season. Last year the Techmen traveled to Alfred to post an easy victory.

This season the Fullermen are favored to win with little trouble, although Alfred possesses the talent that could provide an upset. Alfred's top wrestler is Ron Carmichael, an undefeated 157 pounder. He will face once beaten Jim Kennedy.

Freshmen Win .

The Tiger freshmen wrestlers recorded their second win of the season as against one lost, by downing the Cortland State jayvees 19-11.

In other jayvee matches the grapplers defeated Oswego State 20-13, and lost to Cornell University 24-10. The jayvee's next two matches are against Alfred University and Ithaca College here at home.

Basketball ...

"One of the best games my club has ever played," was the way Coach Lou Alexander Jr. described the varsity basketball team's biggest win of the year, as they swamped a highly touted Oneonta State, 102-69. The victory gave RIT a 8-1 record, and dropped Oneonta's season mark to 7-2.

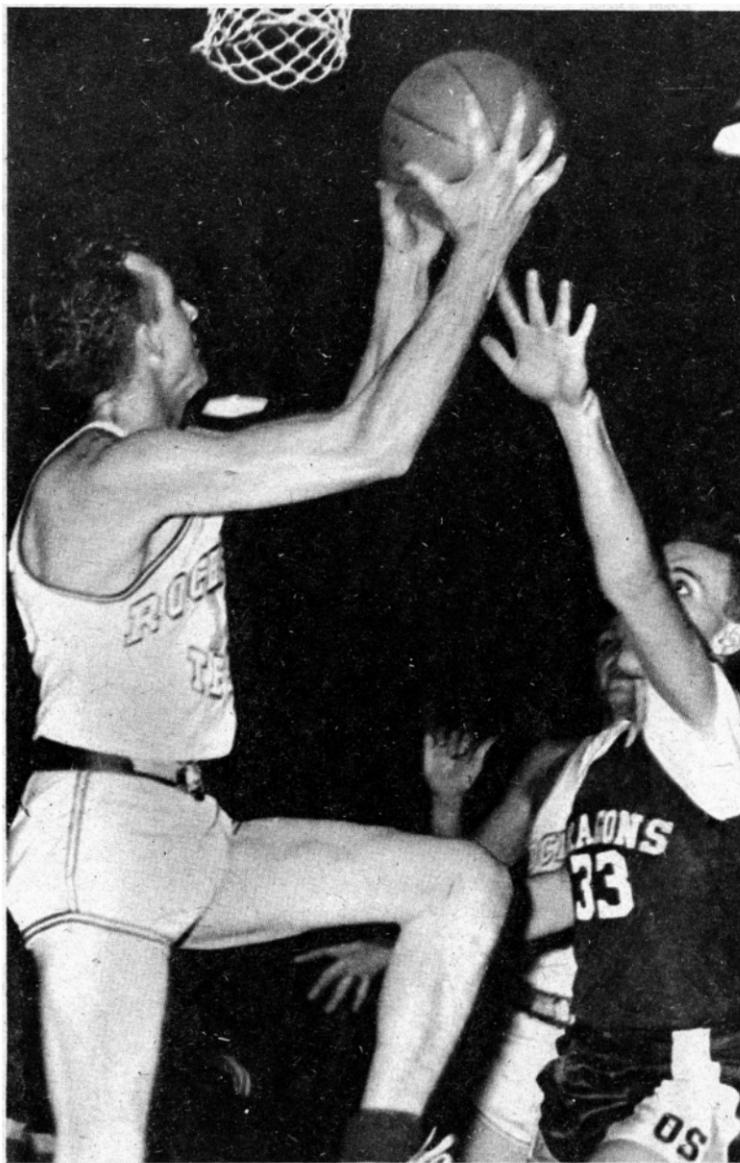
In the first six minutes of playing time, the situation didn't look too bright for RIT. Ten seconds after the start of the game Ed Baucum had a charging foul called on him. At the four minute mark Oneonta led 6-4. At six minutes the Tigers held a slim 7-6 lead, but Baucum and Cardillo both had two fouls. Then Ed Baucum, who scored 18 points in the first half, and Kenny Rhoades, started to score baskets in abundance. The Techmen ran their lead to 27-11 after 12 minutes of play.

At this point in the game Cramer Harrington began to score for the visitors. Three of his driving hooks cut the Tiger's lead to 29-17. With one and a half minutes to go in the half, RIT held a 45-34 edge. Three foul shots by Harry Beardsley, and a rebound tap in by Ron Milko gave the Tigers a 50-34 half time bulge.

From this point on, RIT got hotter and hotter, holding leads of 56-36, 79-58 and 91-67. With three minutes left to play, Coach Alexander removed his varsity five in favor of the second string. With a half minute to go, Chuck Riter scored on a driving layout to give RIT its first 100 point scoring total of the season. When the 100th point was scored, the crowd gave the Blue and Gray a standing ovation that stopped play for two minutes.

All five of RIT's starters reached double figures. Our all time scoring great, Ed Baucum, ran his career total to 1,201 with a 23 point game. Kenny Rhoades after a sparkling first half performance, and Don Paladino each finished with 18. Ron Milko added 20 to the score.

RIT led in all departments;



"Fancy" Ed Baucum shows Oneonta State how to handle a basketball in mid-air. Of course he made the basket showing his true Kentucky form. (Berkowitz Photo)

pulling down 48 rebounds to Oneonta's 27, making 36 of 78 shots from the field for a 46 percent average, as compared to 27 in 67 attempts for the Red Dragon's 40 percent average. RIT made 30 of 43 foul shots

for 70 percent to Oneonta's 15-26 effort which was 58 percent.

In nine games of competition the Tigers have a sizzling 82.7 offensive scoring average, while they've held various opponents to a 65 point average.

Intramural Basketball Opens

Fraternity Hoopsters Shine

Gamma Phi fraternity met its roughest competition in the Interfraternity Basketball League when they lost to Theta Gamma, by a close score of 46-38 on Jan. 17, 1959.

John Komera and Ben Thompson were the big guns for Theta Gamma, each hustling twelve points through the basketball nets. Dick Sekerak scored thirteen points for the losers.

Gamma Phi's defeat breaks the league wide open. They are tied with Theta Gamma for first place honors, each holding down 3-1 records. Kappa Sigma Kappa is 2-2 with the league, and Tau Epsilon Phi is winless.

Intramural basketball between nine various departments is back this year in full strength. The tournament will begin on Monday, Jan. 19 at 8:30, and will be held in the Ritter-Clark gym.

The games will take place on both Monday and Tuesday nights of every week. Two games will be played per night. The second starting at 9:30 sharp.

A new rule to be enforced this year as a result of last year's discrepancies and forfeits is; six men will be required at each game per team, five players and one man to **keep** score and the time.

Greene Sets New Record

Last weekend Dick Greene broke Rico Buchler's old record of 15 consecutive bouts. The Techman swept three bouts apiece from Syracuse University, and Utica College to extend his streak to 18 bouts in a row. One of Greene's opponents was Paul Lipton of Syracuse, who is rated as one of the top collegiate fencers in the East.

Dick is a 21 year old RIT student, and hails from Batavia, Dick who is currently pursuing his B.S. degree in Chemistry is also participating in his fourth year of fencing.

He entered the Institute with little knowledge about fencing. Through constant practice and drive, Dick made a place for himself on both the freshmen and varsity teams. He completed his first season with a 6-0 record for the freshmen team, and a 11-13 record, while fencing with the varsity. During his second and third years, competing in the foil section, he compiled a

Fencing . . .

RIT's nine varsity fencers dumped a bewildered Syracuse University and Utica College by scores of 20-7 and 25-2, last weekend at the Ritter-Clark gym. Foilman Dick Greene set a new RIT fencing record. He swept six matches, to run his unbeaten season mark to 18 consecutive bouts.

The swordsmen got off to a bumpy start against Syracuse's foilmen. Dick Greene took three points while teammates John Capurso won one, and Ed Kozowyk lost all three.

Losing by a score of 4-5, the bladesmen quickly took over the lead in the epee section by winning seven out of a possible nine bouts. The score stood 11-7.

What used to be a weak sabre squad, has developed into a strong three man combination. The three sabremen; captain Bill Streeter, Ron Bambas and Neil Cannon came through their three bouts undefeated, for a RIT 20-7 victory.

The Utica match was a landslide from start to finish. The foil squad won 7-2, and the epee, foil divisions went undefeated 9-0.

The highlights in this game were foilman Ed Kozowyk's capturing his first bout of the season. Ed who is in his first year of fencing, has had no previous experience. "With more practice Ed should be on the same level as his veteran teammates," said the fencer's new coach Paul Scipioni.

Derry Mounce was the lone epee man to go undefeated during the afternoon. Mounce has won nine consecutive bouts.

The RIT fencers have a 5-1 season mark. The sabre squad leads the club with a .704 percent average. They are followed by the epeemen's .667, and foil's .611. The three mainstays in both the epee and sabre squads have winning averages ranging from .722-.833. The fencer's next match is against Toronto University on Jan. 31, at home.

14-12 and 23-7 record respectively.

In his second and third year he placed third and fourth while fencing foil in the North Atlantic



Dick Greene

Championships. Dick once said, "Fencing is a sport where the mind has to be exercised as well as the body."

Not to be forgotten are the two years he played for the tennis team. Dick's tennis days go back to Batavia High where he was a member of the varsity for three years. He reached the semi-finals twice in the High School Sectionals Tournament.

Joining RIT's racquetballers in his freshmen year, Dick finished the season with a 3-1 record, and held the sixth position on the team. The following year he rose to the number two spot on the team, and looks forward to playing tennis again this season.

He is a member of the lettermen's Club.

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FRED GUEVARA

A turtle drags itself slowly through a step or two, withdraws into its shell for a snooze, then emerges to take another few steps. In his trek toward better student government, the Student Council turtle once took a major step: school-wide elections were initiated last fall. He's been in the shell ever since.

I may be wrong, but I think our turtle may be coming out soon . . . There is an active committee working on the reorganization of Council.

Perhaps the most significant idea which has been discussed by the committee is that of having school-wide elections for a smaller, stronger body which would replace the practically inert group which is now the Senate. Today the only important function of the Senate is in acting as the board of control for the annual election of the president and vice-president of Council. If this group were to have as its members, students elected directly by the student body (for example, two from the entire freshman class, three sophomores, etc.) a small and efficient group would result.

This group and the Chamber (the present active Council body) would have equal power. The Chamber, which is now large and unwieldy, would have only to ratify the "meat" of Council business which would be weeded out and passed down by the Senate.

This is the plan presently under consideration by the reorganization committee. This is a step in the right direction, inching toward a far-off goal. Keep your

eye on that turtle, now . . . I think he's starting to move.

The MSA evaluation staff which was here last year insisted that RIT's library situation be improved. As I understand, there is a possibility that the entire library facilities will be moved to fulfill this requirement . . . to the old Hathaway garage. Don't be misled, though, it's a spacious, well-constructed building with a great deal of possibilities . . . besides, there are very few colleges that can boast a drive-in library.

Joe Welch, the president of IFC, is quite concerned about the re-creation of the civil war which occurs every time one group of pledges tries to take possession of another's "symbol" . . . I remember, that when I was pledging my beanie was stolen by a mischievous Gamma Phi pledge. Had to chase Joe all over the campus before I got it back.

Once again the problem of parking shows its ugly face . . . Repeatedly I have heard the complaint that the student lots are not being effectively plowed. The fact is obvious. While you, the RIT student, burrow your way through three feet of slush, the plows obviously plow the Hathaway faculty lot, which on an average day contains approximately eight legally parked cars. The problem is obvious. I wonder how long it will take RIT's turtle of progress to start crawling on this one . . .

I'm beginning to like this idea of the RIT turtle of progress. I'm open for suggestions for a name for him. If you have a brainstorm, please address *Obscurity* in care of the Reporter.

RIT Evening Program Awarded Accreditation By Two Associations

Since RIT offers not only traditional programs, but also specialized courses, the Institute has been, by a unanimous vote, admitted as a member of both the National University Extension Association (N.U.E.A.) and the Association of University Evening Colleges (A.U.E.C.). This announcement was recently made by Mr. Burton Stratton, head of the Evening Division at RIT.

Admission to these organizations means national recognition for the Institute, in addition to gaining professional and educational contacts.

Prime requisite for admission into the A.U.E.C. was recognition by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools last May. Accreditation was also important to the N.U.E.A., but other factors were taken into consideration. RIT also maintains off-campus centers in high schools and industries which seemed to be an important factor for admission into the N.U.E.A.

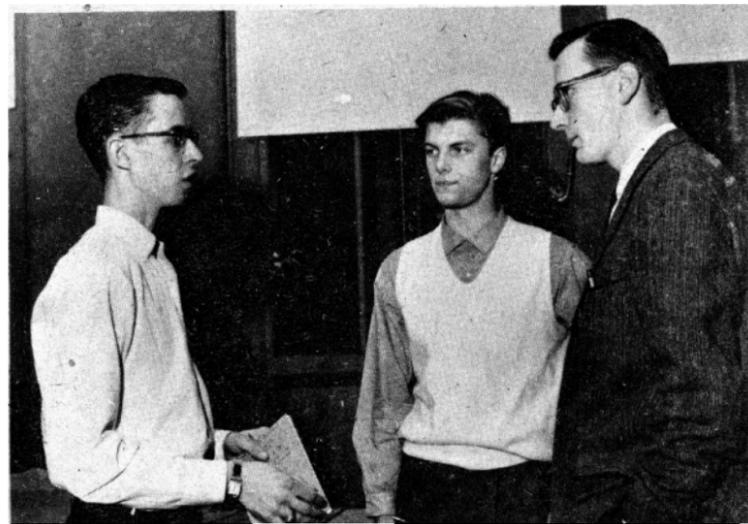
Other area colleges that are members of these organizations are Syracuse University, the University of Buffalo and the University of Rochester.

Gamma Phi Holds Ball

Gamma Phi fraternity brothers and pledges presented their "Underworld Ball" at the Barnard Exempt, Jan. 10, 1959. Everyone attending dressed as an underworld character in keeping with the theme.

A grand march was one of the first events of the evening; later on, a skit, performed by the "pledges in co-ordination with the brothers," was enacted.

'Meet Your Government'



WELL I LIKE THAT!—Kay Finley (left), president of Student Council, answers multi-questions asked of him at Council's recent Dessert and Discussion Hour. Informal discussions included national and campus problems. Other such meetings will be scheduled throughout the balance of the year. (Gross Photo)

In an effort to bring Student Council members and their constituents in closer harmony, Art Gardner, vice-president of the Student Association, arrived with the idea of a Dessert Hour. From this suggestion the first "Student Council Discussion and Dessert Hour" was held on Thursday, Jan. 15 from 12 to 1 p.m. in the Eastman Building Assembly hall.

An informal discussion between Student Council representatives

MSA Suggestion Unites Programs

This year, for the first time, the Art and Design Department has integrated its courses with the students of the School for American Craftsmen.

The change was brought about by the recommendation of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools visiting team in February of 1958. It is believed that by mixing the craft and art students, a strong program of study should result.

Although all art courses are being taken in the Department of Art and Design, craft techniques will still be taught in the School for American Craftsmen.

RIT Newman Club Party Highlighted By Bowling

Bowling provided the night's entertainment for the Newman Club and guests at a recently sponsored party held for members only.

A bowling party, held Jan. 16, represented a new twist for club activities, stated John O'Connor president of RIT's Newman club. Recreational as well as religious activities are sponsored by all RAA clubs on campus.

According to President O'Connor, other such activities are planned for the remainder of the school year, and he urges more students to become a member of the Newman Club.

Theta Gamma History Prosperous

Throughout the school year, the Reporter will run features on the histories of the various fraternities and sororities on campus. Social and honorary fraternities will be included.

Theta Gamma was founded at Harrison Lodge, at the State School of Agriculture, St. Lawrence University, Canton, New York on Jan. 16, 1912.

The reputation of the fraternity at this time was that of a gang of untamed college men, and the name of the fraternity at this time was Delta Delta, or the "Dirty Dozen."

In 1913 nine new members were initiated and the name Theta Gamma was selected. At this time came the work of establishing the fraternity's present rituals and designing its crest and pin.

The first steps toward expansion were taken by Alpha, the mother chapter, in 1915 when Beta Chapter was organized at Morrisville New York, at the School of Agriculture. Gamma was organized at the State School of Agriculture at Alfred University, Alfred, New York, in 1920. The same year Delta Chapter was installed at the Delhi School.

In 1923 the fifth chapter, Epsilon, was organized at Cobleskill State School. 1926 saw Phi Alpha Tau, a local group at Farmingdale, New York, accepted as Zeta Chapter of Theta Gamma. In 1950 Phi Chapter, located at Buffalo State Technical Institute, Buffalo, New York, was organized. In 1952 Theta Chapter was organized at Utica, New York. Also in 1952 Sigma Chapter, at Rochester Institute of Technology, was gathered into the bonds of Theta Gamma. After fifty years as Phi Sigma Phi, Sigma became the eighth chapter.

In 1953 the State University Board ruled that all local chapters within the State University must break connections with their national affiliate. Thus, Gamma lost its mother Chapter Alpha, and the following: Delta, Gamma, Epsilon. Since the year of 1954 they have been devoted to the arduous task of gathering information regarding possible new chapters for Theta Gamma Fraternity.

In 1952 Theta Gamma became established at RIT as Sigma Chapter and the first president was Ed Teijen. He was followed by such equally capable presidents, as John Baily, Robert Seabrooks, John Herden, Richard Carlson, Bill Wilson and presently Cromwell Schubarth. The present roster of officers is vice-president, Fred Guevara; secretary, Jerry Antos; treasurer, Bruce Jaworski; corresponding secretary, Cortland Burt; chaplain, Andy Demarco; sergeant at-arms, Jim Ball and social chairman, Bob Hoary.

Sigma Theta Gamma follows fraternity tradition in many of its affairs. The annual Snowball is a traditional semi-formal event held each January, the Snowball itself being held on a Saturday night with parties on Friday and Sunday. The selection of a Theta Gamma Sweetheart and the subsequent serenades are part of the fraternity's customs. Another annual event is the "Chug-a-Lug" contest which is held in October and is looked forward to by all the "greeks" on campus. This event was started in 1956 with the contest made up of teams from the fraternities. A trophy is given to the fraternity with the fastest chugging team, with an individ-

ual trophy going to the fastest chugger.

With the pledges wearing the customary black beanies with Greek letters, many new friends are rapidly made. Pledging by Theta Gamma involves the usual hazing and small chores. The fraternity uses the pledge period not as a senseless harassing period but as a period in which pledges get to know the brothers more closely and expand their social activities.

The summer of 1958 saw the acquisition of RIT's first fraternity house by Theta Gamma. With the combined efforts of the brothers and advisor Tom Strader, a sixteen-room brick structure on Atkinson Street was purchased and completely renovated. With meals prepared by a cook and house parties being held, a true fraternity atmosphere has prevailed.

The goals of a fraternity are many and it must hold highly the value of its contribution to the whole of college life. Theta Gamma strives to enrich the college days of its brothers and the school in general. With sports activities, awarding of academic and athletic trophies, social affairs and brotherhood, Theta Gamma strives to fulfill the goals of a successful fraternity.

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JANUARY

Friday 23, Theta Gamma, 8-12 p.m. (o)
 Saturday 24, Winter Snowball, 8-1 a.m. (o)
 Sunday 25, Weekend, 6-10:30 p.m. (o)
 Friday 30, Tau Epsilon Phi, party, 8-12 p.m. (c)
 Saturday 31, Gamma Phi party, 8-12 p.m. (c)

FEBRUARY

Friday 6, Tau Epsilon Phi dance 8-12 p.m. (o)
 Saturday 7, Delta Omicron dinner dance (c)
 Masquers Guild play 8-12 p.m. (o).
 Phi Upsilon Phi dinner dance 9-12 p.m. (c).
 Sunday 8, Masquers Guild play 8-1 2 p.m. (o)
 Gamma Phi party, 6-10 p.m.(c)
 RAA dinner, 6-8 p.m. (o)
 Hillel, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

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