Election Tomorrow to Decide Bond Proposal

A special election has been scheduled by Rock Island School District Number 41 for Saturday, October 19. The purpose of the election is to authorize the sale of $2,587,000 of negotiable bonds to construct and equip a new addition to Edison school, 42nd avenue and 9th street, and to construct two new elementary schools.

The estimated cost of the addition to Edison has been set at not less than $742,000. The proposed cost of the two new schools is near $1,845,000. The total cost of constructing the new schools and converting Edison into a fourth full junior high is less than the cost of building one new junior high school.

The need for the schools has been illustrated by the overcrowded conditions that prevail at Edison. Students ranging in age from 5 to 15 attend the school, making it the only institution in Rock Island containing both elementary and junior high levels of education.

With the addition to Edison and the construction of the two new elementary schools, students now attending Edison would be relocated to one of the new buildings, and Edison would be converted into a fourth full junior high school.

The new institutions would be constructed on property already owned by the school district. One building is to be constructed at 4000—9th street, Rock Island. The other would be located in the southwest area on 84th street.

The need for the new school in the southwest area is reflected in the situations facing the two schools now serving the rapidly developing area.

The Thomas Jefferson and W. L. Eddy schools are already using portable classrooms to supplement their original facilities. Some classes hold as many as 40 students as opposed to the "ideal" condiiton of 25-30 students per classroom.

The proposed bond issue would involve an increase in taxes. Taxpayers would be asked to pay an additional 10 cents per $100 of assessed personal property and real estate value.

Mr. Harry Orr, Jr. is the chairman of a group known as the Citizen's Committee for Better Schools, which supports the bond issue. He has stated, "We must support this election for our children because education today is one of the most important things a community can provide for its future citizens."

The issue has also been publicly endorsed by both the Rock Island and Milan Chambers of Commerce, the Rock Island Federation of Teachers, the Rock Island Education Association, and the PTA council.

"I hope every civic-minded citizen living in our school district will work for the approval of this school bond issue to build two new elementary schools and remodel Edison," added Mr. Orr.

Date Set For PSAT To Be Next Tues.

The Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test will be administerd on Tuesday, October 22, and Saturday, October 26. The majority of the students taking the P.S.A.T. will be juniors and seniors, but some sophomores may venture forth to take it.

There are two main sections included in the test. They are: the verbal section, which includes antonyms, sentence completions, analogies, reading comprehension, and various other phases of verbology.

The second section is the mathematical section, which consists of algebra, geometry, and trigonometry.

The two scores, mathematical and verbal, are reported on a scale of 20 to 80. When the student fills out his application he puts down the names of three colleges, and his score is sent to them. The student also receives a copy of his score so he can compare it with his fellow students scorers.

Mr. Herbert Wagner, dean of boys, commented that the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test along with the American college test are the two most important tests that the student will take at Rock Island high school.

He added "The future of our students lies in our students advancing their knowledge by going to college."

Sounds Send Sophomores

The "Jelly Bread Menagerie" provided exciting sounds for the annual Sophomore Mixer which was held on Monday, September 30, from 7:00-9:00 in the girls' gym, according to Mr. Walter Gerber, who served as this year's chairman.

The dance was restricted to sophomores only and was free of charge. School dress was required and to get in they had to have their own I.D. cards.

Everyone there was provided with a name tag and a dance card. At 8:30 there was a drawing of five names for five 45 r.p.m. records.

Some 250 students attended and according to Mr. Gerber, "the music was loud, but the kids didn't seem to mind."

During the last 45 minutes, Mr. Charles Armstrong and some of his students sold cokes.

The Crimson Crier

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THE "LINE UP" for the class officers are: Front Row, Wilma Bradley, sophomore class secretary; Judy Miers, junior class secretary; and Leanna Nelson, senior class secretary; Middle Row, Rene Miers, junior class vice-president; and Laura Swedberg, senior class vice-president; Back Row, Steve Briggs, sophomore class president; John Robinson, junior class president; and Steve Leatherman, senior class president. Missing is Keith Gilliam, sophomore vice-president.

Class Officers Elected for 68-69

This is the year the door is open for voters to support their favorite candidate. The students at RIHS also went to the poles on Monday and Tuesday, September 31 and October 2, to vote for their class officers. Marlise Riffel's name was accidently excluded from the list of persons running for senior class secretary, which accounts for the second day of voting.

The first step in electing a person of one's choice is to take that prospective candidate into the office and obtain a petition. Next, the petitions are taken to the lounge and the cafeteria during fourth hour when they are available for signing. A total of 30 names is required for the person's name to be placed on the final ballot.

The 1968-69 senior class officers are, president, Steve Leatherman, vice president, Laura Swedberg, and secretary Leanna Nelson.

John Robinson was elected president of the junior class. Vice president is Rene Miers, and secretary is Judy Miers.

The class officers of the sophomore division are, Steven Briggs as president, Keith Gilliam, vice president, and Wilma Bradley, secretary.

O'Melia, Perrin Are Semifinalists In National Merit Scholarship Tests

Two boys at RIHS have recently been named Semifinalists in the 1968-69 National Merit Scholarship Program. The students are Michael O'Melia, son of Mr. and Mrs. James O'Melia, and Mark Perrin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Perrin.

These boys are two of the 15,000 who will compete for some 3,000 Merit Scholarships to be awarded in 1969.

The Semifinalists were the highest scorers in their states on the qualifying test given in February to 17,500 schools nationwide.

According to John M. Stalnaker, president of the National Merit Scholarship Corp., these Semifinalists show high promise for leadership in their adult careers, as they have already demonstrated both high intellectual capacity and a readiness to develop their abilities.

High school grades, accomplishments, leadership qualities, extracurricular activities, and school citizenship of the finalists are evaluated along with the test scores, in selecting the Merit Scholarship winners.

There are some 1,000 scholarships granted to finalists which usually amount to $1,000 and which are allocated by the state. Winners will be announced in early May.

Crimson Crier Receives First Class Ranking

Rock Island high school's newspaper, **The Crimson Crier,** has received a first class Honor Rating in the 79th All American Critical Service conducted by the National Scholastic Press Association at the University of Minnesota.

Student newspapers from more than 1,200 high schools across the nation are judged on the basis of content, writing, and makeup in categories based on enrollment, frequency of publications, and method printing.

Co-editors of the two 1968 spring staffs were Micky O'Melia and Tim Sable, Debbie Brasier and Don Wright. Nicholas Pechang is their advisor.

"Scholastic journalists of today are the communication leaders of tomorrow," Otto W. Quale, NSPA Executive Director stated, "and high school newspapers provide a living laboratory for journalistic research and innovation. The school and community are to be commended for their support of this challenging co-curricular activity."

Principal F. W. Aspedon Announces Top Five Percent of Senior Class

Rock Island high school's top five percent of the class of 1969 was announced by the Principal, F. W. Aspendon. They are Laurie Anderson, Lawrence Begyn, Lynette Beinke, Julia Bertelsen, Craig Bolt, Patricia Bowman, Christine Boyles and DeArmond Briggs.

Also Kathryn Bromley, Susan Camillo, Allen Carlson, Daniel Downing, Deonna Durkee, Sharon Engel, Michael Gordon, Gail Hansen, Richard Hinrichs, Alan Nelson, Michael O'Melia, Monica Pealstrom, Mark Perrin, Teresa Peterson, and Kathy Pfundstein.

And Patricia Reese, Marlise Riffel, Scott Schade, Christine Swanson, Carol Swim, Duane Taylor, Sharron Turner, Bonnie Wagner, Jane Wahl, Linda Wisely, Dianne Wood and Michael Yazbec.

Holding positions in the top five percent automatically brings membership in the National Honor Society which has a requirement of a ninety-two point grade average. They are also given the chance to compete for special scholarship programs.

They are entitled to apply for the National Honor Society Scholarship and the Iowa-Illinois Gas and Electric Scholarship. During a meeting called by Mr. Aspedon on September 16, he congratulated them on their achievements and told them of their opportunities.

There is a great unbalance within the group of potential candidates. Of the 35, the male members number a meager 13, while the girls have an almost 2 to 1 ratio over them with their number of 22.

Fall is Time For College Applications

During the spring of his junior year, the college-bound student should have selected several colleges or universities which have appealed to him, according to Mrs. Marguerite Pierce, the senior girls' counselor.

"Now it is autumn and time for the senior to send a brief letter to these schools asking for an application for admission," she added.

Most applications consist of several sections. Among these sections are one or two for the student himself to fill out. These are concerned with his school activities and home life.

There is also a recommendation to be filled out by either Mr. Herbert L. Wagner, dean of boys, or Mrs. Pierce. Mrs. Pierce stated that each student will be allowed to send one transcript of credits to 2 colleges of their choice without any charge, but each transcript sent by the school after that requires a 50 cent fee.

High School Art Department Acquires New Equipment

This year the Art department purchased a number of new machines for the use of the student body. They are an opaque projector, a tracing table, and braising booths.

Mr. Richard Klatt's second year, and Mr. Charles White's first year art students are now using an opaque projector. The projector enlarges objects so the students can study the structural designs, texture, pattern, and vivid color of the objects. The opaque projector will also enlarge pages of books or student manuscripts so the entire class can see what is being talked about.

The new tracing table has eliminated a lot of hard work tracing from a window. Now they simply lay the paper on a glass topped table with a florescent light under it and trace their work. The table has proved to be very useful as well as a time saver.

The braising booths are going to be used for metal work. As of yet all the equipment has not arrived, but Mr. Klatt is working on getting them here and assembled.

Mr. Klatt stated, "The teachers and students in the Art department at Rocky high school are indeed very fortunate. The Art department is better equipped than St. Ambrose and Augustana combined."

Julian Bond In Davenport For NAACP Anniversary

by Patti Jo Soderberg

The youngest man ever nominated for the vice-presidency of the United States, Julian Bond, held a news conference for area newsmen in the Empire Room of the Hotel Blackhawk in Davenport, September 28.

Congressman Bond was in Davenport as the main speaker at the Anniversary Celebration of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

The questioning covered George Wallace to the Democratic convention to the human rights movement. One of the very first questions asked of him was about the rise in popularity of George Wallace.

Bond said that it was a "frightening phenomenon," but added, "The two party governmental system of our country has been challenged by George Wallace." The questioning then turned to the Democratic convention. He stated that his group was the more Democratic than the other part of Georgia's delegation.

The greater part of the conference then turned to a racial note. He was asked which presidential candidates would get the majority of the Black vote and he replied that he thought Humphrey would receive the majority. He said that Humphrey would do more for the Black population than either Nixon or Wallace. With Humphrey he declared that they would not be coddled but would be provided with means to attain what they would need to advance their race.

He said it would have to be a "trial by error" system for awhile and that the whites should not "coddle" but, rather, extend a "helping hand." He stated that racial disorder is not a worthwhile way of getting action; the Blacks should find another way.

On racial disorders he said that the reason we had a quiet summer was because there is no sense in destroying their own communities. One of his most outstanding statements was, "The human rights movement is an alias for the civil rights movement."

The conference ended all too soon. Before he left the room, several people took picturse of him and shook his hand. Someone asked him as he left the room, "Why don't you run for Governor?" and he replied, "Don't hold your breath."

GEORGIA CONGRESSMAN, JULIAN Bond, answers questions put to him by members of the Quad City news media.

Red Letter Days

OCTOBER

19—Moline "B" There; Girls' Tennis Tourney, Moline; A.C.T.; M.V.C. Cross Country, Dubuque

21—Audubon Series, Auditorium

22—P.S.A.T., Cafeteria

24—Central "B" Here

25—Straub Assembly; Central There; C.Y.C.

26—District Cross Country

NOVEMBER

1—Homecoming Assembly; Washington Here

New Schools Referendum Needs Support of Concerned Community

On October 19, the voters within Rock Island School District Number 41 will either support or defeat an issue which may be vital to Rock Island's academic efficiency. The need for two new elementary schools and the conversion of Edison school into a full junior high has been evident in the overcrowding of the existing classrooms.

As many as 40 students are crammed into classrooms designed for 30. Temporary classrooms are in use in an effort to control the situation, but the overcrowding continues. The new schools would relieve much of the pressure which now handcuffs teachers.

Rock Island is a rapidly growing community, and as it advances, the schools must advance with it. In this time when education plays such an important role in the future, our community must not impede the quality of education our students receive. Without adequate facilities, the schools cannot function as effectively as is necessary in today's brain race.

The issue has already been endorsed by the Chamber of Commerce and various educational organizations, but it needs the support of everyone interested in the advancement of this community. In the past, similar proposals have been opposed by many who feel that the only control they have on taxes is at the local level.

They often feel that a tax boost constitutes a personal loss. The present issue depends upon these people. They must realize that the proper education of the future generations is more valuable than the one-tenth of one percent increase.

A Lesson to be Learned From Waterloo, Rockford

Popcorn, coke, and proper conduct are essentials at football games. Popcorn and coke eventually result in a few extra calories, but proper conduct and level headedness can result in an evening of fun and excitement for the whole crowd.

There have been two distinct examples of the type of of havoc that can result from impolite harrassment and vandalism. Persons in Waterloo and Rockford have suffered the type of embarrassment that follows a disturbance such as this. One can be sure that their lot is not a happy one. Everyone suffers from the ignorance of a few.

There have been many proposals concerning what action may be taken if this type of violence persists. One resolution is to hold the games in the middle of the afternoon. The only problem with this soluiton is that the students who are interested in supporting their team and releasing their anxieties at the time would be restricted from going because of school attendance.

The next suggestion is to allow the games to be held on Saturday afternoons. The problem of this suggestion is simply that many of the students have weekend jobs and would be unable to attend or play.

The most severe penalty of all would be to completely eliminate the games.

So, if you enjoy football and plan to attend the games, leave home with an attitude of participating in an admirable manner.

Oct. 31 Once Hailed Saints; Few Saints Found Today

During the time that the Celts occupied England, the eve of October 31 was called "All Saints Day." Now this title is ironic because of the way in which many people today celebrate October 31. The only people who come near to being Saints are the small costumed children who innocently go out on much anticipated conquests for goodies and the kind people who genreously aid them in their conquests.

But every year there are also those devilish fiends who feel that they must perform some act of vandalism on Halloween. Some of the more serious offenses result in property damage or frightened and hurt young children.

In deciding whether or not you want to join in on the "fun," first think of the past. Remember when you proudly donned on a bright costume, selected the very biggest bag you could find, and excitely started around the neighborhood collecting all those delicious treats. Now will you still frighten or hurt a young child and spoil his idealistic happiness? Now think of the future when you're scraping every penny to run a household. Now will you still break a window and cause someone extra bills that they cannot pay?

The perverted thrill one momentarily receives in destroying property or hurting someone cannot compare with the worry and money involved.

LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS

"SOMEONE TELL TH' COACH THAT EDDIE IS STILL WARMING UP."

TV or Not

by Paula Froude

This fall, T.V. offers many great specials. On Wednesday, October 23, at 7:30 p.m. "America's Wonderlands — The National Parks" is going to be presented. It is one of four National Geographic specials to be seen.

Thursday, October 24, is the date for two more entertaining yet educational specials. At 6:30-7 p.m. one may view "It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown" and then from 7:00-8 p.m. "Girl Friends and Nabors" may be seen starring Jim Nabors with many guest stars.

Lancer, a weekly T.V. show is broadcasted every Thursday night from 6:30-7:30 p.m. The setting for this show is a sheep and cattle ranch during the 1870s. Lancer along with his two sons will strive to defend and develop their ranch in the face of every opposition in the lawless territory.

Every Tuesday night from 7:30-8 p.m. Diahann Carroll plays the part of Julia Baker, a widow, who has a six-year old son, Corey. Julia's life is now devoted to raising her son since her husband's death in Vietnam.

Rocky Girls "Lov The Gov"

by Patti Jo Soderberg

Four girls, Cindy Bengston, Jean Kalish, Sharon Seymour, and Debbie Wiedenhoeft were picked as "Luv the Guv" girls by Mr. Jerry Janecke to campaign for Governor Shapiro, current governor of Illinois, at any political function that is scheduled for this area.

These four girls are going to make a barn-storming tour of the 19th congressional district for Governor Shapiro. They have already gone to the Andulusia fish fry, the Aledo Pioneer Days, and the opening of the Shapiro headquarters in Moline. Mr. William Armstrong, district chairman, is hte one who decides to what cities the girls will go.

There is no set procedure for the rallies that the "Luv the Guv" attend, but these rallies usually start with a parade. The girls wear blue skirts and white blouses with blue sashes on them. They also wear white straw hats with Shapiro stickers on them.

Governor Shapiro arrived in the Quad-City airport on Sunday, October 6, and the girls were there to welcome him. The girls helped the governor off the plane and went around with him greeting people who came to see him. Then the governor went to a cocktail party. The price to get in was $250 per couple and about twenty-thousand dollars was raised.

SHARON SEYMOUR, CINDY Bengston, Debbie Wiedenhoeft, and Jean Kalish show that they are really "Luv the Guv" girls by handing out campaign buttons which support Governor Sam Shapiro.

At 7:30 that night the girls were at the LeClaire Hotel in Moline to take the governor into a fifty dollar a plate dinner in honor of the governor. Before the governor arrived the girls handed out pins to those persons who had arrived. They then ate dinner after which they passed out more pins.

At the dinner approximately twenty-thousand dollars was raised and more than five hundred people were in the Sky High Room of the LeClaire Hotel.

Last weekend, October 12 and 13, the girls were off to campaign in Mercer County.

Both Former Gopher Greats

RI Boasts Two All-Americans

by Dave Drake

In sports, only a select few ever reach the top. Rocky has two examples of men who have reached this height in sports. They are H. V. "Shorty" Almquist and George "Sonny" Franck. Both men have been All-American football players.

"Shorty" Almquist began his climb to the top while attending East Minneapolis high school in Minnesota. "Shorty" earned a total of 12 letters at East high while participating in football, basketball, baseball, and track.

The 12 major letters he earned is more than any other athlete has obtained at East high. He was captain of the football squad his junior and senior years, was All-State both years, and led his team to an undefeated season in his junior year.

After high school, Almquist attended The University of Minnesota and became a regular in his sophomore year. He played for three years and in his senior year the Gophers were undefeated. "Shorty" was named All-Big Ten. He led the Big Ten in scoring in 1927, and was named to several All-American teams.

The biggest of all thrills was being named to the national All-American team. He was one of 22 players chosen to play in the East-West Shrine Game and during his college days he played with some of the immortals of the game. Among these were Bronko Nagurski, Mally Nydahl, and Herb Josting.

"SHORTY" ALMQUIST displays one of his football talents that won for him All-American honors.

In the fall of 1928 "Shorty" took over head-coaching duties at Augustana. As H. V. puts it, "They wanted a Swede and a Lutheran, so I got the job." He inherited a team that had managed to win only one game of nine games in 1927.

In his first year as coach he led the team to a record of 8-1-0. He also coached basketball at Augie, and his feats in this sport are just as incredible. His best season, of 21-3, still stands as a school record. That same year Augustana entered the Olympic trials, with the tallest center in the country. He was Harry Mead who stood at 6'11¾".

At the end of 13 successful years at Augie, H. V. became head-coach at Rocky. In his 21 years he produced 15 conference champs and 6 undefeated and untied teams. In 1962 he ended his coaching days by relinquishing his head coaching duties to George "Sonny" Franck.

George Franck began his football career in high school while attending Davenport high school. He was a regular for 3 years before entering the University of Minnesota.

As a halfback he led the Gophers to conference championships in 1938 and 1940. The Gophers were National champs in 1940. "Sonny" was elected All-Big Ten in both his junior and senior years and he was named All-American in his senior year.

He played in the All-Star game with players like Tom Harmon, Forrest Evashevski, Otto Graham, and Jackie Robinson. Franck won the All-Star Trophy in that game beating out the Heisman Trophy winner, Tom Harmon.

After college "Sonny" played both Armed Service and Pro ball. While in the service he was in seven plane crashes and went through six operations on his legs. While playing for the New York Giants he was in two NFL championship games, although injuries hindered his play and he saw little action. He played with men like Sid Luckman, Sammy Baugh, and Y. A. Tittle.

While coaching at South East high school in Oklahoma City, he coached All-American Clendon Thomas.

In 1953, George Franck came to Rocky as an assistant to H. V. Almquist, and in 1956 he became head sophomore coach. In 1962 he took over the head coaching duties and held this position until 1966.

He led the Rocks to the Quad-City Championship and was named Coach of the Year for the MVC in 1964. He had a combined record of 25 wins, 19 losses, and 1 tie. His impressive record against Illinois schools was 11-3-1. As "Sonny" puts it, "We never could beat the Iowa teams!"

FLASHY HALFBACK, GEORGE "Sonny" Franck, exhibits the speed that brought him All-American honors.

Trade Winds

Fall is here and with the arrival of the football season comes the need to arouse the student and adult's interest in the game. Elkhart high school in Elkhart, Indiana, held a Gridiron A Go Go to open their football season. First, there was a pep rally at which the players and cheerleaders were introduced and then a dance was held in the student parking lot.

To promote interest in their football team, Western Hills high school in Cincinnati, Ohio, initiated Monday Morning at the Movies. These are a series of movies of the West high football games. The movies are shown before school and the admission fee is 10 cents. The money will be put in the club's treasury and eventually will be used to buy a state championship banner.

Anniston high school in Anniston, Alabama, has had a Pom Pom Squad for three years now. The purpose of the section of 25 girls is to "provide additional entertainment at pep assemblies, football games, and basketball games." They also promote school spirit. The girls make up their own routines as well as learning new cheers from the Anniston cheerleaders.

To gain adult support for their football squad, Durham high school in Durham, North Carolina, first held a coffee hour at a local hotel for local businessmen. Then, on the following Wednesday, their majorettes, band, and cheerleaders paraded down Main street. Later in the week, a pep rally was held and adult game tickets were sold both door to door and at the local shopping centers.

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JEFF GAHN, 73, and Eric Sapinski, 66, lead the way for Lew Miscowicz, 30, on another touchdown jaunt.

Rocks Take On Maroons Tonight

by John Klockau

The Rock Island Rocks and the Moline Maroons will get together for their yearly football clash tonight. They have been rivals for a long time, and the game promises to be exciting. The Maroons appear to be as powerful as ever this year, but the Rocks hope to overcome their foe.

When Rock Island and Clinton battled on October 4, the game proved to be very exciting to both Rocky and Clinton spectators. Rocky lost the game, but led statistically throughout. If Clinton had not intercepted four passes, Rock Island might have won. The final score of that game was a jolting 12 to 0.

Rocky established a firm victory against the Alleman Pioneers with a fantastic score of 27 to 9. In this game the Pioneers were without hope by the time the second half had started. The Rock Island-Jefferson game turned out to be another victory in Rocky's pocket with a final score of 41 to 13.

If the Rocks defeat the Moline Maroons this year they will regain the coveted Tomahawk. Rocky suffered a loss in the Moline game last year, but this year it is evident that Rocky has undergone a great change as far as their football standing is concerned.

Fall Track Team Tramples Top Competition In Two State Area

by John Timm

Rocky's varsity trackmen have thus far compiled an outstanding record for the fall season to be beaten only by Davenport West 29-27. Among the wins were Clinton 25-33, Assumption 27-85, Davenport Central 25-30, East Moline 15-47, and Moline 26-33.

Making it through some difficult meets the Rock's went on to win the Quad City championship which was held at Davenport's Brady Street Stadium. They also won the Mississippi Valley Conference, beating the No. 1 and 2 ranked Iowa high schools. This was held at the Rock Island stadium.

Seniors Larry Begyn, Tony Canny, Ben Farrar, Ted Larson, and Ken Enstrom are the top five runners for the varsity squad. Begyn while competing in the M.V.C. set a new school record for the mile with a 4:23.8 topping the old mark by .9 seconds which was set in 1967 by Pete Beckman.

Showing a great deal of promise for next years team are sophomores Steve Fenton, Rich Benz, the soph's hold down a 2-0 record.

The meets are held every Tuesday and Thursday at 4:30. Tomorrow the team travels to Dubuque to compete in the Mississippi Valley Conference, which will begin at 10:00 a.m. Lundeen is expecting a win for the Rock's after their showing in the M.V.C. Mile Run.

The up-coming meets will be held on the 22nd at Moline, the 26th will be the District, the 29th will be against East Moline, and then November 2 will be the State meet at Champaign.

SUZIE WOLFF EXAMINES her tennis racket during a break in one of the matches.

Girls' Tennis Team Winless In Opening Four Matches

The Rock Island high school girls' tennis team has started their 1968 fall season. While their 0-4 record may not be too impressive on paper, the 36 girls on the team have put forth an abundance of time, effort, and sportsmanship, according to Mrs. Mary Brent, their coach.

The top seven, Diane Deyo, Debbie Bennett, Susie Wolff, Terry Sundquist, Carolyn Potter, Judy Staubach, and Kathy Ryan participate in varsity singles. By adding Lynette Beinke to that group, the top 4 doubles teams are complete.

The varsity team competes against Moline, East Moline, Davenport Central, and Davenport West. In addition to varsity play, junior varsity meets are arranged whenever possible. These offer the less developed talents of the team experience and the opportunity to represent their school in inter-scholastic competition.

According to the team coach, Mrs. Brent, who has been coach for nine years, "Practice is a very crucial part of tennis as it is in all other sports."

Coach Brent encourages, and on occasion insists, that her varsity girls practice Monday through Thursday. This often poses a problem as the courts must be shared with the boys' team.

"Our team has the enthusiasm and spirit that it takes to win and maybe the next match will turn out better," quotes one prominent team member.

A few girls have dropped off the team, however, but most of the girls, varsity and otherwise, have stuck it out.

Drake's Relays

by Dave Drake

There is nothing to compare with the type of humor that is found in the sports world. Here are some examples:

- **Don Richman, general manager of the Seattle Supersonics, replying to a rookies demand for a no-cut contract: "Listen, my wife was a great prospect, but she didn't get a no-cut contract."**
- Fresco Thompson, Los Angeles Dodger vice-president, discussing the team's offense: "We don't have a guy who can hit a sacrifice fly far enough to score Jesse Owens from third base."
- **Norm Stewart, Missouri basketball coach, on the experimental use of three officials in a game: "It's just one more referee to yell at."**
- Jose Cardenal, California Angels' wiry (151 pounds) outfielder, on working with the team's 6-foot, 195 pound bat boy: "I look at him and I feel weak. It is bad psychologically when you have to reach up and get the bat from the bat boy."
- **Pepper Rodgers, Kansas football coach, asked if, in view of the success he had last season using trackmen as receivers, he would like Jim Ryun on his squad: "We could use him on third-down-and-a-mile-to-go situations."**
- Jimmy Piersall, ex-major league baseball player and father of nine, on the art of diapering: "Spread the diaper in the position of a baseball diamond with you at bat. Then fold second base down to home and set the baby on the pitcher's mound. Put first base and third together, bring up home plate and pin the three together. Of course, in case of rain, you gotta call the game and start all over again."
- Joe DiMaggio, asked what he calls his fishing boat: "The Yankee Clipper. What else?" Good thinking Joe!

Big Turn-Out Expected For Rocky Intramurals During 68-69 Season

The 1968-69 intramural season promises to be even bigger than last year's season, in that a larger turn-out is expected. The intramural sports that will be offered this year will be as follows: football, baseball, basketball, bowling, water polo, and archery. The head coach this year for intramural athletics is Mr. James Johnstone.

Intramural water-polo and intramural archery have already started, and two water-polo games have been played to date. The names of the four Water-Polo teams are the Jets, the Hot Dogs, the Krauts, and the Sharks.

Intramural football is also very popular this year. "So far this year," Mr. Johnstone commented, "there has been a large turn-out. I hope it will continue throughout the year."

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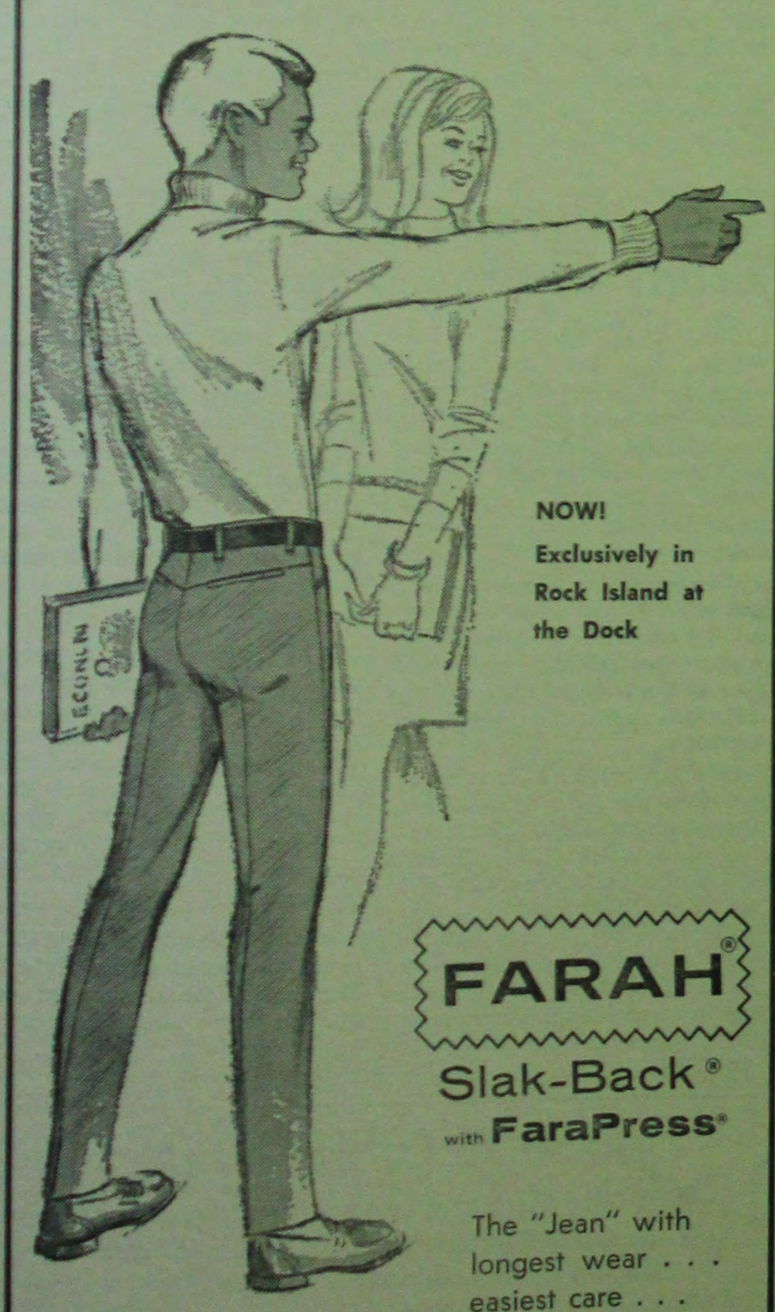

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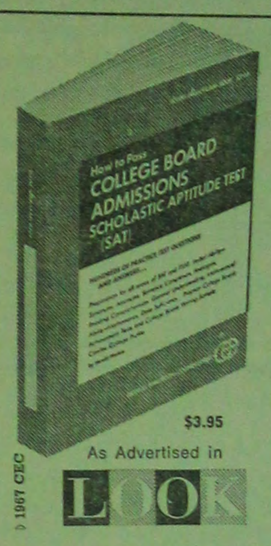

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Pep Club Visits Clinton

Sixty girls and the Pep club advisor, Mrs. Nola McQuigg, left Rock Island high school on Friday, October 4, to travel to Clinton to watch the Rock Island Rocks battle the Clinton River Kings. This was the second trip that the Pep club has taken to an away game this fall. The cost for the trip to Clinton was $1 for the bus plus 75 cents for the game ticket.

The bus, which was rented from Pinks Bus Service in Geneseo, could seat only 40. This situation was much the same during the first bus trip to the Rock Island-Cedar Rapids Jefferson game. Then also were nearly 60 girls placed on a bus which only seated 40.

Because of this, Pep club president, Margaret Priebe, is hoping that still more girls will sign up for these away games so that Pep club might rent 2 buses for the next trip. Margaret added that because there were more girls this trip, there was some extra money.

"This excess money was used to buy taffy apples which were served to those going on the trip," she explained.

Recently, several boys have asked Margaret about the idea of creating a boys' branch of the Pep club. Margaret explained that there were at least three steps she would have to take before the boys' Pep club could be created.

First of all, she would have to bring it up before the members of the present Pep club to see if they approved.

Then, if Margaret gained their approval, she would have to ask permission of the Pep club advisor, Mrs. McQuigg.

Finally, if Mrs. McQuigg gave her consent, Margaret would have to talk to Rocky's principal, Mr. F. W. Aspedon.

Margaret stated that she is excited about the prospects of a boys' Pep club, but realizes that much work will be involved in its organization.

Briggs, Perrin Are Chosen As Rotarians For October

Because of the start of another month, two new Junior Rotarians were chosen. The Rotarians for the month of October are DeArmond Briggs, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Briggs, 2600-17th Street, Rock Island, and Mark Perrin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Perrin, 103 West 3rd Avenue, Milan.

DeArmond is a member of the varsity fall tennis team and has won numerous awards for his skills in the sport. He is planning on joining the basketball team this winter and is a member of Lettermen's and Key clubs. DeArmond is also a member of the top five percent.

Mark is a National Merit Scholarship finalist. He is a member of Science club and is on the Science council. Mark is also a member of the newly formed Ski club. Mark, also, is among those who were named in the top five percent of the senior class.

Rocky Roundup Chosen as Theme For Homecoming

"Rocky Roundup" has been chosen by the Girls' Athletic Association cabinet as this year's homecoming theme.

The GAA has the job of decorating the girls' gym for the dance. Each chairman has been assigned to a wall. These chairmen are Jim Reed, Laurie Anderson, Sandy Thomas, Bev Bankes, Patty DeMay, Joan DeBar, Monica Pealstrom, and Debbie Bennett.

Overall chairmen of the event are seniors Patty Eastland and Jackie Freshwaters. Miss LaMere is the teacher advisor.

Decorating will continue every night in the girls' lower gym until homecoming. Everyone is asked to come and help according to Paula Froude, GAA president.

November 1 and 2 is homecoming weekend. The game is on Friday and the dance on Saturday night. Anyone who attends Rocky is eligible to attend the dance.

Ellison's Elucidations

by Bill Ellison

Tonight there will be a tremendous amount of noise arising from the stadium as the Rocks engage those infidels from Moline in a bruising, battering, bitterly contested game called football. It's amazing how much excitement can be generated by the prospect of a group of healthy boys knocking each other over. It seems as if this contest is the only concern of the two cities.

However, there remain a few unenlightened citizens who are oblivious to the game and its import. Last week, my friend Albert attended his first football game and his account of the night's action indicates his absence from tonight's contest.

"When I got there," Albert related, "I saw the prettiest girls out in front of the crowd jumpin' and shoutin' and carryin' on. The crowd was screamin' and shoutin' too, which was understandable considering the length of those girls' skirts. Then, the players came on the field, one team in red and the other in white."

"Then, out came some other fellows wearin' funny striped shirts and carryin' whistles around their necks. I don't think they liked their job, because every time the boys started to have a good time, the men would blow the whistles and everybody would stop. Then the boys would get into little groups and whisper to themselves, which seemed awfully impolite."

"There was a teacher on the side of the field who couldn't make up his mind who was supposed to play and who wasn't. He just kept changing players all the time and never did get straightened out."

Well, even if Albert doesn't like football, I do. Good luck tonight, Rocks.

IT'S SHARE AND share alike for Karen Theus, big sister, and Rebecca Nachbauer, little sister, at the Y-Teens Big Sister-Little Sister Slumber Party.

Y-Teens Entertain Sophomores With Big-Little Sister Slumberer

A historic first for the Y-Teens was a Big sister-Little sister slumber party held at the YWCA on Oct. 4. The juniors and seniors, who were big sisters to the sophomores, had to bring a night's supply of candy for her Little sister.

All girls were to be at the Y some time between 11:00 and 12:00 p.m. Each girl was to bring a permission slip and 50 cents to cover charges for the next morning's breakfast. Once there, the girls sought out their sisters.

After sisters were found and friends were talked to, the Y-Teen cabinet members put on a skit. The skit consisted of fairy tales such as Sleeping Sophie, Sophierilla, and Sophi-Locks and the Three Seniors.

Then the cabinet members passed out newspapers (one sheet per little sister) for the sophomores to make costumes and then they had 10 minutes to think up a skit with the members of their group.

The Sophomores' skits included, The Wizard of Oz, Alice in Wonderland, and a miscellaneous one which included individual acts. After that, the girls were instructed as to what they could and could not do. Swimming was available along with games.

The girls were able to do what ever they wanted as long as they stayed inside the Y and didn't get into mischief. The swimming pool was open till 3:00 for anyone who had a swimming suit and towel. Many girls just sat at the tables and enjoyed the candy and other delites brought to them by the upperclassmen.

A few girls resorted to their bed rolls. Among the highlights of the evening were a blown fuse in the gym because a few of the girls were flicking the lights on and off 15 minutes consecutively. Another highlight was when a few of the big sisters threw Mrs. Mary Ann McKinny, the Y-Teen advisor in the swimming pool.

In the morning breakfast was served at 6:30. The chaparones along with a few of the cabinet members went around and woke everyone up so that none would be without breakfast. Donuts and milk were served.

The chaperons were Mrs. McKinny, advisor to the Y-teens cabinet, and Mrs. Peterson. The girls were to be out of the gym and the gym cleaned up by 7:30.

CYC Dances Attract Teens From Three Area Schools

CYC, short for Civic Youth Center, is a dance held every week for the benefit of all high school students of the city of Rock Island. These dances are held Friday nights by the Civic Youth Center in the Girls' Gym at Rock Island high school from 8:30 to 11:30.

Admission requirements consist of an identification card and a C.Y.C. stamp or 50 cents. These stamps are available in the office of Rock Island high school, Alleman, and the Villa de Chantel.

A different band at each dance provides the kids with today's type of entertainment. The combos include the Jelly Bread Menagerie, the Aftermaths, and the Next of Kin. They are booked at the beginning of the year by Mr. Thomas Stimpson. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Shreiner are the volunteer adult workers of C.Y.C. They are also the heads of C.Y.C.

Some members of the club are Jolene Mincer, Barb Kemble, Pat Lenger, Kathy Books, and Doretta Geist. Barb Kemble is president, Jolene Mincer is vice-president, and Pat Lenger is secretary. They meet approximately once a month. They discuss the favorite combos of the kids, plan dances, and list the combos they have decided to hire.

C.Y.C. is scheduled for every week only if the behavior and attendance of the kids are good. The dress requirements are school clothes, or slacks and coulottes for the girls. Only the kids who are dressed poorly will not be admitted. Two policemen are usually on duty at all of the dances.

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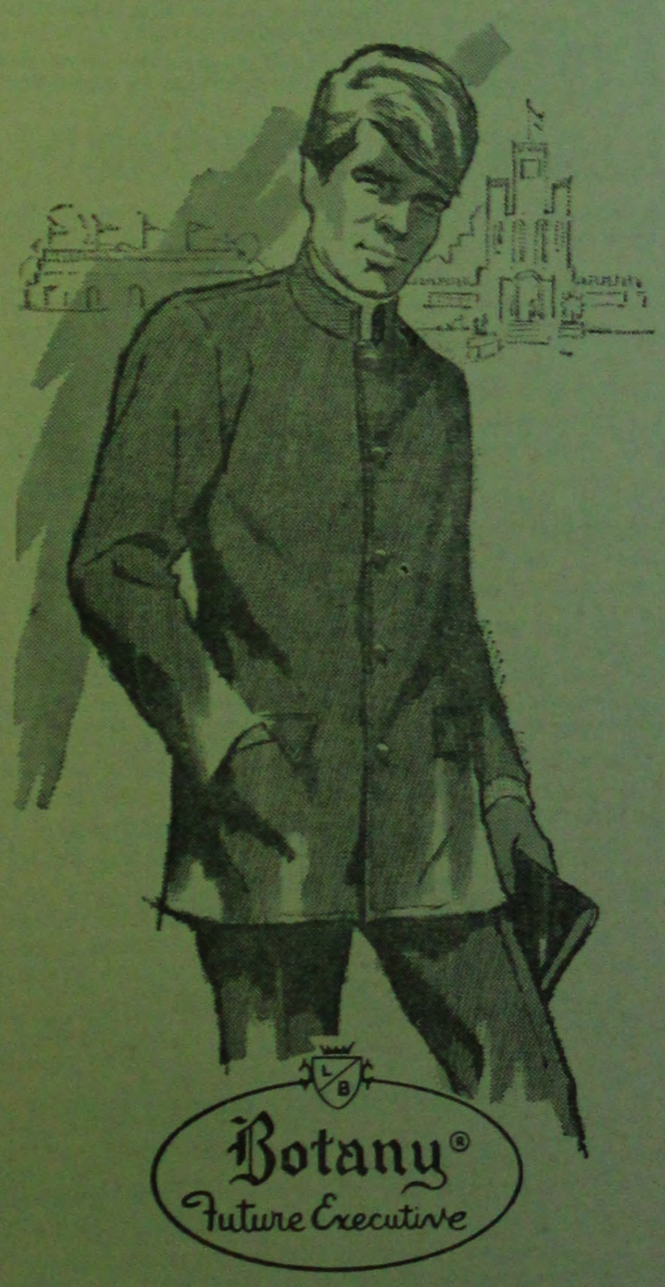

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