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WHAT'S HAPPENING

NEIL SHAPIRO

Films on Campus

Films of the Talisman Film Festival are shown in the Main General Studies auditorium, the admission is fifty cents for students and 75 cents for the public; showtimes are 7 and 9:30 p.m. College Union Showtime films are shown in the General Studies auditorium, admission is free; at 8 p.m.

JAN 31: Talisman presents, BLOW UP!, "Using the romantic image of the photographer as the hero," the director, "makes an excruciatingly malleable study of illusion and reality using a murder as the vehicle."

FEB 1: FROM HERE TO ETERNITY with Burt Lancaster, Frank Sinatra and Donna Reed will be presented by the College Union Showtime. The film is, "...a compelling study of the professional soldier and the system under which he lived. Outstanding performance by a star-studded cast."

FEB 2: Talisman again, this time with MURDERS IN THE RUE MORGUE. This original 1932 version is about a scientist "trying to prove a theory of evolution that would have staggered Darwin and that involved the kidnapping of women for unholy experiments conducted with a gorilla."

On Campus

Exhibit: The Wallace Memorial Library, first floor exhibit area. The exhibit is entitled simply, "Photographs," and is on loan to RIT courtesy of Mr. Rolf Fricke of the International Marketing Division of Kodak. The design of the

exhibit was made by Assistant Professor Toby Thompson of the School of Art and Design. The exhibit will be here through the 18th.

FEB 2: The College Union will present the Barrow Jones Mertin Exhibition, through the fifth of the month. The exhibit will be open to all faculty, students and staff. Admission is free.

Films off Campus

THE LION IN WINTER will be playing at the Waring Theatre, 246 Waring Road, Rochester, 14609.

Peter O'Toole will star as King Henry and the everlovely Katherine Hepburn will play his wife, Eleanor.

2001 at the Panorama Theatre. This film will only be in town until Feb. 12. If you haven't seen it yet, now is the time.

FEB 5: THE IMPOSSIBLE YEARS opens at the Stoneridge.

DISTINGUISHED LECTURE SERIES
FEB 4: Thomas Waage, vice president of the Federal Reserve Bank of the New York District, will speak on "International Monetary Problems." The lecture will be given at 8 p.m. in the auditorium of the College Union.

College Union

FEB 2: The Boswell coffeehouse will feature the PEOPLE, a folkrock group. This is held in the 'multi-purpose' room of the College-Alumni Union. Admission is free to all, and the time is from

7:30 until 11:00 p.m.

Sports on Campus

VARSITY BASKETBALL Jan 31: Monroe County Collegiate Tournament at Brockport. 8:30 p.m. Feb 1: Roberts Wesleyan versus St. John Fisher at RIT. Feb 4: Away at Fredonia. 8:00 p.m.

FRESHMAN BASKETBALL:

Feb 4: Away at Fredonia. 6:00 p.m.
Feb 6: Away at Genesee CC. 6:00 p.m.

VARSITY WRESTLING:

Jan 4: Away at Waynesburg.

FRESHMAN WRESTLING:

Feb 1: Away at Lycoming.

VARSITY HOCKEY:

Feb 1: Away at Syracuse.
Feb 2: Away at U. of Buffalo.
Feb 5: Home versus Hobart.

FRESHMAN HOCKEY:

None scheduled.

VARSITY FENCING:

Feb 1: Away at U. of Buffalo.

VARSITY SWIMMING:

Feb 5: Home versus Hobart. 4:00 p.m.

MRHA: SINKING FAST

By DEAN DEXTER

David S. Loshin is a lean, intelligent individual with a passion for fencing and an off-campus woman. He lives alone in room 10005 of Dorm LB and when he's not studying or reading, he's worrying. David Loshin is president of RIT's Men's Residence Hall Association, a listless and impotent organization dedicated to representing the needs and wishes of Tech's bastion of student male residents.

Some people consider him scatter-brained, or at best disorganized, but David is neither. He's merely a fairly well informed person who is prone to speak in streams of consciousness, furiously, and with a high degree of frustration. Mr. Loshin does not enjoy being president of RIT's single largest representative conglomerate, and readily admits he never did.

"I was elected by 15% of all eligible voters last year," Loshin said last week, "and, by rights, that is hardly a mandate to sweep the floor. Besides, I was never really that interested in the organization—my election was a fluke."

Though hardly a candidate for "executive of the year," Loshin has had his troubles. Last quarter nearly all of his executive board resigned, for either moving off campus, loss of interest, or because of grades. Among the missing are his vice-president, secretary of policy, social chairman, two recreation chairmen, senator, and all four MRHA court justices. The hold in his administration is indeed a gaping abyss—the result is a chaotic situation unparalleled since the days of Paul Smith's SA presidency of only a year ago, and Loshin is the first to admit it. "You can't run a government when there is no one there to follow," he said.

"The trouble began last quarter when the dorms were packed like sardines and nothing was right." He looked small and alone, a reflection of his room, with its

bare walls and unmade bed—like a Jesuit giving up the priesthood. "We had to elect an interim council because we knew everybody would have to move and our representatives would be in different parts of the dorm complex, we could never get a feeling of permanency."

The council meetings were a mixture of frenzied excitement and frightening naivete. The councilors knew little of parliamentary procedure and bills were processed haphazardly and with little thought. Just as the council began to shape up, the end of the quarter came and with it mass resignations began. First to go was James Barube and his other three justices on the judiciary court. The split came when Barube and MRHA Vice-president, Irving "Skip" Blumenthal, disagreed bitterly on a complicated piece of legislation pertaining to the court. A temporary court was set up and handled the first three cases of the year.

Four other members of Loshin's executive board resigned at the beginning of Winter Quarter to live off campus. Among them was his vice-president and chairman of the council, Blumenthal. Now living at the Fairways, a plush, modern construction wonder, Blumenthal looks back on MRHA's malaise with contempt:

"Though MRHA has had its problems, the administration is at fault also. The school is not in any way concerned with a residence hall government for men. Why? Because of people like Reba Gross (director of women's housing) who won't let student's try anything new until they have proven themselves, and then will do their damndest to prevent them from doing just that. Good people like Al Solomon (director of men's housing) and Deanne Molinari (director of housing) are terribly overworked. A number of times I walked into the housing office and was told point-blank that Mr. Solomon was very sorry, but he was just too busy to see me. Other times I would see Mrs. Gross and Miss Molinari sitting at their desks trying to figure out what people should go in what rooms, hell, anyone could do that, why didn't they get someone else in there to do that sort of work?"

Seeking to hear housing's side of the story, this reporter attempted to set up an interview twice last week with Director Solomon, but was unable to on both attempts before press time, due to housing's large workload.

"Another problem MRHA has always

had to contend with is the red tape Council must to through to get an answer on legislation," noted Loshin. "First it comes to the Council and is approved, then it goes to my executive board for approval, and then I sign it. Next it goes to Housing policy committee, a committee under Senate made up of representatives of all phases of housing. If it's then passed it goes to Senate. There everybody argues over it and off it goes to Policy Committee, and after that, who knows? The way things look now, I say let Senate worry about Senate, and let us work out our own problems," he added.

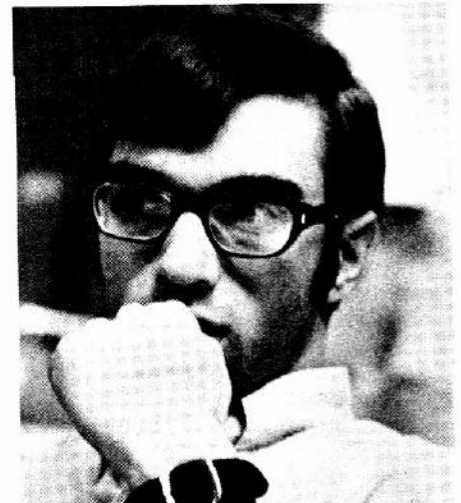
And Loshin's problems are many. His new council was elected last week, but it is doubtful that he will be able to provide the leadership so sorely needed to snap the residence hall government back to life. The whole MRHA constitution needs a swift looking over, especially the articles pertaining to the judicial system, and several partitions are now coming in demanding that liquor be allowed in the dorms.

Loshin sat back in his chair, he scraped his chin with his hand—it was obvious that he hadn't shaved that morning, and he probably wouldn't until the next day when he would go over to the University of Rochester to be with his girl, to try to forget his presidency and MRHA.

But when he comes back, the problems will still be there. The best thing Loshin could do is to resign, which he very possible will do in the near future, thus giving a new administration an extra few months to clear up the shattered mess now present.

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Dexter



Loshin . . . "he should resign."

EDITORIALS

sds—we hope not

The Students for a Democratic Society (SDS) met to organize on this campus last week. We do not know if it was a successful meeting. We hope not.

The SDS is not as radical as most people believe it to be. It is not as radical as it believes itself to be. The SDS, as presented by the U of R representative, is a socialist movement not committed to violence or non-violence in its approach.

The long range goals of SDS, better use of technology and more equal distribution of wealth, etc. are nothing new or radical. There have been many wishing to replace capitalism with a "more equal" system.

The immediate activities of SDS are usually ordinary

campus activities such as change of dorm rules and more voice in college policy.

Many members of SDS are extremely intelligent and dedicated to their cause. All members seem to be active.

The chances of SDS attaining its long range goals are very slim. The individual chapters are too diverse in their goals and beliefs to accomplish any nation-wide objectives.

We do not object to the seeming radical nature of the SDS. We object to SDS because it will be an ineffective organization on this campus. The SDS draws "involved" people to its ranks. There are too few "involved" people on this campus to waste on SDS.

On the RIT campus student government can be much more effective than the SDS, if the government has student support.

SDS at RIT? We hope not.

GMH

FIRING LINE

NEIL SHAPIRO

You who are reading this column are about to embark on the greatest meta-physical journey of discovery since Adam formulated his Apples are Bad hypothesis.

Jean Paul Sartre, Kierkegaard and Camus were alright for their times, but the times have changed. What the world needs now is not love, as some would lead the masses to believe, but a new and vibrant philosophy. A way of looking at the age we live in that will put it in its proper perspective—rather like the doppler whistling of a train chugging into the distance.

Here, before your two beady eyes, will be presented the first philosophical breakthrough of our lifetimes. Truly, I cannot claim full credit for this. It was rather as if an outside force, spiritual if you will, communicated its wishes to me; and I was only its tool to set it down on paper for future generations.

I refer to the philosophy of Negativism.

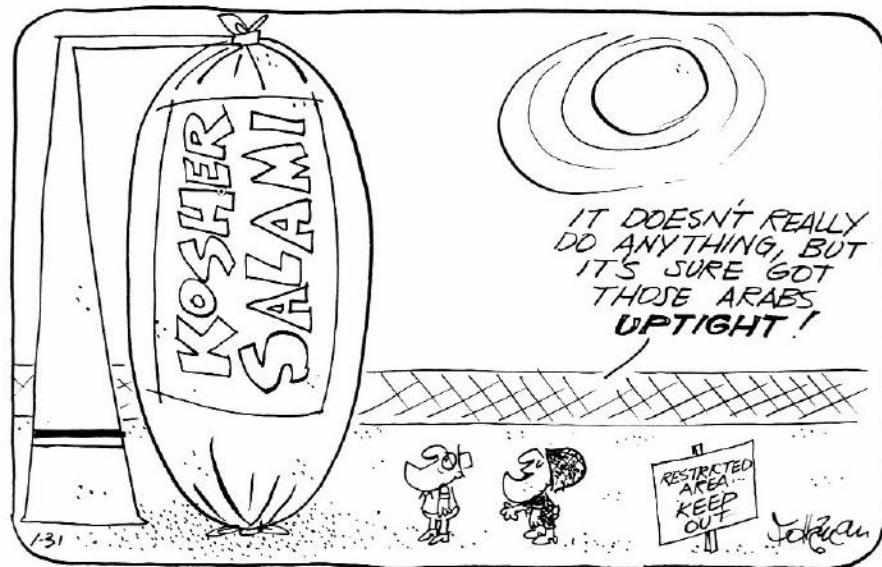
Negativism may be applied to any facet of any person's life. It is a new way of looking at events, people and things. It is like unto the light of day streaming into a cave which has remained buried for countless eons.

For instance:

Everyone knows what an apathist is. An apathist, for those of you who aren't everyone, is someone who does nothing, engages in no social functions nor designs.

And now, let us apply our new weapon of philosophy to define the heretofore undefinable.

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LETTERS

After reading the article in the REPORTER on the Fraternity system, I feel that as a pledge I could establish another viewpoint not discussed in that article.

Why does an individual go Greek? There are many reasons why students want to go Greek. I did because it made RIT seem more like a home to me. I live off campus and I've found it too easy to become disassociated with school. There are too many things outside of school to distract me from my studies. As a pledge I'm now finding that I'm spending more time at school than any other place. The Fraternity has given me an opportunity to meet people. I think I have doubled the amount of friends I have on campus in the past two weeks,

and many of these people are becoming very close friends; not to mention I have become almost a brother to the ten other pledges.

The Fraternities represent the school in almost every facet of college life. With exception to certain independents, the Greeks have more pride; or maybe I should say more active pride in their school.

RIT is a small school and the Fraternities play a very important part in organizing almost all social activities. If there isn't any social activity for an important time or weekend the Fraternities will make one.

As a pledge I feel that the Fraternity System is the one major unifying factor of the undergraduates at RIT.

Don Tuccio
Pledge of
Phi Sigma Kappa

senate news

Student Senate Monday night passed a resolution involving complaints and proposed solutions, by the School for American Craftsmen (SAC) concerning their curriculum. The main concern was the schedule of General Studies courses and the selection of teachers.

The students claimed that General Studies courses conflict with the required SAC. They also felt that they should have the right to help choose the teachers for the school. Their resolution will be sent before the administration to be acted on.

Pass-Fail—During election week the students will be given a chance to indicate the type of grading they want. They will be handed cards with four choices; to keep the present grading system, pass-fail for General Studies only, pass-fail for electives or complete pass-fail.

Piotraschke on parking—Guest speaker was Charles Piotraschke, Director of Campus Safety. He spoke on the general campus parking rules, explaining why certain areas were off limits. He said that all fire lanes must be kept open according to state and local fire authorities, other areas are for snow removal. In order for these rules to be enforced, illegally parked vehicles would be towed away and ticketed.

grads and the draft

Sharp increases in draft calls are expected to take a toll among collegians this winter, especially among the graduate students who began advanced degrees this year despite 1-A selective service classifications.

As many as 40,000 men per month will be needed to fill the draft calls this year. Record high peace time draft calls in 1966 and 1967 will require a larger draft call to replace servicemen whose active duty will end this year.

Although college graduates accounted for only 4 percent of the total draftees last February, that percentage will increase to 90 percent this spring, according to Mrs. Betty Vetter, executive director of the Scientific Manpower Commission. This would give the United States the distinction of having the "most highly educated military force in the world," Mrs. Vetter said.

Some recipients of scholarships for graduate study abroad have not been allowed by their draft boards to leave the United States and others have been recalled from foreign study already in progress.

The only bright note in the draft dirge is on authorization by Selective Service Director Lewis B. Hershey to state Selective Service directors to postpone induction, in individual cases, of graduate students ordered for induction during a school term. Mrs. Vetter explained that the directive allowed postponement of induction only upon individual request to the state director.

Information regarding the draftee's rights and obligations may be obtained from the Scientific Manpower Commission, 2101 Constitution Ave., N. W., Washington, D. C.

the violent non-violent

45 RIT students attended an organizational meeting of the Students for a Democratic Society (SDS) last week. John Kauffman of University of Rochester's SDS, addressed the students January 21 in the College Union Lounge.

After speaking to the entire group on the formation of SDS here, he split the group into three workshop sessions. The discussions in these groups centered on how to eliminate student apathy by involving the students in campus affairs. In one of the groups it was said that one way to achieve this goal was to find an issue that affects the student. At U. of R. one of the main issues is the involvement of the University's Center for Naval Research in the war in Viet Nam. The SDS is actively trying to eliminate the Center from the campus.

It was stated in the discussion that the main reason to organize an SDS chapter on the RIT campus is to change the organization that builds the apathy. It was advocated that first a movement be built to take over the campus, and then to involve all citizens in SDS, to take over the country.



Looking down on the recent SDS meeting.

Garcia

On the question of violence, it was stated that this country was built by violence—the Revolutionary War, the violence of the Western farmers in the 1800's, the violence of the Ford workers when they organized, and the violence at the national conventions last year. However, the SDS does not advocate violence. Sitting in the administration building of a college may be disruptive, but it is not violent, according to SDS. SDS felt, that in most of the recent incidents on college campuses, it has been the police who have caused the violence, not the SDS and its members.

Several members from the RIT student government attended the meeting to question the methods and motives of SDS.

On the national level, the SDS is seeking a socialist system to replace capitalism, and according to Kauffman, is not committed to violence or non-violence. He further stated that the SDS would make better use of technology, and create a more equal distribution of wealth.

do your fling

Alpha Phi Omega will present for student's enjoyment and participation a 24-hour extravaganza on

February 7 - 8 --- SNOW FLING! Included in the fling will be events in snow sculpture, men's and women's broom hockey, a snow chariot race, cross campus ski run, a giant snowball roll, a cross campus race with contestants wearing one ski and one snowshoe. The final event of the weekend will be the awards dance to be held in the College Union Cafeteria.

Snow fling rules have been sent to all campus organizations and to residence hall houses. Any ten people are eligible to enter (as independents) any or all of the events by picking up and returning an entry blank to the Alpha Phi Omega House or the Student Activities Office before February 4, 1969.

Trophies to be awarded are as follows: First and second place snow sculpture; men's and women's first place for night events; men's and women's first place trophies for day events; men's and women's first place overall.



Early A Phi O'ers doing their fling

monroe county tourney

RIT will host the third annual Monroe County Collegiate Basketball Tournament tonight and tomorrow in the George H. Clarke Memorial Gymnasium.

In tonight's action, defending champion Roberts Wesleyan will take on St. John Fisher at 6:30 p.m. and RIT will meet Brockport State at 8:30 p.m.

Tomorrow night the losers will meet in the consolation game at 6:30 p.m. and the championship contest will be played at 8:30 p.m. The final game will be televised live on Channel 13 by Sports Broadcasts, Inc.

The tournament is being sponsored by the Lincoln Rochester Company.

No team is entering the tournament with an impressive record. However, the one with the best record isn't considered the favorite.

St. John Fisher will enter the tournament with a 6-4 record but will have to get by Roberts Wesleyan, the tourney favorite and defending champion. Fisher has a number of veterans ready, hoping to avenge a defeat at the hands of Wesleyan in the championship game of last year's event.

Roberts Wesleyan started out the season on a losing note, but has come back to beat both RIT and Brockport. The Red Raiders are a predominantly senior unit, with last year's MVP Ken Curtis in the lineup.

Brockport, which plays a moderately tough schedule, lost to the Raiders on Wesleyan's home court, but can't be counted out as possible contenders.

RIT, despite a poor record, could be the dark horse. The Tigers have the home court advantage and, if they start moving could go all the way.

There will be an admission charge of \$1 per person for both games of the tournament, ALL persons, including RIT students, must pay.

service re-located

William Gibson, protestant campus minister, has announced that protestant services will be held in Kate Gleason Hall. Worship will be held at 12:15 in the first floor north lounge of Kate Gleason.

Rodney Rynearson, NTID chaplain, will be interpreting for deaf students.

Protestant services were formerly held in the General Studies auditorium.

dukes coming

Wilmer Alexander and the Dukes will be presented in concert and for dancing Saturday, February 1.

The dance, open to the public, will be held in the College Union from 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Beer will be on tap.

Tickets will be on sale at the door for \$2.00.

money for biafra

A check for \$1,151.20 was presented to Mrs. Arthur F. Connorton for the Biafran Relief Fund by Norm Schoenberger, President of Theta Xi Fraternity.

Mrs. Connorton is Executive director of the Rochester Association of the United Nations, representing the U. S. UNICEF Committee which is administering the relief fund.

The money was raised by the brothers of TX last November through door to door canvases and sponsoring a fast day in which meal plan students participated. Students in the dorms, fraternity houses and sorority houses gave up an evening meal by having their meal tickets punched. The money for the meal was then turned over to TX.

Mrs. Connorton, Dr. Ellingson, Norm Schoenberger

Garcia



COMPLETE CU POLICIES

The College-Alumni Union policies, established January 16, 1969 and effective immediately, are as follows:

USE OF THE BUILDING

The use of the RIT College Union and its facilities, services, and equipment is restricted to its members, faculty, staff, alumni of RIT, and their invited guests.

a. Facilities

Any organization recognized by the Student Association and/or the Institute Administration may reserve the Union facilities as long as there is no conflict with normal usage. Reservations should be made with the Program Director. Special arrangements for non-RIT groups may be made with the Director of the Union.

b. Organizational Offices

Organizational offices may be reserved by any organization recognized by the Student Association and/or the Institute Administration. Applications may be made to the Operational Director and will be considered on the basis of priority, date of application, and availability of office space.

2. HOURS

The hours of the Union are:

Monday—Thursday	8:00 a.m.—12:00 midnight
Friday	8:00 a.m.—2:00 a.m.
Saturday	8:00 a.m.—2: a.m.
Sunday	8:00 a.m.—12:00 midnight

3. FOOD AND BEVERAGES

a. Food and beverages may be consumed only in the areas where they are served, as well as in the meeting rooms. Arrangements may be made for food service in other areas for special occasions.

b. No food or beverages may be consumed in the MAIN or MEZZANINE lounge areas unless special permission is obtained from the Union Director, the Operational Director, or the Food Service Director.

4. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

I. General Policies

a. All alcoholic beverages served, sold, and consumed in the Union will be furnished by RIT Campus Club, the agency which holds the license.

b. Alcoholic beverages are for the consumption of customers only in the specific areas where they are served.

c. The rights and privileges of both drinkers and non-drinkers must be assured.

d. Food and non-alcoholic beverages must be available whenever alcoholic beverages are served.

e. No one under 18 years of age may purchase or consume alcoholic beverages at any time; the seller or server reserves the right to request proper identification and proof of age from any patron.

1. Validated Rochester Institute of Technology I.D. cards are accepted as proof of age.

2. Guests may present draft cards, drivers licenses, birth certificates and/or laminated I.D. cards from other colleges as acceptable proof of age.

3. Persons of legal drinking age are not permitted to purchase beverages for and/or pass beverages to persons under eighteen years of age.

f. Alcoholic beverages will be available in the Union food service areas daily from 12:00 noon (Sundays 1:00 p.m.) and continuing through the regular hours of operation of each respective food service area. Selling and

servicing of beverages will end no later than thirty minutes before the closing of the Union.

g. If a patron is involved in a problem of conduct or a violation of these policies, the representative of the RIT Campus Club reserves the right to require the patron to leave (if this is considered the necessary action at the time.)

h. Cases of this violation of policies will be referred to the appropriate campus judiciary body.

II. PROCEDURES

a. Each student must present his or her I.D. card to bartender.

b. The bartender will retain the I.D. card until the mug and/or pitcher are returned. (This particular procedure will not be necessary when the beverage is served in a disposable container.)

III. These policies and procedures are established for the sole purpose of maintaining the licensed status of the RIT Campus Club. Full cooperation of all patrons will assure the positive status of the license.

IV. Special Arrangements

Special arrangements concerning the handling of Alcoholic beverages during banquets, receptions and other special events may be made when the event is registered.

5. Gambling

Gambling is prohibited in all areas and functions under the jurisdiction of the College Union.

6. Soliciting

Any individual or group wishing to solicit in the College Union must, after securing the permission of the Director of Student Activities to solicit on campus, secure the permission of the Director of Operations and/or the Director of the Union, and only as the space is available.

7. Bulletin Boards and Exhibition Areas

a. Posting of notices, advertisements, posters, etc. is restricted to authorized bulletin boards.

b. Posters for bulletin boards must be approved in advance by the Director of the Union.

c. All displayed materials are subject to the approval of the Union Director.

d. All materials must be removed within 24 hours after the stated time of the event.

e. All art objects for exhibition must be authorized by the Union Director.

8. DECORATIONS

Any decorations put up by any organization for an event are the responsibility of the organization. The organization is also responsible for their prompt removal. Decorations are to be in good taste and non-injurious to union property. Plans for such decorations may be requested in advance for approval.

9. LOST AND FOUND

Any lost or found objects should be reported to the main desk and any such articles will be held until they are properly identified. The College Union Board of Directors reserves the right to dispose of any unclaimed articles at the end of each quarter.

10. ATTIRE

Anyone in the Union at any time is expected to wear appropriate attire for the particular facility or event attended.

11. CONDUCT

a. Any person using the Union is expected to act in a manner that reflects credit upon himself and the Institute. An organization may be held responsible for the actions of any person(s) attending an event sponsored by that organization.

b. Use of the College Union is open to all students, faculty, staff, and invited guests. It is expected that the area and furnishings will be treated with respect by all.

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by *ROGER A. MORSE, Ph.D.*

Should we repeal the laws which make abortion illegal in New York state? One New York Assemblywoman believes we should. Mrs. Constance Cook, of Ithaca, has prefiled a bill for the 1969 New York State legislative session which would do precisely that!

Mrs. Cook is not the first member of the state legislature to take such a bold step. Bills have been filed in the past two legislatures for precisely the same purpose; both have died in committee. There was never an opportunity for our elected representatives to vote on the subject. BUT, perhaps they didn't want to do so. Perhaps they were afraid to bring the question into the open!

Abortion is not dinner table conversation. That may be the root of the whole problem. Despite all we cry about free speech, our open method of discussion, our desire to do the right thing, there are still a few things we do not, and perhaps can not, discuss openly, freely, and intelligently. In this regard we are not truly free men!

Let us examine the question why we do not discuss abortion in the same way we talk about taxes, inflation, inequality, television and the myriad of problems around us.

Some religious groups are of the opinion that new life is created at the time of conception. We can all agree that the question of life must be taken seriously. But when does life really begin? As a biologist I question if new life, life and living in a reasonable sense, takes place at the time of conception. But, we will get nowhere arguing this point. If you are of one religious conviction I cannot change your views. And, I don't think I really have the right to do so. The God, or Gods, a man worships are his. Part of the great success this country has enjoyed lies in the fact that we allow man to follow the religious belief of his choice.

We should never reach the point that we dictate religion to any man. Yet, because of certain religious beliefs in this country, my beliefs are subjugated. I believe that no woman should be forced to bear an unwanted child, but the present laws do not allow me to practice that belief.

This discussion has nothing to do with the major problem all of us face. There are too many people on earth. Every day far more people are born than die. We are filling this earth with people. You and I eat well enough; but we all know that not everyone, everywhere fills their stomach everyday. This should concern all of us.

Let us look at what man has done; perhaps we might better look at what research has done. What have been the major killers of man on earth? Why is it only now that there are so many men? Why are the cities today so big, larger than ever before?

Consider malaria. Throughout all of history malaria has been the greatest force to reduce the number of men on earth. Alexander the Great, the Greek General who lived before the time of Christ, conquered more land than any man before him; he died in his thirties of malaria. The settlement of Rome, again before the time of Christ, was slowed because of malaria transmitted by the mosquitoes



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which inhabited the swamps south of Rome. In our own Revolutionary War, George Washington lost more troops because of malaria than from all other causes. The Genessee Valley, the home of RIT, was a hotbed of malaria in the 1800's. Malaria still kills a few men each year but it is no longer a disease to fear as it once was; effective malaria control was an outgrowth of research done during World War II.

Consider typhoid. Consider the black plague. Consider scarlet fever. Think of measles and the other childhood diseases which killed children before they were old enough to marry and reproduce their kind. Appendicitis is a simple problem; yet, two hundred years ago it would have killed me, and, had it occurred with me at the age it did, I would have fathered one child, not three.

Perhaps the best proof that a change in our thinking and philosophy is required may be found in the old cemeteries in the northeastern United States. It is a challenge to visit any cemetery a hundred or more years old and to see the number of stones on graves of children who died at birth, or when they were one, two or three years old. How would we be affected today if all these people had lived, if they had had the benefit of our knowledge, technology and medicine? Nature has a system to prevent one kind or species of plant or animal from over-running the earth. In the case of man, diseases, poor nutrition, and a lack of clothing and shelter have kept our population in check. But we have changed the rules of nature; we started this problem and we must think our way out of it. Our abilities to think and act are our only weapons.

Our research, our desire to help every man and to save life wherever we can has changed our way of living and thinking. Our methods have also meant that there are more men on earth today than ever before. Not only have we done this in the United States but our technology has been extended to other peoples and other countries on the earth. No matter what other people might think, we have forced our methods upon them. And, we have forced their population to increase.

Suddenly our problem, and the question of abortion, become twofold. It is not just a simple question of what is right or wrong, or whether a woman should be forced to bear an unwanted child or not. It is also a question of what our knowledge has done as regards the number of people on earth. We save as many lives as possible; as a result there are, in too many places, too many people.

Can abortion, and the reasons why we might make it legal in New York State become common conversation? Can we talk about this problem without a snicker, or smile, or worry? It may be difficult. I believe we should do so.

We prize our freedom. We prize our success. We prize our lives and the lives of those around us. To this we must add the ability to discuss all problems for what they are, and without the taboos and interferences these delicate subjects have been shrouded with for generations.

Abortion is not dinner table conversation. I don't think it should be precisely that, but almost. The bill which is

before the New York State legislature demands serious consideration. If we are as good, as successful, as right as we think we are, we should be willing to discuss these subjects.

You and I probably will not starve. You and I will probably always be able to find a green hill, or a forested flatland on which to walk. What about our children? We have created a problem for them. Can we begin to solve that problem?



Morse . . . "dinner table conversation?"

Dexter

About the author—

Dr. Morse received his doctorate in Entomology from Cornell University in 1955 and has held posts at the University of Massachusetts, the University of Florida, and is presently head of the Dyce Laboratory for Honey Bee Study at Cornell. He is now researching the reproduction and social structure in bees and has travelled extensively throughout the world with grants from the National Science Foundation and the Army Limited Warfare Laboratory. Dr. Morse has had many opportunities to see and study the most gripping problems facing today's world—his sojourns to India and other countries in the Middle East enables him to write forthrightly and with authority on this timely subject.—Editor

FIRING LINE

(continued from page 4)

A negativistic apathist. Like the regular, old-hat, garden style apathist; the negativistic apathist likewise does nothing. However the negativistic apathist not only does nothing—but doesn't want to do anything and furthermore could give a damn!



Howabout the negativistic Atheist. Well, the negativistic Atheist not only doesn't believe in a God, but if he should ever meet God, it would only somehow reinforce his opinion.

The ones we all know and love, however, are the negativistic college professors. A negativistic college professor is one who teaches a worthless course, a real bummer—a truly funky curriculum. And to top it off, he lies awake nights trying to think of some way the course may be made not only less applicable to today's world—but how to make the tests harder.

I had a friend once who was a negativistic student radical. One of these people will burn his draft card, take pot, indulge in wild sexual orgies and pop LSD sugar cubes for the sole and only reason that it feels good. This, opposed to the usual student radical who somehow attempts to achieve world brotherhood by those means.

And, lest we forget, let us mention the greatest negativistic thinkers of all time. The negativistic virgins. A negativistic virgin is a girl (no other sex will admit to this classification) who will indulge in sexual intercourse in any number of ways—in a Volkswagon, on the back of a galloping llama, schussing down the ski slopes of the French Alps, or on top of a color TV set. However, under no conditions, in no way, will she actually go to BED with a man!

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FLOWER DRUM SONG

By NEIL SHAPIRO



It was with a certain feeling of well warranted trepidation that our student President, Greg Evans opened his inter-office mail on the morning of Oct. 10—and with good reason.

Esconded in a plain brown envelope was a message from our other President—the big one, Doctor Ellingson.

The problem was decibels, to you and I, that means loud noises. And Doctor Ellingson, who is noted for always having the best interests of the student body at heart, pointed out that the little acoustical devils could be quite dangerous.

To quote from the good Doctor's letter, which Greg passed along to all student organizations:

"I (Dr. Ellingson) have been reliably informed by some of my associates in the field of deafness that there is a very great possibility that students attending events of this kind (band concerts) on a frequency of eight to ten times a year, over a four year period, might suffer a hearing loss of from

forty to fifty percent during the time they are in school, particularly if these are compounded by similar experiences elsewhere."

Doctor Ellingson continued, that if this was true, students should have a choice whether or not "they wish to become partially deaf prior to the time they leave." If students should choose this admittedly untoward alternative, Doctor Ellingson offered to give them "special instructions in communications with other deaf people."

However, this is not the path Dr. Ellingson has recommended to his charges. He has named and sanctioned two other alternatives.

"Stay away from events where the decibel level is as high as to cause permanent damage to hearing." and "The student committees in charge of these events might substantially lower the decibel level and thus reduce materially the possibility of deafness in our hearing students."

Doctor Ellingson further mentioned that the Institute is about to embark on a four year study to see exactly what influence decibels have on students over a four year period.

We, here at the REPORTER, refusing to be outdone by even such a personage as Dr. Ellingson in such a noble crusade, would like to pass further alternatives along to those of you who would like their decibels and hear them too.

1. Bring back the old practice of dancing cheek to cheek. After four years of protecting one of your hearing orifices with the side of your partner's head you will at least retain partial hearing.

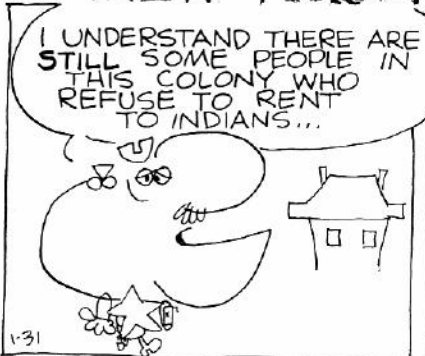
2. Make a tape recording of your most boring lecture. Play the tape immediately before entering the concert. The resulting coma will be more than enough proof against anything even an electric oboe could turn out. Of course, this might interfere with dancing, but you can't have everything.

3. Paste graphic marks over your ears. Nothing can get by that.

4. At least one week prior to the concert spend eight hours a day in your car, driving up and down steep mountainous roads. Keep this up. Practice diligently until you learn how to make your ears 'pop' at will. This may not prevent you from incurring a hearing loss, but you WILL be the life of the party.

Remember, that next decibel may be your last!

The NEW WORLD.



Bad Boston Beans

By GREG ENOS

History will fail to record the fact that RIT actually beat Bentley College last Saturday. The matter of biased officiating will also fall into a place of obscurity.

RIT's underclassman basketball team played what had to be their best ball game of the season, only to have it taken away from them—they were victims of bad officiating.

The last thing that any sports writer will catch Coach Bill Carey saying is that the officials stunk. In fact, he will avoid the implication as often as possible. Carey will, however, present the facts:

"We outplayed them and outscored them from the field, but lost it from the foul line. They had 47 shots, we had 14." And RIT made 13 of those 14 shots.

The loss wasn't what hurt the most, it was the injury of their big man—Gene DeCristofaro.

"He's got a sprained ankle and I don't know when we'll get him back." DeCristofaro missed the Potsdam game Tuesday and may not see action in the Monroe County Collegiate Tournament tonight and tomorrow.

"I can almost smell Boston beans from here...when you play 400 miles from home you don't know what to expect," Carey continued.

Despite the fact that officiating hurt the team, they played fine ball and started to regain early season form.

DeCristofaro poured in 19 points in 20 minutes, before he was injured Saturday night, and school would want a scoring machine like that.

Sophomore Dan Lewis also deserves praise for his defense of Mike Driscol, whose older brother is the core of The Boston College team. Driscol hit for an amazing 14 of 15 foul shots. Lewis fouled him only twice.

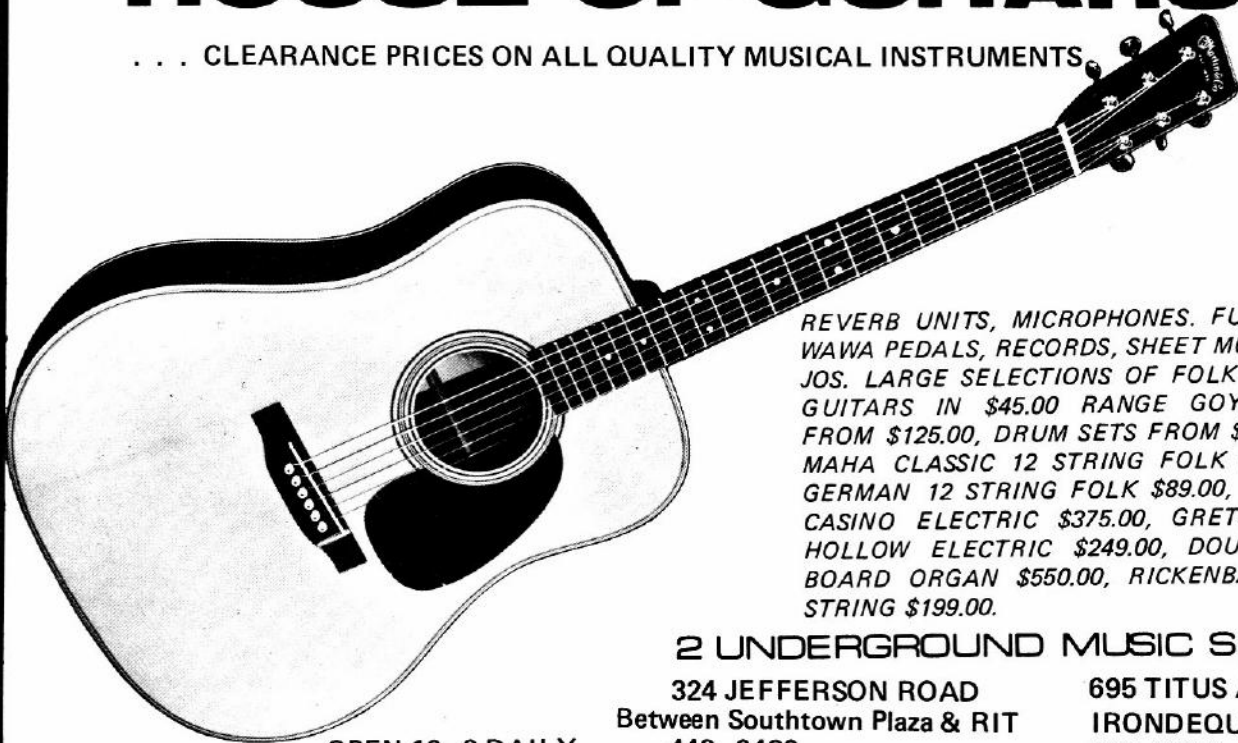
Sophomore Jim Kuntz, and junior, Dave Mancuso also did exceptionally fine jobs from their backcourt positions, Carey reported.

Overall the team shot 44 per cent from the field, which is usually good enough to win ball games—when you have fair officiating. Defense, an element missing far too often this season, was displayed in fine fashion by the Tigers.

Forgetting the poor breaks in officiating, the ten hour bus ride home, and the flat tire, the basketballers take on Brockport State and are looking forward to some good officiating.

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MEET THE EARL OF RIT!

By SID BARSUK

A college degree is an absolute necessity to get anywhere today, and I ought to know, I suffered for years without one."

These are the words of 50 year old Earl Cooley. Earl knows. He is a college student. Earl has always been a student, even after leaving Clarkson in 1939 where he majored in Mechanical Engineering. Like all of us, he was a student in the ways of life, learning from each passing experience. But Earl was unique. He was able to profit from what he learned and gain understanding. An understanding about himself that would eventually lead him back to college and fulfill his needs and desires.

After he left Clarkson, he did what everyone does when they leave school, he went to work. He began in area industry, first as a commercial artist, later as a mechanical draftsman, and finally as a designer.

Unable to find satisfaction or advancement, Earl became quite mobile, traveling from one area firm to another, only to always find a limit as to how far he could go.

Then in 1954 Earl went back to night school, and obtained an A. A. S. in Electrical Engineering at RIT. During this time, he also took courses in design of optical instruments at the U of R. Still there was a limit. Again discouraged by not being able to advance, Earl turned to help from the RIT Guidance Center in 1962.

After taking a series of tests, he was told by the counselor, "You ought to return to school."

His first reaction was "At my age, I thought it was impossible." He then began taking freshman night school courses at the U of R aimed at creative writing.

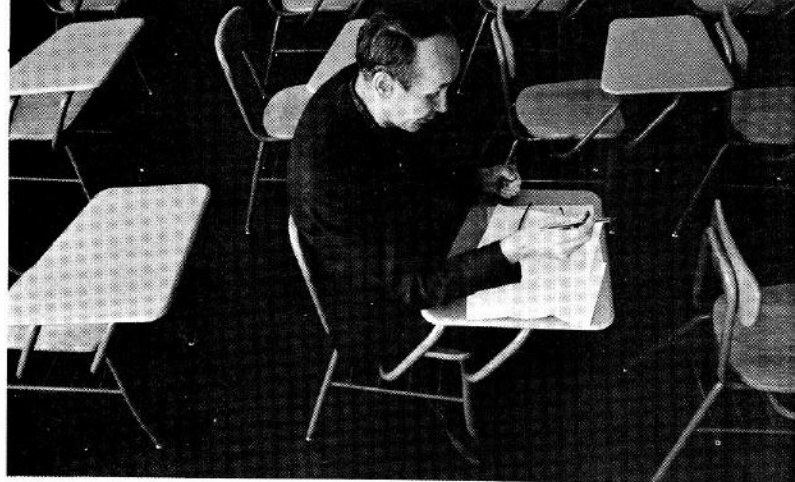
When it became apparent that the program available there was directly opposed to any creative writing that he wanted to do, he began looking around.

He tried Monroe Community, but not satisfied, once again turned to RIT'

He entered as a Math student, but due to his outdated background in the advanced courses, he was unsuccessful.

He then turned to Business Administration, enrolling in retailing as a Special Student. Up until this point Earl had been a perfect B student in all his night school courses and all subjects outside his major. But upon entering the Business School, he became an A student with a Business GPA of 3.7 and an overall GPA of 3.2.

Because of his desire to fit into college life and to get to know the students with whom he associated, he pledged



Earl of RIT: Many times mistaken for a faculty member, oft times for a visitor, reveals his true self—a student.

Harris

Delta Sigma Pi, the professional Business Fraternity, in the fall of 1967. This was probably the most interesting part of his college career. Being much older than the average brother, he posed quite a problem. But Earl says of his pledging, "it was rougher on them then it was on me."

Outside of school, Earl is currently President of the Rochester Chapter of Mensa, an organization for people whose IQ is in the top 2% of the country. He has served as master of Warren C. Hubbard Lodge 964, F&AM. He has also participated in the YMCA Indian Guide Program, and is a member of the Penfield Players.

With these things behind him, Earl looks forward to graduation in March with mixed emotions. He will be leaving behind a place that has been home for the past three years, but he will be looking for a new home, a home that will be as warm and as exciting.

What is the future? For Earl the person, a job that will create excitement and challenge. For Earl the student, graduate school.

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THE REGULATIONS FOR DANCES WHERE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES WILL BE SERVED IN THE RIT COLLEGE UNION FACILITIES

I. DANCE AREA:

(1) All Campuswide dances scheduled for the RIT College Union Building shall be held in the FIRST FLOOR area of that building.

(2) Any ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE shall be dispensed from the serving area of the RITSKELLER snackbar on the A level of the RIT College Union.

(a) All beverages shall be consumed in the RITSKELLER during these events.

(b) Any exceptions to these rules must be authorized by the Operations Director of the College Union and the Food Service Director.

II. SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES DURING THESE EVENTS:

Sale of such beverages shall be by one of two methods:

1. Individual cash sales.

2. Individual sales by use of drink tickets provided to the purchaser by the sponsor of each event.

III. IN ALL CASES THE GENERAL POLICIES OF THE RIT COLLEGE UNION ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES REGULATIONS WILL APPLY.....

TIGER TRACKS

This weekend certainly offers a tremendous opportunity for the basketball buff to catch some really great action. Tonight and tomorrow night RIT will compete in the Monroe County Collegiate Basketball Tournament right here at RIT.

If and when RIT gets in the finals and you don't feel like crowding into the gym in order to see the Tigers play, you will be able to catch all the action on television (Channel 13).

Al Cervi, former star of the Rochester Royals and coach of the NBA Syracuse Nationals, will be on hand for a play-by-play description of the game.

Saturday was record setting day for the swimmers, as sophomore Marv Pallischeck set a new standard in the 1000

yard freestyle and junior Bruce Park totaled 228.5 points for a new three meter diving mark. Both are currently undefeated in those events.

Couldn't you just imagine Art Linkletter dropping in two points from the key? Well, in his day (about 1934) he did just that—and quite often too. In fact, he was an All-Conference center at San Diego State College.

Linkletter was just of the 17 eminently successful entertainers who honored by the NCAA last week in Los Angeles, all former outstanding collegiate athletes.

Other included Max Baer (Jethro of the Beverly Hillbillies), who boxed and played golf at University of Santa Clara, Tommy Smothers, who was a gymnast at San Jose State, and Ozzie Nelson, a former Rutgers football letterman.

Supreme Court Justice Bryon "Whizzer" White, who led the nation in scoring and rushing during his senior year (1938) at the University of Colorado, was given the groups highest honor.

SCOREBOARD

RECREATION CENTER—Bill Reynolds rolled a 565 series to lead the Wednesday Night Mens Handicap League this week. He put together a 189—184—192 series to outdistance second place Steve Dewitt by four pins. Bob Bodo placed third with a 556.

Dewitt also recorded the single game high of 223.

SWIMMING—The winning freestyle relay made the difference Saturday as the tankmen won their third meet of the season, slipping by Brockport State, 60—53.

The meet was held at Brockport.

VARSITY FENCING—In a rematch with the powerful University of Toronto, RIT dropped at 20—6 decision.

The Tigers foil team, however, won.

VARSITY WRESTLING—Victory again eluded the varsity grapplers as they went down to defeat at the hands of the University of Buffalo, 31—7, last Saturday.

The loss was the third of the season.

FROSH WRESTLERS—Benefitting from pins by captain Skip White and Tim Conmy, the frosh wrestlers recorded their second victory of the season with a 22—13 win over the University of Buffalo.

The team's record is now 2—2.

INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL—The Jocks took over the lead in the B League this week, handing previously undefeated LR a 51-31 setback. In other action the Sneakers clobbered LK, 77—29, TF slipped by TA, 40—38, LN beat LP, 54—36, LO trounced the Married Students, 54—35, the All Stars squished the Grasshoppers, 80—29, the Rochester Royals beat LM, 75—22, and the Rebounders beat Alpha Phi Omega, 58—28.

VARSITY BASKETBALL—The basketballers lost both ends of a weekend trip to Boston. They dropped at 75—61 decision to Babson Institute Friday night and lost to Bentley College, 91—81, on Saturday.

The team's record is now 2—6.

HOCKEY—It was a good weekend for the skaters, as they defeated both Northeastern (6—5) and Babson (9—3). Bill Henry and Dennis Lelpley scored six and four goals respectively for the two contests.

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NEIL SHAPIRO

GEEK SPEAKS, by Phi Sigma Kappa, 25c

Perhaps you were recently accosted in the hall, and asked to purchase a copy of Phi Sig's new "humor" magazine, GEEK SPEAKS. If you did buy one, the first thing you might have noticed was the cover. Predominately featured was a wastebasket bearing the word "Trash." As far as can be told, this was the theme of the magazine.

GEEK SPEAKS published, as mentioned, by Phi Sig and edited by Ken Lowden seems to confuse humor with ruffled beds. The fact that it was written and drawn by college students is very nearly unbelievable. The fact that the college students are Tech students is very sad. Even the casual reader will be able to tell that Phi Sig was doing their best to be obscene. They have succeeded beyond their wildest dreams. Using the Supreme Court definition of obscenity as filth for the sake of filth—it would appear that perhaps Ken Lowden should spend the next week or so worrying about whether they'll give Allen Ginsberg and himself separate cells.

This is not to say that sex does not have its place in the Literature of today. On the contrary, some of the greatest classics of our time are so seamy that they would have been banned five years ago.

However, if sex is not tempered with taste, and yes, respect—it loses any message or impact that the writer or cartoonist is trying to convey to his readers.

Taste-wise, GEEK SPEAKS, to this reviewer, seems more reminiscent of the drawings on a sixth grade's blackboard while the teacher is out—than it does of LADY CHATTERLEY'S LOVER.

For instance, one cartoon shows a male student zipping up his trousers and accompanied by a partially unclothed female. The caption is, "Now can I wear your pin?" It MIGHT have worked with another caption. But all Phi Sig has done, in other cases as well as this one, is to point out the obvious again and again. People make people; and sex is fun. It would seem a college student could come up with a fresher viewpoint than that.

Then, there is the feature entitled "Queen of the Cage." This is preceded by a photograph of the womens' residence tower. When one turns the page, one is confronted with a double page portrait of a pig. This is just too trite, too tasteless, too graphic.

To give any further examples would be to beat a dead issue—and to give this magazine much more publicity than it deserves. There is nothing wrong with the idea of a campus humor magazine. In fact, this campus could use one.

UNDERSTANDING TOLKIEN by William Ready. Published by Paperback Library. 96 pages, 75 cents.

If you, like me, have read LORD OF THE RINGS more than half a dozen times; if you've skimmed through it double that amount; if the names Lothlorien, Gandalf and Aragorn thrill you more than Namath and Plimpton, then this is a book you've been hoping and waiting for.

For those who may wonder what that last paragraph was all about, this book is concerned with J. R. R. Tolkien's epic trilogy THE LORD OF THE RINGS and the prologue, THE HOBBIT. If you have not yet read these books, do so, and then pick up a copy of Mr. Ready's critique.

The best thing about Mr. Ready's critique, is the biographical parts concerned with the life of Tolkien, his friends, students and moods.

Ready tells of Tolkien in the war years when LORD OF THE RINGS was only many hundred sheets of paper covered with the fine handwriting of the Master. At this time, and to this day, Tolkien's closest friends were a group of Oxford dons and writers known as the Inklings. Among their number were, and are, such as C. S. Lewis, W. H. Lewis, T. H. White and many other men of letters. Perhaps the most interesting thing is that many of these writers attempted to do the same thing that only Tolkien truly succeeded at; to write an epic fantasy with a near-religious moral (if only in feeling).

For instance, C. S. Lewis wrote his PERELANDRA series and of course T. H. White, THE ONCE AND FUTURE KING. And yet, as Ready points out, only Tolkien has succeeded in making his story more than a story. To quote from William Ready, "To make a Lewis out of Tolkien is like making a jolly green giant out of Gargantua."

The book also examines the background, if you will, of the Tolkien trilogy. It draws the obvious parallels between Strider and Denethor, Frodo and Gollum, Gandalf and Sauruman; but in so doing it gives the reader even more thoughts to think on. For instance; was the Ring truly the last threat, or did the parallel between Gandalf and Sauruman show that all Good may at any time be corrupted into Evil?

This book is supremely good. It would take a more objective reviewer than myself—and also a much more learned one—to say whether the book would stand on its own or whether it partakes of the excellence of Tolkien just from reviewing it.

However, I suspect that this book would more than stand on its own. If nothing else, it makes you want to reread LORD OF THE RINGS again; but there is so much more. It is almost as if you were able to spend an afternoon talking with Tolkien.

BORED?

WILMER AND THE DUKES

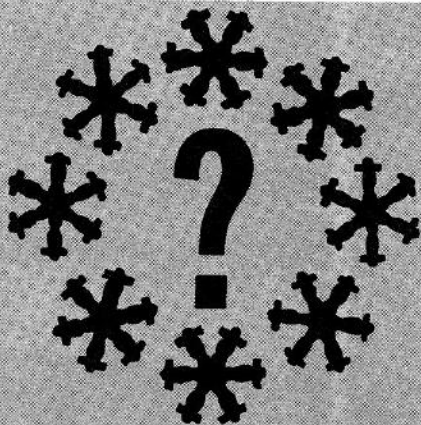
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MRHA (continued)

The first thing that must be done to give MRHA the needed plasma to spring back to life is a clear and concise break with Senate. Ideally, any recommendation from the Council would go to the housing directors and then ultimately to the Vice-president of Student Personnel Services.

An alternate plan would be to elect Student Senators from the dorm areas instead of by departments . . . the commuters could elect their own senators. Whatever is decided, however, one this is painfully clear. David Ioshin's star is sinking rapidly, and it's not all his fault, it's the systems fault too, and both will have to change soon, or both must step aside for something new . . . and hopefully better.

APATHY IS UGLY



Participation is beautiful. Particularly when you participate in the voting booth by pulling the lever for your own choice. Don't miss your chance to take an active part in determining our student leaders for next year. Elections for Student Association officers will be held on February 26 and 27. Don't be caught with your vote missing. Your apathy could be an ugly thing. Vote, and be beautiful again!

