Ride to the Round-up

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Homecoming Weaves Annual Spell

Annual Assembly Honoring Queen Presented Today

Today, the annual homecoming assembly, honoring the homecoming queen and her court, was presented to the students of RIHS. As is traditional, the announcement of the queen and the presentation of the royal court headlined the program. Soloist Larry Cline, along with the Chamber Choir, saluted the queen with "The Sweetheart of Rock High."

The rest of the program was dedicated to music and comedy. The Chamber Choir presented two numbers, "Mood Indigo" and "Taking a Chance on Love." These were under the direction of Mr. Murray Osborn, choir director. The stage band, under the direction of Mr. Donald Kruzan, accompanied the Chamber Choir and presented one number.

Other musical entertainment included a folk singing group consisting of Debbie Hammond, Millie Lawrence, Dave Kerler, Dave Schrader, Allen Nelson, and Larry Cline. They sang "Juliane." Gail Learner then took the spotlight with a solo also in the folk-singing category.

The Golden Girls, consisting of Dawn Cole, Deonna Durkee, Diane Pirmann, Sharon Seymour, and Linda Worman added variety with the Charleston and a country style dance.

Comedy was provided by Don Kelly, Dave Johnston, Jim Reed, Mike Gordon and Howard Wakenburg.

WINNING SMILES RADIATE from this year's Homecoming Court of Monica Pealstrom, Jackie Freshwaters, Laura Swedberg, Leanna Nelson and Jo Layne Bowes.

Parade, Floats, Royalty Liven Up Weekend's Activities Honoring Grads

This afternoon marks the start of Rocky's 1968 Homecoming festivities. At the end of fifth hour the student body will be excused to attend the Homecoming parade. Fifteen floats will be in the parade along with cars containing the cheerleaders, the queen, her attendants, the Senior glee members, and many others.

The parade will start in downtown Rock Island on 20th st. and Second ave. and travel through the downtown area. The floats are judged and winning floats are later announced at halftime of the varsity football game this evening.

The theme for this year's homecoming is 'Rocky Roundup' and the dance will be held in the girls' gym on Saturday evening, November 2.

October 16 and 17 homecoming queen petitions were taken out by students who wanted to put up a fellow classmate to vie for the queen title. The petitions were placed in the cafeteria during the lunch hour on October 21 and 22, where each candidate in order to get on the ballot had to have 30 signatures, of either juniors or seniors. The persons who received 30 signatures had their names placed on a ballot and all of the juniors and seniors voted for five girls of their choice. The five girls selected as the royalty in alphabetical order are:

Jo Layne Bowes, daughter of Mrs. Elaine Bowes; Jackie Freshwaters, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth DePron; Leanna Nelson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Nelson; Monica Pealstrom, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Pealstrom; and Laura Swedberg, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Swedberg.

The queen is then chosen by another vote taken in the junior and senior senates. She will be crowned at the Homecoming dance on Saturday night.

AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK

November 10 through November 16

Open House Date Set

Open House at Rock Island high school will be held on November 12, from 7:00-9 p.m. All parents are invited to attend and see what their students are learning.

The schedule for the Open House will be as follows: The parents will follow their child's daily routine and thus be able to meet each of their child's teachers and be introduced to the teacher's methods of instruction.

First, the parents will go to their student's senate and listen to instructions from Rock Island high's principal, Mr. F. W. Aspedon. The senate period will last for 15 minutes. After that, the adults will begin their schedule. During their child's study hall, they will visit the library. There will be monitors in the halls in case any of the adults have problems finding rooms.

The Open House is held during American Education Week which is November 10 through 16 this year. During this week there are TV commercials and posters concerning the purpose of the week's dedication.

Rock Island's elementary and junior high schools also hold their Open House during American Education Week. The junior highs, Washington, Franklin, Edison, and Central, hold their Open House on November 13.

The elementary and grade schools hold their Open House on the following day. Edison will be open both nights because it is both an elementary and junior high school.

"The success of the Open House depends on the attendance of the parents," stated Mr. Aspedon. "This is the most important factor and the whole purpose of providing the opportunity."

Pop Machine Rules Cited For Students

One of several services provided for students at Rocky are the pop machines located in the student lounge. The machines will remain in use until the students make it impractical to continue this privilege.

There are several rules that must be followed by all students who want to use the machines. All empty bottles must be returned to the cases. Any broken bottles or spilled pop must be cleaned up by the student responsible.

Any misuse of the machines, such as kicking or hitting, will result in detentions for the person involved. If a machine is not working properly it should be reported so as to prevent other students from using the same machine.

Rock Island Voters Pass Bond Referendum

Voters in Rock Island School District No. 41 participated in a special school election on October 19, to decide a tax increasing bond proposal. The results of the bond referendum were in favor of the construction of two new elementary schools and renovating Edison school.

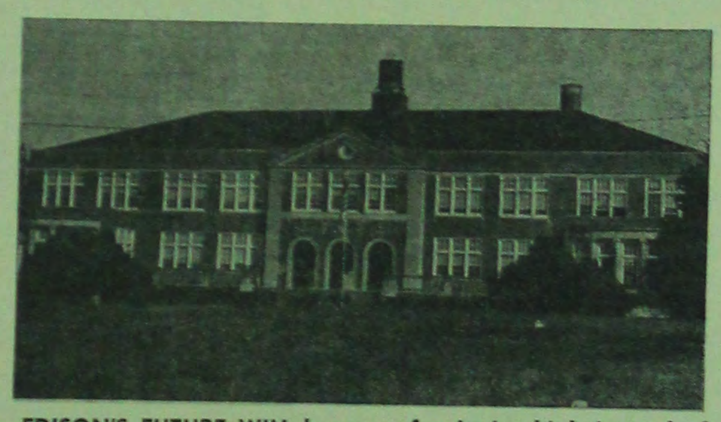
The official canvass of the votes, conducted by the Rock Island Board of Education, showed that 4,677 votes were cast in the election. The totals showed 3,094 votes in favor of the measure, with 1,533 votes opposed and 50 spoiled ballots.

The issue provided for the construction of an addition to Edison school, presently the only Rock Island school combining both elementary and junior high classes. With the addition and some remodeling, Edison will be converted into a fourth full junior high.

The referendum also provided $1,083,000 for a new elementary school at 4000 11th st. It would serve about 600 to 700 students.

Another new school for about 420 students will be constructed at 84th st. and 95th ave. at a cost of about $762,000.

The issue had the support of many civic groups, including the Chambers of Commerce of both Rock Island and Milan, the Rock Island Federation of Teachers, and the Rock Island Education Association.



EDISON'S FUTURE WILL be one of a junior high instead of a grade school and junior high as it is now.

Eighty-Seven Diversified Courses Are Offerings In RIHS Curriculum

Each teacher received a curriculum report on October 3rd. It was issued to inform persons of the curricular offerings and to note the number of students enrolled in each course. It also enumerated the curricular areas where there is a study being conducted where one should be.

Eighty-seven different courses are being offered. All courses are marked as either required or elective. English 10, 11, and 12, American history, biology, government, economics, and physical education are required. This leaves 79 courses for students to choose four and one-half credits to make the total of 12 credits needed for graduation. Students do graduate with more than these 12 credits.

In summary one out of every three students is taking a foreign language. More than 15 percent of the students are enrolled in additional courses beyond the required biology. More than one half of the students are taking business courses and one half of the students are taking a mathematics course.

Twenty percent of the students are pursuing courses in social studies. One out of every seven students are taking courses in language arts. Forty percent of the students are enrolled in a practical arts course and nearly one-third of the students have the opportunity to take driver education. Fifteen percent of the total school enrollment is presently taking one or more advanced placement or college level courses.

The hope of a possible humanities program is again being considered. The proposal was suggested last year and has been understudied for as many as two years.

Last year there was a curriculum study organized in the business education department under the direction of Bennett H. Litherland, assistant superintendent in charge of curriculum and education. At present, the committee meets regularly and is concerned with junior high schools and their business education offerings since students do start their study of business related subjects in junior high.

This examination of social studies in kindergarten through 12th grade continues under the direction of Mr. Litherland and Mr. Cletus Melchoir, the new social studies coordinator.

College Matriculation Report Released By F. W. Aspedon

For the class of 1968, the 16th annual college matriculation report was released by F. W. Aspedon, principal of Rock Island high school.

Eighty-eight scholarships were awarded to 41 girls and 47 boys. The Illinois State Scholarship Program granted a great amount of assistance this past school year by awarding to some 93 finalists, 36 monetary awards. Fifty-seven received honorary awards.

Notification came in September, that RIHS had two finalists and 17 other students who received letters of commendation for their achievement on the National Merit Scholarship test. It is of special importance that the finalists represent the top one-half of one per cent of all students taking the examination.

The highest percentage of students matriculated in 1968 is 59.5, which can be considered quite an outstanding showing. This total percentage is the highest since 1963, which had 57.9.

Recent reports show that the

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Seventeen Rocky Seniors Receive NMSQT Letters of Commendation

Seventeen Rock Island high school seniors have received Letters of Commendation for their outstanding performance in the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test. These seventeen students are John Alcorn, Mike Barkau, Lynette Beinke, Craig Bolt, and John Borden.

Also included are Patricia Bowman, Kathy Bromley, Susan Camillo, Allen Carlson, Bill Ellison, Gail Hansen, Cynthia Harless, Marlise Riffel, Scott Schade, Duane Taylor, Frank Thomas, and Jane Wahl.

The National Merit Test was given in 17,500 high schools across the nation in February, 1968, and out of the 793,000 students who took this test, 39,000 were awarded the honor of receiving a Letter of Commendation.

These students had a selection score of at least 134. However, their scores were lower than the scores necessary to become a NMSQT Semifinalist and so they cannot compete for a Merit Scholarship.

Mr. John M. Stalnaker, president of the National Merit Scholarship Corporation stated in his letter to Mr. F. W. Aspedon, principal of Rock Island high school, that the names, addresses, NMSQT scores, college majors, and career choices of the Commendation winners are being sent to the first- and second-choice colleges that the students named last February when they were being tested.

In his letter, Mr. Stalnaker stated, "Their performance indicates promise and they should be given every encouragement to continue their education."

Red Letter Days

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2 State Cross Country Meet; S.A.T. Test, Caft.
3 Paul Revere and the Raiders, Masonic Temple, Davenport
5 National Elections
8 No Assembly; Iowa City — Here; CYC
9 S.A.T. Test
11 No School — Veteran's Day
12 Open House
14 **The Lady's Not For Burning** Mat. 4:30
15 No Assembly; Dramatic Club Play, 8:00
16 Dramatic Club Play, 8:00
17 "Lettermen," Masonic Temple, 8:00
22 Awards Assembly; CYC
23 Wrestling, Quadrangular, Here all day

Rocky Choirs To Present First Pops Choral Concert In Cafeteria

Rock Island high school is going to have its first Pop Concert on Thursday, November 7, at 7:30 p.m. in the high school cafeteria.

The choirs participating in the concert are the Senior glee, Girls' glee and the Chamber choir. There will also be some solos and piano recitals, along with folk singing.

The show will be a take-off on the Boston Pops Concert. This Concert is held yearly in Symphony Hall and all the seats are dismantled and replaced by tables, so as the audience watches the performance they can also eat food they purchased at the Hall. Rocky's Concert will be different for those attending may purchase refreshments from the choir members.

The program will consist of light music, such as songs from musicals. Some of the music included in the program will be the title song from "Gi Gi," a song from "My Fair Lady," "On the Street Where You Live," and songs from "The Singing Nun." Some of the solos will be "Born Free" and "Impossible Dream."

Mr. Murry Osborn, choir director, stated, "The choirs are promising a light evening of music for all."

NSPA Rates Watchtower First Class

The RIHS yearbook, the **Watchtower,** was given a First class rating by the National Scholastic Press Association, located at the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Miss Kathleen Sage of Tucson, Arizona, judged the yearbook. It received a total of 6,515 points.

The categories judged and rated were the Yearbook Blueprint, Administration and Faculty, Academic Content, Senior, Underclassmen, Organizations and Activities, Athletics, Student Life, Yearbook Display, and Special Matters. Each of these sections had various different subcategories. The number of points that could be received for the sub-categories ranged from 10 to 500.

Miss Sage made several comments on the yearbook. Her main criticisms were that the editorial needed to be "a bit more lively and crisp." She added that a publication as good as the **Watchtower** deserves "more effective professional senior and faculty portraits."

As a whole, Miss Sage stated that the Watchtower was a "good report of the year at RIHS."

Editor and assistant editor of the 1968 **Watchtower** were Penny Gorsuch and Kathy Kepes respectively. Nicholas Peschang was the advisor.

Electoral College Plan Questioned; Throwback to Eighteenth Century

When the idea of an electoral college was first set up in the United States' Constitution, the college was to consist of a group of distinguished citizens who could judge the claims of the candidates for president. This was in the 18th century.

Now, in the 20th century, this group of electors are no more than ordinary citizens whose number depends on how many people their state seats in Congress.

Illinois has 26 electors who are pledged to the candidate who wins a majority of the popular vote, that is, the candidate who wins the majority of the people's votes in Illinois, receives all 26 electoral votes.

However, here is where the problem begins. A candidate may have a majority of the popular vote, but not a majority of the electoral vote and thus, not be elected. A simple example of this problem would be if one imagined that two candidates are running for president in a country with only two states.

Candidate A has won state A by 100,000 popular votes. Candidate A will then receive state A's 24 electoral votes. Now imagine that Candidaet B has won state B by 500,000 popular votes, and thus receives state B's 10 electoral votes. However, state A has a majority of the electoral votes, so Candidate A wins the election, although Candidate B had 400,000 more popular votes.

Because of this awkward situation, the electoral college has been the object of criticism for many years. Those against the system argue that the college "takes the choice of the President from the people of the nation at large and gives it to the people of the large states."

Congress has discussed several solutions. Two of these solutions are to either elect the President by national popular vote, or to elect him by proportional voting. In proportional voting, the candidates would receive the same fractions of electoral votes as they did popular votes.

The argument of those who favor the present system is, "It has always worked for the country before, so why go to the trouble of changing it?"

Because of the situation of the electoral college, it is extremely important for the voter to vote for the candidate of his choice on election day. A small margin of popular votes can change the majority and tip the scales in favor of the candidate the voter wants for President.

Dr. SIMS talks to teens

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EXERCISE — "BIG GUN" AGAINST ACNE

Do you know that simple, regular exercise can go a long way toward clearing your complexion problem?

You see, exercise increases circulation which helps "flush out" waste porducts in the bloodsrteam. One of these waste products is a fatty substance called "sebum." In teenagers, especially, sebum build-up tends to clog oil glands near the skin's surface, giving rise to unsightly pimples and blackheads.

Tests show that teenage athletes and those who lead physically active lives generally have 50 percent fewer skin problems than do physically inactive teens.

While exercise is "good medicine" for pimples, overexercise can lower your body's resistance and do more harm than good. So when beginning your exercise program, go easy, and abide by these guidelines:

1. Ask your physical education instructor or family physician what "at home" exercise regimen is right for you. Don't start one on your own.
2. Don't exercise when you're mentally or physically fatigued.
3. Don't exercise if your muscles are still sore from previous day's exercise. Sore muscles are nature's way of telling you that you've overdone it.

Of course, exercise isn't the whole answer to skin problems. Frequent washing and shampoos, low-fat, high vitamin diets, and sometimes even special "drying" medications prescribed by your doctor are all important weapons in your war on acne.

Exercise, however — if taken properly — can be one of your "biggest guns" in controlling this pesty skin problem.

LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS

"HAVE TROUBLE WITH #4 LAST NITE? I SEE I LEFT OUT PART OF TH' PROBLEM WHEN I COPIED IT ON THE BOARD."

Book Review

'Wild' Book-Wild Movie

The thought provoking book and movie **Wild In The Streets** written by Robert Thom has an apathetic mood. Both are a pop fantasy about a teen take-over of the U.S. The characters are Max Frost, 20, millionaire pop singer; Sally LeRoy, 24, former child star, mystic, acid head, nudist; Fuji Ellie, 14, heiress and beach bum; Stanley X, 21, music arranger, anthropologist, cannibal cook; Abraham (the Hook) Salteen, 18, master (most of the time) demolition specialist; Billy Cage, 15, youngest graduate of Yale Law School, Max's lawyer, accountant, and tax man.

Millionaire pop singer Max Frost had it made — money, women, a life of luxury and license, the worship of millions of teenagers. So a smart politican figured it made sense to cash in on Max's power over his fans and found he — and the whole country — had a big, hungry tiger by the tail!

When Max becomes president, there is no war, no school. Everyone over 30 is put in a concentration camp and kept constantly on LSD. Max does this because he doesn't want those around who will remind him of growing old. Who needs it? Who would want to be in Max's mud caked boots when a couple of kids tell him, "Everyone over ten ought to be put out of business"?

Bill Cosby Delights Fans

by Wayne Hughes

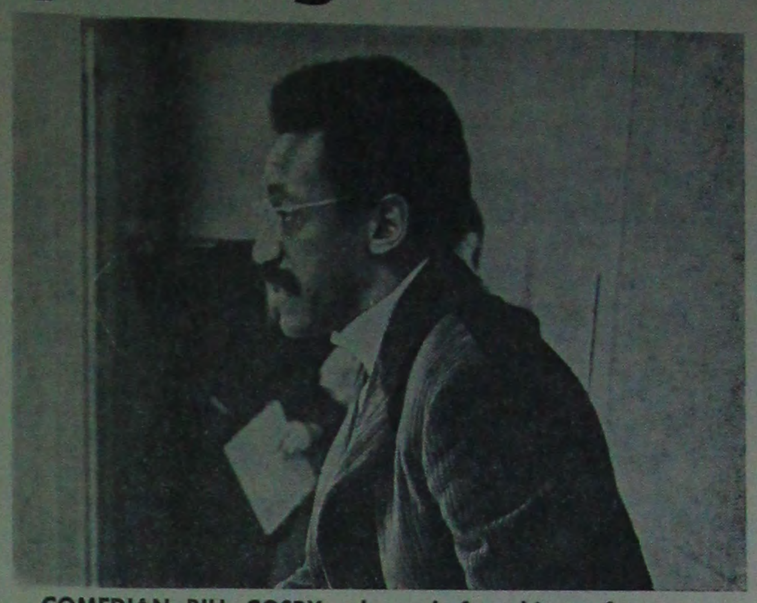
Bill Cosby is a very funny fellow. He proved this October 17 at the Masonic Temple in Davenport in front of approximately 5,500 people during two performances.

Being different from other entertainers, he proved his wit by asking three people to step out of the audience. He then asked them questions using his humor and fast thinking to make the audience roar with laughter.

After this ice breaking entrance he started his concert. His jokes were something else! For example, do you know why there's seat belts in cars? It's not because of safety. It's because the ambulance drivers are too lazyq and go find the bodies. Bill then asked the audience not to clap but his wife was "irped" again pointing to his stomach.

Taking a break, he introduced his traveling, singing group The Staple Singers. They sang a medley of spiritual hymns. Then Mr. Cosby returned to the show.

His favorite toys are fast cars. He just loves cars that can out run anything on the road. Volkswagen owners weren't his favorite target. He cut the VW down so bad that it sounded like a four wheel traveling gum ball machine.



COMEDIAN BILL COSBY relaxes before his performance on October 17.

He put on two skits. One was about a new car he got from a friend that could do 235 mph. He added his own sound effects while driving the car. He then acted a selection from his album, "I Slept with my Brother Russell."

Bill Cosby can't be described by a nickel or dime word like neat, cool, groovy, or any common word in the English languae. He deserves a word that is unique and is disguished only to him.

TV or Not

by Paula Froude

TV offers many different variety shows this fall. One of the most original is the **Phyllis Diller Show.** The reason for it's popularity is because Phyllis portrays her strongest role — herself. Each week from 9:00-10 p.m. her program will provide a commentary on her recent activities.

Phyllis will tell her audience what has happened to her home life and in her experiences with her guests. The show opens with a stand-up comedy monologus by Miss Diller, then an informal part where she talks with her guests. The finale consists of short musical numbers, blackouts, and vignettes.

Blondie, probably the most popular comic strip of all time, has been converted to a TV show seen weekly on Thursday evenings, from 6:30-7:00 p.m. Patricia Harty stars as Blondie with Will Hutchins as her ever-loving Dagwood. Jim Backus is Dagwood's irascible over-lord, J. C. Dithers, and Henry Backus portrays his television wife, Cora. The Bumstead children, Alexander and Cookie, are played by Peter Robins and Pamela Ferdin.

The mailman is played by Brian O'Byrne. Daisy, the dog completes the regular cast. This show was premiered on September 26, and since then its popularity has been rapidly increasing.

Linnea Johnson Is Congenial

by Patti Jo Soderberg

One who enters a beauty contest (any contest for that matter) is looked upon as someone special, extraordinary but to come out as a winner the person is looked upon as extra special. Such is the case with Linnea Johnson, who recently won the title of Miss Congeniality for the 1969 Miss Teenage Quint-Cities Pageant held October 20, 1968 in the Assumption High School Auditorium, Davenport.

The theme for this year's pageant was To Reach a Goal. The stage was set to create the effect of football. When the girls were introduced they were dressed in cheerleading outfits from their respective schools.

They were accompanied by their escort who was also dressed in the school's respective football uniform. The runway was a marked field. Dan Hibbs, newsman from KSTT, commented and reported on the talent from a press box. Linnea said that she was impressed by the way that the theme was coordinated so well.

The cast for this year was Master of Ceremonies — KSTT Good Guy — Robert Rich, Miss Teenage Quint Cities — Connie Briggs, Miss Moline 1968 — Judy Bonnett, KSTT's Dan Hibbs, and Special Guest — Miss Teenage America — Stephaine Crane.

Those girls interested in being Miss Teenage Quint Cities picked up an application, filled it out, sent it and a picture of herself to KSTT to be accepted. Those accepted were given a 125 question test and then later were interviewed for the Preliminaries. Then 28 semi-finalists were selected.

As semi-finalists the girls performed their talent. Then the 28 semi-finalists' points on the test, the interview, and the talent were totaled and those 12 girls with the highest points were chosen as finalists.

The 12 finalists were Debbie Eustice from Hall high school, Gail Katrana from United Township high school, Carol Masden from Avon high school, Sharon Hunter from Assumption high school, Shelly Whitlingham from Moline high school, Phyllis Hammer from West high school, Martha Phillips from Muscatine high school, Rhonda Townshed from Central high school, Linnea Johnson from Rock Island high school, Ginger Geske from West high school, Lora Rhea from Moline high school and Cynthia Hasselbusch from United Township high school.

Each of the 12 finalists received a telegram which congratulated them and told them to report to KSTT on October 7 for orientation. At orientation they were told what the judges would be looking for and the calendar of events for the pageant.

LINNEA JOHNSON PROUDLY displays her trophy that she received for Miss Congeniality at the 1969 Miss Teenage Quint Cities Pageant.

For her talent in the pageant Linnea played Hungry from Opus 410 by Carl Koiling on the piano. Besides piano, Linnea's other interests are organ, debate, and philosophy. The clubs she belongs to are Teen Democrats and Y-Teens. She is on the debate team and the yearbook staff. Next semester she will also be on the paper staff. For two years Linnea plans to attend Southern University at Carbondale, Illinois and the other two years at Trinity Presbyterian University in Texas. She also plans to get her degrees at Trinity.

Linnea entered the pageant for experience. She was surprised at many things. For example "all the emphasis that was placed on intelligence," and all of the work that went into the pageant. Linnea said that being one of the 12 finalists was a "great experience" and that she "learned a lot." She plans to enter next year.

The judges who picked the 12 finalists were Mrs. Gerry Tailman, Larry Moiller, Robert Rich and Dan Olson. The judges who picked the winner were Rod Swanson of Rod Swanson Dance Studio of Moline; Mr. Howard Smeaton, manager, Mid-Continent Bottlers, Inc. of Davenport, Iowa; Mr. Walter Maehr, treasurer, Bawden Brothers Advertising Agency, Davenport, Iowa; Mrs. Sheri Klugger Laing, Miss Davenport 1964; and Miss Gloria Fisher, Promotion Director, Peterson Harned Von Maur Department Stores, Davenport, Iowa.

Miss Teenage Quint-Cities for 1969 is Lora Rhea from Moline high school. She will represent the Quint-Cities in the national Miss Teenage America finals, November 16 through November 23, at Fort Worth, Texas. The host and hostess for this year's pageant will be Dean Jones and Michele Lee.

Trade Winds

Current events are of main interest to high school students everywhere. Here are a few notes of interest from **The Cyclone,** Harlan H.S., Harlan, Iowa. Students are seeing Rosemary's Baby, the story of a young bride who, with her husband, falls under the malignant spell of a witches' coven. These witches are in the form of kind, elderly neighbors who practice the ancient characteristics of witchcraft.

One can sit and shiver with apprehension and horror as Rosemary (Mia Farrow) slowly changes from a gay young woman into a tormented and desperate being. The movie is so convincing that when it's all over one may well ask, "Could this really happen?"

Fashion is also of great concern to the high school student. M. Juanita Beslanovits from Whitehall high school, Whitehall, Pennsylvania comments, "Different is the word for the new fall fashions as 'cuir sauvage,' wild leather, is spotlighted. Leather, formerly used only in heavier wearing apparel and accessories, has become the focus of every stylish girl's wardrobe. This year it will be seen in skirts, jumpers, vests, and berets."

Beverly Wuchter, also from Whitehall high school, makes an important observation on the art of relaxing: "The art of self-defense is an important one, but the art of relaxing the mind is just as important. The ancient Japanese art of Kendo offers this opportunity. It is basically a state of mind that developes through repetition and practice."

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Seek Homecoming Victory

Rocks Face Warriors Tonight

The glory of Rock Island's football team rides on the game tonight against Cedar Rapids Washington. Cedar Rapids is ranked as number one on defense and number one on offense compared to Rock Island's fourth on offense and fifth on defense.

Rock Island goes into tonight's game with four of the 16 top backs in the Mississippi Valley Conference. Cedar Rapids has only two top backs.

Rock Island's Drake DeVore will be evenly matched against Cedar Rapids' quarterback in tonight's game. DeVore, who is well known as a running quarterback for the Rocks, will be a big threat against the Washington defense. DeVore, not a well known passing quarterback, can surprise almost anyone with short passes over the middle for very effective short yardage gains.

Cedar Rapids' quarterback, on the other hand, is a well known passing quarterback. He is ranked number two in the conference, proving to be a great threat to Rocky's defense.

Cedar Rapids' only close game this year was a 7-7 tie with hard hitting Cedar Rapids Kennedy.

Rock Island and Cedar Rapids seem well matched to bring on a hard hitting game tonight, which will begin at 8:00 at the Rock Island stadium. Rock Island will be out to bring home a victory for two reasons. One, it's our Homecoming and second, it's a shot at the Mississippi Valley Conference Championship.

As for the injury department, Rock Island has all men starting. However, Cedar Rapids is going to be minus one starting running back, Denny Smith.

Two weeks ago tonight, Rock Island pulled a major upset in Quad-City play beating Moline 33-20. Rock Island was led by halfback Ken Johnson. Johnson was able to pull out a total of 106 yards on 11 carries. Lew Miskowicz was also a great cannonball for the Rocks on short and needed ground plays. This game was Moline's first defeat in two seasons of play.

Last week's loss to Davenport Central 25-7, was a heart breaker for the Rocks. By losing we lost the Quad City Championship, and also dimmed the chances for the Mississippi Valley Championship.

The Rocks first quarter saw Ken Johnson score on a 46 yard run. Bob Carbone, Rocks' kicking specialist, added the extra point for a first quarter score of 7-0.

After this, Davenport Central was determined to bring home a homecoming victory along with the championship. They held the Rocks scoreless for the rest of the game. Central was able to score a touchdown in every quarter. Rock Island's defense, however, was able to block two of Central's extra point kicks.

Rock Island so far has a record of 3 wins, 1 loss and no ties to settle with a second place finish in Quad-City play for this season. Harvey Chaney led the Rocks' offense to a total of 71 yards rushing followed by Ken Johnson with 62 yards.

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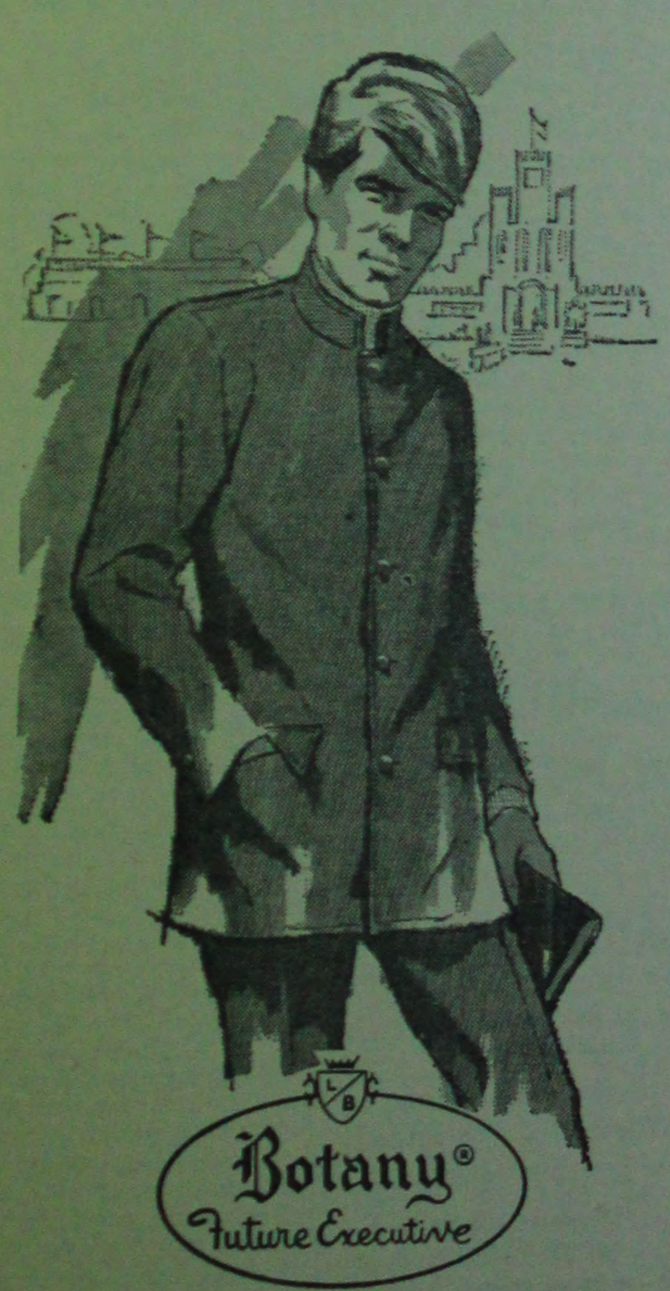

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Wrestlers Begin Practice; First Meet Nov. 23

Rocky's wrestling team held its first practice on October 21. The coaches for this year's team are head coach, Mr. Chet Schultz, and assistants, Mr. Walter Gerber and Mr. Don DeTaeye.

When asked how the team looked up to this time, coach Schultz replied, "It's really too early to tell yet. I don't want to say anything before the season actually gets under way."

Mr. Schultz added though, that he was looking for some good performances by senior lettermen Mike Boultinghouse, Chuck McDowell, Ezell Turner, Darnel Moore, and Dick Work. Other hopefuls include juniors Rick Gibson, Larry Williamson, and Rick Bevans. Rick Bevans went the farthest for the Rocks last year, when he was a sophomore, by making it to the sectional tournament.

The Rock's first meet of the 1968-69 season will be the Illinois Quadrangular meet which will be held on Saturday, November 23, at Rock Island high school. Included in the meet will be two teams from East Moline, Moline, Alleman, and Rock Island.

TENNIS COACH BOB Motz presents victory medals to DeArmond and Steve Briggs.

Netmen Cop Quad-City Title; Dual Meet Streak Nears 70

Rocky's fall tennis squad has again dominated area tennis play and collected another Quad-City championship. The "Super Six" went through the season with an unblemished record while beating Davenport West, Davenport Central, Moline, East Moline, Bettendorf, and Alleman.

The Rocks were led by DeArmond and Steve Briggs, Steve Flack, Jeff Emry, Jerry Carstens, and Bob Huffman.

The Rocks' competition came mainly from Moline and Alleman. The netters managed to win both, although both Moline and Alleman sported excellent teams.

The Rocks have one of the finest winning streaks in the state of Illinois, with a string of nearly 70 straight dual meet victories.

Last spring the Rocks finished in a third place tie at the state meet in Campaign. They have an excellent chance to improve on that finish this spring because half of last year's State Championship doubles team is back in the name of DeArmond Briggs. Last year he teamed with John Mohrhorst as they eliminated all competition on their way to the state crown. This year the Rocks hope to find another magical combination in hopes of finishing first instead of third.

The Rocks last defeat in a dual meet came at the hands of Dixon last year, but since then the Rocky squad have proved to be too much for everyone they have played.

The netmen also added a new assistant coach this year in the person of Shelley Weiner. Coach Weiner was a former number one singles played under former coach Nick Peschang.

As the fall season draws to a close, the Rocks look forward to the spring season when they will have another chance to improve on their winning streak and will have a chance to compete for the state championship again.

Carlsen Places Sixth

Gary Carlsen of Rock Island finished sixth in the discus at Mexico City. The event was won by Al Oerter of the United States.

At press time the United States led in track and field medals with several records set in the sprints and relays.

Drake's Relays

by Dave Drake

This year's sporting events have been fraught with a variety of stunning upsets. Even when the odds-makers are on your side there is still that small, small chance that you might lose.

Take the World Series for instance. The Cards were standing favorites to win their second championship in a row. When the Series was over, the Cards ended no better than second best, after being upset by Detroit's Tigers.

In pro football, the Green Bay Packers, eleven time NFL champs, have failed to win half of their first six games. Just two weeks ago, the Atlanta Falcons, who up till then had failed to win any of their first four, played the New York Giants, who had failed to lose any of their first four. At the end of the game there was a definite change in the records of both teams: the Falcons had a wanted victory, and the Giants had an unwanted loss.

Upsets are even more dominant in the Olympics. Dick Fosbery won the high jump easily, even though he was not ranked in the top three jumpers. Keino, of Kenya, was expected to give Jim Ryun a good fight in the 1,500 meters, but Ryun was the favorite. Keino won the race by a good 15 yards.

Sometimes an athlete is favored in an event, but the way he wins the event is what "upsets" a lot of people. Such is the case of Bob Beamon and his leap of 8.90 meters (29-2½) in the long jump.

Rocks Win District Cross Country Meet; Approach State Championship

For the second time in the past three years, the Rocky Cross Country men placed first in the district meet held at Indian Bluffs Forest Preserve.

The Rocks showing was tremendous because of the large number of schools and runners in the meet. There were 25 schools and 155 runners who competed on October 26th. The Rocks were first with 65 points, East Moline was second with 102, and Freeport third with 104.

For the Rocks, Larry Begyn placed 2nd, Ken Enstrom 7th, Tony Canny 11th, Ted Larson 21st, and Gary Greenleaf was 22nd.

From here the Rocks will advance to the State Meet in Champaign on the 2nd of November.

On October 23rd, the Distance Men handily defeated Moline by a score of 20-43. The Rocks, although they failed to produce the individual winner, managed to take places 2nd through 9th. The Rocks were led by Larry Begyn 2nd, Ken Enstrom 3rd, Ben Farrar 4th, Bob Bellamy 5th, Gary Greenleaf 6th, Tony Canny 7th, Ted Larson 8th, and Melvin Stetson 9th.

The Junior Varsity and Sophomores both won by forfeit. In the sophomore run Benz, Hawley, and Jackson placed 1-2-3 respectfully.

A Senior, Larry Begyn, made a particularly good showing for the cross-country.

He has scored three firsts so far, and three seconds. He scored the firsts against Davenport West, Central, and Galesburg respectively. The second places were scored in the Quad-City, The Mississippi Valley, and against Moline.

The only losses that Rocky has suffered so far in the cross-country are in the Quad-City, and in the Mississippi Valley.

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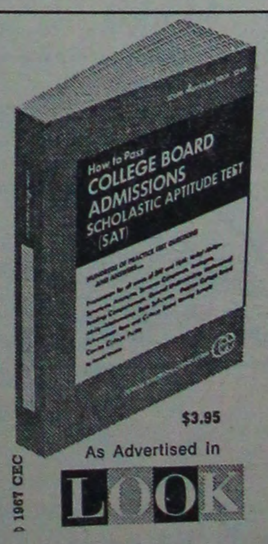

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Director Issues Report

The Director of Gifted Education and Testing, Mr. Herb Niemann, issued a report recently concerned with Advanced Placement testing. The report included charts which illustrate the number of students and the number of examinations administered.

Last year was the ninth consecutive year that these tests have been administered at Rock Island high. During this nine year period, the students who have taken the Advanced Placement tests have compiled a total of well over 600 semester hours of college credit.

The 60 Advanced Placement examinations can be put into eight subject areas. These areas are American history, biology, chemistry, English, European history, French, mathematics, and Spanish. The tests consist of two main sections, the objective section and the essay section.

The results of the test are based on a five-point scale with five points being rated as extremely well qualified and one point being rated as no recommendation.

Last year, only one student received a five point grade and that was in the category of mathematics.

Forty-five students participated in the testing in 1968. A total of sixty tests were given and from the results 117 hours of credit were awarded.

After the tests were completed the results were then sent to the student, the high school of his or her attendance, and to the college or university that the student specified upon the testing date.

Of those juniors who participated in the testing thirteen will be eligible for credit because of their achievement in association with the tests.

It is possible for other gifted students to attend Advance Placement classes without taking the test. Their acceptance in these classes was based upon their academic skills.

SAT Will Be Administered Saturday in RIHS Cafeteria

November 2 has been designated as the day for students of Rock Island high school to take the Scholastic Aptitude Test. S.A.T. registration forms were distributed by Mr. Herbert Wagner, dean of boys, and Mrs. Margaret Pierce, dean of girls. These forms were due in the College Board office by October 5. However, if they were sent between October 5 and 19, there was a penalty fee of $3. The general fee for the test is $5.50.

The test will be given in RIHS's cafeteria. It will also be given at Moline high school and Davenport Central high school in December, January, March, and May. Davenport Central will also give it in July.

The S.A.T. is a three hour objective test designed to measure how well the student has developed verbal and mathematical skills considered necessary for success in college work.

Also in combination with the S.A.T. test are the Achievement tests. These are one-hour tests covering such fields as English, specific sciences and languages, and social studies and mathematics on two levels. A maximum of three tests may be taken on any one date. These tests will enable the students to discover their strength and weaknesses in the various fields.

Ellison's Elucidations

by Bill Ellison

Food, shelter, and clothing are described as the basic needs of man, with the greatest emphasis placed on the former. Food has been provided in many forms, both plant, and animal and man has taken advantage of his superior powers to reap the most flavorful and sustaining edibles.

It was not so very long ago, however, that western man resorted to seemingly animalistic methods of obtaining and preparing his daily sustenance. Often the main dish for a common meal would consist of an unborn embryo. The not yet developed creature was prepared over an open flame and seasoned with common spices.

As a side dish, a conglomeration of grains was baked in an oven, cooled, and sliced into convenient pieces. Sometimes, after the meal was cooled, it would again be put in the oven to make it crisp.

The secretions of the mammary glands of large mammals was often used as a beverage. This liquid, when chilled was used to wash down the meal.

Unapetizing as it may sound, it was common practice to use this meal as a basis for the day's needs on the large scale. Even in this age of synthetic foods, there remain a surprising number of Americans who begin each day with a breakfast of eggs, toast and a glass of milk.

IT IS EVIDENT to see that everyone who attended the Sadie Hawkins dance on October 19 had fun again this year.

Sadie Hawkins Affair Successful Endeavor by Rock Island Y-Teens

"Sadie Hawkins dance was one way to get a date so the girls who didn't go, missed out on a big night" stated Junior Sally Strohbehn. The dance was held from 7:30 to 11:00 at the Rock Island Y.W.C.A. "Y-teens presented the dance for the benefit of the girls and boys to grub up for a date," stated the Y-Teens president Monica Pealstrom.

This was the first year out of three that it has been going on that the kids had a chance to get married to their guy. Dan Reinhardt was Marrying Sam; rings were sold for 25¢ to make it official.

"Aproximately 200 grubs were present at this dance looking like refugees," explained one of the chaperones. Kids were dressed in bib-overalls, flannel plaid shirts and white socks. They also had a variety of old double-breasted coats making the whole affair old fashion.

The music was provided by the Next of Kin. During the intermission the kids sat down right on the floor to chew garlic.

Refreshments were furnished by the Y-teens. They were to supply these as a service project, a requirement needed to be able to attend. Tickets for the dance were 50 cents and there were color pictures taken for memories of this.

The Y-teens were responsible for the decorations which consisted of crepe paper on the door, entering the gym, and buckets of straw displayed while entering the Y.

The dancing was just regular acid rock, however there were some times for a variation.

"When kids are grubby they seem to have more fun and they are more relaxed at an affair. However, it's nice to be able to dress up also," said an active member of Y-teens.

"The kids seem to have a great time and it provided a little outlet from everyday school routine or weekend blahs," stated Susie Wilson.

Wharton Field House Hosts American Independent Party

by Bill Ellison

Former Alabama Governor George Wallace brought his campaign for the Presidency to Wharton Field House in Moline, on October 21, and the results included injuries to at least 10 persons who attended the American Independent Party rally.

In a speech scheduled for 8:00, Wallace revealed his farm policy for the first time, but his oration was marred by hecklers. Wallace read through his prepared text rapidly, as he became eager to tackle the hecklers. After completing his address, the candidate crumpled up his notes and addressed the agitators, who numbered about 200.

"When I become President," stated Wallace, "I'm going to come back to Moline. And you just try me when I come back." He also called the demonstrators supporters of Communism who wanted the Viet Cong to win.

Near the end of the rally, a mass exodus by the hecklers occurred, aided by the dropping of a "stink bomb." Outside the field house violence and vandalism reigned supreme. The roofs of several cars in the east parking lot were caved in and the windows broken. It was the second Presidential rally held at the field house within two weeks. Nixon's however was not violent.

— Matriculation

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average percent of students who matriculate from high schools in Illinois as about 40 percent, across the nation, less. From this one can deduce that Rock Island senior high school is well above the national and Illinois state averages.

From the graduating class of 1968, 375 students matriculated, some of whom received scholarship assistance.

Fifteen percent of Rock Island high school's enrollment are enrolled in advanced placement courses during the school year.

The students who were in the lower part of their class last year, found college admission difficult. However, those who were not accepted this fall, will be given consideration at the beginning of the next college semester.

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