## NEW CURRICULUM PROPOSED

A new program has been proposed at RIHS to allow the students a wider range of English courses to choose from. The English department is considering a switch from the required three years of English to a phaselective program.

The program would be divided into five phases or levels of study. Phase one would apply to those students who feel they need help with their basic reading areas of study.

My crystal ball tells all. It

is now February 25. The cur-

tain begins to rise at 8:00 P.M.

Voices echo through the RIHS

auditorium leaving the audience

spellbound. A distinct conflict

emerges. It is the junior class

play production of Only an Or-

phan Girl written by Henning

acters on stage are becoming more

distinct. There is a man by the

Nellie who has unknowingly be-

come an heiress at her father's

death. Arthur plans to talk Nellie

into marrying him. Unknown to

Nellie and the people she lives

with, Arthur is already married.

the money. When Nellie refuses

to marry him, Arthur uses the old

threat, "If the mortgage isn't

Arthur searches for his niece.

name of Arthur Rutherford.

Wait, there is more. The char-

Nelms.

skills and comprehension. Each following group would be of increased difficulty up to phase five.

The courses in the highest group are intended for the superior student with a stress on the development of a sophisticated reading taste. This does not mean that students would be allowed to choose from only one phase, but may choose different levels of courses for different

Although approximately 40 semester courses were suggested, only about half that number could be offered in the beginning of the program. The students were given sheets in their English classes which described the courses and arranged them into the phases where they would be most beneficial to the students in that group.

Those courses which the students indicated would be of the

most interest to them will be taken into consideration for the classes to be offered.

One of the main problems of the program is that the courses are set up as semester courses, creating much rescheduling. However, they could be turned into full year subjects if necessary. The program is still only in the terms of a proposal and further planning awaits the approval of the board.

## Arthur Rutherford The Crimson Crier In Jr. Class Play

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## New Crimson Crier Staffs Announced



This makes no difference to NEW CRIER STAFF. Pictured are the next Crier staff. Seated: Arthur, for by the time this is Roy Phelps, and Jo Ann LaBarr; standing is Tim Curry and Doug discovered, he will be gone with DeMeyer.

#### paid by such and such time, you'll have to marry me." Is this the end for sweet, little

Nellie? The answers will be found in the Jr. Class Play.

### Y-Teens Look To Feb. 13

semi-formal dance will be held on As Valentine's Day approaches, February 13 at the YWCA gym-Rocky's Y-Teen girls are readynasium. In this "turn-about" ing themselves for the annual dance the girl asks the boy and Sweetheart Swirl. This year's also pays the expenses of the dance and dinner.

Highlighting the evening will

be the crowning of the King.

The theme of this year's dance of the work done with decorations toward developing this theme will be done by Y-teen members.

To be eligible to go to the Sweetheart Swirl a girl must belong to Y-Teens, have paid her dues, gotten three service points for projects, worked on decor-She is a member of St. Pius X ations for the dance, and have attended at least two meetings.

Tickets for the dance can be Debbie wants to continue going purchased for three dollars a couple before the dance at noon in the cafeteria.

The Crimson Crier staffs for next semester have been slected by Mr. Nicholas Peschang, staff advisor.

On the sixth period staff are, as co-editors, Tim Curry and Doug DeMeyer. Copy editor is Julie Dalkoff, with assistants Karen Cullison and Peggy Sheehan. Page editors are Sue Madsen, page 1; Michelle Whaley, page 2; Barb Grams, page 3; and Pete Young, pages 4 and 5. Sports editor is Rhonda Gay, with Jim Lohmeier and Willie Gathright as assistants.

Proofreaders are Gina Gerlich and Jan Cacich. Selected as picture editor is Peter Soderburg. Business manager is Linda Moore. Ad manager, Candy Barnes, has assistants Roxie Bell and Janet Butler and circulation manager is Bob Ingogly, with Peggy Weatherly and Kris Bingaman.

Co-editors for the seventh period staff are Roy Phelps and Joann LeBare. Copy editor is Sandy Barfield with assistant Debbie Kelly. Page editors are Beckie Gage, Susan Mack, and Cheryl Riley for page 1, 2, and 3, respectively. Editor for pages 4 and 5 is Yoko Yamada. Mike Zare is sports editor, with Rick Sedrel and Craig Ezring as assistants.

Kathy Lincoln and Kathy Yuris are proofreaders. Sue Pealstrom is picture editor. Managing business are Doug Frazer and Dan Hickman, with Jan Ellis and Pam Flodeen. Rosemary White is circulation manager, with assistants Jim Seales and Ardella Northern.

### Red Letter Days

January 30- Basketball, Aurora East-Home February 1- Lincoln's Birthday NO SCHOOL

### Foley Receives DAR

Debbie Foley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack B. Foley 2816 28th St., Rock Island, was named 1970 winner of the DAR award by the Fort Armstrong Chapter of the

Daughter of the American Revolution

Debbies activities include being secretary of her class, president of the American Field Service, secre-



Debbie Foley

tary of Senior Glee Club, secre-

tary-treasurer Teen Democrats and has to do with "fantasies." All is in Chamber Choir and the Pep Club Cabinet.

Debbie is also a member of Drama Club, G.A.A., Y-Teens, and Human Relations Club. She was a senator for one year, a junior marshal, and a semi-finalist in the Illinois State Scholarship competition.

Roman Catholic Church, Rock Island.

to school in the areas of special education and drama.

## It's Time To Reassess Detentions For Make up

Just as many of our penal insitutions are great training gounds for crime, so does our detention systme seem to be self-perpetuating. There are two major types of problems that are a natural outgrowth of this system.

First, the vast bulk of the detention recipients are "steady customers." They are the "trouble makers" who are obviously not deterred in the least by the prospect of another "sentence." Those teachers who "patrol" the detention hall will concur in this. There should be more counseling effort and curriculum changes to get at the causes of the troubles instead of ignoring them.

The other type of occupant in detention is the "good kid" who is serving time for having told the truth. Other high schools permit their students to miss school for vacation adaptability purpose because of airline scheduling. However, presently at Rocky those students who tell the truth about their travel plans are rewarded with "make-up hours." (in effect, detentions) Those parents and students who justifiably think they system is ludicrous will conveniently get sick. Is it no wonder that so many youths (and grown-ups) are cynical?

Truth is obviously not being rewarded, but deception is. It is high time our detention systems, as well as all penal systems, be reassessed in terms of effectiveness, deterrence and results.

### Crimson Crier Eds Bid Farewell

We, the editors of the first semester CRIMSON CRIER staff, wish to thank everyone involved in the publication of the paper. Since this was the first year that we were responsible for printing our own paper, many intricate problems arose- the main one being getting the CRIER out on time. At this time we would like to thank the graphic arts department, under the direction of Mr. Dennis Hawkinson, who faithfully printed the paper. We also wish to express our sincere gratitude to Mr. Nick Peschang who has devotedly served Rock Island high school as the CRIM-SON CRIER advisor for thirteen years. Our deepest thanks goes to the staunch staff who spent many long hours writing and rewriting stories without giving up.

In closing, we would like to congratulate the second semester staff and wish them the best of luck.

Marti Zukerman and Debbie Foley

### Parents Rejoice! Children Still Seen and Not Heard

I feel impelled to thank the voters of Rock Island county, and the entire state, for once again showing the great confidence they have in us by rejecting the bill that would have given 18-year olds the right to

The learned men in Washington have enough blind faith to permit us to help in electing the leader of our nation. but our own parents are smart enough to know that we can't be trusted to vote for something as important as state and local officials. They are willing to let the 18-year olds pay adult taxes and to be tried as adults in court. They even put the security of the entire country in the hands of 19-year old boys when they send them off to war with catchy phrases like "you're really a man

But who's kidding who? It is a scientific fact that young people today are more mature than ever before. We're forced to grow up fast faced with problems like drugs, pollution, and war. Young people care! We want peaceful change! Since we can't vote to change the things that need to be changed, the only way we can express our opinions is through public demonstration. We can't express opinions with a ballot until we're 21. We must be a very powerful group to be feared so much. Why are they afraid of us? We're just like them.

Book Review

### Can Jordi Be Helped?

by Renee Gorenstein

"He smashed the glass with his fists. Within seconds he broke the three windows in the room. He was striking out, fighting the trees now. He felt so good he did not notice the blood gushing from his hand. He screamed in triumph."

This passage was taken from the book Jordi by Theodore Issac Rubin. Jordi is an emotionally disturbed child who suffers from anxiety, panic attacks and schizophrenia. He has a high IQ and good intellectual potential but it will be extremely difficult for him to live a normal life.

Since he cannot attend a public school, Jordi's parents enroll him in a special school hoping that it will be able to help their child.

It was here that Jordi was given the special attention that he needed. At first Jordi didn't like the school as it was a new and frightening experience for him, but through patience and understanding of his teacher, he found the chance for marked improvement. Jordi no longer had his attacks of smashing windows. For the first time in his life he was being helped.

Can an emotionally disturbed child learn to live in the world?

Read the book and find out the answer.

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Debbie Foley

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### Kathy's Korner

By Kathy Johnson

#### DEDICATION TO SOMEONE I KNOW GIVE AND TAKE

This- my last bit of sunshine;
My last dream and song.
My last breath.
For I sit in my rocking boat,
Trying to forget what
I'll always remember,
While the sea rushes in
All around
For now I have your life-long
Dream-- Freedom-- And again I
whisper...
"Thank you"
But only the wind hears me,
This time.

And so I wave good-bye
And blow a kiss
Of hope
To you,
too.

You sold me smiles
And sunshine
And God.

I was lonely; You reassuringly Took over me.

You taught me love And security And the way of 'we.'

You made me responsible You told me "Walk Tall." Yet, somehow, I did fall.

You gave me heartbreak And head-ache; All I did was take.

Now I give you my Good-byes.

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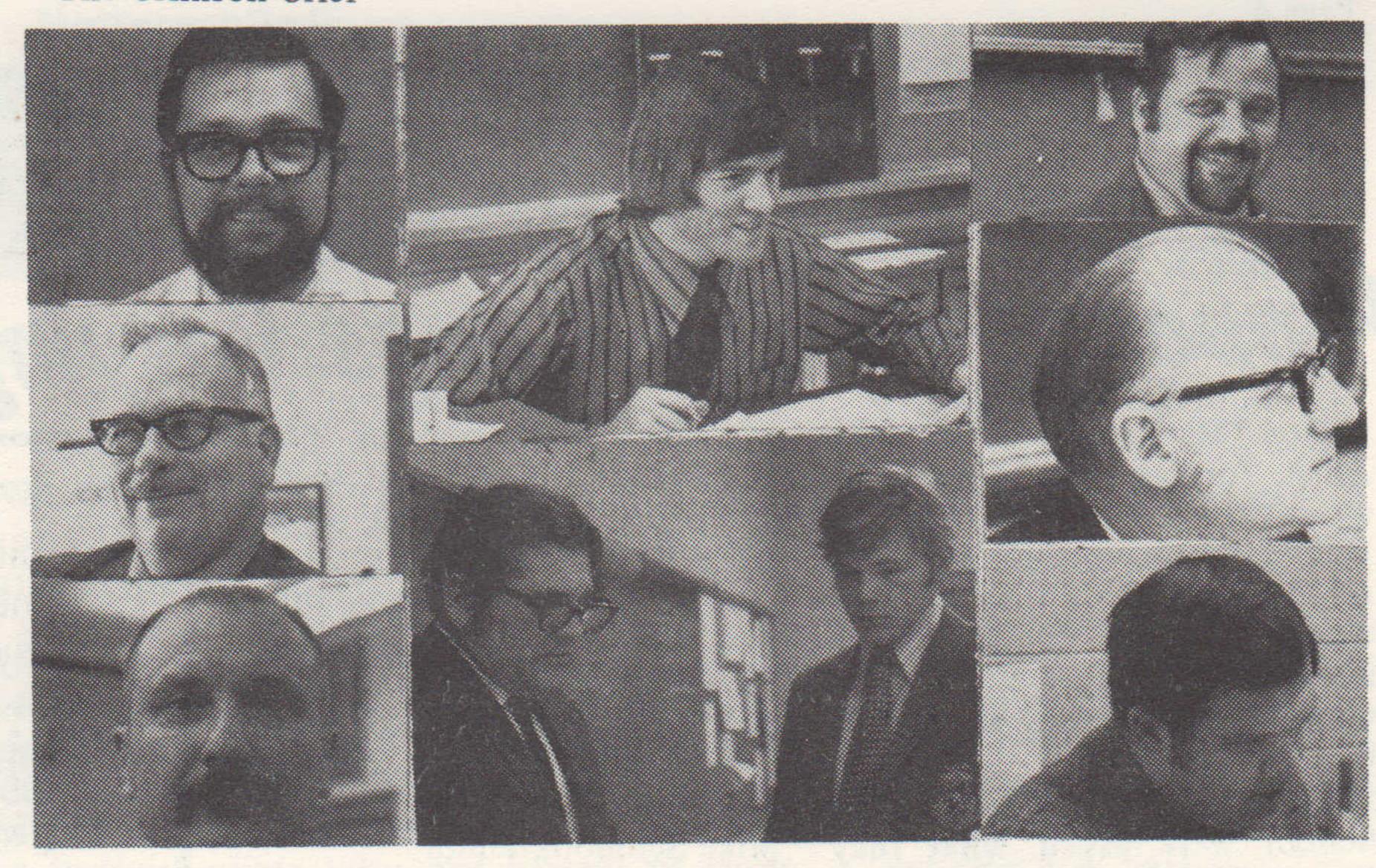
Although there are no definite plans at the present time, there is a possibility that the graduation ceremonies for the class of 1971 will differ from those of the past years. One difference, hopefully, would be that the ceremony itself would be in the stadium, rather than the boys' gym, as it has been before.

This of course, depends upon the weather conditions. Petitions concerning this have been circulated among the seniors by a who originated the idea.

At the present time they have a total of approximately 400 signatures on the petitions. These, along with recomendations of how the ceremony would procede, will be presented to Principal Harold Voyles, who will give them to Superintendent Austin, who in turn will present them at the school board meeting for the final approval.

Another hopefully successful change in the ceremony would be new robes. Activities, such as bake sales, are now being planned in an effort to raise money for the new, lighter robes.

HAIR IS EVERY-WHERE. Students at Rocky are finding the hair fad is invading the school, as shown by their male teachers.



## group of students from Mr. Jan-ecke's 6th hour government class, Even Teachers Succumb To Mod Styles

goes."

and grooming has seemed to reach recently taken on a less conthe teachers. The short-haired, servative style. Mr. William Armsmooth-shaven, dark suited tea- strong has grown a beard and cher image of the past has dis- mustache, and Mr. Nicholas Pesappeared.

With this year's new dress code both been sporting facial hair in effect, it is no suprise to see for a few years. Mr. Jerry Janecke students dressed in almost any- has never been a drab dresser. For thing. With no hair length or a long time has been wearing beard restrictions, it's more or brightly colored shirts and doubleless an atmosphere of "anything breasted suits, and now he's growing sideburns.

Finally, this new mode of dress Some other teachers have more chang has a new double-breasted There are some teachers to blazer with two pairs of and Mr. Dennis Hawkinson have for some time, ahs also joined

the new trend by letting his hair

Setting the prime example is Principal Harold Voyles. Mr. Voyles has been wearing a mustache and wild HAND\*MADE ties. Mr. Ellis Shaffer has been setting trends for quite a while. Even last year he was wearing bright shirts and, of course, his famous white shoes.

The female teachers haven't kept in step as well as the men because for some reason they whom the "new image" is not FLAIRED pants. Mr. Eugene Mal- are not allowed to wear pants so new. Mr. Charles Armstrong colm, an advocate of bell-bottoms outfits. Don't worry ladies, your day will come.

ROCK ISLAND-MOLINE-EAST MOLINE AREA STUDENTS AND INSTRUCTOR ARE GUESTS OF IOWA-ILLINOIS AT

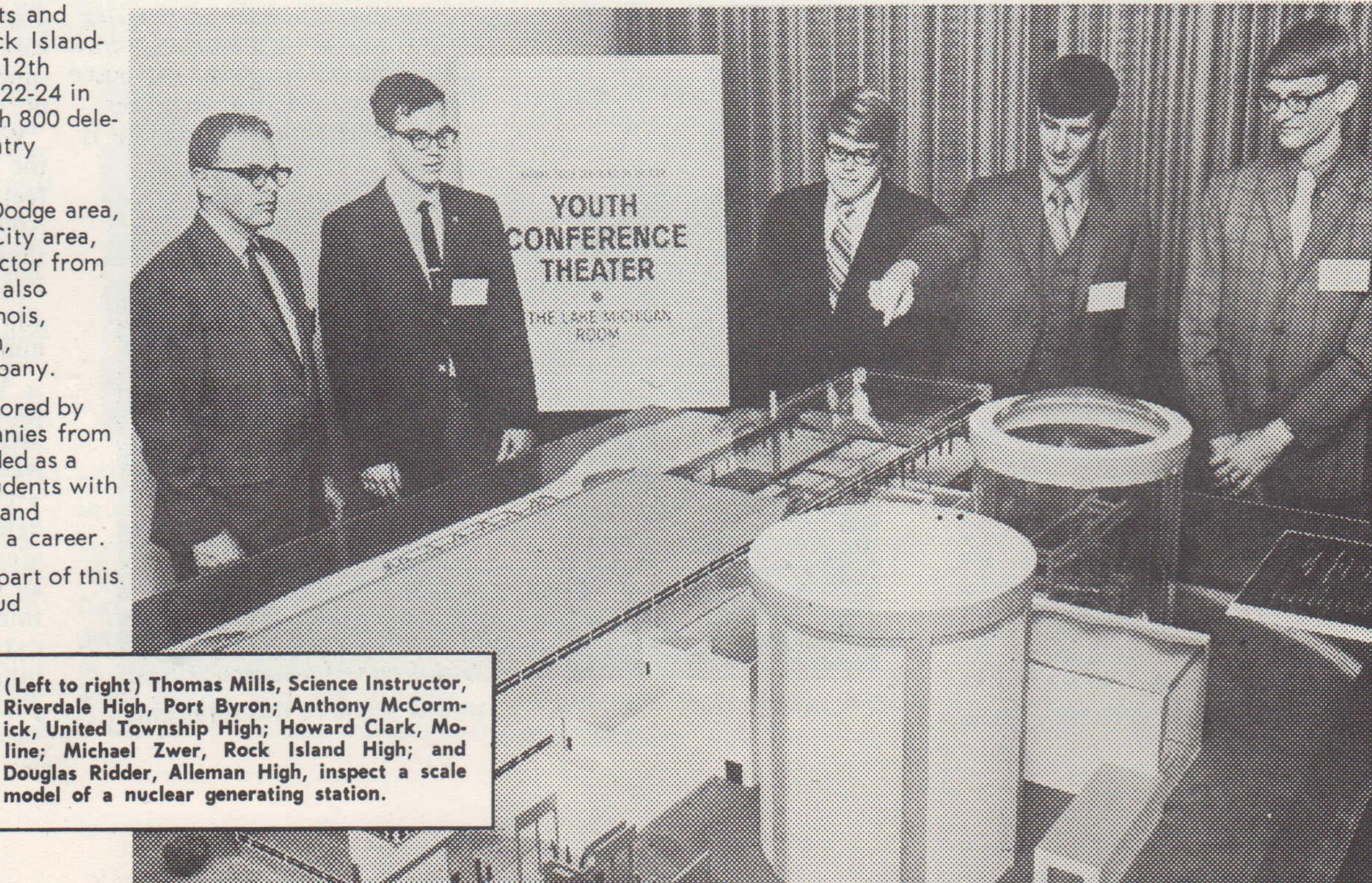
## National Youth Conherence on the Atom

These four outstanding students and instructor represented the Rock Island-Moline-East Moline area at this 12th Annual Conference on October 22-24 in the Sheraton-Chicago Hotel with 800 delegates from all parts of the Country in attendance.

Three students from the Fort Dodge area, three students from the lowa City area, and five students and an instructor from the Davenport-Bettendorf area also attended as guests of lowa-Illinois, accompanied by Sam E. Wilson, Editorial Assistant of the Company.

The Conference, which is sponsored by investor-owned Electric Companies from all parts of the nation, is intended as a means of acquainting gifted students with the peaceful uses of the atom and interesting them in science as a career.

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Proposed Pledge Brings Varying Opinions of Students

Not too long ago, Dr. James Allen, former U.S. commisioner of education, proposed that the United States change its pledge to the flag. Dr. Allen believes that his version "avoids the unsupportable claims to national virtue that we have not yet attained.

Students ar Rock Island High School were asked what they thought of the new version, and the following comments were made.

"To be perfectly blunt, I can't see what difference it would make myself. Other than the assemblies at school, where else do you hear the pledge of allegiance? The flag is raised and lowered to the national anthem, so I can't see any reason to change it." Mark Broendel, senior

"I'll have to go with the proposed version of the pledge. It tends to admit that we have not

yet acheived the goals of "liberty and justice for all," but that we are trying and working towards these goals. We've fallen short of our goals so why not admit it? Are we, as a nation, too small to admit this failure? I don't advocate change for the sake of change, but I feel that this change is needed."

Mike Schmook-senior

"I'm in favor of the second proposal because an individual is actually dedicating himself to the doctrines for which America stands."

Floyd Shelton- senior

"I feel I could pledge the proposed version and not feel like a hypocrite as is the case with pledging the original version. The proposed version is more realistic in that it recognizes that a person can only dedicate himself to ideal principles and not blindly

The Present Pledge

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

The Proposed Version

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and dedicate myself to the principle that the Republic for which it stands shall be in truth one Nation, under God, indivisible, dedicated to liberty and justice for all.

recognize their existence and still believe in himself.

Craig Sandusky-senior

"It seems like all you ever hear anymore is how change is essential and change is progress. I fully agree that change is a very necessary part of our lives, but I fail to see why it is necessary to change the pledge of allegiance

to the flag. After all, it is not the words themselves that show our respect for the flag, it is the idea behind them. If you have a deep and loyal feeling towards the flag, you would stand in front of it and recite a nursery rhyme, and you would still be saluting it."

Debbie Foley, senior

## Flag's Symbolic Meaning Alma Mater Letter From Viet Nam Has Changed For Some

EDITOR'S NOTE: This letter appears just as it was received. No changes whatsoever have been made.

To all who cannot see the Sun behind the clouds:

I know none of you have been in Viet Nam. You cannot know what it is to fear. But then again "There is nothing to fear, but fear itself." Anyway try to see the views of men like myself.

The world I left is not the same world I shall return to. I hear news that is wicked to believe. I hear of people who follow the ways of the "weatherman," S.D.S., and other militant groups. The majority of mankind and God almighty cannot possibly see any righteousness in their actions. Then alot say there is no justice in the Viet Nam conflict, but too many lives have been lost to make waste of. Over 40,000 men have died for some just reason.

Freedom is precious, so try to keep the freedom you already share. There is no other that can compare to ours. You can try to change it for the better, but don't carelessly destroy it.

Learn to value its presence.

So if you follow in any protest, know fully what the plan is set for. Evil lurks behind many. Don't be lead by the Sun who hides behind a cloud of make-believe values. Bring the Sun our from the cloud of lies and seek the fullness; not the facet of what he says. There is a possibility of destruction beyond recovery.

> Robert F. Johnson Class of "69"

for national unity and unfaltering national loyalty. Because of the American involvement in the Indo-China war, "Old Glory" has been converted, for some, from a symbol of national unity into a symbol of disunity and bitter antagonism. The use of the flag by anti-war groups and also crusading right-wing groups has raised the question of flag desecration.

Everywhere you turn there is

by Sheila Sears evidence of the "flag fetish." For a number of Americans, The youth of America have adopthe American flag no longer stands ted the "stars and stripes" to show their abhorrence of the war and at the same time to show that the flag belongs to them as well as to the "love it or leave it" patriots.

> Those on the far right have recently adopted the flag and display it proudly as window decals and lapel pins to show their support of an "America- right of wrong" crusade.

Who, then, is really desecrating the United States flag- those who feel the flag is a symbol of an America ready for change, or those who blind themselves to the imperfections of the country and allow the flag to stand for these imperfections.

The desecration of a particular flag is the act of one individual, but the immoral and illegal devastation of countries like Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia defiles the flag in the deepest sense. This is the desecration of an entire country and of all the things it should stand for. The extreme rightists can make no judgment on flag desecration without, therefore, condemning their own country.



A FOX HOLE IN Viet Nam is a familiar scene to this serviceman.

# : Birchers Bare Beliefs

by Kathy Johnson

'Black Power is giving power in the black colony in America want to be able to have power over out destiny" So say the Black Panthers. They also say views rather than conservative. that the best way to seize power box.

whites, violence, black capitalism, rights of the minority." black separatism, blacks as poli-

community control.

helped break down political barriers for blacks. Now Black Power is: Are the actions of these groups considered patriotic by most people?

Black Power is an alternative. It seeks to overcome alienation, to create groups relevant to blacks, and to modernize this nation's political systme. It may be the means of achieving a just and open society. Are these black militant groups justified for their by Q. Welsh

This we believe: "We do not want to conserve the present system of high taxes, deficit spending, expanding welfare programs, foreigh aid, leniency to criminals, no-win wars, and ever increasing government controls."

The John Birch Society is a group of men and women who to people who have not had power have joined together to promote their way of thinking by to determine their desitny...We a plan of action designed to overcome the opposition against them. They have been called conservatists, although G. Edward Griffen, authorized member of the society since 1960, states that they are individualists who are liberal in their

In Griffens' book, This is the John Birch Society", he is to make the power grab at the outlines the government the Society would like to see in power. He believes that democracy is deadly because of the Black Power has many different fact that it is based on majority rule. He explains." The meanings: racial pride, hatred of majority should rule, but not to the point of destroying the

He also believes that there is a very significant difference tical pressure groups and black between a republic and a democracy. A republic is the better form of government because it will not destroy the rights of The Civil Rights movement the minority and each person has a better say in his own

government.

The John Birch Society was founded after Captain groups are involving more and John Birch had died and the object of the group is to carry more blacks in political action and out his beliefs. There are local chapters as well as the national decision making. But the question organization. Their membership has doubled in the last few years and they hope to eventually promote their ideas "protest." Songs which ask us throughout the United States as well as the world. to "Heed the Call" and discover

The Society opposes the spread of communism, and any the new "Age of Aquarius" other form of tolitarian rule. They have been called commu- aren't exactly patriotic, but they nists, and this they deny because they believe in an individualistic form of governing rather than a dictatorship. They also believe that those who call themselves liberals are really conservatists and that they are only trying to fool the public.

The John Birch Society- a group of people who have their right to free speech and thought as part of the American policy.

By Bridget Kennedy

"Uncle Sam Wants You!" It's a statement many joke about, paint posters about, and find out is very true by serving in our armed forces today. There is not too much new about that.

But one new "patriotic" trend is coming on. A rash of new movies, songs, and poems have hit the scene. Perhaps some should be called "anti-patriotic." "M\*A\*S\*H" was a movie that, despite the comic cover-up, did not build up the ideal of the American defending his country! The subile, (or rather not too subile ways) in wheih "M\*A\*S\*H" blasted the staunch, traditional ideas of our military is just an example of the new trends that come right to the point.

Records as well have taken on a new form now listed as do show a new feeling in the country; a new rise of emotions. Perhaps it's like the emotion that inspired a bumper sticker, "America: Love it or Leave it!" Maybe some should take the hint? Or is that what it's all about?

## STUDENTS JOIN REVOLUION actions?

by Caren Sax The age of student pacifism is over. Today's higher educated college youth comes from a more permissive environment and wants to change the present situation. He has strategies ranging from persuasion to violence in order to accomplish his goals.

One prominent opinion is that the increased student participation in U.S. political life is due to the ideals of the new student culture. They are more concerned with the meaning of life rather than with material success. Many also contend that the issues of the times--Vietnam, Civil Rights, ecology--are motivating the youths.

The concerned campus youth tends to be suspicious of all national powers including the U.S. Nixon too often uses words which



STUDENT DISSENT APPEARED throughout the college campuses and other scenes across the nation to let out their true feelings.

could be better in America. In fact, a main problem of student unrest stems from the lack of communication between President Nixon and the students.

mainly emphasizes what mean different things to him than to youth.

> Nixon somehow doesn't seem to realize the seriousness of the situation; he sees just differences of opinions while student erosion is setting in. The purposes of

are also very distinct. While Nixon wants to maintain national honor through military power, students see the need to first attain national honor using Vietnam as a way of fulfilling it.

Recommendations made to the White House in July, 1970, stress the importance of increased exposure of Nixon to campuses and to blacks and other minority groups in order that he can better understand their views.

Those who are anti-protest are primarily afraid of the change from the traditional role of the students. They also see error through excess of "love, hate, and everything else." Student dissent presents a great challenge in this century and critical changes must be made in response.



ANTICIPATING NEXT TRIP' Janet Greenleaf and Diane Burnes are the boards. While the Rocks were preparing for the upcoming trip sponsored by the ski club.

Panthers could manage only one.

### Area Ski Resorts Good

How about taking a ski trip to Mill Creek, Chestnut Mountain, Alpine Ski Resort, LaCrosse Ski area or even maybe the Playboy Ski Resort?

The most immediate is Mill Creek. It's not much of a skiing hill though, as the single slope is also shared with sledders. To add to the difficulties there is no tow rope. If you happen to have a sno-mobile you would be set. Now onto better and bigger things-Chestnut Mountain. Chestnut is located eight miles south of Galena. Chestnut is one of the finer ski resorts in this area.

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Another possibility is Alpine Ski Resort. Alpine slopes are very intersting as they take you through the woods. They also have an excellent lodge with great accommodations and facilities.

Mt. LaCrosse is our next stop. Mt. LaCrosse slopes are fair and their equipment is good, but it isn't really worth the five hour trip to get there.

Last but not least we come to Playboy Resort. Here we find such things as skiing, ice skating, sno-mobiling, swimming, and various shops. Sound like fun? Give it a try.

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## Rocks In Rematch With Panthers Hoping For Repeat Of Dec. 4 Game

Can the Rocks do it again? Can they defeat the Panthers of East Moline? The answer to this question will be answered here at the Field House tonight.

As most of you already know, the Rocks upset the Panthers on their home floor on December 4. The Rocks completely dominated the boards. While the Rocks were getting two or three shots the Panthers could manage only one.

The Rocks rebounding was complimented by fantastic shooting from both the floor and the charity strip, along with some ballhandling wizardry by Lonnie Boyd and Steve Fenton. Boyd completely dumbfounded The

# Rocks Ready To Win Quad City Tourney

Next Tuesday, January 26, the Rock Island high school swimming team, known as the "Dolphins," will be challengin Davenport Central Bluedevils at the Rock Island pool.

The big meet which the swimming team is aiming for is the Quad-City Varsity meet to be held on Thurdsday January 28.

Individual swimmers are Keith Gilliam, who is expected to win two events and Al Jackson who is supposed to cause an upset. Coach Friedrichsen would not divulge what events these two swimmers would be in but said, "Wherever we put them, I know that they will win."

The most improved swimmers on the squad are reported to be senior Al Jackson and junior Ken Shoemaker.

Also representing Rock Island this year are two freshmen, Dave Andrews and Craig Kirkpatrick, both of Washington junior high school.

In the diving competition Rocky will have veteran Bill Morgan leading the way.

Panthers with some behind-theback and through-the-leg dribbles and then followed with a few daring passes.

Meanwhile Fenton roamed the court freely, sinking shots all night. And if by chance a shot was missed, Hamming, Barnes, Atwater, or sixth man Bob Johnson scooped the ball off the boards and put it in. The Panthers have never been the same since.

Meanwhile the Rocks fortunes have risen. They are new ranked in the top ten teams in the state and are on the trail of the Quad-City championship.

Since the last report came out the Rocks have won ten games. They trounced Davenport Central 100 to 78. The Rocks were led by Lee "Deacon" Atwater with 24 points. The next game was Rockford West, won by a score of 78 to 74.

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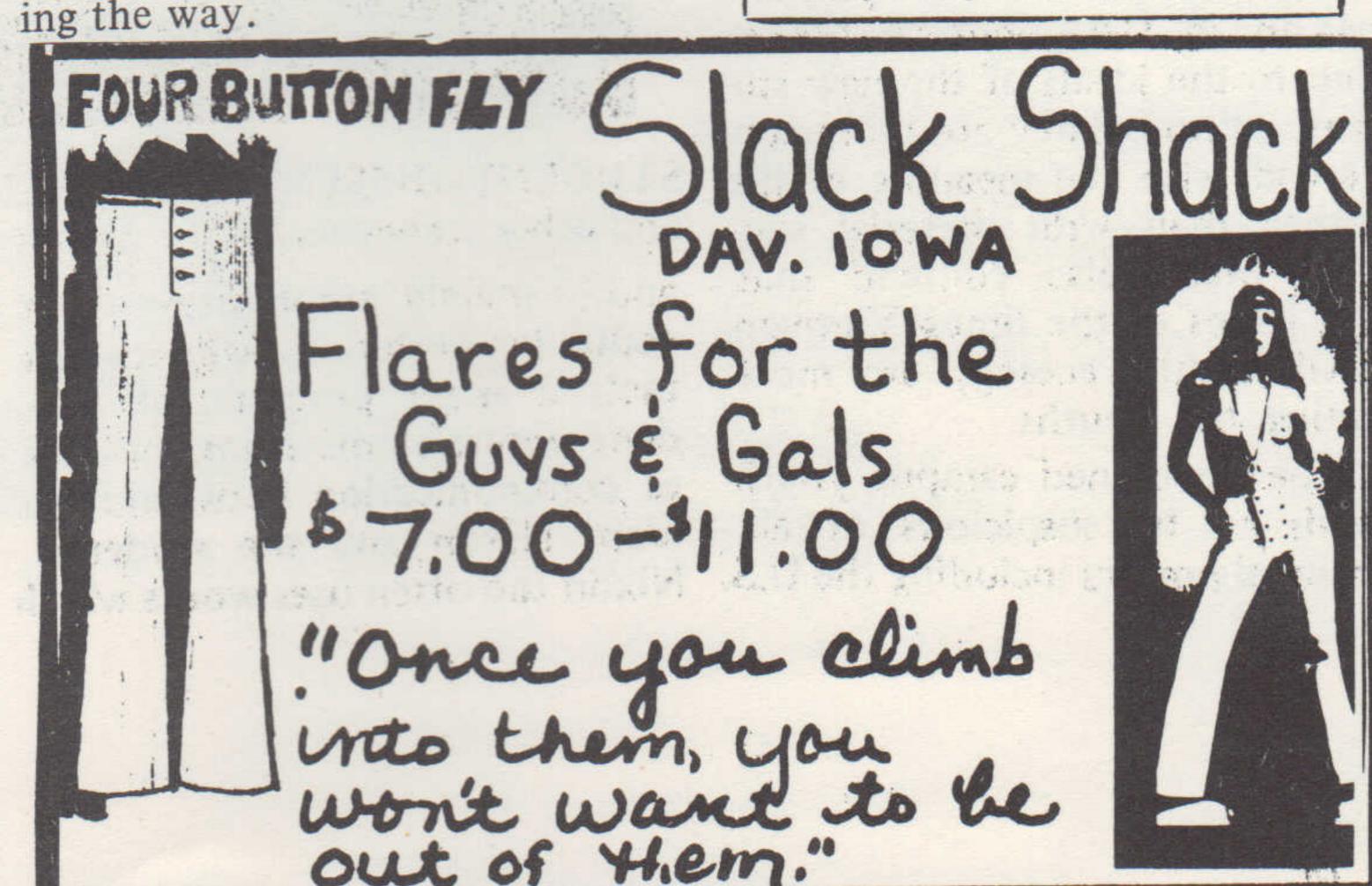
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It seems that we once again have a fantastic Wrestling squad under the guidance of Coach Chester Schultz. The team is led by 167 lb. senior Rick Benz who has 15 pins in 17 matches, and by 98 lb. senior John Angel, who aside from being named "Prep of the Week," is also undefeated this

season. Changing to an equally as bright a subject, the basket-ball team is currently ranked 9th in the state, and has rolled up impressive wins over such powers as Alleman, Galesburg, East Moline, Quincy, and Rockford West. The main reason for the teams's vast improvement is the valuable experience which most of this year's members gained while playing last year. The balanced scoring, provided by Barry Barnes and Steve Fenton, has helped to take much of the pressure off of Hamming in the middle.

Cheerleaders, those cheer selections have really improved. That's right, even I am starting to yell, so they must be good Rocky Wrestlers Face Panthers Sad as it may be, this is to be the last column by the writer that has captured the fancy of countless thousands. Don't

cry students, keep the old chin up, after a while it won't be so tough. Please allow me to be serious for a few sentences. Yes, I know it's hard to imagine me as being serious, but please try.

In writing this column, I have written it with the expressed purpose of having a little fun and providing something different to read in this otherwise ordinary paper. I realize that at times my warped sense of humor may have bothered some people and it it did I m really sorry.

I also realize that next semester can't possibly meet the standard of excellence that we have, but still I hope that they have as much fun as we did.

ANOTHER VICTORY FOR The Rocks as Ron Banks takes his match.

The Rock Island wrestlers meet East Moline tonight for what Coach Chet Schultz termed "the big one."

Thus far, Rock Island is undefeated in both the Metro Conference and the Big Six. Schultz said tonight's meet with East Moline could determine the championship of those two conferences.

The undefeated 98lb. John

Angel will be working for his eighteenth victory tonight. And Rick Benz, at 167 pounds, will try to put the sixteenth pin on his famous jacket. Everytime a Rocky wrestler pins his man the coach awards him a big safety pin for his warm-up jacket. Benz has fifteen pins out of seventeen

Tomorrow the Rocks host Dixon at 1:00.



### The Crimson Crier International Cuisine To Debaters Face Future Challenges

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Hungry? Daring? Are you brave planned for the later part of this month. All members of these clubs are urged to make either a main dish, a salad, or a dessert from the country they represent.

of foods.

Over a month has elapsed since the idea first came into existence. During this time, the possibility of some form of entertainment arose. This idea will be explored at a later meeting.

All members can sign up in room 131.

The idea was a brainstorm of Tim Curry, German Club president. He first confronted the president of French Club, Karen DalPonte, but when these two got together, they decided to include Pan-Am Club and make it an even bigger variety

## January.

Mrs. Murry Osborn who reside at 2223 17th Street, Rock Island. John has been a varsity member of both the football and basketball teams. He is also a varsity hurdler and participates in cross country track. John's other activities include Senior Glee president and Chamber Choir member. He is also in the top 5% and served as a Senator during his sophomore year.

Bruce is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Walker who live at 4530 24th Avenue, Rock Island. Bruce

The Debate team has established a 39-17 record during the first semester of this year. In December they placed first and second in the Quad-City Metro at United Township High School. On December 12, Craig Sandusky, and Doug Martin won second place for the varsity. Penny Wakeland, Cathy Hillman and Alan Garber won first place for the novice team. This gives the debaters a sixty per cent win for the season.

In the month of January the team will be going to Augustana College to compete. At the end of the month they will travel to the University of Illinois. In the beginning of February the Debate team will travel to Illinois Valley College to meet some distant schools, some from the Chicago area.

After they finish those challenges their season is nearly completed. If the team is successful, they may enter state competition.

## Osborn And Walker Are Junior Rotarians For January

John Osborn and Bruce Walker have been added to the Rotarian roster. These seniors will attend the weekly dinners held at the Y.W.C.A. during the month of

John is the son of Mr. and

has lettered in varsity baseball all three years and was co-captain of this year's football squad.

First team defense All Metropolitan, second team All Western Illinois, special mention All State, honorable mention All Conference, and most honorable player of R.I.H.S.'s 1970 football team are among Bruce's athletic honors. Bruce was also nominated for Prep of the Week twice.

### PTSA Report To Be Given By Mr. Biggs

Highlighting the February 4 meeting of the Parents Teachers Students Association will be a program presented by Mr. Darrell Biggs, director of vocational education. Mr. Biggs' program will consist of a status report on vocational education up to the present time and also a report on the new proposed courses for the program. A question and answer period will follow the half-hour program.

Besides the program presented by Mr. Biggs the meeting will include the election of officers for the next year and the Nominating Committee's Report. Also all of the past presidents will be invited to the meeting and honored for

Founders Day.

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