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The Crimson Crier

Good Night Knights

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Black Hawk College Bond Vote Nears

To enable Black Hawk to continue to offer high quality education, the College in Moline is asking for a 7¢ increase in the taxes for the college to continue to operate and to continue its open door policy.

On December 2, the voters in the Black Hawk College District will vote on a bond for an increase of 7¢ per $100 on personal property taxes.

The college needs this money so that they may keep their open door policy to all students. Without a raise in the tax, the school will have to accept students on a grade basis. Many students who would normally have the chance to go to college would be denied this right.

Also, according to officials, if the referendum does not pass, the Black Hawk district will merge with the district in Galesburg. This would mean an increase in the taxes no matter what the voters want, and the cost for Junior College would go up. The district in Galesburg is now asking for more than what Black Hawk is asking with the increase.

A spokesman for Black Hawk said they are not asking for money to pay for buildings since the buildings are paid for. They are asking for money so that they may operate under its open door policy. Without this the state will limit its acceptance of students.

ADLAI STEVENSON III, Ilinois State Treasurer, appeared in the high school cafeteria at the chili supper for the candidacy of William Armstrong for Con-Con delegate. Here he stops to chat with the Candidate and party worker Linnea Johnson.

Adlai Stevenson III Speaks Out On Challenges of Today at RIHS

Adlai Stevenson III. Illinois State Treasurer and candidate for the Democratic nomination to the U.S. Senate in 1970 spoke at a chili supper sponsored by Citizens for William Armstrong in the Rock Island high school cafeteria on the evening of November 11.

Stevenson, whose father was the United State's ambassador to the United Nations and whose grandfather once served as Vice-president, mentioned the problems of the Middle East, Biafra, and the nuclear arms race.

Although he could not separate himself from his office, he said he felt it his duty as a public citizen to become involved in the constitutional convention election. He stated that 1970 will be a critical year and could be the turning point in regard to the country's political direction.

"I'm afraid we can't expect reform from the Republican party of Richard Nixon, Spiro Agnew, Strom Thurman and Richard Olgivie, to name a few." In a lighter vain Stevenson quipped, "I've always liked Republicans. I was raised with them, used to go to school with them, and even practiced law with them. I trust them for anything but political office."

Stevenson stated that he feels the constitutional convention offers a chance to streamline a government that was fashioned in the 19th century.

In regard to the next U.S. Senator from Illinois, the treasurer said, "I have some notions on who that fellow should be, but modesty prevents me from saying anything more than that."

Top Five Percent Named

The top five percent of Rock Island high school's class of 1970 was anounced by the Principal, Harold Voyles, November 10.

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

These students included in the top five percent are Mary Jane Anderson, Linda Armstrong, Elodie Arnett, Arthur Breck, Peggy Bull, Annette Burlingame, Al Doyle, Sheryl Greve, Paul Grossman, Christopher Hegg, Donald Hentrich, Joy Herron, Bonnie Hintz, Melodie Maisenbach, Vickie Marshall.

Also Robert Martensen, Pamela Mason, Daniel Murphy, Ann Osborn, Diane Potter, John Robison, Patrick Ryan, John Salstrom, Patricia Schachel, Rebecca Sears, Jeffrey Seidel, Thomas Shay, Carita Stevens, Barbara Sullivan, Steven Telford, Sandra Thomas, Christine Thompson, Susan Weeks, Barbra Weisenborn, Susan Wolff.

This year Rocky has thirty-five members in its top five percent. These thirty-five constitute five percent of 687 students.

There are twenty-two girls and thirteen boys in this group of honor students.

Last year Rocky had thirty-two members in its top five percent, an increase of three. Last year's five percenters were divided evenly at sixteen boys and sixteen girls which is very unusual.

The announcement of the top five percent members of the class of 1970 as of the sixth semester was received by the teachers in their boxes on November 10. This announcement was not expected to be released at this time.

THE TOP 5% of the graduating class of 1970, take a few moments to pose for The Crimson Crier.

Armstrong Wins Con-Con Election

William R. Armstrong, Rock Island. high school history teacher and debate coach, was elected as one of two delegates from the 43rd State Senatorial District to the Illinois Constitutional Convention in the November 18 general election.

Armstrong received the second highest number of votes with 9,915. Lewis D. Wilson received 11,936; Seymour Golden, 8,589; and Keith Johnson, 7,879.

The election puts Armstrong in a favorable position for nomination as Democratic candidate for state senator in 1970.

Matriculation Record Is Up To Sixty-two Percent Now

Approximately 62 percent or 400 out of 645 members of the class of 1969 matriculated. This is the highest percentage of students continuing to college from Rocky in the school's history. This report was released by Mr. Charles B. Dyson, counselor at Rock Island high school, on October 24.

In Mr. Dyson's report, he stated that sixty-nine students in the class of 1969 received scholarships of varying amounts. The total dollar value of these scholarships amount to $193,085.00. Thirty-one students received financial aid under the Illinois Commission Grant Program which amounts to another $21,876.50. So, at the time of Mr. Dyson's report, the class of 1969 has received financial aid in the form of scholarships and grants amounting to $214,961.50.

This year 3.5 percent more students were shown to have matriculated than in the last year's report on the class of 1968.

Mr. Dyson's report, which was written to Charles O. Austin Jr., Superintendent of Schools, members of the Board of Education, faculty of Rock Island high school, and interested persons, included a detailed list of the colleges and universities the students of the class of 1969 are now attending. The report also showed the past eighteen years' percentages of matriculation.

At the end of his report, Mr. Dyson closed with the following paragraph: "In comparing the Class of 1969 with previous classes that have graduated from Rock Island School System it is apparent that the traditional excellent quality of college preparation is still being achieved. This is to the credit of students, faculty, and community alike and from all observations will undoubtedly continue in the future."

Video Tape Recorder Is New A-V Aid for Schools

The Rock Island school system has purchased a $3200 Video Tape Recorder this year. The V.T.R. (Video Tape Recorder) consists of a microphone, a video recorder, a monitor, and a camera.

Mr. George McMaster, Audio-Visual Director, demonstrated the V.T.R. to the various area A-V representatives on October 23, 28, 29. He also demonstrated it to the elementary, junior, and senior high staffs on November 4, 5, 6, 18, 19, 20. The staffs and A-V representatives learned how to use and care for the V.T.R.

Mr. McMaster explained that the V.T.R. was easy to operate and useful to the area schools. The V.T.R. can be used to tape class demonstrations, discussions, or even television programs and films.

The camera can film without artificial lighting, is perfectly balanced, can take wide angle shots as well as close-ups, and can pan and be raised or lowered on its tripod with wheels.

The V.T.R. microphone is a pressure microphone which compensates somewhat for the distance between the speaker and the mike itself. This will enable the teacher to re-record class discussions without making the students come up to the microphone if they have a point.

The V.T.R. recorder is synchronized with the comera. The recorder can use two microphones. It is possible to record the sound track with the same picture. The recorder has a fast forward on it and can count the footage of recorded tape.

The problems which will hinder the V.T.R. include the shining of sunlight directly on the camera, and the noise which is produced by the heaters in the rooms which could impair the voice reproduction on the recording.

The V.T.R. has numerous cords which have to be attached to it in order to start taping. Student assistants will aid teachers with their first production. Many attachments which will expand the V.T.R.'s efficiency are available.

Pan-American League And Art Classes Take Day Trips

During the month of November the Pan-American League and the art classes went on one day trips to Park Forest and Chicago.

On November 22, approximately 25-30 art students, the first pick went to the Art III classes and then it was opened to other art classes, went to the Chicago Art Institute to see Rembrandt sketches. The bus left Rocky at 6:30 a.m. and arrived back between 8:30 and 9:30 that night. The cost of the trip was $10 per student and Mr. Richard Klatt, Mr. Charles White, and Mrs. Joyce Duewel accompanied as chaperones.

This was the second trip the art classes have taken. Their first was to the Davenport Art Gallery on Thursday, October 9, to view a display of modern architecture.

Also on November 22, 40 members of the Pan-American League left Rocky at 11:00 a.m. for Park Forest, Illinois, to view a Spanish play, Mi Adorado Juan, given by members of the Spanish class at the Rich Township high school.

The play is a mild satire on the extremes of life — those who live the hurried materialistic life and the carefree happy existence of the Spaniard whose philosphy may be "Que sera, sera."

The cost of the trip was $4.25, with the tickets for the play being $1.50. The money the Spanish National Honor Society has earned from these plays have helped send 18 members to Mexico to study. Some studied in Durango and Guadalajara this past summer.

74 Semi-Finalists Chosen by Illinois State Program

The semi-finalists of the Illinois State Scholarship program were announced recently. A total of seventy-four students of 687 were selected.

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

The following students have qualified for the Illinois State Scholarship program: William Abel, Elodie Arnett, Lawrence Barker, Debra Bennett, Carlene Bingaman, Lauren Boyd, Arthur Breck, Peggy Bull, Debra Bunch, Annette Burlingame, Michael Campbell, Jerry Carpenter, Marie Carson, Scott Caulpetzer, Jan Cockrill, Joan DeBarr, Randy Doyle, Deirdre Epperly, Jayme Gallagher.

And Sheryl Greve, Richard Grossell, Paul Grossman, Deborah Hammen, David Hayden, Lynel Hedquist, David Heinze, Dan Henry, Donald Hentrich, Bonnie Hintz, Robert Huffman, Chris Janecke, Jacki Kenney, Adena Kershner, Martin Leftstein, Vicki Marshall, Robert Martensen, Jeffery Martin, Pamela Mason, Paul Mayes, Edward McKenna, Mark McKissick.

Mark McMillan, Emily Moen, Ann Moskowitz, Dan Murphy, Steve Nagel, James Olson, Ann Osborn, Diane Potter, Pam Rogers, Jeff Romeo, Patrick Ryan, Hal Sackfield, John Salstrom, Nancy Schneider, Sara Schwiebert, Deborah Rebecca Sears, Jeffery Seidel, Beci Senske, Thomas Shay, Susan Sherrard.

Also, Benton Stecher, Doug Stelling, Deborah Stone, Teresa Swale, Steven Telford, Sandra Thomas, Teresa Thomson, Charles Ulfig, Joe Ullman, Craig Ward, Karen Wickwire, Karen Williams, and Susan Wolff.

Friendship Throughout The World Makes It

A number of Rocky students will soon be receiving in the mail a congratulations for being chosen to go on the 1970 People-to People High School Student Ambassador Program. This program has been carried on in the Quad-Cities since 1966.

The People-to-People program is nation-wide. President Eisenhower conceived this program in 1956 after he returned from a world-wide tour. He perceived in his tour the desire of people to communicate with and, thereby to better understand the people of America.

Numerous People-to-People exchanges have been carried out, such as athletic contests, group tours, music festivals, and letter exchanges. Some specific People-to-People activities are the Ship Hope, the Sister City Program, and Pen Pals.

In 1966 the first High School Student Ambassador Program was introduced in the Midwest. This program is international in scope and staff experts worked for seven years to set up a program that would best fit the needs and desires of high school students. In 1966 Mrs. Beulah L. Sandway, Washington Junior High School, was teacher-leader for the Quad-City area group.

WHILE IN GERMANY, the students had the opportunity to view the Brandenburg Gate, entrance to East Berlin.

The outstanding features of this program — it is not just a sight-seeing tour but also a study program and an opportunity to actually live with foreign families for a few days. The trip includes a tour of 10-12 countries so it is a much more comprehensive tour than other programs offered.

This coming summer there will be a three day briefing in Washington, D.C. The first country visited will be London.

The other three homestays are in Greece, Holland and Austria. There will also be a two day cruise of the Greek Islands. A day will be spent visiting Vatican City and the Basillica of St. Peter. Students will also travel through and stay in at least one communist country.

During free time, students can go shopping, sightseeing on their own or just walk around and meet new people.

Mrs. Sandway says that anyone interested in further information on this tour should contact her at W.J.H.S. or phone 786-7048.

Red Letter Days

November

27—No School

28—No School, B.B. Assumption There, Rock Island Swim Relay Here

29—B.B. Auburn Here, Wrestling — Quadrangular — Alleman

December

1—"B" B.B. Assumption here, 7:00, Report Cards

4—Alleman B.B. — Galesburg

5—B.B., E. Moline Here, Hanukkah, "Atomic World" Assembly

6—Science Seminar 9-11:30, Chem. Let. Rm., Wrestling Davenport Invitational, "B" B.B. Clinton Here, 10:00, Swim, Guilford There

6-7—Tri-City Symphony with Franco Hulli, violinist

9—Swim, Moline There 7:00

11—Wrestling — West Here 7:00

Black Hawk College Issue Decides Community's Future

Thousands of Quad-Cities' youths are actively involving themselves in an upcoming election which will determine to a large extent the educational future of the community. Moreover, the Black Hawk referendum next Tuesday, is of utmost importance to you as a student, no matter what your personal plans may be.

One hundred ninety-two of Rocky's 1969 graduates, about 30 per cent of those who matriculated are continuing their educations at Black Hawk this year. The current yearly cost of attending Black Hawk is about $400 compared with $2,000 to $4,000 a year to attend college away from this area.

Black Hawk is currently operating on an inadequate budget set up by the voters in 1961. A similar referendum was rejected last year because of voter apathy. If the proposal is rejected again this year, the college will be forced to close its open-door policy and cut enrollment in half.

To the taxpayer approval of the referendum will mean a mere seven cents per $100 assessed valuation or an average of seven dollars per taxpayer per year.

To the community it will mean continued low-cost, high-quality academic and technical-vocational education for anyone who wants it.

Rocks Are Area's No. 1 School In Academics As Well As Football

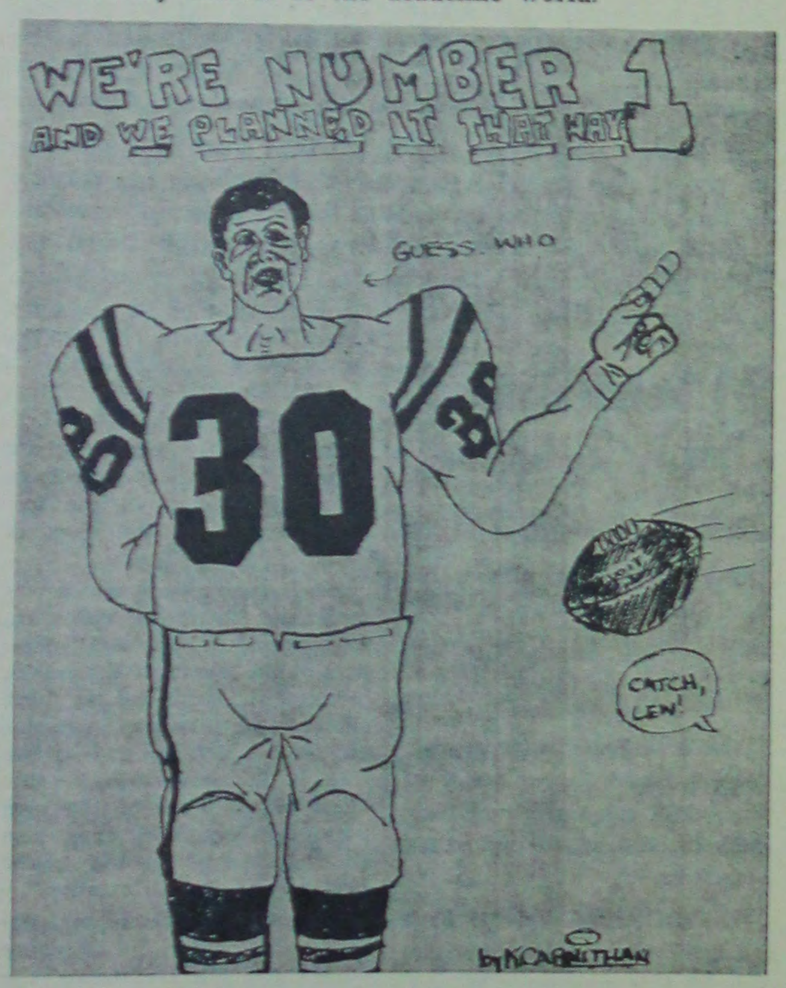
The fall semester of the 1969-70 school year has brought many honors to the class of '70. Recognized by most as the greatest honor is being undefeated in football, being Number One. Indeed this accomplishment merits the recognition of the community.

To recognize the football squad, the 46 teammates were introduced individually at a special assembly in which the superintendent of schools spoke in their honor.

Although being Number One in football is quite a noteworthy accomplishment, this athletic feat should not take precedence over the academic achievements at Rock Island.

Although they have received little mention, Rocky's scholars, the forgotten Americans so to speak, are also Number One this year. Of the schools in the Quad-City conference (a reliable yardstick of accomplishment), Rock Island high school has tied with Davenport Central for first place with seven National Merit scholars, five more than last year.

In the scramble to adulate the athlete let us not forget the silently working scholars who also bring fame to Rocky in the lofty realms of the academic world.



Pioneer RI Cemetery Is Over Century Old

by Linda Prather

One of the oldest cemeteries in Rock Island is also one of the least visited. It sits on the Old Blackhawk Road, just one block north of the present-day highway and is bordered on the east by 44th Street. The cemetery is only ½ acre in size and contains the graves of approximately 20 persons. The 140 square feet of land is a private burial plot started 128 years ago and is named after the person who had created it, William Carr.

The William Carr Cemetery began in 1841 because Eliza Jane Carr, the wife of William Carr, wished to be buried in a cemetery and there was none near. In fact, the only white people in the area were a group of soldiers stationed on what is today Arsenal Island.

William Carr and his two brothers originally passed through the area on their way to Galena from Beardstown. William returned, became friends with Chief Black Hawk and the trfbe of Sauk and Fox which occupied the area then and began farming near the Rock River.

WILLIAM CARR CEMETERY dreams away the late fall afternoons as the bustle of the Quad-Cities by-passes it.

At first the cemetery was surrounded only by a white fence. That was replaced by a wire woven type, and in 1869 the plot was incorporated as a cemetery by William Carr. In 1940, the grounds were further improved when the wire fence was taken down and an iron one put up in its place. A sign was also erected over the entrance which read "The William Carr Cemetery."

The number of graves in the cemetery is not certain since some have no stone while others do. The burial place is divided into two sections. On the western side is the Carr family while the eastern section belongs to the Stewart Hoon family. Hoon, a neighbor of Carr's, became friends with him, and was allowed to share the burial plot with the Carr family. The first person to be buried was Eliza Jane Carr for whom the plot was designated. In 1870, William Carr died and was buried there also.

Since then members of the Carr family whose final resting place was this cemetery include John Carr, who served in the 37th Illinois Volunteer Infantry during the Civil War; Eliza's daughter in 1930; her grandson, Will, in 1955; and a seven year old girl whose grave is only marked by a large red stone which was carried from the Rock River to the cemetery.

Buried in the Hoon section is Stewart Hoon. He also had three wives who are believed to be buried near his grave. In 1945, Mrs. Anna Steiger, a member of the Hoon family was buried next to her husband.

The cemetery has belonged respectively to each generation of the Carr family. When Will Carr died in 1955, the cemetery became the sole property of Miss Laura Lukens, his sister and also the granddaughter of Eliza Carr. She was assisted in its upkeep by her nephew, Richard Welch, however, and it seems he will be the next in the long line of owners.

Aksel's Epiks

Nazi Secrets Are Revealed In New Novel

by Aksel Epik

It would certainly be unjust and incorrect to classify Helen MacInness new novel, **The Salzburg Connection,** as an ordinary mystery novel.

Miss MacInnes, the great mystery writer, has created another breath-taking novel of suspense to add to her long list of successes.

The setting this time is the beautiful and peaceful country of Austria. The innocent and serene community near the Lake of Darkness is thrown into a whirlpool of terror and violence when the murder of a freelance photographer is committed near the lake.

Bill Mathison, a young New York lawyer, in a very short time is caught in the international web of espionage including the major world powers and ex-Nazis, all in search of a chest containing old Nazi files. The chest was sunk in the lake by the retreating Nazis at the end of World War II. Mathison does not go unchallenged.

The Russians have assigned their most capable and daring spy Elissa Lang to obtain the lost documents. He is also pursued by a band of ruthless ex-Nazis who are trying to establish a new Nazi nation.

Helen MacInnes once more has created a long and elaborate plot woven with romance and suspense. The narrative is excellent and flowing. As in her previous novels she has based **The Salzburg Connection** on a factual story in short, its a great novel of international espionage.

Dashiki Shirts Now In

by Aksel Epik

In the past few months there has been a revolution in the male clothing, ranging from the conventional three button suits to the informal every day clothes.

The wide spread change in men's clothing swept RIHS, its evidence clearly seen with the increasing number of students wearing bell bottom trousers, scarves and pin-striped shirts and pants. Boys have been able to keep up with the fads without going against the school's dress code.

The most frequently seen items in the school, are pin striped shirts, bell bottom pants with large belts and shoes with big buckles.

Something that is new in the shirt department is the dashiki. The dashiki is a slip-over shirt from Africa. It's a shirt that is very comfortable and highly original in the school.

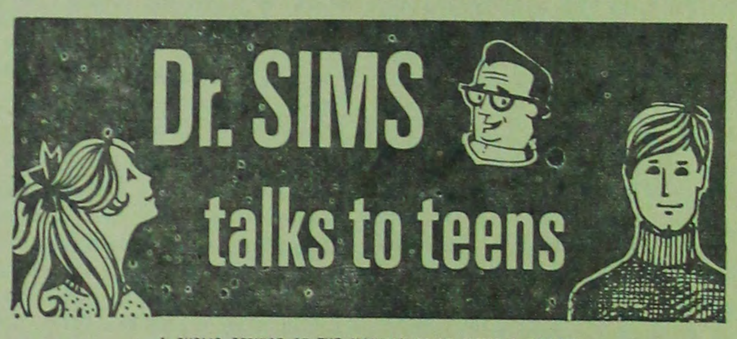
In formal wear, the three button suit is slowly being discarded and replaced with the Edwardian eight button suit. With the color barrier being broken, now it's possible to wear formal clothes in bright or soft pastel colors.

This year there has been a marked absence of the turtleneck shirt. This was a result of by the tie manufacturers protesting the absence of the tie in modern clothing. But it seems very likely that they will go on another campaign soon with the increasing popularity of the Apache scarves introduced by Bill Blass.

CASUAL CLOTHES WORN by boys are displayed by George Guy and Brad Appier, seniors at RIHS.

In the shoe scene the word is buckle. Buckles have made it big in both formal and informal shoes. The variety in color has increased. In addition to the black and brown — blue, green, and purple has been added.

Although some of the new fashions are far out, the key word is casual and informal.



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THE EASY WAY OUT?

Everyone knows the story of Bill, or some one like him.

When Bill was a teenager he was offered a marijuana cigarette during a party "just for kicks." One year later, Bill experimented with pills. Finding that these drugs also lost their punch after a few months use, Bill turned to hard narcotics — heroin and cocaine. Today he is a hopeless drug addict, slave to a habit that costs him $30 a day.

What do you have in common with Bill? Not a thing — now.

But let's go back a few years. Like most teenagers, Bill was well aware of the potential dangers of marijuana. Yet he accepted that first "reefer" because he thought it would be his last. What's the harm in just one, he thought.

But one led to another, and soon Bill was smoking "pot" frequently. He liked the feeling of self confidence the drug gave him. By clouding his mind with drugs, he thought he could "psych-up" for important exams or relax before being dates. Needless to say, he failed the exams and flopped on the dates. These failures only added to his anxiety, so he took more and stronger drugs to escape.

THE EASY WAY OUT?
Add one and last

Bill thought he could stop taking drugs whenever he wanted, until he tried. What he didn't realize was that many mind-changing drugs, although not physically addictive, make the users pyschologically dependent on them. Drugs offered Bill an easy way out for anything he confronted. But in reality, he never solved the problem, he only postponed and added to it.

Bill's problems were like the problems of most teenagers. He was faced with new responsibilities and concerns. He worried about studies and dating. There were pressures from school, friends and parents.

Had he faced his problems squarely, he could have managed them. Most teenagers do. Instead he took what seemed like an easy way out, but found a dead end street.

Letters

Dear Editor:

I feel obliged to write this letter in protest of the administration's uncalled-for action in response to "Senior Grub Day." The students dressed in "unappropriate" clothes in an attempt to recognize Halloween and have some harmless fun.

This dress did not disrupt any classroom activities and I personally know of no teacher complaints. These students did not infringe on any other's right. The reason for any punishment received for this dress was because of the infraction of the dress code rules.

These rules are not clear. No student can decide if his dress conforms to the "norm" when the "norm" is decided arbitrarily by a group of administrators who are not attuned to the feelings of the students. Rules and restrictions are very hard to conform with if they are unknown to the student body.

The most obvious problem presented by "Grub Day" was the apparent lack of communication among the administrators and the teachers. The punishment of these students who were dressed unsuitably was not uniform. Since these students were to be punished, this action should have been consistent. The student body loses any faith they have in their administrators when a bad rule is unjustly enforced.

Finally this action and the "Dress Code" — such as it is — are insults to the intelligence of the students. I would like to think that students who will be on their own next year at least have the intelligence to chose their own dress. Since there is no apparent, logical reason behind the administration's condemnation of this apparel, their unreasonable reaction had little impetus.

Sincerely,
Sheryl Greve

Editor's note: We assure you that Mr. Voyles is no more pleased with the dress code as it now stands that you are. He has stated publicly that he feels a good school dress code should allow students to control their own dress to a large extent. He is in favor of activities such as Grub Day, but believes they should be organized by the school senate. Let's give our new principal a break. As we become better acquainted with Mr. Voyles, we may find his policies to be more amenable to the desires of the student body than we have thought possible.

Trade Winds

It seems as though the Moratorium in itself was not confined to just the states on October 15. Students at Kaiserlauten American high school in Germany, despite school regulations staged a protest to the same effect of those held here in the states. An estimated 150 students participated in the peaceful demonstration carrying signs, chanting slogans, and protest songs. They, at one time, gathered on the grass of the school campus, set and exchanged their views concerning the Vietnam Conflict.

A teacher of the humanities course, Mr. Carl Dwight, spoke to students on the background of the Vietnam struggle. This was not limited to the protesters. According to the school paper, The Raider, **the auditorium was packed to the brim with interested students.**

The Little Dodger, from Fort Dodge, Iowa, took a survey from schools around their area (The Big Eight Conference) to find out what their rulings were on the students' appearance and groming. It was evident that the schools in the Big Eight have some variation in their dress codes. Five of the schools have a somewhat official code and two of the schools have no specific regulations.

One school out of the eight has a code not unlike those which many student bodies are trying to establish. —"Girls may wear slacks, boys need not wear socks, mustaches and beards are allowed, and skirt length is determined by the individual." The school, incidentally, is in Mason City, Iowa.

The Key, from United Township high school in East Moline, Illinois, made mention of a United States Peace Festival supposedly to be held in August of 1970. The plans and preparations are underway in hope to avoid the problems that were present at the Woodstock Festival. The purpose of this Festival is to bring the government and youth together.

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Cagers, Tankers, Grapplers To Start On '69 Winter Round of Competition

by Jim Manson

According to coaches and team members, this year's basketball, swimming, and wrestling teams are going to improve over last season.

Coach Bob Riley says the basketball team will be good, but young. He also stated the team will be better once the season gets under way.

Returning lettermen are junior center Bruce Hamming and senior guards Duncan Fallon and Tom Scott. Also returning from last years squad are Joe Yahn and Steve Herrington. Returning from last year's sophomore basketball team are Barry Barnes, Tom Pirrman, Steve Briggs, Lonnie Boyd, Tim Jacks, Steve Fenton, Vern McCullogh and Ralph Albritton.

Coach Riley says the top ten are alphabetically Barry Barnes, Lonnie Boyd, Steve Briggs, Steve Brown, John Conway, Duncan Fallon, Steve Fenton, Bruce Hamming, Tom Pirrman and Tom Scott.

These ten basketball players have the best chance of cracking the first string lineup. Riley also expects some football players out for the team.

Rock Island's cagers will open their 1969-1970 season against Assumption November 28. Their first home game will be played November 29 against Rockford Auburn.

Star swimmer Jon Duyvejonck stated that the upcoming swim season looks to be an interesting one, for both the team and the fans.

The toughest schedule yet has been set. Many of the meets are with tough Chicago area teams and one is with the Iowa state champs. The Rocks will open their official season with the Thanksgiving Relays, at the Rocky pool at 3 p.m. on November 28.

Since a swimmer may now swim two individual events and one ralay, because of a new state rule, there will be greater depth. The team will have three returning All-American swimmers from last year, Keith Gilliam, Bob Lohmeier and Jon Duyvejonck. Other returning lettermen are Scott Boxman, Wolfgand Krismantis, Todd Anderson and Ted Brown. Jeff Kolinchinsky, John Chappell and Lee Brostrom are a few juniors expected to help greatly. A couple of promising sophomores are North Jersild and Mark Greenleaf. The Dolphins will have great depth and experience in their favor.

Junior wrestler Marty Davis commented that this year's wrestling team looks very promising. Coaches Chester Schultz, Walter Gerber and Donald DeTaye are working hard to develop champions.

There has been a change in the weight divisions this year. Some of the returning stars from last year's team are Ron Banks and Rick Bevans, who advanced to the state sectionals and Rick Gibson and Bennie Blakeny, who placed in District last year. Del Newton and Ron Muskevalley are promising sophomores.

TAKING A HANDOFF from quarterback Rick Bevans, Lew Miskowicz is on his way for a long run in the Burlington game. Blocking for Miskowicz are Chuck Seyb (82) and Ed Dye (54). Waiting for a possible lateral is Bob Johnson (40).

We're No. 1

Islanders Bask In Glory Of The Undefeated Season

by Mike Weindruch

Capping the school's first perfect season in nine years, the Rocks defeated the Clinton River Kings 27-21 on November 7. The last Rock Island squad to post an unbeaten record was the 1960 team, under the direction of H. V. "Shorty" Almquist. His players also captured nine wins.

The Rocks first victory was against a tough Rockford West team. The Islanders took an early lead of 21-7, but Rockford scored three late touchdowns to take a seven point advantage with less than two and one half minutes remaining to play.

Senior quarterback, Jerry Carpenter, came off the bench and threw three completed passes, the last of which for the TD that left the Rocks within a single point. Lew Miskowicz skirted right end for the two point conversion and the Islanders were on their way.

The next week, the gridders traveled to Moline. Behind the strong running of Miskowicz and Bob Johnson the Rocks came up with a 20 to 13 win.

Assumption, a pre-season favorite, was the Islanders next victim. The Rocks rolled up 328 yards on the ground to defeat the Knights by a 27-13 count.

Alleman and Davenport West, two of the Rocks easier opponents, were defeated 35-0 and 20-0 by the Rocks.

The gridders had a more difficult time of defeating East Moline and the Blue Devils from Davenport Central. The Panthers played a very strong defensive game before they fell to the Islanders, 6-0.

On October 24, the Rocks faced Davenport Central for the championship of the Quad-City Conference. This time the Rocks defense took over, stopping Blue Devil drives three times in the final quarter. After coming from behind three separate times, the Islanders won by a single point, 22 to 21.

Leading ground gainer for the Rocks was all-conference fullback Lew Miskowicz with 878 yds. on 144 carries for a 6.1 average. He was followed closely by Junior halfback Bob Johnson who had a 6.9 average. Johnson totaled 566 yards in 81 tries.

Cross Country Team Is Honored At Banquet In School Cafeteria

The cross country team was given a banquet on Thursday, November 6, at seven o'clock in the Rock Island high school cafeteria. At the banquet, Mr. Hod Lundeen, the cross country team's coach, awarded honors to the runners who earned them by their work and skill.

The runners who were recognized as being able harriers and earned their major letter were Melvin Stetson (cross country team's captain), Frank Frances, Carl Mattson, Larry Williamson, John Osborn, Chris Hegg, Bennie Blakney, and Rich Haney (manager).

Harriers whose abilities demonstrated their reasons for winning their minor letters were David Hanson, Fred Jacks, Tom Skafidas, Carl Jacobs, Mike Jackson, and Karl Metz.

Sophomore students who were given awards for their abilities included Chris Maisenback, Al Hanson, Ken Tschappat, Dave Willets, Carl Aronson, and John Schweibert.

Twenty cross country team members, altogether, were honored at the banquet. The formal, about two hour long, banquet, which was given to honor the Rock's cross country harriers, brought to a close still another cross country season here at Rock Island high school.

Jelly Beans, Candy Bars For Winners

The First Annual Johnstone Memorial Steeplechase was held on Friday October 31 in the boys' gym. This is a fete in which an athlete's all-round ability is tested.

The steeplechase is a series of running, swimming, jumping hurdles, hopping and basketball.

Assisting Physical Education Head, Jim Johnstone, was student teacher Tom Schmulbach.

Winners in each class received a bag of jelly beans each as their reward while second and third place finishers were given candy bars.

In the second period, Larry Williamson came in first with Joe Weeks in second place. Third period winner, Jack Downing, was followed closely to the finish line by Rick Lewis and Tom Skafidas.

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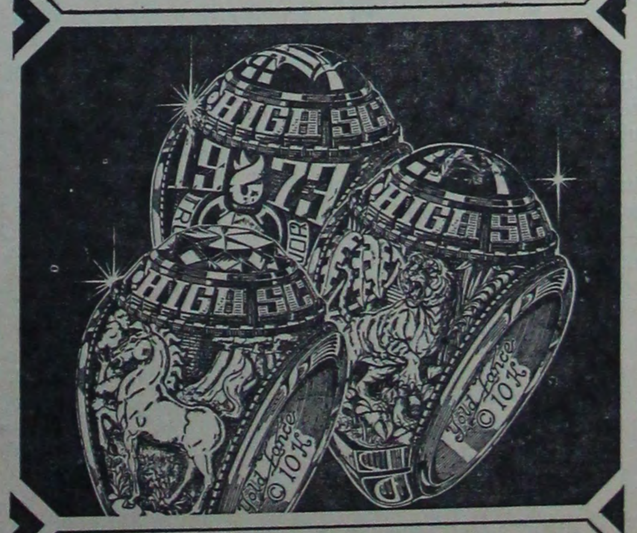

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Quip Carson Writes Again

This Third Epistle Makes Andy a Three-Letter Man

by Marie Carson

Dear Andy,

The other day I bought a little plastic "Build-A-High School" kit. It has everything. Even a student at the office counter with cobwebs on his arms and legs. I lost the piece to the concourse stairs so I used a bottleneck.

That Turkish kid Aksel has oily hair. I guess you could call is Aksel grease.

My phys-ed teacher, Miss Emmajean, has so much class she calls the gym a "james". The other day she told us we'd have to start taking showers with soap because we smell. I took her aside and explained to her that the best way to keep her students from smelling is to cut off their noses. My doctor says the bandages can come off next week.

I've been losing weight. Now I can walk in the rain and not even get wet.

I don't believe that article in Live magazine about Paul McCartney being alive. I mean, what are mere photographs next to conclusive evidence like black roses and numbers in the stars?

All the hamburger restaurants are coming out with these double-decker hamburgers and charging extra for meat they should have given you in the first place.

I signed up for a memory course but when I went to the first session they said if I remembered to come, I didn't really need the course.

They got some new chairs in the cafeteria. Right away they got some boys from detention to beat the corners so that they'll be rough enough to snag our stockings.

Well, I guess I'll watch some TV. We get three stations here so that means on Sundays you can watch football, football, or football.

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HUMAN RELATIONS CLUB officers, Melvin Grimes, Randy Doyle, Vicci Marshall, and Kathy Books discuss the club's tutoring program.

Rocky Students Offered Tutoring Help by the Human Relations Club

The Human Relations Club, established to promote better understanding between racial groups, has decided that they will help promote educational equality among the students at Rocky.

Any Rock Island high school student who is having difficulty in a course can see Mr. Oestreich in room 119 or come to the next meeting of the Human Relations Club.

Also, if a student has completed a course and would like to volunteer to help someone else can do so. The tutoring service will be free.

Tutoring will be at two locations — Rock Island high school in the morning before regular classes convene from eight to nine a.m. and in the evening after school from four to five p.m. and from seven to nine p.m.

The other location will be the Second Baptist Church at Sixth Avenue and Tenth Street, Rock Island. Classes at the church will be only in the evening from four to five p.m. and from seven to nine p.m.

The group is sponsored by Mr. Oestreich. Two officers were elected at the last meeting on Thursday, November 13. They were Randy Doyle, vice-president, and Vicci Marshall, treasurer. The two officers who were previously elected were Melvin Grimes, president and Kathy Books, secretary.

Drama Club Play Presented Last Friday In Auditorium

by Marie Carson

The annual Drama Club Play was presented on Friday November 21 in the Rock Island high school auditorium at 8 p.m. The play chosen for this year's production was **My Three Angels** by Sam and Bella Spewack.

The play was based on Albert Husson's La Cuisine De Anges **and featured Peter Soderberg, a sophomore, John Bevill, a senior, and Dan Murphy, also a senior, in the title roles as three convicts, Joseph, Jules, and Alfred, around whom the story revolves.**

My humble opinion of this play is that it was noticably better than the productions of last year. This is partly true because of Mr. F. Eugene Malcolm's methods of direction and organization.

Also, most committee chairmen were seniors or juniors and most members of the cast had had previous theatrical experience.

The play was cast, directed, and organized by Mr. Malcolm who this year became Rocky's speech teacher and drama director. Others who worked on the production of **My Three Angels** were John Bevill, set crew chairman, and Vickie Enburg, who was stage manager.

Working on lights were Pete Schmidt and Scott McAdams. Chairman of publicity was Hadee Strupp and Jan Peschang was in charge of makeup. Mary Leatherman was chairman of the house committee and Marie Carson was costume chairman.

The play was cast on October 20 after two tryout sessions. Chosen for the cast besides the above mentioned were Dan Russell as Felix Ducotel; Julie Dalkoff as his wife, Emily Ducotel; Ellen Batt as their daughter, Marie Louise; Debra Bunch as Mme. Parole; Tim Herman as Henri Trochard, Marie Louise's uncle; Mark Wilson as Marie Louise's beau Paul; and Jim Lohmeier as the Lieutenant.

Other productions this year will be the junior and senior class plays.

Scot Doellinger And Bruce Peterson Are This Month's Junior Rotarians

The Junior Rotarians for the month of November are Scot Doellinger and Bruce Peterson.

Scot is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Doellinger, 2321-38th St. Rock Island. In his sophomore year, he worked in the greenhouse and audio-visual center. He also was a member of Science Club and Science Council and a member of the debate team. Last year Scot was also a member of Science Club and Science Council.

This year Scot works in the greenhouse in the morning and fourth period he is a chemistry and physics assistant for Mr. Armstrong and Mr. Stone. Again, Scot is a member f Science Club and Science Council plus he is a member of Camera Club and Fraction Faction.

This past October Scot was Rock Island high school's representative at the National Youth Conference on the Atom held at the Chicago Sheraton Hotel. As Representative he was chosen from some of the best science students in the United States.

Bruce is the son of Mr. and Mrs Harry Peterson, 2900-35th Street, Rock Island. In his sophomore year Bruce was a member of the band. Last year he participated in intramural archery. This year Bruce is a National Merit Scholarship Semifinalist, one of Rocky's six. He is also a member of the Student Senate and Ski Club.

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Pops Concert Swings With Star Soloists

by Joe Ullman

The clanging of trays and the usual noon-time laughter had a brief respite as music permeated the cafeteria during the second annual pop concert on November 4 at eight p.m.

The concert started off on the right note as the Girls' Glee sang four numbers including A Time for Us **and** If I Loved You. **Then Ted Brown sang** Ashes, **a song the strong-voiced lad does as a soloist with Sing-Out Quad-Cities. The audience then grooved to** Somewhere **by Wolf Krismanitz of** The Sweetheart of Rock High **fame.**

Debbie Hammen and Millie Lawrence took the spotlight with Simon and Garfunkel's **Scarbourough Fair.** The 18-voiced Chamber Choir, true perfectionists, performed **Jazz Pizzacato,** Duke Ellington's **Solitude,** and Bach's **Bouree.**

Mark McKissick displayed professionalism and cool with the Richard Harris hit Didn't We, **after which Peter, Paul, and Mary's** Jet Plane **was piloted by Tom Taylor.**

The Senior Glee performed two American classics, **Hello Dolly** and **Summertime.** After Millie Lawrence sang **Come All Ye Fair,** Debbie Sullivan, Teresa Johnson, Debbie Yeoman, Kathy Creger, Debbie Foley and Beth Makiney presented a polished song-and-dance version of **Chim Chim Cheree.** The Senior Glee ended with **Little Bird; Wayfaring Stranger,** featuring Doug Lindy; and **Hava Nagella.**

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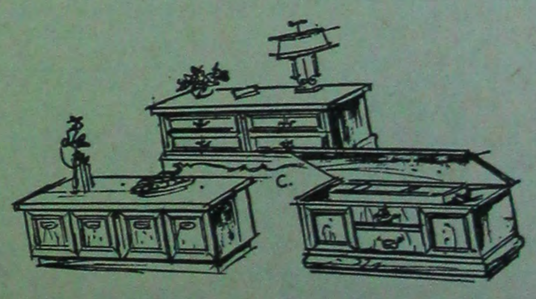

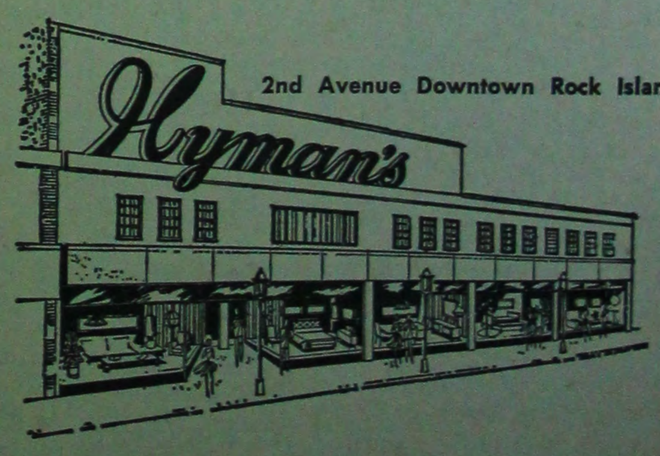

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