Love Makes The World Go Round On May 17

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Love To Highlight Prom

Music, laughter, and happiness make the world go round. But on May 17 from 8 p.m. until midnight at the Sheraton Motor Inn, love will make the world go round.

The 1968-1969 Junior-Senior Prom will carry Rock Island high school students to all sections of the world. The graceful young ladies and the charming gentlemen will travel to Mexico, France, Japan, Italy, and the Netherlands.

The decorations will coincide with the theme "Love Makes the World Go Round" and with the various countries. As the couples enter the exciting world of love and adventure they will be greeted by Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Aspedon, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pierce, Mr. Herbert Wagner, and the junior and senior class presidents and their dates.

After receiving a table bid, the guests may step into the ballroom where they may dance to the music of an eight piece band. A backdrop of splendid colors will accent the pictures which will be taken by Adolphi Studio.

Tickets will be on sale for $3.00 a couple and .50 extra for a sophomore or anyone who does not attend Rock Island high school. This fee will pay for the rent of the Sheraton Motor Inn, the refreshments which will be served in the ballroom, and the decorations.

There has been some controversy concerning the rooms which will be utilized at the Sheraton. There may be the possibility of serving dinner by the poolside for those who wish to dine at the dance. If a person wishes to eat at the Sheraton, he will be required to purchase a ticket which will include the cost of the dinner and the dance.

This ticket will cost an estimated $12.00. A poll will be taken in the senior and junior senates to note the number of persons interested in dining at the dance. This poll will determine if it will be worth the money and effort to rent the dining room and the poolside.

Further information will be available at a later date concerning the dinner arrangements. Mr. Dennis Hawkinson, the junior class officers, and several committees are in charge of the organization of the Prom.

These committees were assigned by the class officers and have held several meetings to discuss Prom plans.

Carol Kimmel Re-elected to Board

Mrs. Carol Kimmel was elected to her third three year term on the Board of Education of Rock Island School District No. 41, Saturday, April 12, despite a strong write-in effort by supporters of the Rev. James C. House.

The Rev. Mr. House was supported by persons unhappy with the experimental sex education program in grades second, fifth, eighth and 11 in the Rock Island school system.

Mrs. Kimmel, the only candidate to file for the board this year, received 1,763 votes to 654 write-in votes for the Rev. Mr. House. There were a total of 2,611 votes cast, highest in recent years in a school election.

Mrs. Kimmel recently attended the national school board convention at Miami, Fla. She has been president of the Illinois Congress of Parents and Teachers, served on the Governor's Task Force on Education and was a delegate to the White House Conference on Education. Mrs. Kimmel stated that her re-election reflected confidence in the school system.

Other members of the school board include William Bell, Max Larson, Fred Patton, and Harold Lindstrom. The organizational meeting of the school board was held April 22.

Thomas Is Named Best Staffer For Rocky Publications

Frank Thomas has been selected as the recipient of the "Most Valuable Staffer" award. The award is given to an outstanding student who has served on the newspaper staff for a full year, having above average grades. Frank, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Thomas, 1118 - 38th Street, Rock Island, is a member of the Key Club and president of the German Club. He is also the Band Manager and the organizer of P.R.U.N.E. Frank was elected mayor of Rock Island on the annual Citizenship Day, which is sponsored by the area Boy Scouts. He serves as the fourth page editor on the **Crimson Crier** staff.

Rattigan's Play Opens In Auditorium

Well, folks, at 8 p.m. tonight, the curtain will go up on **Separate Tables**, two dramatic plays by Terrance Rattigan. This event will take place in the Rock Island high school auditorium.

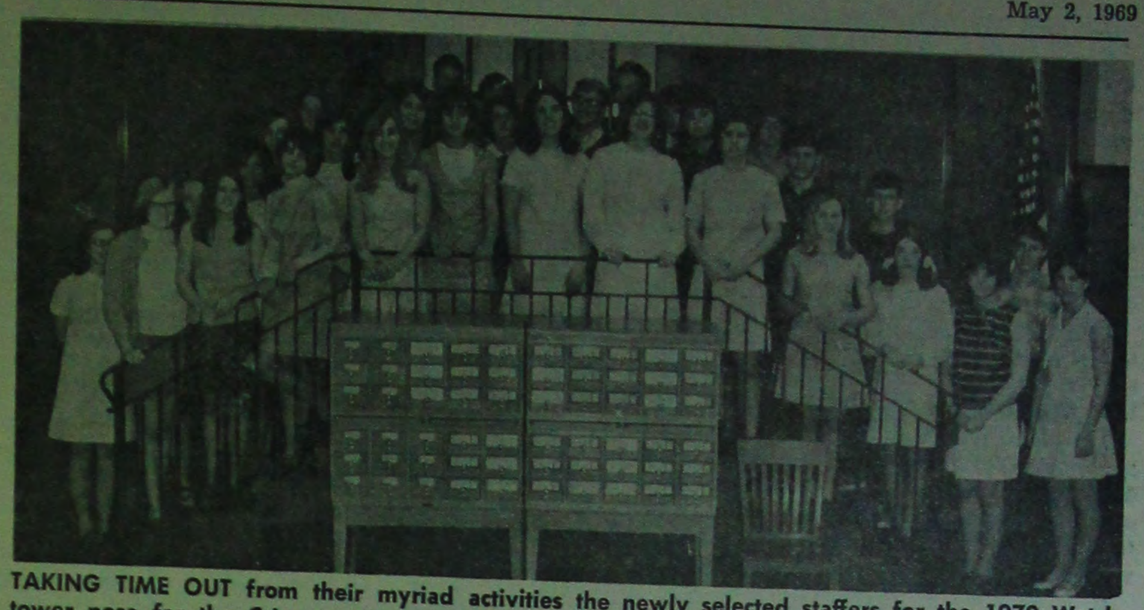
The plays will be directed by Guy O. Andersen, speech teacher and dramatic coach at Rocky. Andersen's shows will be performed not only tonight, but also tomorrow night at 8 p.m. The cost is 50¢ for students, and a dollar for the older people.

Trodding upon the multilevel set designed and constructed by James Reed, will be lead players Dan Harris, Dave Jonston, and Diane Pirmann.

In supporting roles are Stephanie Heiwig, Debra Bunch, Vickie Enburg, Lyle Burwell, Sharon Turner, Connie Peschang, Michelle Peters, and Laurie Anderson. Don Kelly, Harris, Peters, Turner, Burwell and Anderson are newcomers to the Rock Island stage, while the others have trod the histrionic boards previously.

Pupils Do Own Thing With New Dress Code

The trial dress code change is now in effect; it is in its probation period lasting from April 21 through May 16. The changes occurring are that girls can now wear culottes, but not pant-dresses; and boys can wear sweatshirts or tee-shirts, providing that they pertain to school clubs and activities and that they are in good condition.



TAKING TIME OUT from their myriad activities the newly selected staffers for the 1970 Watchtower pose for the Crier camera on the library steps. They were selected by Mrs. Martha Siegel, Watchtower adviser.

New Watchtower Staff Chosen

Already preparing for next year's Watchtower is the 1969-70 **Watchtower** staff recently announced by advisor Martha Siegal.

The new Editors-in-chief, Judy Miers and Sally Strobehn, have the job of co-ordinating the sections. Also they must make sure that all deadlines are met. Debbie Bennett, the copy editor, must see that all the copy is looked over and all mistakes are omitted.

The Senior Section Editors, Ellen Batt and Patti Haines, their assistants Susie Bundy and Mark McMillan, along with Senior Picture Editor, Debbie Bunch and Jana Miller and Senior Activities Editor, Debbie Carel, are in charge of all Senior activities and pictures.

The major job of the Junior Section Editors, Doug Frazer and Becky Schultz, with the help of Dorothy Cooper will be to co-ordinate all the Junior activities. Sophomore Section Editor, Sandy Thomas and Linda Barr along with Kathy Kibling, are in charge of all activities and pictures pertaining to the Sophomore class.

Organizations Editors, Lori Skafidas and Joanie Stockdale, with the assistance of the Organization staff made up of Caren Saxs, Tim Curry, and Mary Cloninger, have the job of seeing to it that all school clubs are represented.

Faculty Editor, Melodie Maisenbach, and Roy Phelps are in charge of getting pictures of the faculty and organizing them under the subjects they teach. Judy Knox, Marti Zukerman, and Jerry Mitchell are the Sports Editors for this year.

Their job is to have all the different sports represented and the players recognized. The Index Editors, Debbie Buntaine and Sue Madsen, are required to make an index consisting of the organizations and students according to their class.

Business and Sales Managers, Gwen Foulkes and Gretchen Furstenau, along with their staff Linda Moore, Sara Peterson and Heidi Doden are in charge of sales and distribution of the **Watchtower.** Head Photographer, Tom Shay and his staff of Kathy Adams, Steve Brown, Alan Hudson, and Bob Miller, are in charge of pictures for the entire annual.

Double Royalty Reigns Over 38th Annual Kiwanis Karnival

At the 30th annual Kiwanis Karnival, held Friday night, April 18, in the Rock Island high school girls gym, queens from Rocky and Alleman were chosen. Edna Togerson was crowned queen, and Rose Langdon was the runner-up from Rocky. From Alleman Debbie Nowack was the queen, and Sue Hauser the runner-up.

The Karnival began at 6 p.m. and included numerous booths selling food and try-your-luck games. The coronation was started at 10 p.m. After the crowning, music was provided by the Magic Garden for dancing until 11:30 p.m.

There were fifteen clubs represented by Rocky girls and four girls representing the four classes at Alleman.

From Rocky are Laurie Anderson, Letterman's Club; Lynette Beinke, Pan American League; Kathy Davis, Home-Economics; Paula Froude, G.A.A.; Johnette Hiner, Sr. Glee Club; Bonnie Knapp, Ski Club; Rose Langdon, C.W.T.; Sylvia Mathe, French Club; Sue Peters, D.O.; Dawn Shoemaker, German Club; Laura Swedberg, Key Club; Donna Tacey, Pep Club; and Edna Togersen, representing F.N.A.

From Alleman high school Sue Houser, Senior Class; Sue Tilip, Junior Class; Debbie Nowack, Sophomore Class; and Jody Everhardt, Freshman Class.

Edna Togerson

The two queens each received a portable television. The runners-up each received a tape recorder. All other girls participating received a transistor radio. The door prize this year was a walnut stereo set, and it was won by Rudy Kauzlarich of Silvis. He bought his winning ticket from Rose Langdon.

The proceeds from this year's ticket sales will go to the Kiwanis Community Youth Program, Rock Island High School Scholarships, Alleman High School Scholarships, Spastic Paralysis Fund, Augustana Speech Clinic, Augustana Speech Scholarship, and Nurse's Scholarship (R.I. Girl). Also, $750 goes to the schools A.F.S. fund, to help bring a foreign exchange student to Rocky. Each club receives 10% of what their candidate sold.

A luncheon was given at the Plantation for the candidates. Mr. Dyson, co-chairman for this year's Kiwanis Karnival, distributed the tickets to the girls. The individual girls then distributed the tickets to the members of the club she represents.

Month of May Ushers In Many Music Concerts

The Rock Island high school music department has been busy this past month. This fact is evidenced by the number of concerts to be given in the month of May.

The Rocky bands will have their final concert of the year on May 22 at 8 p.m. in the high school auditorium. The Symphonic and Concert bands, under the direction of Mr. Donald Kruzan, will perform various musical selections.

"Rhapsody in Blue," by George Gershwin, will be one of the numbers featured by the Symphonic Band, with Julie Lindorff playing the piano solo. Tickets will be on sale approximately one week before the concert and may be purchased from any band member. Senior awards will be handed out to all seniors at this performance.

The Junior high and high school orchestras will combine their talents for a concert to be given on May 8 in the high school auditorium. Mr. Jerome Hart will direct them through many styles of music ranging from heavy to light. An admission will be charged for this performance. All seniors who have participated in orchestra for all three of their high school years and who have been present for all concerts will be presented their senior awards on the night of this concert.

An after dinner program at the Holiday Inn will be given by the Chamber Choir on May 10. The program will be a balance between the heavier and the lighter music, beginning with traditional chamber music.

The next concert that will be given by the Chamber Choir, following their after dinner program, will be at Hauburg Center on May 19. At this concert several numbers taken from the writing of Shakespeare will be among those featured by the Chamber Choir.

During the first week in May the Girls Glee Club will be traveling to Namequa Lodge to present a musical program for all the girls staying there. This program will include many different types and styles of music ranging from present day to the songs of the past.

Senior To Receive Award

Edna Annette Togersen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert N. Togersen of 2028 46th Street, Rock Island will receive $475 toward her training at the Lutheran Hospital School of Nursing in Moline.

The Flood Fighters Scholarship Program was begun in the aftermath of the Mississippi River flood of 1965, in which teenagers played a vital role in saving communities from more serious damage.

WQUA Radio organized the effort to raise funds to show gratitude toward the youth of the Quad Cities.

These scholarships are the ninth and tenth to be awarded, and raise to $3,500 the amount returned to Quad-City teen-agers to further their education.

The program will continue through 1970 at which time youngsters who were in the seventh grade in 1965 will be high school seniors.

A portion of the money raised was used to place commemorative plaques at the Iowa-Illinois Memorial Bridge toll booths and at the approaches to the Centennial Bridge in Rock Island and Davenport.

Girls' State Representative To Be Chosen From Three

Nominees for the 1969 Illini Girls' State from Rocky are Debbit Bennett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Bennett, 2935 - 31st Avenue, Sheryl Greeve, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Greeve, 2210 - 30th Street and Linnea Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Les Johnson, 3203 - 7th Avenue. Out of the three, one will be elected by members of the American Legion Auxiliary.

Mrs. Charles Wilcox is chairman of the election committees. Last year's representative was from Alleman. The procedure of selection is through interviews. Th Girls' State Representative of 1969 was chosen Tuesday, April 29, too late to meet the deadline for this issue. The qualifications for this honor are honesty, leadership, good character, scholarship and cooperation.

This is the 29th annual convention which will be held from June 17 - 24 on MacCurray College campus, Jacksonville, Illinois.

The purpose of the Girls' State is to provide training each year for approximately 525 junior girls in high school, to afford them an opportunity to live together as self-governing citizens, and to learn "by doing" the duties and responsibilities of an American Citizen. This training will help them understand the functions of our government better.

The Illinois Girls' State is a mythical State, patterned after the state government of Illinois. It tries to follow the Illinois government procedure as closely as possible. The girls form two political parties (non partisan), who hold conventions, campaigns and elections, plus perform other duties.

Rocky Art Department Readies Itself To Enter Spring Contest And Exhibit

Rocky's art department anticipates an active spring. Two separate art shows are on the agenda. One of these is a contest, while the other is an exhibit.

The first show is a contest between the three high schools in Rock Island — Rocky, the Villa, and Alleman. It is a city high school beautification promotional project. Many students in the art department are striving to put an entry in this conest.

The show is the first of its kind that Rocky's art department has participated in on a total commitment basis. The objectives involve the student's personal feelings toward civic responsibility and community beautification. Judging will take place a week before displays go out in prominent stores throughout the city.

The displays will be out from May 3 to May 10. This particular art contest is unique in that there will be no competition between the schools; only between the students within each of the schools. Cash awards will be given, as well as ribbons and 15 honorable mentions.

The second show is not a contest, but an exhibit. It is called the High School Art Expo 1969. This display is sponsored by the Quint-Cities Student Congress. This is the first time that the Student Congress has sponsored such an exhibit, and also the first time Rocky has participated in this type of art show.

The show will include works from 5 high schools and these works will be judged by a group of college art instructors. All entries will be eligible for judging only after registration.

The final show will be in Davenport's Municipal Art Gallery. It can be seen during the month of May. The object of this exhibit is to display outstanding work done by students. Students entering this exhibit must be genuinely interested in art, not merely taking an art course.

This show, too, will present awards. Some of Rocky's entries are very unusual. For example, Larry Garcia's painting, "Composition No. 3" is unique. Greg Desmet's entry is a painting done with acryclics and tissue.

Large pottery will be displayed by Emanuel Amorrow. Karen Williams is displaying a landscape, and Russel Kennedy's entry is a kenetic piece of sculpture.

Red Letter Days

May

2—King Assembly; Senior Class Play

3—District Tennis

9—District Track

10—District Golf

12-17—Week of Advance Placement Exams

13-14—District Baseball

16—National Honor Society Assembly; Trial Period for the Dress Code Ends

17—State Golf, Tennis, Track PROM

19-21—Regional Baseball

23—Memorial Day Assembly

Problems May Stem From Plans To Control Inflation

This article, reprinted below, was originally written by Michael Harrington and published in the SATURDAY REVIEW of November 23, 1968. It refers to a theory of President Nixon stating that by letting unemployment rise, inflation can be decreased.

Recently, President Nixon announced a 1 billion dollar cut in the community action program funds. Job Corps, which affects the unemployment rate, will be radically cut down. One example of this is to be seen on May 1 of this year as many Job Corps Centers will close such as the one in Clinton, Iowa.

Harrington points out several objections to this policy, but even more strenuously argues that there are several severe disadvantages which would accrue from the adoption of President Nixon's policy. The statement follows.

The Business Council at its October meeting endorsed the notion of increasing unemployment to 5% or even to 6%, in order to fight inflation. This would mean, for openers, that practically all the hard-core unemployed put to work by conscientious businessmen during the last year would be kicked out onto the street.

It would mean that other workers who are not poor, would suffer the same fate. And, as various commentators and government officials have warned, 5% unemployment might lead to 7% or 8% since such calculated cruelties are hard to calibrate precisely.

The corporate chiefs would then, in effect, be changing their slogan from 'give a damn' to 'go to hell.'

(EDITORS NOTE: The opinions expressed in this editorial do not necessarily reflect those of the CRIMSON CRIER.)

New Sex Education Program Disturbs Some Citizens, Organizations Of Area

The new sex education program has been part of the Rock Island schools' curriculum since September, 1968. In the last few months, the Rock Island school system has been under repeated fire from concerned citizens, church groups, and right wing organizations.

Although the church affiliated groups have some sound objections, many people are opposed to the program simply because they listen to and believe rumors, instead of being self informed. They haven't utilized the opportunity offered by the school system to examine the material used.

A rumor such as, "The material doesn't relate sex to family life" is commonly heard. Actually, if these people would do a little research, they would find that in the Kindergarten, Second Grade, and on up, sex is connected with mommy, daddy, and family life.

Another often heard comment is that the second grader should not be "worried" with sex. But in truth, most children would most likely never have thought anything more of the sex program than it explanation of family life, if these people hadn't put it in such a dingy spotlight.

The teachers are not competent enough to teach sex education, is another often heard rumor. It seems that with an excellent school system such as Rock Island's, no one could doubt the capabilities of the men and women entrusted to teach the sex education course.

The primary problem seems to be the fact that too many people are satisfied with believing hearsay.

Bunch's Bibliomania

No Regrets For Road Not Taken

by Debbie Bunch

To write of a Heinlein adventure story is to write of a genre of literature rather than of a single book. Robert Heinlein consistently turns out the sort of science fiction that seems dimly remembered from midnight fantasies or hot summer afternoons in the children's library.

Glory Road, his latest tale, differs from the host of his other books only in quality. It is poorly written, shabbily constructed, and pathetically dull.

A cursory skimming of the plot would send any student of psychology into raptures. Evelyn "Scar" Williams narrates the book in what is obviously meant to be an appealingly masculine style. Scar calls himself "A hero by trade."

It so happens that one day while Scar sits comfortably naked on an island, a girl similarly garbed strolls up, tells him he is beautiful, and swims coyly off into the distance. When he answers an ad placed in the paper for beautiful men — well, who should he encounter as prospective employer, but Lady Godiva from the beach, whom he re-christens "Star."

They and an old manservant are whisked away to another planet, where Scar must prove his superhuman strength on numerous occasions, by slaying a fire breathing dragon, beating off swamp monsters, and making love to the entire female family of a wayside duke who hosts the adventures a few nights.

It's like a bad dream. Keep awake and keep away.

LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS

"I'D LIKE YOU ALL TO THINK OF THIS TERM PAPER ASSIGNMENT AS A DO-IT-YOURSELF PROJECT."

Programs Enrich World Peace

Vista

Volunteers in Service to America is the federal program which every year sends 5000 men and women to live and work in impoverished areas of the United States.

VISTA works in the cities and rural areas establishing day care centers, counseling high school drop-outs, developing urban renewal policies, improving health and sanitation conditions, setting up recreation programs, and assisting in finding employment.

At the graduation of a VISTA training class in Arizona, an Indian chief spoke, "For 100 years the white man been coming to 'help' the Indian. Now, for the first time, he comes to serve." Indian communities are developing their own plans for improvement side by side with VISTA volunteers. Projects are in operation in half the country's 79 reservations.

In the United States there are thousands of migrant workers. They are stateless people: without voting rights; without employment, health or welfare benefits; without minimum wage protection. VISTA is helping these people by teaching them to speak, read, and write English; improving living conditions; and developing programs in education, vocational training, and housing.

Recently, plans for a major revamping of VISTA have been made. Planned changes may be striking: twenty per cent of the volunteers will be professional specialists, volunteers will receive training in the poverty areas where they will work; all will be at least twenty years old; and they will have specific jobs and thorough supervision.

The pay of a VISTA volunteer is low — just enough to live on. But he is attempting to put a letter life within reach of the poor.

THE RUINS OF Columbia testify to the urgent need for Peace Corps volunteers.

Peace Corps

About seven and one-half years ago, the Peace Corps went into business. The Peace Corps was established with the idea of bettering foreign countries and helping them when they were in economic trouble.

Volunteers from the Peace Corps work with the people of foreign countries by helping them improve their established farming habits, by bettering their living habits such as helping to provide food and shelter, and by teaching them good personal hygiene.

Education plays a large part of the Peace Corps volunteers' work. Some of the people of the underdeveloped countries can't write or read and may not even know what a book or a pencil is, so the volunteer must instruct them.

Modern medicine and techniques are probably unknown to some of the people in the underdeveloped countries and therefore the volunteers must instruct them in the basic and correct use of medicines.

Starvation is a killer in most of the underdeveloped countries such as in Biafra. Many villagers in these countries don't understand modern farming methods which could improve their food production.

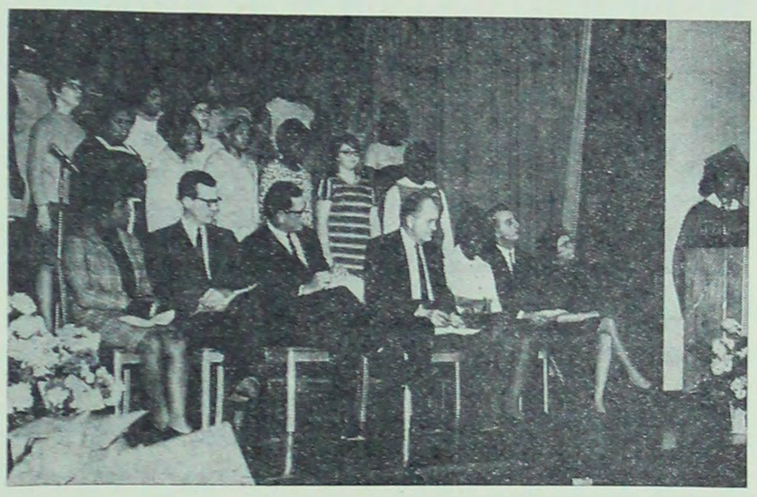
The volunteer helps to instruct the foreign farmer. Now to take a close look at the qualifications of the Peace Corps volunteer. He must be a bright person who can easily learn a foreign language, and also do various manual jobs such as digging wells and latrines.

He must also learn about the history and culture of the foreign country in which he will live for a couple of years. A Peace Corps volunteer must be versatile and be willing to help other people.

Job Corps Becomes a Reality for U.S. Youth

The dreams of Hubert Humphrey became a reality under the administration of the late President John Kennedy. The dream had humanistic appeal because of its strong desire to help fellow men. It would give the young, unskilled, high school drop-out a chance to get that diploma, and either go on to college or learn a skill to get a good job. Industry enthusiastically answered this appeal; Congress passed it. The Job Corps was born.

Under the Federal restrictions for those who are eligible, one can see how the proposal was really designed to help those in need of the services offered, and how it is particularly aimed at those who want help.



SENATOR HUGHES OF Iowa, third from left, was guest speaker at a commencement exercise in the Clinton center.

Each Job Corps enrollee must be between the age of 16 and 21 years old; he must be a citizen or a permanent resident of the United States; he must have been a high school drop-out for at least three months; he must be unable to find or hold an adequate job; he must have had unequal opportunity from having grown up in an impoverished area, and must be in need of a change of environment in order to become a useful and productive citizen.

While the code sounds restrictive to a harsh point, it is surprising to know that Job Corps has helped over 165,000 young men and women in only the first three years of operation.

When a young man or women decides to go to the Job Corps for help, he then enters a new world. He is enrolled in a residential, educational, and work-skill training program that is without parallel in American education. At the 109 Job Corps Centers, everyone receives tutoring and counseling in addition to new instructional techniques and modern equipment, donated by industrial firms in order that the newest and most desperately needed occupations can be filled.

The Job Corps, while depending largely on participation and facilities, relies heavily on instructors who are dedicated and truly interested in those young men and women. The Job Corps has been fortunate in this area especially. It is reflected by one resident worker who stated, "I could have my Ph.D., and it wouldn't mean as much to me as two months here!"

Two success stories of the Job Corps Center at Clinton are particularly interesting. Rosa Lara had a fourth grade education and had a job as a field worker. In only 16 months she completed her training and is now employed as a dental assistant in Bettendorf.

A CLINTON CORPSWOMAN works in the data processing area.

Guadalupe Hernandez, who couldn't work all night and go to school all day, quit as a freshman for her second time. After entering the Job Corps Center at Clinton, she obtained employment at the Rock Island Aresnal.

Former boxing champion, Archie Moore, said of the Job Corps, "I have visited over 25 Job Corps Centers and know the tremendous value this program is to the underprivileged youth of our country. I would like to personally help make this, their 'last Chance,' a success."

Many youths have been helped by this dream of Hubert Humphrey, this dream called the Job Corps.

Afro-American Heritage

Unity Has Brought Blacks Long Way In Equality Fight

by Vicci Marshall

"In unity there is strength" is an old adage and one that has proved and is proving itself true for the Afro-American. The progress he has made has come from uniting behind a leader and/or an idea.

After Emancipation, one of the first men to establish his leadership in the black race was Booker T. Washington. He and his "Tuskeegee Machine" helped the black man take his first step forward, following the infamous "redemption" period of the late 1800's. The founder of Tuskeegee Institute, Washington won the good will of the white community with his extremely conservative doctrine on equality and civil rights, and the black people, needing some sort of leadership, followed him.

During the "Washington Era" the black American made practically no advances, as was to be expected since their leader was as avid a segregationist as most white men of the day. White America, pleased to see the Afro-American confine himself to being a second-rate citizen, helped in every way to keep the black man satisfied in his inferior role.

Many, however, were not satfied. In 1901, W. E. B. DuBois and other members of the "radical" Niagra Movement founded the N. A. A. C. P. This organization was dedicated to the end of violence by whites against blacks, votes for blacks, and the end of flagrantly discriminatory practices. This was the start of the black push for equality and civil rights.

United, the black people have accomplished many things: the reversal of the separate but equal ruling, the Civil Rights Act, the ruling against segregation in public transportation, the open housing laws being passed, the election of blacks and pro-civil rights white men to office on the national, state, and local level.

Black men are now uniting to win another battle, the fight to discover their own identity. Organizations which formerly helped black men in their search for equal rights now help them to know themselves. "Black is Beautiful," "Be Proud of Being Black," the black leadership is saying to black Americans. It is propaganda, of course. The message however, is true. The black man can take pride in what he, united in his desire for equality, his need for recognition, and most of all, in his blackness, has accomplished.

The black man's halting walk toward equality has been down a long, hard road, seemingly made smooth by legislation. Now he must start the journey down the rough road of prejudice. No legislation can pave this road for laws cannot change a heart. White and black must unite now in brotherhood for only mutual respect and good will can make the journey easier. In unity there is peace.

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Rocks In Double Header Tomorrow

The Rocky baseball team will play a double header tomorrow with cross town rival East Moline. The Panthers will host the Rocks.

In future games, the Rocks will host the Maroons on May 6 and the East Moline Panthers on May 9. The Rocks will enter district competition on May 12.

The Rocks posting a 2-8 season record are hungry for a win against the Panthers commented coach Carl Aronson. Senior standouts for the Rocks are; Jeff Reed, Ezel Turner, Mike Crawford, Randy Foreman and Cliff Nice.

In previous action, the Rocks split a double-header, edging Cedar Rapids Washington 8-7 in a morning game and then losing to Cedar Rapids Kennedy 9-1, both in the Mississippi Valley Conference.

In the first game the Rocks scored six runs in the first two innings, then held off the Warriors to pick up the win. Hal Sackfield received the victory for the Rocks.

Kennedy put together four runs in the opening frame and five in the fifth as it handed the Rocks their loss.

In a previous game with Moline, Steve Eckert allowed just one baserunner — a two-out walk to Bruce Walker in the fourth inning — and pitched the first no-hitter of the season. Eckert lead Moline to a 7-0 victory over Rock Island in a game played at Saukie Park.

Instant Replay

by
Lynn Burris

Frightened, scared — this is what sixteen sophomores and juniors felt like on the day of April 3. That night was the initiation of the sophomore and junior lettermen into the Letterman's Club.

The purpose of this initiation was to unite the club into an organized group. Coach Gary Embretson, who sponsors the club, stressed the idea of oneness or unity to all the lettermen who were at the initiation.

These "rugged" letterman were to be ready both mentally and physically for the night's activities. The senior lettermen gave the underclassmen a mental test followed by a physical test. If these "reliable" underclassmes did not know the Letterman's Creed, Motto, or the Constitution, they were given punishment by the senior lettermen.

After all of the strenuous tests were completed each sophomore and junior letterman was interviewed by three prominent men — coachs Gary Embertson, Gary Ackerson, and Principal F. W. Aspedon.

No longer is the winning of the major letter an automatic "open seseme" to the Lettermen's Club. Hopefully, the new requirements for the Lettermen's Club initiation and the wearing of a patch on the letter sweater, will be an inspiring addition to Rocky tradition.

MOLINE TRACKMEN SUCCUMB to Rocky's AFS student Tony Canny, giving the Rocks an easy win in addition to the entire meet.

Rocky Linksters In Full Swing

The Rock Island golf squad started the spring season off against the Alleman Pioneers. They lost this one by a score of 175-163. Low for the Rocks was Jack Clinton with a 41.

On April 8, the Rocks started play in the Quad-City Conference, with the first round being played at the Arsenal. Davenport West took the first round lead with a score of 154. The Rocks were close behind with a score of 156. Following the Rocks were Moline, 158, Davenport Central, 161, and East Moline with a 169.

Medalist for the Rocks was Doug Brown and Bob Bailey, each with 36's. On April 11 the linksters travelled to Clinton for a dual meet with the Clinton River Kings. The Rocks shot a 169 but was not able to beat Clinton as they shot a 160.

On April 14 the Rocks had their duel meet called off because of bad weather. The meet with Assumption was re-scheduled for April 25. On April 15 the second round of the Quad-City was played at Oakwood. The Rocks held on to their second place with a total of 318.

Davenport West widened their lead with a combined score of 310. Doug Brown was medalist for the Rocks again with a score of 36. He was also low for the Quad-City with a two round score of 72. Bob Bailey dropped to third place with a score of 75. The next duel meet for the Rocks was at Bunker Hills in Galesburg. The Rocks came out on the short end of a 8-2 score.

Bob Bailey came in with the low score of 37. The next duel meet came with the Bettendorf Bulldogs. The Rocks shot a 185 to 173 for Bettendorf. The third round of Quad-City was played at Davenport Country Club on April 22. The Rocks remained in second place with West staying in first. On Saturday, May 10 the Rocks will travel to Kewanee in hopes of defending their district title.

Rocky Netmen Look Toward District Win

The district tennis match will begin tomorrow at the Moline tennis courts. The Dixon netters will be at the courts defending their district crown. Also Sterling, "the net crawling" Panthers, the Maroons, and the Rocks will be there giving Dixon a good battle for the 1969 district title.

"There will be six boys entered in the district meet," says coach Bob Motz, "but they can only enter in either singles or doubles, not both." The Islander attack will be led by the Briggs brothers, DeArmond and Steve, Steve Flack, Jeff Emery, Jerry Carstens, and Bob Huffman.

A player must get to the finals in district competition before qualifying to go to the state meet is Champaign. Last year DeArmond Briggs teamed up with John Mordhorst to win the doubles competition in their district, then went on to state to win the doubles competition, while the Rocks placed third as a team.

The Bettendorf Bulldogs, by a 5-4 score, broke the sixty-five game winning streak held by the Rocks. Then the Rock Island netters came back to drop Moline by a 5-2 score. The netmen won the singles in three divisions, then poured it on to down the visiting Maroons. Coach Motz put his one-two combination of DeArmond and Steve Briggs and the three-four combo of Steve Flack-Jeff Emery to win the doubles.

Coach Bob Motz had an "instant replay" by downing Washington by a 4-3 score, the same score as last year. Also while up at Cedar Rapids, the Rocks shut out Kennedy 7-0.

Feminine Netters 1-2-1

The girls tennis team fell before Davenport Central 3-2 in a doubles meet at Duck Creek. Also, the Falcons of Dav. West downed the feminine netters. The girls tied Bettendorf and won their first game of the season against Moline.

Thinclads To Host District; Protect 4-0 Dual Record

Rock Island again hosts the District Track meet Friday, May 9 hoping to retain the championship. The Rocks toughest competition will come from East Moline and Moline with a few other top performers from the other 45 schools entered.

Tom Swan, last year's state mile champ, will compete along with Duane Smith, who has the fastest two mile so far this year.

The Rocks best chances lie with Ken Johnson, Reggie Boswell and Frank Wood in the hurdles, Tony Canny in the half mile, Larry Begyn in the mile. All of these individuals are ranked in the top five at state in their events as are both the 880 and mile relay teams.

4-0 Record

The Islanders so far hold a 4-0 dual record with wins over Davenport Central, Moline, Clinton, and Davenport West.

On April 12, the Rocks competed in the Moline Invitational and finished third with 54 points right behind Chicago Bloom and East Moline. Grabbing the points for the Rocks were Tony Canny, who finished third in the half mile. Larry Begyn, first in the mile and the 880 and mile relays that finished second and third respectively. In the field events Jerry Carpenter and ninth grader, Bob Williams finished fifth in the pole vault and long jump. Reggie Boswell was a double winner in the meet, with a win in the high hurdles and in the 440. Frank Wood captured the low hurdles.

Davenport Relays

The Rocks then traveled to the Davenport Relays and brought home a fourth place trophy with another fine showing. Rock Island's strong two mile relay team was upset by Clinton and finished second in that event. Runners on the two mile relay team were Larry Begyn, Ben Farrar, Ted Larson and Tony Canny. The mile medley team of Kevin O'Hern, Jim Armstrong, Harvey Chaney and Frank Francis finished fourth, and the mile relay of Reggie Boswell, Kevin O'Hern, Larry Begyn and Tony Canny placed third.

Normal Relays

The cindermen journeyed to Bloomington on April 26, for the Normal Relays and carried home a third place trophy.

The track team's next competition will be Saturday, May 2, when they along with 40 other schools travel to Clinton for the 49th annual Gateway Classic.

Freshmen Compete

Much of the team's depth this year comes from the newly addde freshmen. Since their eligibility early this year, they have helped with many dual meet victories.

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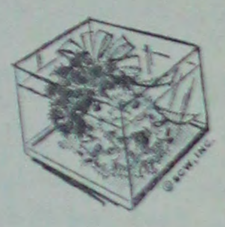

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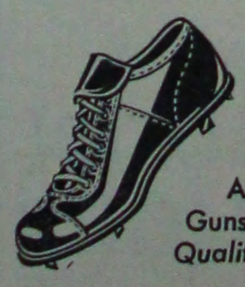

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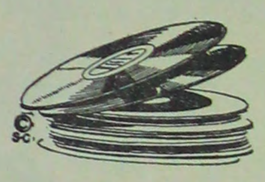

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Taylor, Nelson Are Rotarians During April

The Junior Rotarians chosen for the month of April are Duane Taylor and Alan Nelson. They will attend weekly luncheons sponsored by the Rotary Club.

Duane Taylor, salutatarian of the senior class, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Taylor of 2550 — 32 Street, Rock Island. Duane participates in French Club, Key Club, and AFS. He is also president of the Literary Club. Duane plans to attend the University of Illinois.

Alan Nelson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Nelson of 2439 — 17th Avenue, Rock Island. Alan is a member of the National Honor Society. Besides being the major character in "Where's Charley," the school musical, Alan is a member of Key Club and Chamber Choir. Alan will attend Augustana College with an Illinois State Scholarship upon graduation.

The boys who represent Rock Island high school have been chosen to receive honor in recognition of their outstanding leadership and scholastic achievement.

The Junior Rotarian program sends 16 senior boys from Rocky and 16 boys from Alleman to the club each year.

The Junior Rotarian Club meets every Tuesday afternoon at the Rock Island Y.W.C.A. The Rotary Club is an international organization.

Flood Threatens Area

Building of dikes for flood protection pushed into full swing in the middle of April to protect the Quint-Cities against the rising water of the Mississippi River.

For several days, spectators seemed to be more troublesome than the rising water. Barricades were arranged to keep sightseers away from the water that had covered the highways. Detours had to be set up.

The job of setting up a wall in Andalusia had to be done so quickly that cadets, the Civil Air Patrol, and the Davenport Composite Squadron had to be called out to assist residents with the work.

In order to properly watch the development of the Mississippi, a control center has been set up at the Arsenal fire station. On Arsenal Island, patroling stations were assigned and protective vigil began on a twenty-four hour basis.

National Guard members are patroling certain other areas. Officials have allowed several of the area schools to be dismissed in order to help with the sandbagging.

Officials from Washington D.C. have arrived to survey the problem of the Midwest area. They represent the Environmental Science Services Administration.

They stated that reports sent from the area were quite accurate and they believed the flood was well under control. The reason for the accuracy of the reports from the area is because of computers and special equipment that have been set up for flood protection.

AS THE CREST draws near, the water line can be seen rising about .2 of an inch every six hours.

Preliminary evacuation has been completed. Centers have been set up in order to properly accommodate them. Even with the help of volunteers, National Guard and other troops called in, reports say more sandbaggers are needed. With control of the flood, fewer people and less property will be damaged from the flood waters of the rising Mississippi River in the Spring of 1969.

Encore

"Shine on Brightly" by Procol Harum Provides Consolation for the Youth

by Linnea Johnson

If ever an album were created with the intention of using it in an underground church or guitar mass, nothing could be more appropriate than the second album of the Procol Harum. The group first got its fame from the single "A Lighter Shade of Pale." The atmosphere proclaims that even music must be in a voice of today.

The music of the Procal Harum consoles the youth of today in the same way the music of yesterday consoled those previous generations. Silence pulsates, a meditative air of having taken refuge envelops the listener, and the light of perpetual life "Shines on Brightly."

The highlight of the album, "Shine on Brightly," is an 18 minute composition which intertwines with the philosophical poetry, a brief rengissance of Bach.

"Wallowing in a morass of self-despair
Made only more painful by the knowledge that
All I am is of my own making
At a time like this
That exists perhaps only for me
It is none the less real . . .

While many groups are defended by the statement that they have "depth" in their music, I often question if it is really intended. One does not even question the depth of the Procol Harum. The music says, rephrases, and confirms its philosophies. This is, indeed, rare in popular music today.

The final unique trend of the Procol Harum is their ability to move smoothly, from one train of thought to another. Suspense is constantly mounting to a pinacle and releasing to a contrasting idea, yet it is smooth, both musically and poetically.

The Procol Harum has given consolation, and a source of refuge to the listener. The light "Shines on Brightly."

Spanish V Class Takes Field Trip

Coming soon for fifth year Spanish students is a one day field trip to the Davenport Mennonite church. They will sing Spanish hymns, attend one of the Spanish Sunday school classes, and hear the Reverend Bustos give the sermon in Spanish. The trip is on a voluntary basis. Mr. John Blomberg, language department head, said that the trip has been both enjoyable and educational for students in previous years.

So far this year both fourth and fifth year Spanish students have had a chance to attend several Spanish lectures. A well known Spanish noveltist and author of childrens stories, Ana Maria Matute, spoke at Larson Hall on her life and her profession.

Doctor Norniella of Spain presented a talk at Augustana over Easter vacation. Her lecture was based on Holy Week in Cuba and other customs connected with Easter. About twenty-one students attended and found that they could undersand her Spanish very well.

Gloria Valdez, a student at Marycrest, visited Mr. Blomberg's fifth year classes. She wore her native costume. Her talk was on Spanish dating and fiestas. Later she answered questions about Mexico that the students asked.

Benton's Banalities

Being An Accounte Of Those Events That Are Ignored Bye Lessor Peepul

by Benton McAdams

At 8 P.M. on Friday, April 11, the curtain opened before a house of about 1,000 people for the first performance of **Where's Charley?**, the annual show of the music department of Rock Island high school.

The show ran 2½ hours, and fourteen songs were sung. I am no music critic, but I thought all the songs were well sung. I would say they were well done, but I am not sure they were even cooked. It is open to debate, but I hold out for "I Can't Believe It" as the most entertaining song, and for "Pernambusco" as the most stimulating.

The singing was good, but the acting was not up to that of other high school productions I have seen. In spite of that there were many funny moments in the show.

I have been censored, so there is nothing else I can say about the musical. Let's just let it lay with, "I liked it."

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I've got a few lines left to use up. Did you hear about this character that went hunting with his friends? His name was Ira Nosepicker, and he was on vacation from his job at the Kneenex factory.

At any rate, he separated from his buddies, and after a few hours he noticed he was alone. He was also lost, and he was deathly afraid of being eaten by a wolf. His greatest fear was a wolf who was angered when someone stepped on his tail. This was the steppenwolf.

Ira remembered that his friends had agreed to fire three shots in the air if anyone needed help. Ira did so. Nobody came, so Ira fired three more shots. He fired every hour until it got dark.

GLORIA DEVACHT AND Dawn Cole rehearse for the annual musical.

Being scared of the dark, Ira prayed to a pagan diety, who must, because of censorship, remain nameless, and set out walking. After several hours he finally found his friends. He accosted them. ($4.98 apiece).

"Hey, why did you not come to my assistance?"

"Why, whatever do you mean, Ira of the picked nose?"

"I was lost, and fired three shots every hour and you did not come. It was only by the grace of the pagan diety, who must remain nameless, that I found you."

"Why did you not stay put and fire more shots?"

"I ran out of arrows."

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