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Drama Club Presents Matinee

Dramatic club's first play of the season, **The Lady's Not for Burning,** was presented to the public on the afternoon of November 14 at 4:15 and on the evenings of November 15 and 16 at 8:00. It was presented in the Rock Island high school auditorium.

This year was the first time that the Drama club had presented a matinee performance. Stephanie Heiwig, assistant to the play's director, Mr. Guy Anderson, cited the reasons for the Thursday afternoon presentation. Stephanie stated that the extra show gave those students who had other things to do on Friday and Saturday nights a chance to attend the three-act comedy.

"The extra showing also gave the actors, who had worked for six weeks on the play, another chance to perform," Stephanie added.

The cast of The Lady's Not for Burning included Dave Johnston as Richard, Ben McAdams as Thomas Mendip, Joyce Esehlman as Alizon Eliot, and Kim Hutchinson as the mayor. Also included in the cast were John Robinson as Nicholas Devinze, Ruth Karaway as his mother, J.C. Bevill as Nicholas' brother, and Diane Pirmann as Jennet Jourdemayne.

BEN McADAMS'S, DIANE Pirman's; Front Row; Dave Johnston's, Joyce Eshelman's, J.C. Bevill's, John Robinson's, Ruth Karaway's, and Kim Hutchison's facial expressions fit the parts that they portray in the Dramatic Club play, The Lady's Not For Burning.

Others in the cast were Connie Peschang as Matilda Skipps, Mike Zwer as the justice, and Dan Russell as the chaplain.

The time of this play by Christopher Fry is around the 15th century and all three scenes take place in the home of the mayor, Hebble Tyson.

The basic plot of the play begins when Jennet Jourdemayne takes refuge in the house of the mayor because she is thought to be a witch and a witch hunt was being staged in her honor.

Meanwhile, the wedding of Alizon and Humphrey is being planned at the mayor's house. Another character, Thomas Mendip has lost all desire to live and is trying to commit suicide.

After a series of events, Thomas falls in love with Jennet, who is later proved innocent of witchery. Humphrey's bride-to-be falls in love with Richard, the mayor's hired boy. At the end of the play, the two newly-formed couples run off.

The Lady's Not for Burning was written by Christopher Fry in the Elizabethan style, although it was produced in 1948. Of all the plays that Fry wrote, this comedy received the most acclaim.

The Drama club will also present four one-act plays, which will be directed by four Drama club members. The four plays are Antic Spring directed by John Robinson. **The Man with the Tranquil Mind** directed by Jean Rosenquist, **In Triplicate, Please** directed by Dave Johnston, and **Only a Game** directed by Jack Downing. These plays will be given on Tuesday, November 26.

Rock Island Is Host For Music Festival First Time

For the first time the Illinois Music Educators Association District II Festival was held here at Rock Island senior high school on November 9. The state of Illinois is divided into six districts and each district has one of the music festivals every year.

At these festivals auditions are held. The winners of the auditions from the several districts combine to form one band, one chorus, and one orchestra. They perform for the Illinois Music Educators Association at the end of January every year.

There are junior and senior organizations in each district which are divided into a choral section, a band section and an orchestra section.

Several clinics were held for the teachers during the late morning. The first one was entitled "Finding and Learning To Use The Singing Voice" which was taught by Dr. Oren Gould of Western Illinois University and Miss Marjorie Carlson of Geneseo. The second clinic of the morning was "Contemporary Music For The 4th and 5th Grades — New Approach." It was taught by Miss Terry Askeland of Downers Grove and Miss Carlson.

A third clinic was a brief report of IMEA work at the district and state levels entitled "Projects, Progress, and Problems." It was given by Mr. Ray Makeever, Interim President, District II, of Ottawa. The fourth clinic was a panel entitled "How To Ask For, and Get, Better Music Facilities and Euipment." On the panel was Mr. Donald Kruzan, Rock Island band director.

At noon everyone was served lunch. After lunch there were more rehearsals and then divisional meetings were held. At 5:00 and 7:00 p.m. Junior organizations and Senior organizations were held respectively. Mr. Don-

Soap Drive, Sponsored By Kiwanis, Brings In Thirty-six Hundred Bars

The annual Key Club soap drive, which began early in November, brought in thirty-six hundred bars of soap. Key club members originally set their goal at five thousand bars, making them short fourteen hundred.

In order to make the drive a little more exciting a competitive touch was added when monetary awards were offered to the senates which contributed the largest amount of soap. The awards offered consisted of ten dollars to the high senate, five dollars to the second highest, and three dollars to the third.

The winning senates are as follows: Miss Lyons' room 120 was high senate with 496 bars, which is an average of 16½ bars per student; Mr. Freers' room 7 was second with 441; and Mr. Ackersons' room 4 was third with 356.

The soap collected will now be taken to Dixon State Hospital and will be distributed among the patients who otherwise would not be furnished with such items.

Key Club wishes to thank all students who helped in the drive.

Scholarship Semi-finalists Named

Recently the semi-finalists of the Illinois State Scholarship program were announced. A total of seventy students qualified. There were 40 males and 30 females.

These students are eligible for scholarships as a result of their ACT examination sub-scores and their high school rank in class at the end of six semesters.

A selection score of 419 or higher is necessary to be named a semi-finalist. The point system lists English as having four points; Mathematics, three points; Social Studies, three points; Natural Science, two points; and rank in class, six points.

The following students have qualified for the 1969-70 Illinois State Scholarship program: John Alcorn, Laurie Anderson, William Andrew, James Andrews, Robert Bailey, Mike Brakau, Earnest Beardsley, Larry Begyn, Lynette Beinke, Julia Bertelsen, Craig Bolt, John Borden, Pat Bowman.

And Chris Boyles, DeArmond Briggs, Kathy Bromley, Steven Buller, Susan Camillo, Allen Carlson, Douglas Carpenter, Jerry Carstens, Peter Cohan, Dennis Darland, Gary Davis, Daniel Downing, Deonna Durkee.

Also Bill Ellison, Ken Engstrom, Murray Ezring, Jeff Gahn, David Garber, Robert Gindlesparger, Helene Golden, Mike Gordon, Gail Hansen, Cindy Harless, Richard Hinrichs, Karen Kerner, Becky Lawhorn.

And Albert Martin, Sheila McCarley, Mara Mitchell, Alan Nelson, Debra Neuhaus, Barry Odean, Michael Omelia, Monica Pealstrom, Mark Perrin.

Also Constance Peschang, Teresa Peterson, Kathy Pfundstein, Patricia Reese, Daniel Reinhart, Miles Rich, Marlise Riffel, Scott Schade, Dawn Shoemaker.

And Idwin Spady, Christine Swanson, Duane Taylor, Frank Thomas, Larry Thomas, Sharon Turner, Bonita Wagner, Jane Wahl, Deanne Ward, Howard Waxenberg, Kathryn Wickwire, Dianne Wood, and David Wood.

VAL ROB, GAIL Knerr, and Debi Cushman gain more experience in art by arranging the display window.

English Dept. Gets New Teacher As Erwin Retires

Mrs. Janice Davis, a graduate of Illinois State University, has recently joined the ranks of the Rock Island high school faculty as an English teacher. Mrs. Davis has replaced Mrs. Carolyn Erwin, who retired on October 28.

Before teaching at Rocky, Mrs. Davis taught English in West Branch, Iowa. Then after coming to Rock Island, she instructed students at Washington junior high school. At Washington, Mrs. Davis taught both English and history.

Mrs. Davis related that although she found it hard to adjust to a class in the middle of the second term, she does enjoy teaching at Rocky.

Ecumenical Youth Rally Held at Augie

Ecumenical Youth Observance week was held October 27 through November 3.

Youth Ecumenical means the bringing together of all religions. There are two representatives from each church in the Quad-City area. They met and planned a rally for November 3.

The rally was held at Augie's Centennial Hall. Five hundred high school students from the Quad-Cities and the surrounding areas attended.

Two films were shown: the first one was HOMO HOMINEAS, which was an animated film showing the Czechoslovakian acceleration and degeneration of man. The second film was DELTA MINISTRY, which was a film showing the past and present conditions of the delta region.

Reverend Parker, head of the Delta Ministry, presided over the discussion.

"The purpose of the Youth Ecumenical is to have a better relationship between students of different faiths," stated Jerry Carstens, a member of this group.

Explorer Posts Sponsor Rally For Auto Buffs

Local Explorer posts sponsored a safe driving road rally on Sunday, November 10. Entered in the event were 35 cars of various makes and models all competing for a large gold trophy that was the winner's prize.

The rally began at 1:30 p.m. at the King Plaza shopping center in Moline. The cars departed at one minute intervals on a course that would take them some 80 miles. The finish was marked at Camp Mansur Scout camp near Silvis.

In such a rally, the contestants try to maintain a given average speed along an unknown course The driver must find his way by the use of landmarks described on an instruction sheet. At various points along the course checkpoints are set up where times are recorded and penalty points are assessed. A car is given two penalty points for each second it is ahead of schedule and one point for each second it is late.

Rocky students finished in the winner's spot and also captured third place. A car driven by senior Carol Swim and navigated by Ken Enstrom was awarded first place honors. David Garber and Mike Gordon, also seniors, took third.

College Reps Interview, Aid CollegeBound

Rock Island high school has recently been visited by several college representatives. Twenty-three colleges, to date, have sent representatives to speak with students who have an interest in furthering their education. This opportunity provides them with a chance to investigate different colleges.

The purpose of the colleges sending representatives is to inform the student of the college entrance requirements and general information on size and location. In some cases the representative will arrange appointments with parents in order to obtain a better knowledge of the background of the interested child.

Some of the colleges that have already been represented at Rocky are Macalester, Temple Buell, Grinnell, Loyola, Cornell, MacMurray, Elmhurst, Knox, Mid - Western, Drake, Aurora, Lindenwood College, Illinois Wesleyan, Ottawa, National College of Education, Ripon College, University of Dayton, St. Ambrose, Cambridge, Washington University, Stanford University, North Park, and Rockford.

Colleges which plan to send representatives later this month are Gustavus Aldolphus, Augustana, Marycrest, University of Dubuque, University of Iowa, Millikin, North Central, and Coe College.

All of these colleges provide catalogues for student use, which may be found in Rocky's library. The counselors have catalogues in their offices, also.

According to Mrs. Marguerite Pierce, any student who has not, as yet, decided on a college and is interested in attending one in the fall of 1969 is encouraged to speak with her or Mr. Herbert Wagner, dean of boys, at the earliest possible date.

1968-1969 HOMECOMING Queen, Jo Layne Bowes

Jo Layne Bowes Crowned Queen At R.I. Assembly

Jo Layne Bowes, daughter of Mrs. Elaine Bowes, 812½-26th Ave., Rock Island, was crowned as Rocky's 1968 Homecoming queen in an all school assembly on Friday, November 1.

Jo was attended by Jackie Freshwaters, Leanna Nelson, Monica Pealstrom, and Laura Swedberg.

Jo Layne reigned over Homecoming activities on November 1 and 2, partricipating in the parade in the downtown area on Friday afternoon, the football game that same evening, and the dance on Saturday night, November 2.

During Jo's three years at Rocky, she has participated in Y-teens and the Y-teen cabinet, Pep club, and GAA. She has also been a member of the student senate.

December PTSA Meeting To Be Held In Art Rooms

For the first time at Rocky the Parent Teachers Student Association meeting will be held in the Art rooms, (306, 307, 308), of the new northwest addition of the high school. The meeting will be held December 5.

The theme of the December PTSA meeting will be "Sharing our Appreciation of Art." The first half of the meeting will be a business meeting to elect a nominating committee. The second half will be turned over to Mr. Richard Klatt and the Art department.

Twelve of the Art class students, under the direction of Mr. Klatt, will demonstrate their skills for the parents, students, and guests attending the meeting. The 12 students participating in the meeting are Larry Martin, Jackie Freshwaters, Larry Bealer, Marty Kaisen, Patti Eastland, Greg Scott, Russell Kennedy, George Sedlak, Terry Fox, Debbie Nelson, Dawn Shoemaker, and Jody Geist.

After the meeting is turned over to Mr. Klatt he will give a ten minute talk on what the art students do in the art classes, from Art I to Art III. The twelve students will be placed around the art rooms demonstrating different art projects.

Some students will be carving in wood, others will be working with metal or with clay on the potters wheel, others will be working with the letter guide, or the wood press, some other students will be working on the tracing table or painting.

Two Rocky AFS Candidates Chosen

Brad Appier and Melodie Maisenbach have been chosen as Rocky's candidates for the AFS Americans Abroad Program. Brad, son of the William Appiers, 3318 33rd Ave. Ct., is applying for the summer abroad program while Melodie, daughter of the Morris P. Maisenbachs, 3047 38th Ave. is a candidate for the full school year abroad.

After completing a series of applications for the office of AFS International in New York, Melodie and Brad will be reviewed for placement in foreign homes through the American Field Service. They will be notified in March of the International Committee's decision.

Red Letter Days

NOVEMBER

Sat. 23—Wrestling Quadrangular — Here, All Day

Wed. 27—Wrestling — Savannah, There 6:30

Thurs. 28—No School — Thanksgiving

Fri. 29—No School — Quincy—There; Wrestling; Here 10:00 Swimming Relays; Here

Sat. 30—Wrestling — Davenport Invitational, There All Day

DECEMBER

Mon. 2—Report Cards

Fri. 6—West — Here, No Assembly

Passage of Bond Issue Accomplished Through Aid of Civic Organizations

The **Crimson Crier** wishes to thank the voters of Public School District Number 41 for their approval of the recent bond issue. In approving the measure, the voters enabled the district to sell bonds to raise money to provide for the construction of additional educational facilities.

Two new elementary schools and an addition to Edison will be built to help relieve overcrowded conditions.

Much of the credit for the proposal's passage can be given to various civic and educational organizations. The issue was publicly supported by the Chambers of Commerce in both Rock Island and Milan, along with the Rock Island Federation of Teachers, and the Rock Island Education Association. The PTA especially rendered yeoman service in the cause.

A citizens group, headed by Mr. Harry Orr, also worked for passage of the issue.

The success of the measure is another step forward in the drive to maintain first-rate education for the students of the area. The efforts of those who pushed for the issue's success is greatly appreciated, and it is hoped that the public will give its continued cooperation in the development of better education.

One Memorable Statement Captures Ideals of Kennedy

"Ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country." These words represent a man of stature and ability, who was able to lead efficiently.

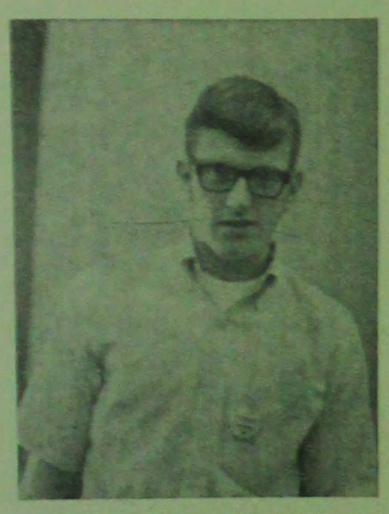
John Fitzgerald Kennedy had many fine, ever present qualities. One of his best attributes was the Kennedy Wit, which was the source of two books by the same title. In Sioux Falls, South Dakota, on September 22, 1960 Kennedy said, "I regret the rain, but it rains, as the Bible tells us, on the just and the unjust alike, on Republicans as well as Democrats."

John Kennedy was very readily accepted by his public. They delighted in hearing him speak and enjoyed his warm, personal mannerisms. As a tribute to this congenial man many persons, after his death, felt it was their responsibility to preserve his memory. Thus we find countless numbers of poems and books on his life, likes, and dislikes.

The assassination of John F. Kennedy five years ago today renews the sense of loss felt by the youth of America for a man with whom they identified so easily. We may never see his like again.

Slighted Prunes Incites Frank Thomas To Organize P.R.U.N.E.

P.R.U.N.E. which stands for Prunes' Rights Upholders Never Ending was started by senior Frank Thomas in the ninth grade when he had to give an enthusiasm speech to do in speech class.



THE GREAT EMANCIPATED

Prune, Frank Thomas

The assignment was to write on a cause that they felt was worthwhile for others to become enthusiastic about also. Frank realized that the prune had been slighted and so he did his speech on the prune. P.R.U.N.E. is not a school sponsored organization.

The P.R.U.N.E. executive committee decided to have a membership drive early this year by selling buttons. P.R.U.N.E. has approximately 145 members. Those interested in the cause of P.R.U.N.E. can apply for an application at Frank's home address which is 1118 - 38th Street, Rock Island. Requirements for membership are a payment of dues of 27 cents and signing of the oath.

P.R.U.N.E.'s oath is "I do solemnly Pledge as a Member of P.R.U.N.E. that I will faithfully follow the wise directives of the GREAT EMANCIPATED PRUNE; I Promise to do my best to put down those who would willfully persecute Prunes by making sarcastic, disrespectful, or otherwise dirty remarks about their Wrinkles, Pits, Smell, or Taste; I will promote the cause of the Prune by openly Campaigning and Recruiting for the Good of the Organization."

P.R.U.N.E. has two different pins. One is a white background with red letters. The words on this pin are **Think P.R.U.N.E.** This pin was sold in the membership drive. P.R.U.N.E.'s other pin has a yellow background and black letters. That pin's saying is **P.R.U.N.E. Marches On.**

LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS

"WELL, WE DON'T DARE PARK IN TH' FACULTY PARKING LOT— TH' CAMPUS COP WOULD SPOT US IN A MINUTE."

Entertainment Enhanced

Unique New Cinema Opens to Area Public

Cinema I & II, a unique type of theatre, offers a new facet in entertainment to the Quad-City area. Featuring two theatres in one, the new showplace offers the only cinerama between Chicago and Des Moines. The theatres opened on October 30, with a benefit for the Rock Island County Interracial Council.

The complex is the eighth owned by the Redstone company of Boston, Massachusetts, with others in Toledo, Ohio; Louisville, Kentucky; Boston; and New Jersey.

The theatres feature screens which measure 75 feet in width and 29½ feet from top to bottom. Seventy millimeter film is shown. Cinema I also features the Cinerama.

For added pleasure, the theatres are equipped with just under 1,000 seats apiece, which are designed exclusively for the Redstone theatres. Their unique rocking chair action provides for total comfort.

About 22,000 square feet of carpeting cover the complex.

The two theatres branch off of a spacious common lobby which holds the box office and the concession stand for both. It also serves as a lounge area and contains an art exhibit. Overcrowding is avoided by staggering the showtimes as well as the intermissions.

Located at the junction of routes 67 and 82 in Milan, the Cinema offers free parking for 1,200 cars.

A BIRD'S EYE VIEW of the new and beautiful Studio Cinema I and II located in Milan, Illinois.

Now playing at Cinema I is 2001: A Space Odyssey, which has been described by Life magazine as "an unprecedented psychedelic roller coaster of an experience."

At Cinema II, the classic **Gone With the Wind** is showing. This is a remaking of the original film which won 10 Academy Awards. It stars Clark Gable, Vivien Leigh, Leslie Howard, and Olivia DeHavilland.

Among the coming attractions to the Cinema are Ice Station Zebra, Finnian's Rainbow, and Star, featuring Julie Andrews.

Tickets may be purchased at all Sears stores, Stan Stone Music House in Rock Island, and the Holm Travel Agency in Clinton, in addition to the advance sale tickets which can be purchased by mail or at the box office.

Mr. Charles Boening, managing director of the Cinema, indicated that special rates were available for theatre parties, groups, or benefits.

The box office is open daily from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

New Explorer Post Open to Students

An explorer post specializing in journalism has been formed by Sigma Delta Chi, national journalism fraternity.

The post is open to interested students from eight area high schools including Rocky. Girls will be invited to join after January 1. Based at the office of the Moline Dispatch, the post will be directly associated with three local papers.

Mr. James Koch, a faculty member at Black Hawk College, will serve as the post's adviser.

Ars Longa

Deere Hosts JAFA Show

by Russell Kennedy

The Deere and Company Administrative Center in Moline, Illinois is host this year to the Third Japan Art Festival. The exhibit started November 10 and will run through November 28. The exhibit opens daily at 9:30 a.m. and closes at 9:00 p.m.

The show is sponsored by Deere and Company and the Japan Art Festival Association, Inc., Tokyo. The show is an exhibit of selected work of outstanding contemporary Japanese artists and craftsmen.

The first Japan Art Festival, which drew 80,000 visitors, was held in 1966 in the Union Carbide Building in New York. On exhibit were 228 art works including 56 paintings, 56 prints, 16 sculptures, and 100 craft articles. The exhibition has since been showed in Pittsburgh, where it drew a crowd of 54,000 visitors, in Chicago for 65,000 art lovers, in San Francisco with 70,000 people attending, in Honolulu, 12,000 attended, and in New Orleans, Houston and Dallas with 18,000 to 45,000 art lovers attending.

The paintings and prints are truly works of Japanese art, with their magnificent color.

Tokyo Seeks RI Pen Pals

The Crimson Crier has received communication from Tokyo, Japan about an International Friendship club. Its president, Yuzo Inoue, stated that this club has been engaged in Tokyo for about 20 years. It introduces Japanese pen pals to overseas school pupils in view of the development of mutual understanding and friendship between countries, being independent of any religion and any political organization.

Mr. Inoue also said it is "wonderful to know of foreign countries and to talk and discuss about many things with overseas friends through correspondence!"

In Japan the children begin to study English in seventh grade. The ages of those interested in pen pals will be restricted to those more than eleven years old. The boys and girls who are interested in having a pen pal from Japan and in learning different customs should forward their names, ages, addresses, and sexes to the **Crimson Crier** staff by December 24. They will forward them to Tokyo, and Mr. Inoue.

Anthony Former Rock

by Frank Thomas

The newsman ends his summary of the latest happenings and "the Super Hits" continue as a small child struggles through what are undoubtedly her first words, proclaiming, "I always listen to Clark Anthony." And so another Clark Anthony show gets off to a smooth, if not humorous, start, to continue for three hours of similar testimonies, many commercials, and an occasional record or two.

Five minutes before all this gets under way, Clark, former Rock and present Augustana senior, enters the KSTT broadcast studio and begins preparations for his show. He lines up the commercials listed on the program log for the show's first half-hour.

These, he explained, are played from tape cartridges similar to those used in car type systems. As the tape loop nears its end, an electronic signal automatically stops the tape and the commercial is ready to run again.

Records played on the show are taken from one of several stacks at his side. Here records are separated into male vocal, female vocal, group and instrumental categories. Clark's job is to provide a balanced mixture of these categories throughout his show.

This three hour show completes a seven hour work day. For four hours prior to air time, the Augie speech major writes and records commercials. The 21-year-old "Disc jockey" also has a full college load. "My boss realizes my education is important to me and is pretty understanding about my schedule," he added.

The former Peorian has been working in radio since his early high school days. His first job at a Peoria station was, as he puts it, "just pushing buttons." The station had taped all the current records with an announcer's voice after them with something like, "And there they are, the Rolling Stones with 'Jumpin Jack Flash'." All Clark had to do was play these tapes.

With a good knowledge of broadcasting equipment, Clark then went on the air for another Peoria station. When his family moved to Rock Island, this experienced radio personality — then a student at Rocky — got a spot on KSTT, Davenport, and has been there ever since.

Does he plan to "play records" all his life? Of course not. He describes this type of job as a stepping stone to other branches of the entertainment field. Clark would like eventually to become a television entertainer.

KSTT GOOD GUY, Clark Anthony, seems to say "It's not as easy as it sounds, radio listeners!"

As the music poured from the studio speakers, KSTT Good Guy, Clark Anthony took time to sum up his impressions of this unusual occupation. "Like a lot of other jobs, radio has its drawbacks. But, unlike many other jobs, it's a lot more fun; there are more side benefits and the whole atmosphere of a radio station is a lot happier." To simplify the matter greatly, he stated, "I enjoy radio." And Quint-Cities listeners seem to enjoy Clark Anthony.

Trade Winds

Cheating is of main concern in any high school these days. **The Mortomian** from J. Sterling Morton high school East, Cicero, Illinois, makes an important observation on cheating in today's high schools: "Are you tempted to use that little scrap of paper called a cheat sheet on your next test? What about the answer written on the desk top because you weren't sure of the spelling? Cheating has been a reliable source — for those that don't study."

"An art in itself, it may take some practice at first, but as one senior states, 'Once a person starts he has to continue it, and will probably forget the difference between reality and cheating.' If the feeling of guilt prevails in your mind, you should question yourself: is cheating really worth it?"

The Owl from Whitehall high school, Whitehall, Pennsylvania, presents an important article about the extravagance of teenagers today: "When not sulking at home, teenagers are apt to be invading the stores of the area on wild shopping sprees. Some common items that youth buy are cosmetics, records, (which more boys than girls buy) and other incidentals; tickets to sports events, concerts, plays, or the movies; and clothing".

"The average amount spent per month is $20.00. Another money-eating monster is the clothing industry. Of the 80 percent of Whitehall students who receive allowances, over half are expected to buy their own clothes. — No wonder this is called the affluent society!"

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Swimmers Have High Hopes; Opening Meet November 29

Coach Gary Ackerson is looking optimistically towards the 1968-69 swimming season which will officially open with its first meet on November 29. The Rocks, although hard-hit by graduation, have some promising swimmers who can hopefully fill the gap which last year's seniors left. According to Ackerson this year's schedule is the roughest the Dolphins have ever faced.

All-American Marc Gilliam will certainly boost the Rocks' chances to be top contenders for the Quad-City and Mississippi Valley championships.

The Rocks will also rely heavily on returning letterman Stan Lohmeier, who will be swimming butterfly and the free style, and Sam Karon, who will be top diver once again this year.

Supporting the team in the backstroke Wolfgang Krismanits is expected to be a great help, being number two man in his specialty last year as a sophomore. Bob Lohmeier and Jon Duvejonk will handle the distance work, both having had outstanding performances last year as sophomores.

Backing the letterman in the freestyle will be seniors Dave Conrad, Randy Kirk, and Dave Wenos. In the breaststroke it will be seniors Terry Klema and Kris Kirk. Doug Carpentier and John Timm will handle the backstroke.

Although sophomore material is low this year Keith Gilliam is expected to contribute a great deal especially in his specialty, the individual medley.

Rocky's Track Squad Places 19th In State Meet Held At Champaign

In state track competition held November 2 at the University of Illinois, Rock Island harriers finished 19th. York won the event with 121 points, Evanston placed second with 129 points, and New Lennox finished third with 133 points. This year's contest had 30 schools in competition.

Larry Begyn, R.I. senior squad member, led the Rocks in individual placing with a 16th; Ken Engstrom placed 80th; Tony Canny, 122; Mel Stetson, 143rd; Ted Larson, 152nd; Bob Gindlesparger, 161st; and Bob Bellamy, 197th.

The cross-country men went up to Champaign on Thursday afternoon, and returned from the meet on Friday afternoon. Coach Hod Lundeen feels that the fine results of the meet can be attributed to the long, hard hours of practice that the boys contributed.

"They did an outstanding job," he commented. "The whole meet was probably the toughest meet we've ever been to." The annual track banquet was held November 7.

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Cubs Tour RI; Attend Banquet

Members of the Chicago Cubs were the honored guests at the Junior Baseball Sports Banquet on October 26 at the Sheraton Motor Inn.

Ernie Banks, Billy Williams, Phil Regan, Glenn Beckert, Randy Huntley, Al Spangler, Gene Baker, and Gene Oliver, provided several thrills for area youngsters.

Beginning at 9, Saturday morning, a baseball clinic was held at Douglas Park where the players instructed children in basic baseball techniques. In the afternoon, various Quad-Citians played a round of golf with the honored guests, at the Rock Island Arsenal Golf Course.

In the evening, a $15.00 a plate dinner was held at the Sheraton. Due to a tremendous influx of people at the last minute there was a delay in the start of the night's activities. This gave autograph seekers an extra chance for signatures.

The program began with an invocation given by Monsignor T. J. Jordan. After being welcomed by Forest "Lefty" Crawford, Reverend C. H. Willey then took the podium as toastmaster.

Mayor James Haymaker made each guest, and Jack Brickhouse, who was unable to attend, honorary citizens of Rock Island. Following this, Sheriff Bill Boyle made each of the Cubs deputy sheriffs.

Gene Oliver presented a check for $4,000 to Sam Novak, president of Junior Baseball, from the proceeds of the dinner. Mr. Novak, in return, presented a plaque to Gene Oliver showing gratitude for all he has done.

Each guest gave a little talk, all of which proved to be amusing. Ernie Banks said: "Better my son steal a base than a car." Randy Hundley stated: "The two best tools I know to combat delinquency are a baseball and bat." The evening was brought to a close by handing out banners, baseballs, and baseball caps.

Quadrangular Opens Season For Wrestlers

Rock Island will host the Quadrangular wrestling meet tomorrow which opens the 68-69 season. Rock Island, Alleman, Moline, and East Moline comprise the meet. The preliminaries will begin at 10:00 a.m., semi-finals at 2:00 p.m. and the finals will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Rocky will be in top contention for the meet with some of the better wrestlers returning from last year. Just a few of the returning lettermen are Ezel Turner, Chuck McDowell, Mike Boltinghouse and Rick Bevans. Injuries are hindering the wrestlers a little with sprained fingers and bruised knees, but the outlook for the team in general is good.

Coach Chester Schultz says, outlook for this year is that the team is lacking experience but is making it up in hard work. Lack of inter-squad competition is also hurting the team. If you have a good wrestler and no one to challenge him he will slack off.

Since 1940 the wrestling team has brought back three state titles.

All-Valley Honors Go To 3 Rocks; Season Record Is Respectable 6-3

Capping one of the most successful seasons in recent years, three Rock Island players were chosen as first-string members on the All-Mississippi Valley Conference Team.

Picked for first string honors were Ken Johnson, running back; Walt Stradley, interior lineman; and Steve Arnold, defensive back. Also picked for the second string were Pat Quinlan, offensive tackle; and Drake DeVore, linebacker. DeVore also received an honorable mention for his play at quarterback.

This year's record of 6 wins and 3 losses shows the increased effort that was put out by the squad. This squad scored victories over C. R. Jefferson, Alleman, Davenport West, East Moline, Moline, and Iowa City. The three losses came at the hands of powerhouses C. R. Washington and Davenport Central, and struggling, but spirited, Clinton.

The Rocks opened the season at Jefferson and going into the fourth quarter, it looked like the Jay-Hawks would gain the victory. But in the fourth period the Rocks tallied three times and enjoyed a 21-7 victory.

In the following weeks the Rocks played Davenport West and Alleman, both spirited teams but both lacking the punch to defeat the Rocks. The Rocky Men then visited Clinton and East Moline. The Rocks picked up an unwanted loss against Clinton, 12-0. Against East Moline, the Rocks narrowly escaped a loss, but wound up with a 14-13 victory.

In the next three weeks the Rocks battled with three of the top teams in the Valley and looked like champions after the first of the three, against Moline. The Rocks dominated almost the entire game. After an early Moline tally the Rocks' Steve Arnold returned the ensuing kick-off 93 yards for a touchdown and from then on the game was all Rock Island. The next two games proved to be just a little too much for the Rocks and the Rocks dropped both games by convincing scores.

As the season drew to a close the last opponent for Rock Island was Iowa City. The defeats the preceeding two weeks provided the necessary incentative as the Rocks closed out the 1968 season with a 20-4 victory. The Rocks finished 5-3 in the Valley (sixth place), and 6-3 overall.

RI Opens Against Quincy; Riley Remains Optimistic

Coach Bob Riley's squad, one of the shortest teams in recent years, open their 1968-69 basketball season next Friday against Quincy on the Blue Devils home court.

Last year the Rocks opened aainst Quincy, and after a thrilling comeback, the Rocks were the victors by five points. The Blue Devils have always been one of Rocky's toughest opponents, and the game should prove to be exciting.

Last year's team got off to a fast start in their first two games, then they dropped four in a row and never fully recovered. They defeated some of the best teams on their schedule, but also lost numerous heartbreakers. Coupled with victories over Quincy, East Moline, and Chicago Marshall, were loses to Alleman, Moline and Dubuque.

Leading the way on this year's squad will be seniors Bernie Teague, Carl Bates, DeArmond Briggs, Frank Riley, and Mark Brooks. Teague, Riley, and Bates all started at one time or another last year. These players are backed up by a supporting cast that includes Bruce Hamming, Frank Wood, Danny Harris, Terry Cox, Cary Cox, Duncan Fallon, Mike Timion, and Bob Jackson.

This year, the possible starting five of Teague and Riley at guards, Bates and Brooks at forwards, and Briggs at center, will average less than six feet. The biggest asset of this year's squad will be speed, tremendous ball-handling, shooting accuracy, and team spirit.

The Rocks will have only one change in their schedule from last year. Instead of playing Chicago Marshall, the Rocks will play East Aurora, coached by former East Moline coach, Ernie Kivisto. The game is set for January 4th.

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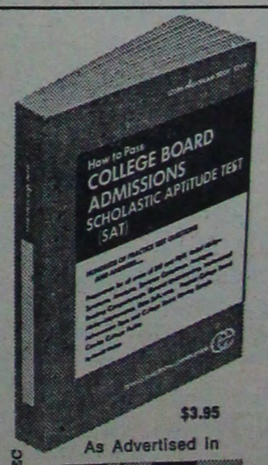

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by Frank Thomas

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I then listened as the ground crew radioed out:

"Waitink a minute. Green tinks on Moon? You sure, absolute, you're on Our moon?"

"Of course, sure. I was built by People's Spacecraft Factory and Pawnshop in heart of beautiful downtown Moscow. They teachit all they know about space and navigation. And Comrade Colonel Schleckov says I am on moon."

"Dot's what we afrait of. Alright, you're on moon."

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Music Department Experiments With Light, Informal Music Presentation

For the first time in the history of Rocky's music department a Pop's Concert was given in the high school's cafeteria last November 7. The concert consisted of light musical entertainment with solos, duets, small groups, and a dance act.

M.C.s for the evening entertainment were Frank Wood, Debbie Bunch, and Suzan Strutz. The choirs participating in the Concert were the Girls Glee, Chamber Choir, and Senior Glee.

A folk duet consisting of Toni Tucker and Norma Runge sang "Ollie Ollie Oxen Free" as they accompanied themselves on the guitar. Julie Lindorff and Melodie Maisenbach played a piano duet entitled, "Exodus." There was also a dance routine by Dawn Cole and Becky Taylor to the music of "The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly." Then Larry Cline sang a solo entitled "People" as Gloria DeVacht accompanied him on the piano. As an addition to the informalness of the program refreshments were sold.

Sex Education New Class

Sex education classes are being offered to all juniors this year for the first time. Instructors for this course are Mrs. Mary Brent, girl's physical education teacher, and Mr. Gary Ackerson, boys' swimming and physical education teacher. This class is set up as a six-weeks course and is substituted for regular gym classes.

The program is designed on the high school level in order to acquaint the student with the physiology of sex education to help the student better understand his or her own emotional drives. The program also strives to develop in the student a good wholesome attitude toward society.

Last year, a pilot program was introduced to eighth grade students at Central Junior high school. Now the course is being offered to pupils in the second, fifth, eighth, and eleventh grades at varying levels in many other schools. Those in the high school level are learning both the physiological and the emotional aspects of sex through lectures, films, filmstrips, and pamphlets. The subjects cover everything from venereal disease to birth.

Two Rotarians Are Chosen For November

Michael O'Melia and Larry Garcia are the two Jr. Rotarians who were chosen for the month of November.

Michael, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James O'Melia, 1325-41st St., was a co-editor of the **Crimson Crier** and a member of the **Watchtower** staff.

Presently, Mike is a National Merit Scholarship Semi-finalist and a member of Rock Island high school's top five percent. Mike is also an Illinois State Scholarship Semi-finalist. He is the sports editor of the yearbook, **Watchtower,** and is Rocky's contributing teen editor for Davenport's Sunday **Times-Democrat.**

Michael is also a member of the Key club and represents his homeroom in the student senate.

Larry Garcia is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Garcia, 2041-45th St. Larry, also, is a student senator.

On Monday, November 4, at a faculty meeting, the Rock Island high school faculty nominated 28 boys to be Jr. Rotarians for the rest of the school year. Then, after the meeting, mimeographed ballots were sent to all of the teachers, who were then asked to vote for the 12 boys who the teacher felt deserve the honor of Jr. Rotarian.

These 12 boys, although as yet unannounced, were chosen early as a convenience for the staff of the **Watchtower.** This way, the picture of all the Rotarians for the 1968-69 school year may be taken and put in the yearbook before May when the last Rotarians would be chosen.

LEARNING AND TEACHING the techniques of their ham radio are members of the Electronics Club Dale Egeberg, Craig Sandusky, John Kittler, Ted Stone, and David Garber.

New Science Club Formed At RI Will Be Operating Short Wave Set

A new club has been established at Rocky called the Electronics club which is an offshoot of the Science club. The sponsors are Mr. Charles Armstrong, and Mr. John Stone, both of the science department.

The members team to operate short wave ham radios. The group must learn the short wave radio code in order to use the radio more efficiently. These members must be able to pass the novice test to get their first license.

A ham radio that has been in school for five years is finally being put to use. There are three boys that are capable of using the radio. They are John Chappel, John Ketter, both sophomores, and Steve Buller, who is a senior.

According to Mr. Armstrong, the club is planning a bake sale to raise money to purchase a new antenna, which is needed to make the ham radio operate properly.

Mr. Armstrong stated, "The members are very enthusiastic about the club, and I hope more students will take an interest. It (the club) encourages interest in and provides a vehicle for Electronics knowledge."

"Run 'Em Down" Receives First Place In Competition

The results of the 1968 Homecoming floats' competition were announced during halftime of the varsity game on Friday, November 1. There were three places, the first place going to "Run 'Em Down." The senates who constructed this float were the east gym, 120, 208, 222, and 321.

In second place was "Rock It To 'Em" built by senates 119, 132, 153, 209, 211, 221, 223, and 304. In third place was "Choo 'Em Up" and the senates involved were 140, 233, 308, and 310.

The floats were judged by three members of the Chamber of Commerce as they were lining up for the parade in the downtown area. During the parade, final judgings were made and the winning floats were selected.

There were 13 floats in the parade. There were also various cars containing the senior cheerleaders, the junior cheerleaders, and the sophomore cheerleaders. Also in the parade was the Rock Island senior high school band, a Royalty float containing the Homecoming queen and her attendants, and the Sr. Glee float.

TB Tests Given To Rocky Juniors

The Rock Island County Tuberculosis Association conducted its county-wide tuberculin testing program in the schools on November 6. Rocky high juniors participated in the program.

Tuberculosis is caused by a germ. This TB test, known as the Heaf test, finds the people with that germ in their body. The test does not prevent nor cure the disease, but the source of infection may be found, and if found in time, can be treated, thus stopping the spread of tuberculosis.

If there is a positive reaction to the tuberculin test, the person will be notified and given instructions.

RI Debate Team Travels to ISU For Tournament

Illinois State University is going to be the host for a debate tournament this week-end, November 22 and 23. The tournament will start Friday afternoon and end Saturday at noon with an awards banquet.

Rock Island will be represented by four of these seven debators: Linnea Johnson, Steve Buller, Bill Andrews, Maynard Segal, David Giberman, Bob Martonson, and Marty Lefstein. Schools from all over the state will send four debators to the tournament. There will be approximately 25 schools entered in this week-end tournament.

The topic that all teams will debate is Resolved: The United States should establish a system of compulsory service for all citizens.

For the next tournament, Rock Island will be hosting the new Quad-City Metropolitan Commerce on Saturday, December 14. This tournament will see all the schools in the area participating in a new conference except Rock Island Alleman, who doesn't have a debate team this year.

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