Strung Out On A Bummer? Call Phoenix Now

Seventen year old Jack Clayton, describes his encounter with Proenix Now:

"I had a problem. I was strung out on smack (Heroin) which I had been doing for about a year and a half altogether. Then my mom told be about Proenix Now. I called them up while I was stoned on smack and had them pick me up. They asked me to move in and work for them because I had a lot of experience in handling dope. They then asked me if I wanted to withdraw from my habit. They offered me a Methadone treatment at a hospital, but I decided I would take it 'cold turkey' (withdrawing without hospital treatment.)

During that time, they (The Phoenix Now people) sat up and talked to me a lot and gave me speed (amphetamines) which were prescribed by a doctor to keep me awake and talking while I was going through the withdrawal symptoms. After thirteen days of this, I finally didn't feel the physical pain or urge anymore. Then, after I learned to know the people there, I decided to stay because they were really nice.

"Now I'm working at Phoenix Now, sort of a Social worker. Like I talk to a lot of cats who are strung out on dope and I try to help them. It's really far-out."

Jack is one of the 85 or more people who have been assisted by the Phoenix Now organization. The group attempts to decrease drug abuse by offering assistance to people strung out on heroin and to those speeding on pep pills. It is in close contact with medical authorities; however, **Phoenix Now has no connection whatsoever with police.**

Robert Manson, Business Director, says "Anyone in need of help or information, can call 786-3268, or drop in at the new center, 710-4th Ave., Rock Island, Ill. The center is open 24 hours a day. Also those wishing to contribute funds or make donations of furniture, may do so by mailing or delivering them to Phoenix Now, P.O. Box 1243, Rock Island, Ill. 61201, or calling 786-3295.

School Voters Undaunted By Rain; Retain Charter, Re-elect Incumbents

Citizens of Rock Island turned out in record numbers on a rainy day to vote overwhelmingly to retain the special school charter and re-elect the three incumbents in the April school board election.

Seeking election for three year terms were Maxwell G. Larson, Larson Insurance Agency, D. Kent Tipsword, assistant cashier at Rock Island Bank & Trust Co., Louis Camillo, engineer for Deere and Co., Frederick P. Patton, John L. Hannan, security specialist for Rock Island Arsenal, and Carroll A. Koepplinger, president of the Lithographers and Photoengravers Local No. 257.

Seeking a one year term were Rev. William Grimes, and Robert L. Merchie, owner of the Progressive Building Maintenance Co.

Voters were also asked to vote yes or no on the question, shall Rock Island District No. 41 retain its present special charter? The vote was yes by 4 to 1.

The Reverand Grimes, an incumbent, held a commanding lead over Merchie and went on to win by a 4 to 1 margin.

Maxwell Larson and Frederick Patton, both incumbents, held leads over their five challengers. They were followed by Camillo, Tipsword, Koepplinger and Hannan.

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Prom Date Nears; Over the Rainbow Chosen as Theme

"Over the Rainbow" is the theme for the 1970 Junior-Senior Prom. It will be held at the Sheraton Motor Inn on the night of May 16.

Work on the Prom has already begun with the appointment of the committees. The committees and chairmen consist of: refreshments, Lisa Meirs; tickets, Lynn Turnbull; pictures, Ted Stone; and in charge of receiving line, Roy Phelps. All committees are under the supervision of Jerry Mitchell, president of the junior class. Sign up sheets were available in the main office to help on each of these committees.

On April 16, the junior class held a bake sale in the school cafeteria to raise badly needed funds to pay Prom expenses. The money raised at the bake sale pays for decorations, refreshments, the band furnishing the music and any other expense that may arise.

Computers Come To Rock Island; Data Processing Offered at Rocky

The space age has finally hit Rock Island high school. Computers are taking over. Starting next school year, R.I.H.S. will offer a course in computer programming and data processing. A group of Fraction Faction members received a sneak preview of the take over on April 10, 1970. The Fraction Faction is the new math club at R.I.H.S.

Leaving the Rocky student lounge at 8:30 a.m., ten Fraction Factioners traveled to the Alpine Center, LTD., located in Bettendorf, Iowa. Accompanying them were Mr. C. Leslie Anderson, teacher of Algebra II and College Math, and Mr. Frank Ryner, teacher of Algebra II and Modern Introductory Analysis.

Arriving at Alpine Center LTD,. the anxious 12 were guided to the computer center located there. Greeting them were the heads of the computer department. The men at the center showed the group around and then let the individual try their hand at asking the computer questions.

Asking a question is done simply by typing the questions on a typewriter. The typewriter is hooked up to the computer. The computer sends back the answer which is automatically typed up on the typewriter.

Students can do anything from asking mathematical questions to playing games with the computer.

When installed at Rocky, a special typewriter will be set up. After typing up your question on the typewriter, a special telephone receiver is hooked up to the typewriter and the question is sent through telephone wires to the computers located in Bettendorf.

The answer is quickly found and sent back through the telephone wires, to be typed up on Rocky's typewriter.

QUEEN BETH SOADY reigns over 31st Annual Kiwanis Karnival.

Single Royalty Reigns Over "31st Annual K-Karnival"

Beth Soady, junior, was crowned 1970 Kiwanis Karnival Queen last Friday in the girls' gymnasium of the high school.

This year marked the 31st year for the annual Kiwanis Karnival, sponsored by the Rock Island Kiwanis Club and the Rocky Key Club.

All the candidates and their escorts from the Kiwanis Club of Rock Island were introduced. The Queen was presented with a portable television set. Each of the attendants received portable radios.

There were 16 candidates this year representing various clubs at Rocky, who were vying for the crown. They were: Ellen Batt, Drama Club; Marcia Glassner, Key Club; Sandy Jennings, D O; Susie Kelleher, GAA; Fanny Larre, Pan American League; Alice Lee, Pep Club; Melodie Maisenbach, AFS; and Vicki Marshall, Girls Glee.

Other candidates were: Judy Miers, French Club; Rene Miers, Y-Teens; Susie Miller, Senior Glee; Ann Robinson, Human Relations; Donna Shannon, Letterman; Susie Sherrard, Ski Club; Beth Soady, Future Nurses; and Diane Terry, CWT.

Tickets were distributed on March 18. On March 20, with their Kiwanis escorts, the candidates were guests at a "Queens Luncheon" held at the Sheraton, Rock Island.

Tickets were sold by each queen candidate and the members of the club sponsoring her. The number of tickets sold for each candidate by 8:30 on the night of the Karnival determined who was the Kiwanis Karnival Queen.

Campus Life To Present "Flip Side"

Campus Life is holding a rally in the Rock Island High School auditorium on May 1 at 8:00 p.m. The main feature of the evening will be a film entitled **Flip Side.** Admission is free.

Campus Life officers say every teenager should see **Flip Side,** based on **Look** magazine publication "Youthquake." It is a provocative expose on drugs along with an authentic portrayal of youth in turmoil.

In a Coffee House called The Flip, Angel and Tami reveal the drug-twisted psychedelic world of the "hippie." While they are seeking answers, each finds himself trapped in the hang-ups of modern youth. Though some do find the answers, there are those who persist in turning away from reality which ends in ultimate destruction.

Norm, who runs The Flip, powerfully presents the Gospel as the answer with the songs of folk singer Ray Hindebrand underscoring his message. Teenagers will feel at home as they view **Flip Side** for this is their world.

Essays Pay Off

Elks Present Scholarships For Valuable Students Awards

Elodie Arnett and Dan Murphy were each presented a $25.00 Savings Bond from the Rock Island Elks Lodge No. 980 as a reward for their being an Elks valuable student. Mr. William Caulpetzer of the Elks National Foundation presented these awards to them because of themes they wrote concerning their past accomplishments and future goals. Their essays will now be entered in the state and national contest with the possibility of winning additional scholarships.

Elodie Arnett, a senior honor student, is the daughter of Mrs. and Mrs. Virgil S. Arnett of 805 44th St., Rock Island. She has been in Y-teens and French club all three years at Rocky. Scholastically, she holds a place in the National Honor Society, top 5%, honor roll, and is an Illinois State Scholar. Elodie is also a founder of this year's new math club, Fraction Faction, in which she holds the post of vice-president.

Dan Murphy is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Murphy of 4027 26th Ave., Rock Island. He is also an accomplished student. Dan has taken part in intramurals and has been a member of both the Creative Writing Club and the Quill and Scroll. He ranks in the top 5% and belongs to the National Honor Society. Presently, he has shown an interest in dramatics and is a member of the Drama club.

DAN MURPHY, ABOVE and Elodie Arnett are recipients of Elks awards.

Illinois Governor Ogilvie Responds to Pollution Question

Responses to letters on pollution were received from Governor Richard Ogilvie, U.S. Representative Tom Railsback, State Senator Donald Carpentier, and State Representatives Donald Henss and Oral Jacobs.

These letters were in response to letters written by Mr. John Benn's sophomore biology classes. Each student wrote five letters on the topics of pollution, population control, or urbanization and sent them to State or Federal government officials.

All of the government officials expressed a deep concern over the problems facing our environment. Illinois Governor Richard Ogilvie included in his letter some of the major points in his recommended program for the fight against air and water pollution.

Watchtower Distribution Plans Set

"Watch for your **Watchtower! Watchtower** will soon be arriving at Rock Island high school! **Watchtower** is the highlight of the school year! This year's Watchtower is the best ever published."

These are the words of the Business Staff of the Watchtower. The Business Staff has been at work for weeks setting up schedules and distribution areas for the delivering of Watchtowers to Rocky students. The Business Staff is headed by Gwen Foulkes and Gretchen Furstenau.

Last week they announced plans to distribute the yearbooks after school in the cafeteria. Tentative arrival date for the books is sometime in the middle of May.

Gwen Foulkes, Co-Business Manager of Watchtower, told the Crimson Crier that students must produce their identification cards and their Watchtower receipts when picking up their yearbooks. Receipts were given out when students bought their Watchtowers.

If a student cannot produce either one of the above mentioned, a special pick-up station will be set up.

The theme of the **Watchtower** is kept a tight secret by members of the staff until the **Watchtower** is given out.

Red Letter Days

APRIL

25—ACT Test for Juniors at Rocky, Track—Normal Relays, Varsity Baseball — Alleman H

28—Track — West T, Boys Tennis — Moline H, Girls Tennis — Moline T

30—Spring Concert in auditorium

MAY

1—Track — Alleman H, Sophomore Baseball — Moline H

2—Boys Golf — Quincy Invitational, Track — Clinton Gateway

5—Varsity Baseball — Moline T, Boys Tennis — Alleman H

8—District Track — at Rock Island

9—Miss Moline Pageant — Moline High School, District Tracks, Varsity and Sophomore Baseball — East Moline H, Senior Class Play at High School auditorium

11—District Varsity Baseball — Douglas (Alleman Host)

12—Quad City Track — Brady Street

16—Big 6 Track — Moline, Big 6 Tennis — Rock Island, Big 6 Golf — Quincy, PROM

18—Regional Baseball — East Moline, Boys Golf — Moline, Sophomore Baseball — Moline

Students Organize To Fight Pollution

Earth Day held on April 22, climaxed Rocky High's campaign against pollution.

Earth Day, a national day set aside for examining our environment, began at Rocky with an assembly. The featured speaker was Mr. Paul Olsen, an English teacher at Augustana College. Slides, skits, and a film dealing with pollution and its problems were also presented.

The remainder of the day was spent in the class rooms discussing pollution and possible remedies. All students and faculty members were urged to either walk or ride bicycles that day.

Although April 22 was the official day of examining the environment, Rock Island high school students and faculty members began their fight against pollution over a month before Earth Day. A steering committee was organized with its faculty members being Tom Goodwin, Jerry Janecke, Frank Robinson, and John Stone and student members Brad Appier, Scott Doellinger, Marcia Glassner, Marti Kaisen, Larry Sergeant, Tom Shay and Teresa Tompson.

On April 11 students met at Central junior high school at 9:00 A.M. and spent the day cleaning up Rock Island's 7th Avenue. Lunch for the workers was provided by McDonald's Drive-In. On April 18, students and concerned citizens cleaned up Sunset Park in Rock Island. These activities along with the activities of Earth Day were sponsored by the Rocky High steering committee.

Another faction of Rocky's fight against pollution was led by John Benn's sophomore Biology classes. Each student was assigned to make a collage dealing with pollution, either air, water, visual, or land; the population explosion; or urbanization, the removing of trees and building buildings. These collages are on display on the 3rd floor.

The students also wrote five letters on one of the mentioned topics and sent them to state and federal government officials. Many responses to these letters were received. Along with their collages students made a supportive booklet. The entire project was to make the student more aware of his environment and the problems the environment faces.

Nation wide concern over the problems of pollution was prompted by President Nixon's State of the Union Address. In it he said that the fight against pollution would have to be one of the major issues of the Seventy's if man was to survive on this earth.

The first Earth Day idea bebegan brewing on some college campuses, but the idea soon spread to include colleges, high schools and all other concerned citizens. From Earth Day, April 22, through April 25 special programs were presented at the John Deere Auditorium sponsored by the two area colleges.

MANY ROCK ISLAND students have participated in the drive against pollution by starting projects such as cleaning 7th avenue.

Have Fun This Summer; Crimson Crier Lists Events

The Crimson Crier staff had set out in the past few weeks to disprove the old saying, "There is nothing to do in the Quad-City area!" They feel they have accomplished their goal.

Going on what they already knew, along with strenuous in-depth studying, they have collaborated on a full page feature about recreation and other things to do in the Quad-Cities and surrounding areas this summer. **Crimson Crier** reporters have been over literally every square block of the Quad-Cities looking for things to do. They came up with everything to do from rides at carnivals to seeing Shakespearean plays.

The Quad-Cities offers many interesting and exciting events in one summer. Whatever your interests, there is something for you to do. The purpose of this special feature is to help you find where the events that interest you are going on this summer.

The Crimson Crier staff hope you find this page enjoyable and entertaining as well as informative. When written, the reporters had you in mind. **The Crimson Crier** hopes you have a wonderful summer with plenty to do.

One more thing before this editorial ends, this summer, have fun, yet do what's safe and keep America clean.

Pollution Everyone's Responsibility

Environmental pollution has just recently become a matter for great concern. But not great enough. A national opinion poll stated that only 50% of population considered pollution to have reached serious levels.

The greatest barriers blocking the control of pollution are lack of interest and lack of knowledge. People speak about the dangers of pollution but very few have stopped using detergents containing the algae-killing phosphates, and very few industries have voluntarily taken steps to control the pollutants for which they are directly responsible.

On the other hand, the appalling lack of knowledge about pollution is also hindering its control. A recent report issued by the American Chemical Society stated that there are so few experts in the field of human solid waste that a task force to cover this facet of the problem could not be assembled. It has also been discovered that some of the existing control technologies have little or no scientific basis to back them up.

Until every citizen of the United States realizes that the problem of pollution is everyone's responsibility, little progress will be made in combating it.

Summer Boredom No Problem

by Susie Cooper

A lot of good summer fun-time is wasted in trying to think of things to do. This summer the problem shouldn't be so difficult. The planned activities in the lakes and parks of our area are numerous and varied.

For the swimmers who want to stay in Rock Island, there is the Longview pool which will be open Monday through Sunday from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. and from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.

A little more gas and swimmer may travel to Lake Harrah or Lake Canyada, both outside Davenport, Iowa. The true traveler may go to Landuits Lake, near Joslin, Illinois. There you may also fish and camp.

For the campers there will be the Rock Island Family Campers Club. Members will make journeys to various camping sites to enjoy the rugged life.

The boating enthusiasts have the Mississippi River at their disposal. Although swimming is not advised, you may fish, water ski, get a sun tan or just go boating. To launch your boat, there are small craft boat ramps at the base of 18th Ave., Rock Island, at Sunset Park. The Marina at the 31st Avenue entrance to Sunset offers not only full sales but also storage and repairs of all boating items.

Area residents will never want for picnic facilities. There is Longview Park which offers shelter, gas plates, charcoal spits, fire places, wood, tables, electricity, playground and tennis. These same conveniences may be found at Lincoln Park. Sunset Park offers not only these picnic and playground facilities but also boat ramps and fishing. Hodge Park has a picnic and playground area and also a baseball diamond.

For the golfers there is Highland Springs Municipal Golf Course at 9500 110th Street, Rock Island. It has a club house, pro shop and concession stand. Or there is Saukie Municipal Golf Course in Rock Island, also with a pro shop and concession stand.

There are plenty of activities to keep your younger brothers and sisters busy this summer, too. Some of these are city wide events like the Hobo Parade, Balloon Flight, Greased Pig-Catching Rodeo, Water Carnival and Miss Playground Queen. There are also special individual playground events like Worm Races, Freckle Contest, Cracker Whistle, Lemon Eating and Bubble Gum Blowing.

Daily and weekly athletic tournaments will be held in each playground for both boys and girls of all ages. Some of the programs are: softball leagues, track, basketball, jump rope, checkers, jacks, kick ball and tether ball.

AMONG THE MANY activities offered by the Summer Recreation Program sponsored by the city is the playground "Greased Pig" contest for children.

Summer School Begins On June 8; Registration Is Now

Summer school will begin at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, June 8 and continue through July 17. Any interested student should contact Mrs. Becker in the office. Registration and payment of fees must be made by June 5.

Credit will be given for successfully completing a course. The school has the right to expell any student who is absent for more than four hours a semester.

One-credit, two-semester courses are Algebra I, American History, Biology I, Chemistry, English 10, 11, and 12, Plane Geometry, Spanish I, and World History. Each semester will be equivalent to 3 weeks of summer school.

One-half credit, one-semester courses are Advanced Algebra, Art Enrichment, American Government, Economics, Speech, and Personal Typing.

Swimming, beginning, intermediate, alvanced, and life saving will also be offered. This is a non-credit class and it meets for 1 hour every day.

The same disciplinary rules and dress code as used during the regular school year will be employed during the summer school session.

Tuition fees are as follows: one-hour, non credit course—$12.50, two-hour one-half unit course—$25.00, four-hour, one-unit course—$50.00, and Biology—$60.00. Checks should be made payable to Rock Island Board of Education.

Come One, Come All, Have Fun At Area's Carnivals

By Dan Russell

"Come one, come all," will be the resounding cry in the Quad-City area as the fair and carnival season begin once more. This is the time of the year when the young and old rush to the fairgrounds to enjoy the lively art of having fun.

The carnivals and fairs have always been a favorite attraction of the teenagers in this area. The Royal American Show come to the Quad-Cities every June. They are sponored by the Kaaba Shrine. This year, the nationally known carnival will be set up on the Davenport levee. It will be in operation from June 10-21. This has always been an event to look forward to because school has just let out for the summer.

The Royal American Shows feature many special and unique entertainments. There is the Club Lido, a favorite spot for the adults. Also featured are the Freak Show, the House of Mirrors, and a special music show. For the very young, the Royal American Shows also contain a complete line of Kiddie Rides. These include a mini-ferris wheel, a merry-go-round, and other such rides.

For the more daring at heart, the Royal American Shows feature a "dare-devil" midway. Such rides are featured as the Wild Mouse, the Space Wheels (a double ferris wheel), the Roto Wheel, the Bavarian Slide, and a giant ferris wheel.

Other fairs and carnivals held in the Quad-Cities area are the Rock Island County Fair, held at the Rock Island fairgrounds; the Mississippi Valley Fair, held at the Mississippi Valley fairgrounds, Davenport; the Illinois State Fair, held in Springfield; the Iowa State Fair, held in Des Moines; and other neighboring state fairs.

A PART OF every summer is the good ole' carnival days. And the Quad-Cities is no exception!

Summer Sports Are In This Area

By Jerry Nesbitt

"There's nothing to do in this rotten town!" This is a popular chant for the young people in this area. This article is going to prove this statement wrong.

The big happening for this area is drag racing at Cordova, but this only happens once a week so what can be done the other six days? This can be a problem for some people, but not for the person with action on the brain.

Can you water ski? Well if you can and have a boat and motor with transportation to the river, then you've got it made. Of course, there are those who don't have a boat and motor with transportation to the river. So next in order there is swimming. There is Lake Harrah outside of Davenport. This is great fun with all the people lying in the sun.

You say you have no car? Well don't get shook, try walking.

You can also try your hand at baseball. Get on a team and show your skills, if you have any. If you do not dig baseball there is always golf. In this area, we have a wide selection of golf courses.

In Rock Island, the only public golf course is Saukie. Inlian Bluff and Highland Springs, both public courses, are located outside of Milan. There are three public courses in Davenport. They are Duck Creek, Emeis, and Credit Island.

Country clubs are open to all members and their guests. Millcreek Country Club, which has rolling greens and the longest par 5 hole in this area, is located on Knoxville Road in Milan. In Davenport, there is the Davenport Country Club. Hillcrest Country Club is found in Hampton and Short Hills Country Club in Moline.

If there is nothing else to do, there are tennis lessons here at the high school courts. Loud Thunder is open for fishing, picnicking and swimming.

If you do not like the out of doors you can go bowling or shoot pool at the Golden "Q"; otherwise you might enjoy sitting at home discussing politics with your mother.

Good luck with your summer of fun.

Guilds Present Summer Shows

by Nancy Schneider

Have you ever caught yourself saying this, "I never go anywhere, never do anything, never have any fun?" If so, your days of boredom are over. There are places to go and things to do!! Most of them are right in your own Quad-City area.

If you like musical entertainment, there is Music Guild. Each year Music Guild produces three musicals which are open to the public. Season tickets are available and tickets may also be purchased in advance of a performance or at the door in Prospect Park, Moline.

Open tryouts are generally held in January or February. After the casts are picked rehearsals start immediately.

The productions for this year are Little Mary Sunshine, June 18-22, Cabaret, July 9-13, and Mame, July 30-August 3. The Rocky students appearing in these shows are Millie Lawrence, Debbie Foley, and Tim Hermann. All are in Mame.

For those who prefer the more dramatic theater, there is Genesius Guild, under the direction of Donald Wooten. The Guild performs Shakespearean and Greek plays. All productions are held in the amphitheater at Lincoln Park.

Open tryouts will be held June 7, at 1:00 in Lincoln Park. Final tryouts will be June 14, at 1:00 also in Lincoln Park.

This year the productions are **Measure for Measure** by Shakespeare, July 4, 5, 10-12; **Philoctetes** by Sophocles July 18, 19, 25, 26. The last two performances will be held in August. They are **As You Like It** by William Shakespeare, to be shown on August 1, 2, and 7,-9, and the last play of the season to be performed on August 14-16, which is **Ecclesiazusae** by Aristophanes. Mr. Wooten stated that they will subtitle this piece. Its subtitle will be the **Legend of Women Voters.**

The amphitheater is an open air theater right in the middle of Lincoln Park. The seats for the spectators are park benches. It is also free!

THE GENESIUS GUILD has another season of plays scheduled for the coming summer. The Guild offers many Greek plays featuring scenes such as the one above.

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The Season Begins At Cordova

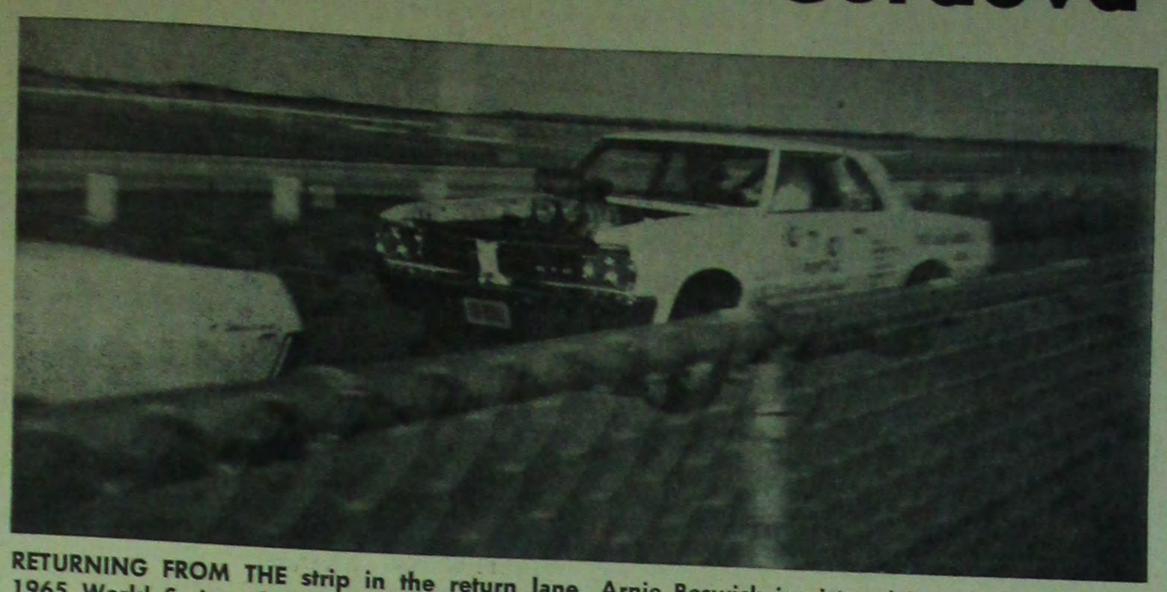
By Jerry Nesbitt

The strip is open! The Cordova Dragstrip at Cordova, Illinois has been open since April the fourth and will be every weekend throughout the season.

The excitement and thrills are incomparable to any recreation in the Quad-Cities. Cordova gets all the big names in drag racing. This is what attracts all the spectators and better yet you get to see all our local boys competing with the pros.

In this area we have names in drag racing that are known throughout the nation. Just to name a few; Arnie Beswick, Lee Smith and the Noppe brothers, who had the fastest running small block Chevy in the nation.

Battling also at Cordova are the younger guys that build their own cars just for the strip. For example, Steve Dolfh, a senior here at Rocky has built a 1959 Studebaker Lark into a hard running beast.



RETURNING FROM THE strip in the return lane, Arnie Beswick is pictured in his 64 GTO in the 1965 World Series of Drag Racing at Cordova, Illinois.

Steve stated, "With a four barrel and a four speed I should be able to take my class, though the competition is always great." He also said, "I haven't turned in the twelve's yet but I'm working on it."

To get to Cordova, take route 84 going north about twenty miles from the Quad-City area.

The admission for the races is $2.50. This only gets you into the bleachers. The pits will cost you another dollar. Now if you think you have got a hot enough car and want to try to compete with the others, that costs another $5.00. Either you can race for money or you can race for the trophies. If you race for the money and win your class, then you are $50 richer. This puts you in the eliminator bracket and for every race completed ten more dollars are added to the fifty.

If you are just a spectator and want to see the cars close up, the pits is the place to be. All the drivers and their crews are out preparing their car for the next race.

Food prices at the strip are ridiculously high. If you get hungry, you better have fifty cents to get a hamburger and twenty-five cents just for a regular size coke.

The races may start as early as nine in the morning and last as late as six in the evening.

T-shirts and sweat shirts are available for the asking at the strip. For every t-shirt and sweat shirt that is bought a decal can be stamped on it for an extra cost.

Night drag racing is the most exciting because when the dragsters, funny cars and super stocks come out you can see the flames shoot out of the headers and all of the lights make the drag strip the main attraction.

If you have not been there, don't miss it this Sunday.

Thinclads Defeat Davenport Central; Team Short On Experienced Runners

Rocky's spring track team got off to a good start this year by defeating Davenport Central by the score of 120-98.

Bob Taylor, a sophomore at Rocky, got three first places in the dual meet. Robert Williams, another sophomore, is the team's best long jumper. Williams and Taylor were both on the varsity squad last year as freshmen.

The squad was beaten by Moline April 14, by the score of 149-70.

One of the team's strong points is the pole vault. Another is the long distance running, in which Taylor runs the 440 and usually brings in a first.

About 60% of the team is made up of sophomores. The team is very versatile but is short on experience.

In the half mile there are two good varsity runners: they are Frank Frances, a senior and Jerry Mitchell, a junior. These two runners are always successful in placing.

The milers are Melvin Stetson, a senior, and Perry Bradley, a sophomore who shows great promise in the mile. The hurdlers are John Osborn and John Each.

Bob Wakeland, an up-coming track star stated, "As a whole, the Rocky squad is very well rounded."

Dav. West Next Foe For RI Golfers

The Rock Island golf team's next match is against Davenport Central on April 28 at the Duck Creek golf course.

The Rocky team, under the coaching of Mr. Dave Wood, opened their season with a win over Moline with a 254 score to Moline's 288. Medalist for the Rocks was Ted Stone with a 38.

Other golfers for the Rocks are Tom Blakely, Reed Carlson, Marty Davis, Doug Elliott, and Bruce Lemkau.

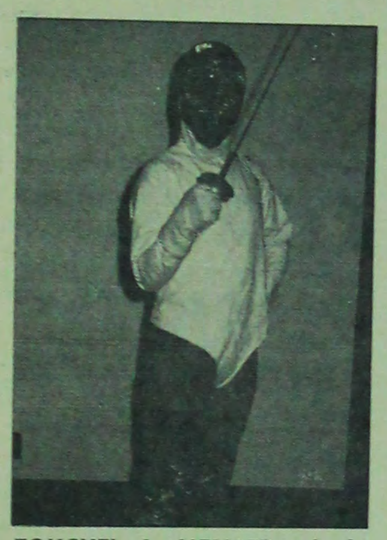
The team's home course is at Indian Bluff.

Some of the Rocky High golf team's future matches are the Quincy Invitational on May 2, Davenport Central on May 4, Davenport West on May 5, Assumption on May 7, District on May 8 and 9, East Moline on May 11, Alleman on May 15, the Big 6 is to be held on May 16, Moline on May 18, East Moline on May 19, and State Golf begins on Friday, May 22.

Coach Wood expressed hopes for a very successful golf season this spring.

Fencing Sparks Interest at Rocky Instructor Was Olympic Competitor

by Timmy Herman



TOUCHE! A MEMBER of the fencing club is exhibiting one of the fundamentals.

The Rock Island fencing squad began its 1970 season this winter with the help of a well known fencing specialist.

Richard Landerville, the instructor of the group, is the proprietor of the Sulle Dupree Fencing Academy in downtown Rock Island. He instructs the boys to use the sport as a means of coordination and skill rather than as a means of fighting or other form of violence.

This year Rocky has had no fencing matches, but plans for next year are underway at present. Melvin Grimes, a member of the squad had this to say about the sport; "I think that Rocky has needed an extra-curricular activity such as this, and so far it has turned out exceptionally well."

Mr. Landerville, a native of France, began fencing at the age of five under the instruction of his grandfather. At the age of sixteen, he had already competed in the Olympics, representing France.

Landerville has a number of projects underway in the Quint-Cities area at present. He is an instructor at many area high schools. He is teaching also at Black Hawk College and Augustana College and is helping Bettendorf high school with technical direction in their production of William Shakespeare's Elizabethan tragedy, **Romeo and Juliet.**

Girls' Tennis

for Richard Ogilvie, U.S. Representative Tom Railsback, State Senator Donald Carpentier, and State Representatives Donald Henss and Oral Jacobs.

These letters were in response to letters written by Mr. John Benn's sophomore biology classes. Each student wrote five letters on the topics of pollution, population control, or urbanization and sent them to State or Federal government officials.

All of the government officials expressed a deep concern over the problems facing our environment. Illinois Governor Richard Ogilvie included in his letter some of the major points in his recommended program for the fight against air and water pollution.

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water, visual, or land; the population explosion; or urbanization, the removing of trees and building buildings. These collages are on display on the 3rd floor.

The students also wrote five letters on one of the mentioned topics and sent them to state and federal government officials. Many responses to these letters were received. Along with their collages students made a sup-

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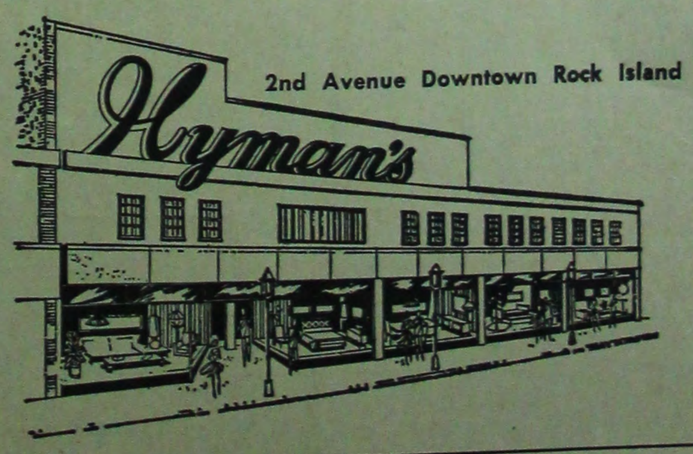

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Phoenix Now Is In Area

by Karen Freeburg
and Nancie Kiefer

Attention! Anyone on a bad trip, strung out, or in need to rap with an understanding friend can do so by going to 710 4th Avenue, Rock Island. Repeat —710 4th Avenue, Rock Island.

The Phoenix Now center is open 24 hours a day. It has, or will make room for anybody in need of help. Those wishing to be picked up by any of the staff may call 786-3268. Remember, the door is always open.

Contrary to rumors, Phoenix Now is **not police affiliated.** Instead it is an organization to combat drug abuse, not to condemn those who experiment with drugs on a small basis. As Bob Manson, business director for Phoenix Now, puts it, "We got sick and tired of hearing about junior and senior high kids dropping acid four or five times a week or being strung out on speed for days, or mainlining heroin. We wish to help kids who want to get off drugs, not force kids against their wishes."

The center is located near the J. I. Case factory in Rock Island. It is a nine-room house being furnished by various businesses and groups, including Hyman's Furniture Store and Business Systems Company, both of Rock Island. However, Liz Rohner, the Chief counselor adds, "We need a lot of things still. We badly need mattresses and a big long table. I guess you could say we need everything from mattresses to lamp shades."

THE NEWLY OPENED Phoenix Now Program, for the Quad-Cities is designed to help those who are seeking information on drugs and their effects on teenagers of today.

Members of the Staff are as follows: Director — Murrae Haynes; Business director — Bob Manson; Assistant business directors — Rick Greve and Deb Hillmer; Public relations manager — Mr. Gary Little; Chief counselor — Liz Rohner; and the counselors include Nancy Hillmer, Brian Beaudry and Mrs. Gary Little.

These staff members are a very important part of this drug program but most important are the people who come to them for help. So do not hesitate to call or go down to the center if you or a friend of yours needs help. These are people who know and understand the problems of drug abuse and drug addiction.

Wise up, drugs are **out** and reality is in. Take your next **trip** to Phoenix Now.

Class of '70 Will Present Wilder's Play 'Our Town'

The footlights will shine again on May 9 when the Senior class of Rock Island high school will present the play, **Our Town,** by Thorton Wilder. Directing the play will be Mr. F. Eugene Malcolm.

Thorton Wilder's well known play is required reading for students in junior English classes. The play deals with life in the small town of Grover's Corners, New Hampshire, in the early 1900's.

The Stage Manager is portrayed by Joe Ullman. Jon Spurgetis plays Doctor Gibbs. Susan Anderson plays the part of Doc Gibbs wife. Dan Murphy plays George Webb with Beci Senske as his sweetheart, Emily Gibbs.

Marie Carson and Craig Brown portray Mr. and Mrs. Webb, Emily's parents. Doug DeMeyer and Joyce Apple will act as assistant stage managers. Brad Appier will try to act as Howie Newsome. Kevin Pieper portrays the role of Wally Webb.

Randy Doyle will portray the part of Professor Willard. The people of the town will be Sue Gage, Linnea Johnson, Linda Lawson, Laurel Hull, Melva McAdams, Hadee Strupp, Lynn Sterret, Ellen Batt, and Aksel Epick.

Scouters Take Over City; Jackson Elected Mayor

Junior Mike Jackson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Jackson, was elected Mayor in the annual mock election held recently by the Boy Scouts of America.

Mike Jackson

As a graphic means of learning the ins and outs of city government, the Boy Scouts hold a mock election each year for all city official positions.

Other elected officials include Grant Schmidt, treasurer; Craig Demrey, county clerk; Vern Bluer, city manager; Mike Heggan, Greg Hardy, Greg Stice, and Dick Dorbeck, councilmen.

Boy Scouts desiring to hold city positions must have petitions signed and filed for the particular job. Then, just as in any regular campaign, they select a campaign manager and hit the campaign trail. They have signs made, distribute campaign literature, and visit different Boy Scout Troops making speeches explaining why they are running and why they are best qualified for the position.

When the campaign is over all Boy Scouts vote on voting machines such as used in regular city elections. The votes are counted and the winners are announced.

On a prearranged day all winners take over their respective elective positions and take over city business for the day acting in place of Mayor James Haymaker, City Manager Ray Botch and other city officials.

Workshop Held At Rocky

A teacher's Workshop, sponsored by the State of Illinois, was held at Rock Island high school on Friday, March 10. Approximately twenty-five persons attended, representing eleven towns plus the Quint-Cities. Vicki Enberg served as a guide for the mornings activities.

John Blomberg presented fifty-four ideas that are useful in a classroom. He also gave two visual aid demonstrations using the opaque and overhead projectors along with a variable speed tape recorder demonstration. Five different teaching methods were illustrated and a skit given by fifth year Spanish students recorded on the video tape machine was shown.

Send Top Scores to Math Assoc.

The Twenty - first Annual Mathematics Examination was held on Tuesday, March 10, 1970. It was offered to all college algebra, college math, modern introductory analysis, analytical geometry, and trigonometry students.

The test was offered by the Mathematical Association of America and sponsored jointly by the Mathematical Association of America, Society of Actuaries, Mu Alpha Theta, and National Council of Teachers of Mathematics.

The exam, given by Mr. C. Les Anderson, is used to show a student's aptitude in relation to other students of their own level. The quiz is a difficult multiple choice test and the average score last year was 33 for the 80-minute test.

After being scored by Mr. Anderson only the 3 highest scores are sent to the Association with the person receiving the highest score in his school wins a pin.

Although the nationwide totals and averages have not been tabulated the scores of the 3 highest Rocky students are in.

The highest score was achieved by Randy Doyle son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Doyle of 7437 76th St., Rock Island. Following in second place was John Robison son of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Robison, 1423 35th Ave., Rock Island. In third place was Elodie Arnett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil S. Arnett.

College Night Held at High School

Rock Island high school juniors and their parents were invited to attend the annual College Night on Tuesday, April 14 between 7 and 9 p.m.

This night was set aside so the college bound students would have a chance to investigate the colleges that he would like to attend.

Students Buy Slaves From Senate to Serve Them; Buy A Bod Day

The Senate of Rock Island high school had a chance to really serve its student body on Buy a Bod day, held on April 8. Bids were accepted in the office to buy senators and their alternates on April 3 and 6. The lowest bid was twenty-five cents, which was the minimum, and the highest bid was five dollars. A total of $57.75 was collected. The money will go to the cheerleaders for summer clinic. The slaves' tasks included carrying extra loads for their buyers between classes.

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be the resounding cry in the d carnival season begin once year when the young and old y the lively art of having fun. e always been a favorite at- is area. The Royal American Show come to the Quad-Cities every June. They are sponored by the Kaaba Shrine. This year, the nationally known carnival will be set up on the Davenport levee. It will be in operation from June 10-21. This has always been an event to look forward to because school has just let out for the summer.

The Royal American Shows feature many special and unique entertainments. There is the Club Lido, a favorite spot for the adults. Also featured are the Freak Show, the House of Mirrors, and a special music show. For the very young, the Royal American Shows also contain a complete line of Kiddie Rides. These include a mini-ferris wheel, a merry-go-round, and other such rides.

For the more daring at heart, the Royal American Shows feature a "dare-devil" midway. Such rides are featured as the Wild Mouse, the Space Wheels (a double ferris wheel), the Roto

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