A Child is Born

The Crimson Crier

A Little Child Shall Lead Them

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RIHS Celebrates Xmas

The Christmas atmosphere at Rock Island high school this year was formed by the tree and decorations put up in the cafeteria, the Glee Clubs' Concert on December 18, the Christmas assembly, and the carolling in the halls.

The senate bought the Christmas tree which has been on display in the cafeteria these past two weeks. The senate also put up paper decorations in the lunch room to brighten the noon meals.

The Glee Clubs' Concert was performed in the school's auditorium on December 18 to get interested students into the Christmas mood. The concert contained approximately twenty songs which reflected the seasonal feelings of all people. The groups which performed in the concert were under the direction of Mr. Murray Osborn.

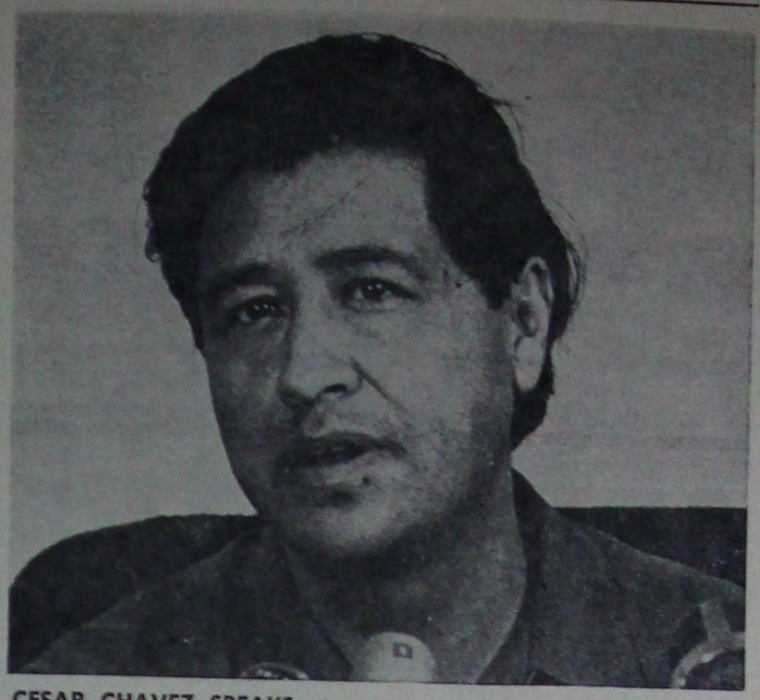
The Christmas assembly, which was held today, included the talents of many students. Musical selections were sung by the chamber choir. Ann Moscowitz gave a dramatic reading in the assembly. The modern dancers performed as part of the program. The main feature of the assembly was the skit which was a satire on Santa Claus.

The traditional caroling in the halls of Rocky took place again this year. The singers under the direction of Mr. Murray Osborn, brightened up the last periods of the school day today.

Today is the last day of school this year. Students get sixteen days off for their winter vacation. School will not begin again until January 5.

While students and teachers are at home and enjoying their vacations the Rock Island high school custodians will still be walking the halls of Rocky. The custodians, who only get a couple of days off for any holiday, take advantage of the school's emptiness by doing some large scale cleaning.

The cafeteria is scrubbed and waxed while the students are out on their holiday. The custodians scrub all the floors in the school at this opportune time. Washing windows is another job they undertake while the students are absent from the scene. Besides the jobs already mentioned the custodians do the general maintenance work also.



CESAR CHAVEZ SPEAKS at a press conference held at Eagles Lodge, Davenport, while visiting the Quad-City area to generate support for the grape pickers boycott.

New Literature Course Offered Second Semester

Contemporary Literature, a new course, is being offered at Rock Island high school for juniors second semester. The course will be taught by Mr. Nicholas L. Peschang, advisor for **The Crimson Crier.**

Beginning January 20, a class in Midern Literature will be offered to all interested juniors. A study in Modern Literature tends to make the reader more aware of man's conflict with himself and others in the 20th century.

The course is basically concept-centered, focusing on the problems of physical, social, economic, emotional, and spiritual survival in today's world. However, it is alse genre oriented to expand the student's understanding of the modern literary forms of the novel, short story, essay, drama, poetry and nonfiction.

The course will explore the consequences of war past, present, and future, social isolation, and racial prejudice.

Mr. Peschang, who is instructing the course, has obtained his A.B. at Loras college in Dubuque, Iowa, in 1947. In 1949, Mr. Peschang received his M.A. at State University of Iowa in Iowa City, Iowa. He has now been teaching at Rock Island high school for 17 years.

Marty Karon To Annapolis

Martin Howard Karon, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Karon, 3104 38th St., has been accepted at the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland. There were only two openings for students from the Quad-City area. Marty was chosen by Congressman Tom Railsback to attend the U.S. Naval academy.

The sixteen year old senior was excited, surprised, and shocked when he received his acceptance. He commented that he did not believe he had a very good chance of being accepted there. Marty wants to be a Navy officer and make the Navy his career.

Marty received his notification of acceptance on Tuesday, November 25. He still has to meet the final requirements, which include a medical report and good scholastic grades, before he can attend the United States Naval Academy.

Marty attended Rock Island high school his sophomore and junior year. In his sophomore year he was a member of the Pan-Am club and went out for the golf team. This year Marty has been active as a swimmer.

The United States Naval Academy will cost Marty nothing. The federal government pays students to attend the academy. Marty will receive $2,085 a year from which approximately two-thirds will be spent on uniforms and supplies.

TWO ROCKY STUDENTS, Vickie Enburg and Mike DeMay display the outfits that they will wear on Grub day.

Legal "Grub" Day Made Possible By the Senate for January Eighth

The first legal "grub" day in Rock Island high school's history will be held on January 8. The senate, who had the idea and made possible this administration-approved "grub" day, will be in charge of it.

Guidelines as to how "grubby" a student is allowed to dress will be made up by the senate and the administration. Posters will be put up in the halls to inform the students of these rules and Principal Harold Voyles will announce them over the public address system.

"Grub day was originally set for January 9, but, because an assembly has been scheduled for that day, the administration tion moved it up to January 8. The administration felt that the student body's appearance would give the person presenting the assembly the wrong impression of our school.

If students follow the guidelines made by the senate and the administration they will not have to worry about being given detentions or being sent home. When students have their own self - appointed "grub" day, though, they usually receive detentions and are sent home with orders to change before returning.

If students do not abuse this special "grub" day, it is very likely it will become a tradition at Rocky.

Poverty Must End

Boycott Organizer Chavez Depicts Plight of Obreros

The sales of grapes have gone down 33% in this country as the result of a four-year boycott aimed at improving the conditions of Mexican-American grape workers in California, reported Cesar Chavez, director of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee, during a press conference before addressing a group of 400 interested citizens in Davenport's Eagles' Lodge on November 18 at eight p.m.

"The day of poverty in the fields must end. We can't go on this way," stated the controversial labor leader who represents some 17,000 union members.

The employers of the grape workers, who are not covered under the National Labor Relations Act, have been fighting the formation of a union for over 84 years. Chavez termed the boycott a success to this point with wages for a farm worker, which were $1.10 at the beginning of the strike, now at $1.65.

Chavez claimed that the United States Department of Defense now buys 800% more grapes than at the beginning of the strike and is sending most of them to Vietnam. He also stated that of the 85 to 95% of the total workers who joined the 1965 walk-out, no more than 10% have returned. Employers are importing poorer Mexicans and "using our brothers against us."

Junior Class To Present Comedy After Christmas

The Rock Island high school junior class will present a comedy, **The Imaginary Invalid,** in the Little Theatre on February 8.

The comedy by Moliere was arranged and adapted by Kenneth Weston Turner.

The play is based on a man who imagines he has every ailment he ever heard of, and is a gold mine for his unscrupulous doctor and druggist. He even plans to marry his daughter to a dull young doctor so he will always have a physician on hand

The daughter has other plans though, for she is in love with a handsome, young man, and she would rather enter a convent than marry the doctor.

Cleante, the lover, manages to call, disguised as Angelique's music master, and the two make love under her father's very eye in a charmingly naughty little scene. To aid them, Toinette, the servant, comes to call, rigged out as a noted doctor.

The father is flattered, but when the "doctor" recommends drastic treatment—that his arm be amputated—he develops some healthy doubts of doctors. Toinette then persuades the father to test his family's love by playing dead. Angelique's stepmother quickly drops her pose of flattering love and says his death is good riddance, but Angelique weeps in sincere grief.

In a greatly hilarious scene, Argan, the father, springs up, resolved to be head of his house and permits his daughter to marry the man she loves.

Try-outs for the play will be announced later.

Eighteen Songs Presented By Groups In Annual RIHS Glee Club Concert

The Annual Glee Clubs' Concert was held December 18 in the Rock Island high school auditorium. Admission was 50¢ and the program began at 8:00 p.m.

The Senior Glee Club sang four selections which included, "My Soul Doth Magnify the Lord," a piece of choral music from the period of the Rennaissance written by Henry Purcell.

"Scene of the Wise Men" from "Christmas Oratoria," written by J. S. Bach was performed with solos by various Senior Glee members.

The traditional "Gloria In Excelsis Deo" was also sung with a solo trio sung by Debbie Yeoman, Donna Benoit, Debbie Hammen, Julie Lindorff, Pat Callow, and Randy Doyle. Four selections were sung from "Winter Celebrations," a 25-minute composition centered around secular celebrations, Hanukkah, Christmas, the New Year, and a plea for common faith for all men.

The Girls' Glee Club sang the traditional "O Tannenbaum!" while they stood in the form of a lit Christmas tree, each holding a candle. Among their other selections were, "The Day of the Kings," "Jesus, Jesus, Rest Your Head," "Dawn," and "Ding, Dong, Join a Merry Chime."

The Sophomore Chorus sang four numbers, "Dawn Was Creeping," "How Far Is It To Bethlehem," "Sleep, Sweet Jesus, Sleep," and a "Russian Carol."

The Chamber Choir once again sang informally from the balcony to provide an interlude between the groups on stage. They sang several carols: "Now Is the Carolling Season," "The Hunter," "God's Blessed Son Today Is Born," "Carol of the Pifferari," and "He Shall Feed His Flock" from Handel's Messiah.

The groups that participated in the concert are all under the direction of Mr. Murray Osborn.

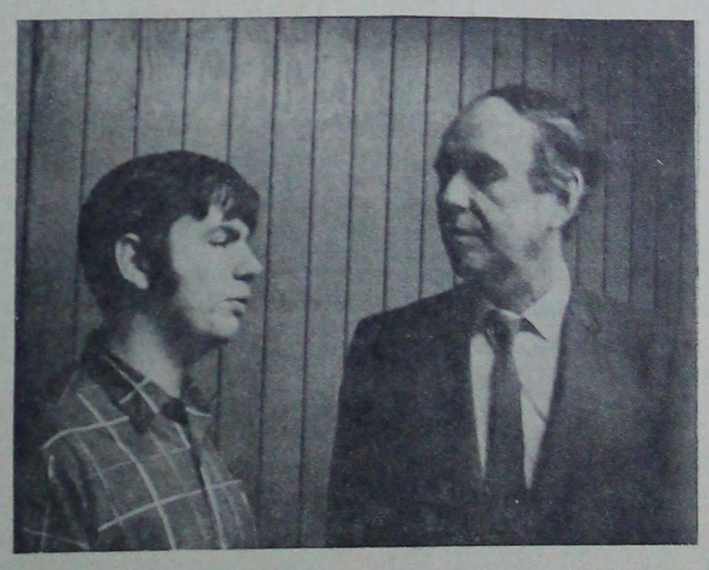
Sibley: Agnew Nixon's Wallace

by Joe Ullman

Noted socialist and University of Minnesota political science professor Dr. Mulford Sibley, warned of a possible recurrence of McCarthyism and presented his views on the current world political situation in the Saint Ambrose College Center on December 1 at 7:30 p.m.

Sibley said that of the $159 billion spent on defense in the world per year the United States spends $60 billion. As we are "pouring this money down the rat hole of defense," the U.S. ranks ninth or tenth in foreign aid per capita, he claimed.

"There is no such thing as an international communist conspiracy . . . I think we're just as responsible for war as any other nation," he noted. Sibley's answer to the war in Vietnam was simply to get out, "the same way we got over there, in ships and planes. If we get out we won't lose any more young men."



PROFESSOR MULFORD SIBLEY, who lectured at St. Ambrose, answers questions asked by Aksel Epik, photo editor Crimson Crier.

When asked if he thought communism was a threat to this country, Sibley replied, "I think air pollution is a much greater threat . . . Most of the forms of power that are non-violent are more powerful than the violent power because they are more easily controllable."

Advocating complete disarmament, he said "Guns stimulate war; they don't protect us from war." "When the government murders people that doesn't set a very good example," Sibley stated, when asked if any relationship exists between the Vietnam war and the rising crime rate.

"Agnew is Nixon's Wallace," he claimed going on to say that Agnews anti-intellectualism reminds him of Wallace. As he advocated non-violent resistance, he said, "There are more Ghandians in the U.S. today than there are in India."

School Survey Indicates Very Unsatisfied Students

The long debated issue of the school dress code reached a climax with the results of the poll taken in the senates.

Although there were many disagreements within the school, 85% of the students voted no when they were asked if they were satisfied with the present dress sode, which among other things forbids the wearing of culottes, mustaches and slacks.

It was also agreed that the length of the boys' hair should be left to his own judgement. This was agreed upon by 77% of the students.

When the students were asked if culotes should be permissable a majority of 91% voted yes.

The students also agreed that the length of the skirt should be left to the individual by 85%.

Seventy six per cent of the students voted yes when they were asked if mustaches should be allowed to be worn at the high school.

A majority of 84.5% felt that the wearing of sandals should be allowed by the school administration.

Eighty six per cent of the students also expressed that they were unsatisfied with the present dress code at the Rock Island High School.

Dress code issues such as wearing beards and slacks were not published with the official results because they lacked the minimum of 75% required to be considered by the senate. This included the abolishment of a school dress code.

Red Letter Days

December

19—Christmas Assembly, BB Alleman here, Start Christmas Vacation
20—Soph. Jr. Wrestling—E. Moline There, Swim Washington There 2:00, Wrestling—Sterling There, "B" BB Central Here 10:00
23—Wrestling—Dixon Here 7:00
25—No School
26—Swim Sandburg Here 7:00
27—Swim Homewood Here 2:00, BB Moline There, Alleman-Central
29—"B" BB Moline Here 10:00

January

2—Wrestling Galesburg Here 7:00
3—Swim Hinsdale Here 2:00, BB Galesburg Here
5—"B" BB Clinton There, Classes Resume

Judy Miers Is Named As The DAR Award Recipient For The Year

Judy Miers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack V. Miers, 3740-30th St., was named as the DAR Good Citizenship Award winner.

Judy Miers

The other girls voted upon were Susie Sherrard and Marcia Glassner.

Dependability service, leadership and patriotism are the characteristics of the girl chosen to receive the DAR Award. The aim of this project is to pay tribute to youthful character and to call attention to those qualities which are desirable in good citizens. It is not a popularity contest.

Judy's name and address will be sent to the chapter sponsoring the school and the chapter chairman will send the name to the state chairman.

Teachers' Salaries Show Our Incongruous Values

A person's status or social standing in the American society is measured primarily by the amount of money he earns. Therefore, one would be lead to believe that teachers are not second class but rather third or fourth class citizens.

A teacher in the Rock Island system with a Master's degree plus 45 hours of graduate study and 17 years of experience is valued at a mere $13,370 per year.

The absurdity in comparing this with the recompense of doctors, lawyers, or even rock 'n roll "musicians" reveals a gross imbalance of what society considers valuable.

The imbalance not only demonstrates society's perverted sense of values regarding education, but discourages many youths from entering the field in which even "Budweiser appetites" cannot be satisfied.

We hear of millionaire doctors, millionaire businessmen, millionaire lawyers, even millionaire sports figures, but has anyone ever heard of a millionaire teacher?

Fire Drill Raises Priorities Question As Students Are Highly Flammable

"In case of fire, break glass," read the well-placed alarm boxes that adorn Rocky's halls. The actual benefits the breaking of said glass would achieve is unknown.

The first and only other fire drill so far this year should have done away with a few basic problems. Some students stopped just outside of the doors, blocking the exits for others.

There is no excuse for the inadequacies of the buzzer alarm system. Many classes, in all parts of the building were unable to hear the buzzer's cry. Thus, students from other classes, in many cases, had to inform teachers of the fire drill.

Now that this matter has been brought to the attention of the new administration, students and teachers want to know what will be done to prevent a possible catastrophe. They must be assured that action is being taken.

Some teachers and administrators seemed more concerned with the handful of students who threw snow balls during the drill than with the purpose of the drill itself.

Clinton residents just two years ago saw the effect of a high school fire. Rocky students would prefer not to.

In its stead they would like to be assured that everything possible is being done toward its prevention. If a mere financial matter keeps Rocky from having a modern fire alarm system, it is a very sad state of affairs.

The **Olathe Eagle**, from Olathe High School in Olathe, Kansas published a questionnaire in their last issue on the fundamentals of dating. Here is a small sample of what was asked.

1. While meeting her parents, your date's little sister comes up to you and asks, "Why do you smell so funny?" Your reply is:
- **a. I work in a fertilizer factory.**
- **b. I fell in a sewer on the way over.**
- **c. I just downed a bottle of Listerine.**

2. When you call a girl for a date, your opening line is:
- a. Hi, you lon't know me, but do you want to go to the park and swing?
- b. How would you like to go out with the best player on the football team?
- c. There's a swell Jerry Lewis movie playing at the Trail tomorrow afternoon, wanna go?

3. Your idea of a good movie is:
- **a. "The Ghost and Mr. Chicken."**
- **b. "Hell's Angels '69"**
- **c. "I Am Curious (Yellow)"**

4. After the show you decide to:
- a. Go to Winnie's truck stop for a late bite to eat.
- b. Leave your date at the theatre.

5. When parking you:
- **a. Turn off the engine and say, "Well what do you want to do?"**
- **b. Start an immediate conversation?**
- **c. Chuckle and say, "Guess what?!."**

Rock Island's Gigantic Gymnasium Is Celebrating Its Tenth Birthday

by Jim Manson

December 4, 1959 is not an important date in United States history and probably is not an important date in world history, but to students attending Rock Island high school at that time, it will always be a day of remembrance.

On that date the Rocks handily defeated the Rockford West Warriors 61-45. But what was more important was that this date was the dedication date for Rock Island high school's new boys' gymnasium.

The new gym, among the largest in the state, was part of an expansion program in the athletic department. It was completed immediately after the previous basketball season. The dedication ceremony was held between the sophomore and varsity games with H. V. "Shorty" Almquist serving as master of ceremonies.

Featured in the program were speakers: Al Willis, secretary of the Illinois High School Association; Guy E. Cornwall, first assistant superintendent of State Department of Public Construction, and Sharm Scherman, the head basketball coach at the University of Iowa.

Appearing with Scherman was four of his varsity players; Don Nelson and Joe Novak, both alumni of Rocky, Bobby Washington and Nolan Gentry.

Officiating the dedication game was Henry Fitzhugh, president of the Illinois High School Association and Spike Wilson of Jacksonville. Chairman Julius Califf of the Rock Island School Board was also on hand.

As the new addition to the school in 1959 it was mentioned that Rock Island cagemen would be playing on one of the finest courts possible.

Maxi-Coats And Maxi-Skirts Are In

by Tonda Poma

The Maxi's are here!

Take a look around Rock Island high school and the Quad-City area and you will see that this statement is true. Maxi-coats are all the go now. Why? They are warmer.

The extreme length of the coat keeps a girl's legs warm when she wears the extremely short skirts that are so popular today. The maxi-coats are made of cottons, tweeds, and wools. The tweeds and wools are warm in themselves, and the cottons are lined. The coats come in a great variety of colors. Most popular are navy, black, and camel or brown.

Also coming in is the Maxi-skirt. The skirt is not selling as well as the coats, but is being worn by teens, not only by the so-called heads, but even by the straight people. The skirts are not being sold in stores as yet, but there are several patterns available.

Before wearing a maxi, here are a few rules to follow:

1) **Make sure the maxi, whether coat or skirt, comes only to the ankle. This is to prevent you tripping while you strut around.**

2) When climbing the stairs be sure to lift up your skirt or coat a few inches to prevent you from falling flat on your face.

Follow these rules and enjoy your maxi. A maxi-day is a happy day.

Let's Hope A New Decade Brings Us A Better Nation

by Tish Burke

Within this Christmas holiday comes New Years. This isn't just a regular New Year, it is the start of a new decade.

During the decade of the 60's there were a lot of occurences, some happy and some mournful. In this decade President John Kennedy was assassinated. This started a whole trend of murders. His brother, Robert, was also assassinated. Civil rights leader, Martin Luther King was murdered. They all had one thing in common, the goal of equality and a truly united nation.

In the 60's many men were killed in what is thought to be a useless war, many have been killed in their own country by car accidents and fires. Even though is is easier to point out the bad rather than the good, there is one unbelievable feat of America — the conquering of the moon.

In the '70's there is a great hope for bettering the world. There will be numerous changes.

It is hoped that soon we will find a way to prevent pollution of air and water. There will have to be some law to prevent factories from ruining our scenic skys and our lungs. Also under this heading comes planes and cars. Some companies have begun experiments that look promising.

In 1968 we elected a new president and some opinions are that he hasn't accomplished much, but in '72 and '76 new presidents will be elected. Let's hope someone will end the Vietnam war in the immediate future.

As the saying goes, "These are the times that try men's souls', but there's a youthful saying, "the times they are a changin'."

Aksel's Epiks

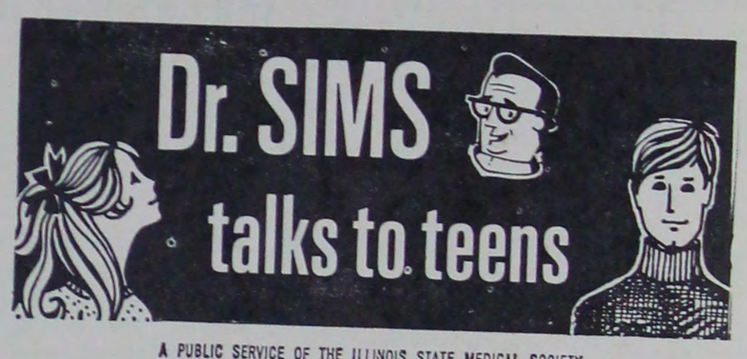
Stanley's Tale Is An Account Of Mod Youth

by Aksel Epik

In the past few years there has been a very large number of books published on the controversial subject of the new generation. Although most of these books were well written they lacked the credibility and reality to satisfy the curiosity of the reader.

The Magic Garden of Stanley Sweetheart by Robert Westbrooks captures, to a certain extent, the real image and not the stereotype image of the young people of today.

The novel is about Stanley Sweetheart, a junior at Columbia University in New York. Stanley is very talented in cinematography and has already made two underground movies, but he doesn't have the discipline to become a success in that field. He slowly begins to withdraw from the world, noticing only the ugliness in society. After his girl Cathy leaves him he starts living with two girls in Greenwich village. There Stanley starts exploring his mind with drugs trying to find love and freedom.



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Have you been avoiding full-length mirrors lately? If so, they maybe this "weight-watchers quiz" is just for you.

1. Appetite and hunger are the same thing. True — False —
2. Crash diets help you lose weight fast. True — False —
3. Diet Pills are safe for everyone. True — False —
4. Low-calorie food and drinks are useful in a good diet plan. True — False —
5. Exercise in any form helps you lose weight. True — False —
6. It's a good idea to talk over your weight problem with your parents. True — False —

Here are the answers:

1. **FALSE. Appetite and hunger are two different things. Hunger is the physical sensation caused by stomach contractions. Appetite is the desire for food. If you satisfy your appetite when you're not hungry, you invite weight trouble.**
2. FALSE. Crash diets can be very harmful. You can suffer serious vitamin and mineral deficiencies by drastically depriving yourself of many kinds of food. It's better to gradually eat a little bit less every day. And don't try to lose more than two pounds a week.
3. **FALSE. Don't take diet pills unless they're prescribed by your doctor. Some diet pills contain drugs that cause the "jitters," dizziness or insomnia. Only your doctor can tell you how your system will react to a certain drug. So never trade diet pills with your friends.**
4. TRUE. Low-calorie food and drinks can be helpful in a good diet plan. But too often, their effectiveness is counter-acted when you eat fattening foods along with them — like drinking diet cola with a hot fudge sundae. On the other hand, don't rely on diet products **alone.** They rarely provide all the nutrition you need.
5. **FALSE. Not all exercises help you lose weight. You must use up energy while exercising. You won't slim down by doing a couple deep knee-bends each day. Make it a habit to increase your daily activity in little ways, like walking to school . . . bending over to pick up things . . . dancing at parties.**
6. TRUE. It is good to discuss your weight problem with your parents. Some-times, parents unintentionally encourage youngsters to indulge their appetite or remain inactive. By all means, let your parents in on your reducing plans.

Commercialization of Christmas—Bad Scene

by Tonda Poma

Gifts galore under the tree,
Gifts galore all for me.
My eyes bug out at the sight,
Until I see the price.
Cheap, cheap, cheap,
So I pile the gifts in a heap.
There's Father sitting at the desk,
Looking over a big mess.
Stacked high are the bills,
I know he's had his fill.
No more Christmas, you see
It's just too much for me.

Now is the time when all people are running around spending their money and collecting gifts for Christmas cheer. The parent charges everything for his children and then gripes for the next three months on how much money was spent for gifts for those %#'&— kids who just pile them in a heap carelessly.

Store Decorations

Shopping in the stores, one can see all the expensive decor that is supposed to put you in Christmas spirit. Every department has its own little display, from angels hanging over men's B.V.D.'s, to Santa and his sleigh over women's dainties.

COMMERCIALIZED CHRISTMAS is clearly seen with the increasing amount of aluminum Christmas trees used in homes.

Now comes the good part, toys, and the children become giddy and excited. Down the aisle and through the toys, to an old man sitting on a red velvet throne with eyes that show his tiredness and a HO! HO! HO! that could be better, the children scream and spring to his lap.

"And what do you want for Christmas," says the old man with a tired sigh, and before the kids get half-way through he says, "I'll see what I can do."

Manager's Help

Dad spends his money and the store manager helps all he can. "Why don't you take this, and your little boy will like that, and your daughter will adore this doll that walks, and talks, and crawls, and crys, and wets."

"Now what to do about the other relatives in the family?" A simple solution, buy them all a small gift at the local discount store. But even the small gifts become smaller and more expensive.

Home Decorations

Now comes the day before Christmas, and all the gifts are wrapped in their splendor. After all that work and decorating, the place looks so Christmassy, with your artificial tree, and your fake greenery, and your false mistletoe, and the old house looks so beautiful . . . and you glow with Christmas joy.

It's Christmas morning, and the children's eyes are all aglow. It is worth it all, until the bills come in. The children play with their toys for a few hours and then they become tired. The toys get put away, and the next time you see them they're broken and in the trash.

What a lovely time of the year.

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Time Out

Faculty And KSTT Battle

by Mike Weindruch

Many RIHS students have no idea what teachers in our school system can do in athletic contests. However, on Saturday, December 6, the faculty of Rocky put on an exhibition of skill and reckless abandon. For on this night, the representatives of our classrooms played the KSTT Good Guys in a basketball game.

Headliners for the faculty were Jack Carroll, a gym instructor, and Harry Wickens, an English teacher. Among other Rocky performers were Shelly Weiner, an Art teacher at Franklin and Jim Braet of Eddy grade school in Milan.

Leading the opposition was Bobby "Fuzzface" Rich, John "Knees" Novak and Greg Barton.

The game, which was played for the Lettermen's Club saw the Rocky faculty "brutally mutilate" the Good Guys from Davenport. Many times however, the Davenporters would use unlawful tactics in getting the ball from the offense.

"I was going down the court for an easy layup," stated Shelly Weiner, "when I was pushed from behind. There was no foul called. Later when I had a chance to talk to the referee, he said that he owed me one."

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Crosstown Clash Looms

by Mike Weindruch

Tonight the Rocks take on the Alleman Pioneers in the field house.

Despite the loss of All-State center Jim DeDecker, the Pioneers seem to be a strong and consistent team.

Probable starters for Alleman will be Jeff Schnieder and John Cornelis at guards, Ben Carton and Jim Moran at forwards and Greg Schnieder at center.

Cornelis is the only starter back from last year's squad which posted a 24-3 record. Although he is only 6'2", Cornelis is noted for his superior jumping ability.

Alleman's record at this time is 3-0.

Coach Riley is not really sure who will start tonight. He said that the only two probable starters will be Barry Barnes at a forward spot and Bruce Hamming at center. Tom Pirrman has a chance at the other starting forward position.

Guards for the Rocks are still uncertain. Coach Riley will choose between Duncan Fallon, Lonnie Boyd, Tom Scott and Steve Briggs, Joe Osborn and Steve Fenton.

Yohn Sidelined

Joe John, a possible starter early in the young campaign, was injured in the Assumption battle and will be unable to play until January.

At this time, the Rocks record is 1-4.

The Islanders picked up their first victory at the hands of Davenport Assumption, 72-53. Leading the balanced attack were Barry Barnes with 24, and Bruce Hamming with 14.

The following night, November 29, the Rocks ran up against an experienced Rockford Auburn squad. The Rocks fell 66-52. Hamming led the scoring, hitting for 19 points.

Hamming hits 28

On Friday, December 5, the East Moline Panthers invaded the field house and, with the help of a fourth period rally, beat the Islanders 71-63. Hamming again led the way. He hit on 11 fielders and 6 free tosses for 28 points.

JUNIOR CENTER BRUCE Hamming practices his jump shot before the eye of the CRIMSON CRIER camera.

The Pioneers big wins have come against Davenport West and Galesburg. Alleman beat the rated Silverstreaks 88-86 in two overtimes. Cornelis led the Pioneers with 25 points.

The Pebbles, up to this point in the season, have won only one game.

The Little Rocks scoring in these games has usually been balanced. Leading scorers for the yearlings have been Larry Turner, Brent Allison and Jack Riley.

Probable starters for tonights contest against the Pioneer sophs will be Allison, Riley, Turner, Robert Williams and Lee Atwater. Head coach, Frank Youngquist feels the Pebbles will improve later during the season.

BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Dec.	
19—Friday—Alleman	Home
27—Saturday—Moline	Away
Jan.	
3—Saturday—Galesburg	Home
9—Friday—Dav. Central	Home
10—Saturday—Rockford W.	Away
16—Friday—Assumption	Home
17—Saturday—Clinton	Away
23—Friday—East Moline	Away
24—Saturday—DuSable	Home
30—Friday—Dav. West	Away
Feb.	
6—Friday—Alleman	Away
13—Friday—Moline	Home
14—Saturday—East Aurora	Away
20—Friday—Quincy	Home
21—Saturday—Galesburg	Away
27—Friday—Dav. Central	Away

Rocks Even Season Record With Victory At Rockford

The Rocky Dolphins evened their season record at 1-1 with a 52-43 victory over Rockford Guilford Saturday, December 6 at Rockford. On November 28 Rocky lost a close one to Washington of Cedar Rapids 48-47. This dual meet took the place of the Thanksgiving relays which were called off.

In the meet with Washington, the Dolphins had two double winners. Bob Lohmeier won the 200 yard freestyle with a time of 1:53.0 and the 400 yard freestyle with a time of 4:09.0.

Keith Gilliam took a first place victory in the 200 yard Individual medley with a time of 2:07.0 and the 100 yard butterfly in :55.4.

Other winners for the Rocks included Ted Brown in the 50 yard freestyle with a time of :24.6, and Jon Duyvejonck in the 100 yard freestyle with a time of :53.0. The 400 yard freestyle relay team of Duyvejonck, Boxman, Lohmeier and Gilliam also won with a time of 3:27.0.

In the meet with Guilford the Rocks established five pool records enroute to victory. Keith Gilliam and Bob Lohmeier accounted for two records and were also on the 400 yard freestyle relay team that was responsible for another mark.

Again there were two double winners and again they were Bob Lohmeier and Keith Gilliam. Lohmeier set a new pool record in the 200 yard freestyle with a time of 1:54.4; the old mark being 1:59.9. Lohmeier eclipsed off three seconds over the old record for the 400 yard freestyle, with a time of 4:06.5, the old mark being 4:09.9.

Gilliam set a new pool record in the 200 yard Ind. medley with a time of 2:07.0, with the old record being 2:12.0. He also set a record in the 100 yard freestyle with a time of 49.0. The old record was a 50.7.

Other winners for the Rocks were Jon Duyvejonck in the 100 yard butterfly with a time of :59.4, Scott Boxman in the 100 yard backstroke with a time of :59.6, and Jeff Kolinchinsky in the 100 yard breastroke with a time of 1:08.0. The 400 yard freestyle relay team of Duyvejonck, Boxman, Lohmeier and Gilliam also set a new pool record with a time of 3:22.5, the old mark being 3:26.8.

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"Wrestling Is Excellent This Year"— Chet Schultz, RIHS Wrestling Coach

by Aksel Epik

Wrestling is one of the fastest growing sports in Illinois. It is a very popular sport because its one of the very few sports which allow boys weighing 98 to 185 pounds to compete in their own weight bracket.

Out of the 80 boys who reported for the wrestling team only 56 were admitted to the squad.

Wrestling coach Chet Schultz commented on the new season and on the team. "We are a young team and we have a lot of potential and the first two tournaments proved that and we will always be in great shape if team members stay healthy and practice more to improve theirselves."

Coach Schultz, who has produced teams which won the state championship in 1956 and in 1967, is very confident and proud in the abilities of his athletes which include: George Day (185), Rick Bevans (155), Ron Banks (115), Johnny Angel (93), Dale Newton (108), Dale Gansz (137), Benny Blakely (123), Rob Huffman (165), Marty Davis (135) and Terry Ott (230).

Coach Schultz is very happy about his team and is confident that he will have boys representing Rock Island high school at the state meet. His only distress is that not enough students attend the wrestling meets, "there are very few students who come to cheer for their friends."

Bowling and B.B. Offered to Boys

The intramural basketball and bowling seasons are in full swing with over 200 boys participating.

The basketball league is divided into two divisions. The senior teams that show that they have good ability are put in the NBA division. The other teams are then placed in the ABA section.

The basketball teams compete on Wednesday and Thursday gym.

On Mondays, after school, over 100 boys meet at Town and Country Bowling Lanes for the intramural bowling league.

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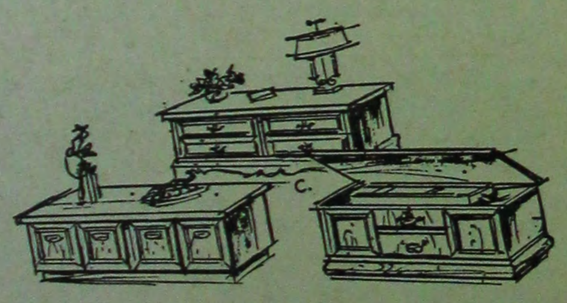

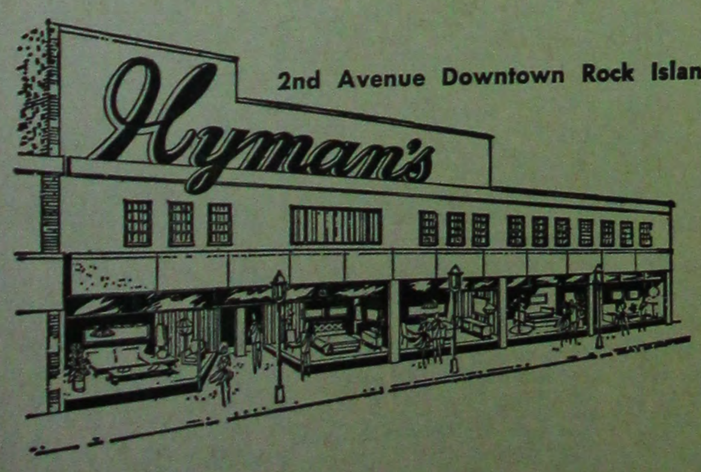

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Here Are Some Xmas Gift Ideas For Girls From One Who Knows

If you haven't been able to find a Christmas present for your girlfriend by now, you just haven't been looking. If you pay attention, you can pick up little hints, whether intentional or otherwise, and your gift will be a tremendous success.

A lot of girls have a habit of seeing something they want, resolving to buy it next time they have a little extra money, and then never buying it.

Records are a good example because of the frequent occurrence of four or five good recordings being released at the same time. Most people can't buy themselves all the records they want, especially now when spending money has to be used for Christmas presents.

Another idea for a gift is some little faddy luxury like a slave bracelet or one of those chic hoop necklaces. Makeup is nice, too. Maybe she wants some of that new whipped-up cream blusher.

But be careful when you buy makeup or jewelry for someone else. Make sure it's something she will like or it will go over like a pregnant pole vaulter. The same goes for clothes.

While we're on the subject, accessories are good wardrobe-stretchers and they don't cost much. A couple examples are chain belts and silk scarves. If the lady has enough silk scarves, maybe she needs a scarf ring or buckle.

Speaking of scarves, it is cold outside so you might try a hat, scarf and mitten set knitted to match. Also nice for wearing outdoors are fur hoods. Some of these have a zipper so they convert to a pull-on hat.

A girl never has enough fur muffs. Most girls don't have any. A lot of muffs you can buy match the above mentioned fur hats.

Most of the items in this article are available in the Quad-City area and cost $5.00 or less. If you pay attention you can think of more ideas and **Merry Christmas.**

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Quip Carson Writes Again

This is the Last in a Series of Four Letters to Andrew

by Marie Carson

Dearest Andrew,

For Christmas this year we bought an aluminum Christmas tree, a big banner that says "Merry Xmas from the Carsons," and a big mechanical Santa Clause that says "Sit on my lap, little girl" over and over. It all cost a fortune but it was worth it because we want to show everybody what good Christians we are.

On the news lately I've been hearing about the hazards of wearing maxi-skirts. Just between you and me, I'd rather get pulled into an escalator than contract chapped hips.

A friend of mine lost a filling while she was eating the cafeteria's creamed chicken. I'm not sure whether it was the chicken bones or the extreme cold of the dressing.

I wrote a long narrative poem about a rod that revolves a wheel. I call it an Axle Epic.

The school got new curtains for the stage in the auditorium. The school decided to get silver ones so the band and orchestra will stand out. They stand out all right, but the plays look like they're being performed inside a garbage can.

A friend of mine told her boyfriend that she didn't think he loved her. He was so insistent that he did love her that he hit her in the mouth.

I caught a cold in that big snow a couple of weeks ago so I stayed in bed, drank plenty of liquids, took aspirin and lived clean and I only had the cold two weeks. Last time I had a cold I didn't take care of myself so I had the cold a whole 14 days.

Well sir, I have some shopping to do so . . .

Love,
Marie Fay

P.S. I stand corrected. My gym teacher's name is Miss Emmajane.

Barabajagal by Donovan Offers Everybody's Kind of Entertainment

by Marie Carson

Donovan's new album **Barabajagal** has something in it for everybody.

For those who enjoy a childish, quiet, pacifistic little tune, the album includes "To Susan On the West Coast Waiting" which was released a few months ago as a single on the flip side of "Atlantis."

Speaking of which, "Atlantis" includes slightly erroneous mythology, and a big finish that sounds suspiciously like that on the end of "Hey, Jude," especially since "Atlantis" was released shortly after "Hey, Jude."

If the listener likes a sweet, simple love song, "Where Is She" has a gently floating melody with a pretty flute accompaniment by Harold McNair.

Barabajagal even has a little sex in the form of a dirty little ditty called "Trudi" whose lyrics are a little more than suggestive.

The last song on side one called "I Love My Shirt" arouses the listener's sympathy because it describes the poet's love for certain parts of his wardrobe so as they get more and more worn out he can't bear to throw them out. He can barely stand to send them to the cleaners.

POET-MUSICIAN-SINGER Donovan relaxes with a stroll along the beach.

The last song on side two, "Pamela Jo," recalls the vaudeville fad by using a tinkly piano and word phrases like "Don't you know."

Also on the album is a song done by Donovan and three girls called "Happiness Runs."

If one doesn't like music at all, one could buy the album for the pretty letters and painted photographs of children on the front of the jacket. There's another picture on the back, of Donovan just looking like a cocker spaniel.

Augie Spanish Department Will Summer In Madrid

The Spanish Department of Augustana College has announced its 6th summer school program which will take place in Madrid this year. The program will begin July 6 and terminate August 14, 1970.

The place is the University City in Madrid, Spain. The courses offered will be second year Spanish for those students with one year college Spanish or its high school equivalent, Spanish composition and conversation, Spanish culture and civilization, with one section taught in Spanish and one in English, introduction to linguistice and survey of Spanish literature.

The prerequisite for the above courses is two years of college Spanish or its equivalent. A student may earn a maximum of nine college credits.

There will be field trips to Toledo, El Escorial, Granada, Cordoba, Sevilla, Malaga, Avila, Segovia, Salamanca, Santiago de Compostela, Tanger Africa and more.

The cost is approximately $790.00 with the air transportation, New York-Madrid-New York, by T.W.A. included.

Television Is Now Becoming Popular In The Schools

Students of Mr. John Blomberg's Spanish classes found themselves doing all sorts of silly things when they saw a television recording of a class session which had been taped on the new video tape recorder.

The students in fourth year were taped while giving speeches to their class and second year was taped while they gave a class recitation. The fifth year was taped giving a melodrama play they had written about a Taco house and the owner who didn't have enough money for the rent.

Craig Brown was the villian; Marty Lefstein, the hero; and Peggy Bull, the owner. The owner's friends decided to have a taco eating contest in which one set of Tacos was poisoned.

McKissick and Martensen Chosen December Rotarians

The Junior Rotarians for the month of December are Mark McKissick and Robert Martensen.

Mark is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. McKissick, 1521-24½ Street, Rock Island. In his sophomore year Mark was a member of the tennis team, a member of the student senate, and was in the spring musical "Guys and Dolls." He was also a member of French and German club.

Last year he was again a member of the tennis team and had a lead in the spring musical "Where's Charley?" He was also a member of Sr. Glee and Chamber choir along with French Club and German Club. Mark also participated in intramural basketball.

This year Mark is again on the tennis team. He is also in Sr. Glee and Chamber Choir along with German Club. Mark is an Illinois State Scholar and his hobbies include reading and chess.

Bob is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Martensen, 2516-22½ Avenue, Rock Island. In his sophomore year Bob was a member of the debate team, a basketball manager and a member of the Teen Democrats. He also participated in intramural basketball.

Last year Bob was again a member of the debate team and a basketball manager. He was also a member of Key Club, president of Teen Democrats and a member of the City Government Club.

This year he is again a member of Key Club, president of Teen Democrats and a basketball manager. Bob is also an Illinois State Scholar. He received a letter of commendation from the National Merit Scholarship Commission. His hobbies include homework, basketball and reading.

Bob and Mark are the seventh and eighth Jr. Rotarians to be chosen this year.

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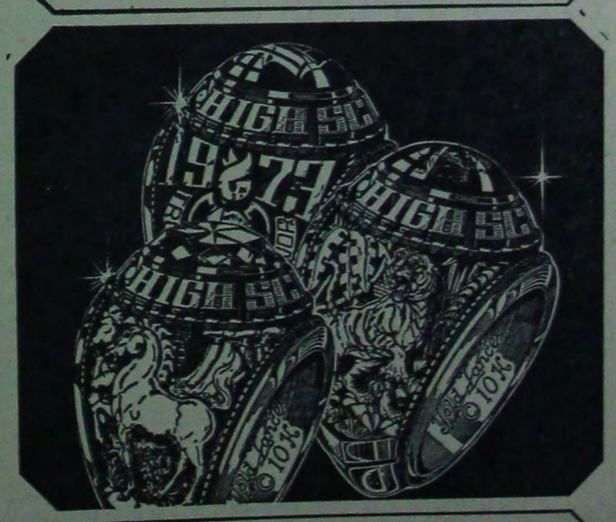

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