

Newspeak

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...ate for credit?

Clearing up PE1000

by Craig Vickery

Did you know that bicycling can be taken for gym credit? How about dancing, yoga, karate, and pistol and rifle shooting? Credit has been given in the past, but before you look for your catalog, these courses are not offered by WPI. They can be taken under the heading of PE 1000, or physical education equivalence, a course created to give the student a choice in satisfying the physical education sufficiency required for graduation.

The philosophy of the Athletic Department is to promote an interest in sports, not force them on you. Unfortunately, WPI is a small college with limited funds for athletics, resulting in a limited amount of courses that can be offered. PE 1000 fills the gap between the sports offered at WPI and those that interest the students. PE 1000 credit can be obtained four ways: An approved course not offered at WPI, proficiency testing, i.e. testing for ability in sport; participation in a varsity, JV or club sport; or an approved individual program. The key word here is approval given by the Athletic Director Robert W. Pritchard. A PE 1000 course has to meet certain requirements to be approved, and herein the confusion lies. Mr. Pritchard feels that a PE 1000 course must have the same level of physical activity as a course offered by WPI and must take up the same amount of time per week, three hours. These guidelines are very vague, however. The great amounts of time spent by the various athletes at WPI training for their sport are not recognized as

legitimate activity, because they cannot be supervised. No one can tell if the activity was actually performed unless it is supervised and the Athletic Dept. does not have the staff for that. Credit is given for running, which can be supervised by the members of the Footpounders club. If a training program involves running, PE 1000 credit could be gotten by running with them.

Recently credit was turned down for a student taking a lifesaving course. Mr. Pritchard felt that the activity was insufficient for the time it was given in. Philip Grebinar, creator of the PE 1000 program, also felt that the student only wanted to take the course to get a job in the summer and was trying to kill two birds with one stone. Yet, courses such as PE 1021: bowling, and PE 1015: Ping-pong and badminton, and even the pep band which is a PE 1000 course, seem to offer even less activity than lifesaving, nor is it the concern of the Athletic Dept. what a student does in his spare time.

Due to a limited amount of time I could only talk to a few students about PE 1000 and so I cannot be sure if this sample is representative. Of the ones I did talk to, many felt that the decisions on PE 1000 courses were arbitrary. Part of this feeling is due to misunderstanding of the PE 1000 requirements, but it is also partly true. The flexible nature of the PE 1000 course demands that a certain amount of judgement be made, and human judgement is fallible. A decision can be appealed, but I

don't believe it should have to go that far. Clearer guidelines should be given for PE 1000 requirements, and should be explained to the students to eliminate confusion. (Since I could only talk to a small number of students any additional ex-

perience by students would be welcome, and could be written as letters to the Editor. If you prefer not to write, I would be glad to do a follow-up article. Drop a note in box 1112 if you would be interested in being interviewed.)

No tax?

Repealing the meal tax

February 20 - A bill to repeal the 8 per cent tax on meals served to students on college campuses will be considered by the Massachusetts Legislature's Joint Committee on Taxation on March 8.

The measure, H.766, would add college student meals to those which are already exempt under the law, such as meals served in nursing homes, summer campus, hospitals and in aircraft. Meals served to 1,300,000 students in grades K through 12 are also exempt from the tax.

The meals tax, levied on college students this academic year for the first time, has raised the cost of going to college for each student in the range of \$60 to \$85, according to Robert M. Hyde, Vice President for Public Affairs of the Association of Independent Colleges and Universities in Massachusetts.

"This additional burden," Hyde said, "has come when inflation and adverse economic conditions have combined to make financing a college education, especially difficult for students and their parents."

Hyde suggested that Massachusetts students who wish to support H.766 send letters and petitions to the co-chairmen of the Joint Committee prior to March 8, with copies to their own legislators. He advised against attendance at the hearing because of space limitations.

Co-chairmen of the Committee on Taxation are: Sen. Frederic W. Schlosstein, Jr., Chairman, Senate Committee on Taxation, State House, Room 512, Boston, MA. 02133 and Rep. Vincent J. Piro, Chairman, House Committee on Taxation, State House, Room 236, Boston, MA. 02133.

Helping Guatemala

Earthquake strikes home

by Rory O'Connor

The recent earthquake in Guatemala may seem remote to us, but not to Mario Wunderlich, a WPI student from that country. A phone call early in the morning on February 4 from his parents in Guatemala City informed him of the catastrophe. His family was safe, but only because they are well-off enough to be able to afford a house which can stand an earthquake of such magnitude (7.5 on the Richter scale at the quake center). The tremor took the lives of 23,000, injured 80,000 and made 1,000,000 people homeless. If a catastrophe of this scale had struck the United States, 850,000 would have died and over 37,000,000 would be homeless.

The quake struck the center of the most densely populated part of the country, containing about 60 per cent of the population. Most of those who died were the poorer who live in houses made of Adobe barely stuck to the ground and covered with a corrugated steel roof which is not really attached to anything. The hour did not help much either, since at three in

the morning most of the people were sleeping and were crushed by falling walls or sliced by the falling steel roof. Luckily, disease has been kept under control, and epidemics of the kind that usually follow natural disasters are not apparent. There is also plenty of food and clean water. The major problem is the million homeless people. A considerable sum of money is needed to rebuild their homes. Each one costs approximately \$1000, and will probably be built of the same materials as before. Wood is scarce and people do not have the resources to purchase it.

Mario is attempting to raise some money for Guatemala in several ways. He plans to speak at lunches to various civic groups in order to get support from the community at large. He also plans to hold an on campus collection in the Wedge this week on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 10 to 2. The funds collected will be sent to CARE and then sent to Guatemala. Mario is confident that everyone will respond well and that his homeland will be back on its feet and able to rebuild.



Cleaning up after a successful blood drive

Photo by Bryce Granger

Dorm lottery postponed

by Lance Sunderlin

The housing lottery to be held Thursday March 11th, has been postponed and rescheduled for April 8th. Hopefully this gives students enough time to think and plan for the lottery.

The final housing policy will be announced by the office of student affairs Wednesday, March 10 and should appear

in Newspeak March 16th.

Lottery applications will be available March 11th and must be submitted by April 7th to the office of student affairs.

An informational meeting will be held Wednesday, March 10th at 7:00 p.m. in the Wedge. If you have any questions, ask then. Be watching for more information in next week's Newspeak.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS

for

PRESIDENT and SECRETARY

- will be March 4th, 10-4, 1st floor Daniels Hall

CANDIDATES

President: Kurt Eisenman
Secretary: William Golden

All full time undergraduates are eligible to vote in this election.

Editorials: Guatemala aid

This week, all of us in the WPI community will be presented with the opportunity to help out in a situation that is far worse than our own. To those who lived through the Guatemala earthquake, it was a horrifying experience; watching your home collapse before you and perhaps seeing your neighbors killed or injured. It is a devastating experience, but one which I think all of us can sympathize with. The thing that is needed is money — something which seems to rule the world but which nonetheless is a necessity in this case. We may not feel a personal sense of loss as do the people of Guatemala but we can feel a sense of responsibility towards our fellow human beings in this unfortunate circumstance. Even if you can only part with some change you will be making a contribution to rebuilding these people's lives. The real money may come from the pocket of someone who just thinks it looks good, but the concern will come from people like us.

Rory J. O'Connor

Letters: Win a dollar!

To the Editors:

We wish to call the attention of the student body to an opportunity to earn \$1.00, and considerable fame, by participating in the first annual Grant Application Competition (GAC).

The rules are very simple: go to the library, find the Feb. 5, '76 issue of "Nature," turn to p. 426 and absorb the contents of the McManus letter. Then compose a grant application summary, limit 100 words, asking for support of valid scientific research in some delicate area of the general type that Mr. McManus got into. There is obviously a balance to be

struck between science, wit and propriety — so try to abandon the sledgehammer approach in favor of that of the stiletto.

Only WPI students, undergraduate and graduate, are eligible to participate. The award-winning entry must be printable in *Newspeak*. All entries to be submitted (to one of the judges) by March 17. The judges' decision will be final.

David Todd
Alvin Weiss
Carmen Brown
Judges for GAC-1.

Pub brutality

To the Editors:

Recently, there has been a couple of isolated incidents in the pub which have warranted disciplinary action by the management of the Goat's Head Pub. One such incident, in which the offender did, in fact, break a rule established in the pub, resulted in the offender being physically attacked by members of the pub's employee staff.

Another incident by the same person resulted in his again being assaulted. However, this time, when a friend tried to intervene and protect the offender from such abusive treatment, he too was beaten up and denied pub privileges.

I will grant that the offender was perhaps guilty of that for which he was accused. If so, I do not condone his actions or similar actions by any other person. However, I do question the manner in which the manager and his employees use to enforce established rules. It is a recognized fact that

while on the WPI campus, every member of the WPI community is entitled to the full protection of the U.S. Constitution and laws. If this is so, why does the manager have an option of law enforcement that is not available to any other person anywhere in the country? No policeman or any other law enforcer is given the opportunity to use brutality on a person, guilty or not.

It seems to me that the actions that have taken place in the pub recently are worthy of close scrutiny by the administration of this school. I would particularly recommend that the manager's right to operate a business establishment on the campus and not abide by the WPI or U.S. Constitutions is highly improper. If disciplinary action can be taken against an offender of his rights, then the manager should be tried for offending the rights of any other member of the WPI community.

Paul E. McLoughlin

Vindication for man

To the Editors:

I read Livingstone Aball's letter entitled Maranatha which was printed in this paper last week. As a result of the letter I have come to respect him. However, I do not love him. Livingstone seems to believe that respect, the part, requires love, the whole. While it is true that love requires respect in the same manner that ecstasy requires happiness, it is not true that respect requires love. Happiness does not require ecstasy. This is how the part may not require the whole.

When a man loves he implicitly expresses his values. A man's love is the expression of his highest values. Love is the expression of a man's sense of life. Love is the expression of a man's soul. Why should we scorn the whore who leaves bare her body to all men if we should leave bare our own souls to all chance passers by?

Man is a moral being. That is, he has a choice in his actions. Those things that a man seeks in the course of his life are called values. If a man achieves values, the manner in which he does so is called virtue. A code of virtues and the values they imply is called a morality. When approaching the problem of morality, the first question one should ask is not, "whose morality shall it be?" The first question is, "does man in fact need a morality and why?"

Man does. The reason is that man does not have an automatic code of values. Man's actions are not governed by instinct as the actions of an ant are. An ant will function automatically to attain its values. A man will not. A man has a choice in his actions. It is for this reason that a man may act as his own destroyer. A man must accept a rational morality if he is to live a physiologically and psychologically rewarding life.

It is only the existence of an ultimate value that makes possible all other values. In the case of morality, this value is man's life. It is man's life which makes possible all his values. It is *only* the existence of man's life that *requires* all his values.

Eating is moral because it is consistent with the ultimate value life. Life, the ultimate value, is an end unto itself.

The Declaration of Independence was a statement that made clear that each man is an end unto himself. It made clear that a man's worthiness for life does not stem from the sacrifice of his values to society. As each man is an end unto himself, so he is granted "certain inalienable rights." Rights are those privileges that a man must be granted if he is to be able to live a life proper to man. A man's rights require that other men allow him to be free. Rights imply freedom from other men. A man's

rights require negatives of the men around him. They require that other men not initiate the use of physical force, fraud, extortion against him. This is the meaning of rights and the glory of the Declaration of Independence.

Respect for rights is not a sacrifice. It is the condition required for a rational society which is a value. One can not have his rights and eat it too.

Let no man posture as a lover of men if he demands that men sacrifice their values for the good of society. Let no man posture as a lover of men if he demands that men sacrifice their values to an all powerful God.

If a man is to feel that he has rights, he must believe that he is both capable and worthy of life. A man is capable because he is in fact alive. If one achieves life, one is capable of it. A man is worthy of life because his nature makes him capable.

If a man is to achieve a rational life, he must seek his physiological and psychological values in reality. You notice that I continually couple physical and psychological values together. Since man has a body and is not a ghost, he has physical values to seek. Since man has a will, he has psychological values to seek. Man has both a physical and psychological nature. He must seek values consistent with his dual nature if he is to live a proper to man.

A man who speaks of his "sinful body" as a monstrosity who should rightfully be looked on with pity. Such a man is only dead alive which means that he is half dead.

Livingstone speaks of another type of life. The proof of your guilt is that you do not know of this life. The definition of this life consists of a negative. It is not like anything on earth. How may you see this life? Close your eyes to reality. How may you know this life? Close your mind to the evidence of this life on earth. The definition of this life consists of denying life.

I do not know whether this earth is the creation of some supreme hand or a chance combination of molecules. I do not care, for I know what happiness is possible on this earth for rational men. Man's life does not require the sanction of a supreme being. It is its own sanction.

If there is a supreme being that creates me, I can think of no greater way to respect to him than by respecting his gifts and not sacrificing my own life. When God gives a Christmas present, does he demand the sacrifice of the present by the recipient? Surely God would grant us life if that we might live.

Yours Objectively,
Eric Zucker

Think before you preach

To the Editors:

Being an old alumnus of 8 months, I still get a chance to visit the Tute every once and a while to see what's going on. For the last couple of months, I've been following the verbal volleyball between a) the Christian community and the rest of the student body and b) the Christian community among themselves. Various opinions from "fire and brimstone," Vatican declarations, to atheistic "attacks" have expressed themselves, some in jest, others in dead earnest, on the relation of God to mankind and mankind's response to God's call. Although these isolated pieces of writing tie together, I feel that some questions are in order in view of the situation we Techies find ourselves in, that of a scientifically oriented environment. The observations of believers and non-believers alike seem inconsistent to the way we approach problems in our daily life at Tech.

In the classroom, the method to solve any problem regardless of field (thero, heat transfer, etc.) and level of complexity usually is done via a systematic approach. Many times, not without much trial and error and extensive research, we arrive at a solution which may follow a pattern, some specific answer and so on. The point here is that the engineer (not just a turkey!) will not commit himself on anything until he has exhausted all possible approaches, considered past history and various methods concerning his problem. Only then will he make a decision. Even after this, the decision may change or even

reverse in light of recent discoveries. The tough part here is to separate valid from misleading information. This approach learned at Tech defeats the greatest adversaries to man, that of closed mindedness and ignorance. To never rest with one solution until I was sure it was right. We do this in our daily lives, in both academic and non-academic endeavors. This approach works for day to day existence, for fleeting, temporal matters. How much more important is it to establish the "right answer" with the Eternal, the Transcendent. (One big note here: I am NOT advocating simply lumping the complexities of a man and his experience in faith, the emotions, etc. on some superficial analytical balance to see which side wins, but rather the approach of a thinking process to examine ALL possibilities, weigh them in Truth and the fruits they produce and only then decide valid from invalid. This, along with the "open minded" policy lends itself the change to obtain the highest Truth.

Although this method is drilled into our heads in the classroom, it seems completely ignored, perhaps even despised elsewhere (where is the learning process?). Consider these instances:

For non-believers, agnostics, and those searching for that inner peace we all seek, no direct orders, blazing accusations or violent accusations will solve anything for anyone. The matter of faith is a dynamic

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Letters: ... before you preach

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concept which ultimately is decided on by the individual. However, to judge the relation of Christ and His Church on the same level as this morning's breakfast is a grotesque injustice to both yourself and Christianity. Our generation has seen injustice to various groups and their struggle for identity. From my personal experience, no one likes to be put down, singularly or collectively. To be judged on something by someone not knowing the "whole story" can be a crushing experience. By inadequate knowledge, thru hearsay or an answer given in anger we put people in their place. This, I feel, is an injustice. How much greater is this injustice when it involves millions of people, past and present; to judge by not knowing, some isolated newspaper article (this one included!) or just not caring (this last way hurts the most!).

Do not judge Christ and His Church by some single point of symantics or hypocrisy of a few "followers." All are liable to mistake, it's in our nature. Christ's Church consists of people constantly struggling to imitate the Master, stumbling "ad infinitum" on the way, gaining help and reassurance thru Christ's own words and thru His bride on earth, the Church, the People of God (note this phrase).

The point is this. If you accept or reject Christ is, again up to you, but don't be biased one way or another without knowing the "whole story." Put these Christians to the test! Christ's promise to St. Peter that the Church will stand for all time is at stake here. If these followers are strong, then they should be able to answer anything without fear or error. If not, their faith is as useless as "salt that has lost its taste."

For the Christian community at Tech, I truly wonder what's happening here. You sit and scream "sinner" and "heretic" at each other yet claim to be one Church in Christ. How do you expect those who are seeking the peace that Christ offers to find it if a few (not all of you) of His followers are at each other's throats and won't let this peace in.

Christ Himself prayed for us that we all be one in Him, which is made incarnate in the Church. This unity is defeated in the same way by closed minded approaches to the various sects of Christianity and ignorance of these same traditions and histories which profoundly intertwines the long history of God's people to secular society. To prove arguments on methods of worship, dogma, etc. by pulling one line (usually out of context too!) from Sacred Scripture or quoting snappy sounding phrases from Papal bulls, speeches and so

on (also pulled out of context) is to simplify the total concept of the Christian experience, to limit it for self satisfying reasons can be devastating. Some fine examples from our immediate past at Tech includes a) deciding who is or is not a member of the Catholic Church (notice no argument was given to explain what even the Catholic Church is, that is left to the reader's experience or imagination!) or b)

straight forward accusations of the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Penance as supposed inventions of man, not divinely inspired or commanded. Further inquiry into the whole Bible, by not selectively choosing good sounding lines, reveals a wealth of support for these sacraments. For example, the writer of one article states that "Baptism cannot make you right before God..." This is a misleading and unsupported statement if one considers the total picture on this subject. Just from Scripture alone, we see in both OLD and NEW Testaments the reader can see the support for this action as a one time conversion from his old, sinful ways to a new life in Christ. Consider this strong statement from St. John's Gospel.

"Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a man be born again of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter into the Kingdom of God..."

Even this one statement lends itself to much study before passing judgement. This is true which other aspects of the Church: papal authority, personal revelation, forgiveness of sins and much more. Only thru dialogue with one another can we alleviate the petty differences we have put among ourselves. Look to the real world. Great strides are being made daily thru Protestant-Catholic-Orthodox groups and committees to better understand each others traditions. Judeo-Christian relations are ever improving thru the realization of common patriarchal backgrounds. Even Non-Christian understanding has brought us closer together with various sects of the great religions of the world to Christians. If it works out there why not at Tech? Even the understanding of religious freedom is discussed in Vatican II's approach to this dilemma in the modern world: From the Declaration on Religious Freedom.

"First, this sacred Synod professes its belief that God Himself has made known to mankind the way which men are to serve Him. We believe that this one true religion subsists in the Catholic and apostolic Church, to which the Lord Jesus committed the duty of spreading it abroad to all men..."

This sacred Synod likewise professes its belief that it is upon human conscience that these obligations fall and exert their binding force. The truth cannot impose itself except by virtue of its own truth...

This Synod further declares that the right to religious freedom has its foundation in the very dignity of the human person, as this dignity is known through the revealed Word of God and by reason itself..."

Now this statement is not supposed to be any great and wonderful once and for all solution for every problem that comes along. There is much to do still! The only way this statement will have full meaning is in the document it was written for: again the "whole story."

This entire article wasn't meant to be any great enlightenment for all times as a golden standard, but simply to bring up a few thoughts. Accept or reject Christ as you will; just be sure you know all that there is at stake first!

Bob Bradley '75

IFC Corner: Zeta Psi

by Gary Loeb

The pledges of the Pi Tau Colony of Zeta Psi Fraternity of North America made a major contribution to the livening up of another boring Tech weekend; On Saturday, February 28th, we had another fantastic party at the Higgins House! There was only one way to make a great Zeta Psi party at WPI even better... we invited Zeta brothers from the Tufts, Brown, Yale, Univ. of Mass., Colby, Bowdoin, Univ. of Conn., and Dartmouth Chapters of Zeta Psi. Everyone admitted that a splendid time was had by all.

We would like to thank the school for letting us use the Higgins House again, as we do not have a party room at our house. Also, thanks to our "sisters" and the visiting Zetes for helping us run the party smoothly.

As far as general news goes, we are awaiting the results of the blood drive, as our percentage in the SAE keg contest is 72 per cent! In IM Bowling we are moving up

fast. The first teams we had played were the top 6. Now we are starting to play the lesser teams and have moved up several places with a 9-23 record (we were last with 1-23!) In hockey, we challenged a tough Sigma Pi team last Wednesday. We put up a good fight, only to loose by an unofficial final score of 4 to 5 for Sig Pi. Next Wednesday we challenge TKE again at Lake Ave.

Pledge brothers Elliot, Sengstaken, Labrecque, Madigan, Bergin, Saccoccio, and Loeb are anxiously (?) waiting for the ice to melt on Lake Quinsigamond and looking forward to a strong crew season ahead.

We are proud to announce the engagement of Pledge brothers Mike Castonguay and Gene Savoie to their "girls back home." Gene is planning to marry Candy on August 14, and Mike is planning to marry Denise on August 13! Boy, that should be some weekend!

DST

The day after the previous Newspeak came out (Wednesday, to be exact), elections were held to determine the new officers of Delta Sigma Tau. These brothers will hold office for a period of approximately one year. The new officers are as follows:

President:	Robert Horton
Vice President:	Stewart King
Secretary:	Daniel Gauvin
Treasurer:	Vincent Rucinski
Member At Large:	John Heslin

Keeper of the Annals: Glenn Cooley
Social Committee Chairman: John Haponik

Installation ceremonies will take place in two weeks, along with approval of appointed officers. All the brothers join in congratulating the new officers and wishing them the best of luck, as well as thanking the current officers for their fine performance.

Alan Turnansky
Publicity Committee Chairman

Library survey

Are you an average WPI student? If so, then you use the Gordon Library somewhere between two and four times a week, according to a library use survey taken in November. Most times you go to study using your own books, but the books that are there and the Technical journals also get a lot of use. The least used service seems to be reference material and the inter-library loan service.

The survey was based on responses to a questionnaire that was available to all who used the library in November of last year. It

was a repetition of a similar survey taken the previous April. In the April survey, 796 surveys were received while the November test involved only 654 responses. In each case, only about 25 per cent of those using the library answered the survey.

The survey also indicated that if there was an alternative place to study on campus with the same hours, the library would still be the preferred spot, although less than half of those responding would go just to study.

SAM meeting

On Tuesday evening, March 2, 1976, the student chapter of the Society for the Advancement of Management will be presenting Mr. Norman L. Monks to the WPI community. Mr. Monks is currently serving as president of the Worcester Chapter of S.A.M. and is employed as Plant Manager of Rexnord Inc., a local manufacturer of large chain products. Mr. Monks is a 1959 graduate of WPI receiving his degree in Electrical Engineering.

The topics of discussion will be "National S.A.M." and "The Problems of a Plant Manager." The talk should be especially interesting to seniors as well as anyone looking forward to a career in management.

Your support at this meeting will enable us to sponsor more speakers and plant tours of the various companies in the Worcester and Boston areas.

The time is 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 2, 1976. The place is Higgins House. Refreshments will be served.

OPEN MEETINGS

for

DISCUSSION ON THE ATHLETIC PROGRAM

Place: Wedge
Time: 7:00-8:00 p.m. followed by a short discussion period.
Dates: Monday, March 1 or Thursday, March 4, 1976

Two meetings are being held to find what interest students, particularly women, have in the WPI Athletic Program, i.e. The Intercollegiate and Intramural Programs.

The two meetings are planned so that if one can not attend the first, one may come to the second. Attendance at one meeting is all that is asked. Please try to attend. It is a very important topic which must be looked at and discussed.

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In a recent case, the
Campus Hearing Board
suspended a student,
for one term,
for cheating.

Commentary on the screen

For the eye

by Gary Davis

This is the first in a series of new columns which will study current releases of films and records. It will be run at times when nothing is Teaching, and will, hopefully, provide useful information on how you can more thoroughly enjoy entertainment.

The reviews given in this column will tend to be positive simply because I don't see much point in spending time discussing something which is bad. The one exception might be if I disagree with something which has received acclaim for being good. So on to this week's review.

A film of "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" was the natural outgrowth of a plot which made a popular book and play. Among the era of shock treatment and lobotomies, we see one man's life in an "advanced" 1962 mental hospital, where he has been sent for examination after some slightly odd action in prison. He continues to have fun: as far as he's concerned, he's free. And, amidst the pranks and the gags, we see the way in which the institution handles him and those he influenced.

If one line sums up the film, it was "At least I tried." He doesn't succeed, though, and what is advertised as a somewhat funny film is actually a very meaningful but depressing one. Don't go to see this film for a fun afternoon; go when you're looking for some strong social comment.

PLOT: Excellent.

DIRECTING: Good.

LEAD ACTING: Good, but not too challenging.

SUPPORT ACTING: Some Excellent.

PHOTOGRAPHY: Not Spectacular.

PRINT (at Showcase): Fair-Poor.

EFFECT: Vital but Depressing.

RECOMMENDATION: A Must.

Jack Nicholson plays a credible role as MacMurphey, a happy-go-lucky sort who, though his escapades have put him in prison several times, continues to have fun right up to the mental hospital, where he is sent for observation to determine if he is sick of just faking it. Unable to see any

significance in the change of surrounding, he continues to enjoy himself and in doing so helps give others a purpose in their eyes. But this proves to be his undoing; he is too bothersome to be useful and has to be taken care of.

In the world depicted, human feelings, which could have helped lead the patients to cure, were often suppressed. Thus Chief, portrayed as a big, deaf, dumb, and stupid "animal," must be subdued when he shows human caring by coming to the aid of his friend in a fight against the guards. And when Billy, possibly for the first time in his life, is happy, he must be reminded of what his mother will think of his sexual encounter, which throws him back to the point of non-being. Yet the institution did care, it just didn't know how to handle its problems.

Nicholson has been given credit for a "perfect" job as MacMurphey. His acting was quite good, but it wasn't that extraordinary a part. He just clowned around from one scene to the next, showing occasional pain when necessary. But the supporting cast really made the film as moving as it is. MacMurphey was surrounded by about a dozen other "cuckoos", many of whom had more demanding roles. While all were excellently done, two which stuck out were Billy, a psychotically shy teenager who is finally shown a taste of life by MacMurphey only to be shamed by Nurse Ratchet, and Mr. Cheswick, an introverted child-like man, who's desire for self-gratification started a fight which led to Mac's downfall. Nurse Ratchet was also excellently played as a person who cared but whose job forced her to be indifferent.

MacMurphey tries to escape the hospital and become a real person, but fails. In doing so, though, he inspires hope in another who was previously without it. So though the hospital all but kills him and his friend finishes the job, his life has been useful as it has helped another.

Art, science, and engineering

"Art, Science and Engineering" is the sixth exhibition in a special Tri-College Project presented at the Worcester Art Museum by Clark University, College of the Holy Cross, and Worcester Polytechnic Institute. Made possible by a grant of \$4,000 from The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, the Tri-College Project involves eight teaching exhibitions with broad themes pertinent to academic fields outside the fine arts such as history, philosophy, sciences, and languages.

Professor Virginia Raguin of Holy Cross is overall coordinator. Ms. Ellen Berezin, Assistant Curator of Education, is the Worcester Art Museum liaison official. Faculty and students from the colleges select and research the objects for display, while the Museum provides curatorial guidance and installs each exhibition.

"Art, Science and Engineering", on view February 19-March 21, 1976, was organized by Professor Hilde Hein of the Holy Cross philosophy department. It uses widely varied and imaginative examples and juxtapositions to explore the overlapping and interchange of roles depending on whether an object is perceived as a theory of science, a product of technical design, or a work of creative genius. The exhibition puts forth and supports the argument that "seeing", "knowing" and "making" are all acts of composition because they involve assembling selected information for a preconceived purpose. This governing purpose for which an object is assembled causes it to be defined as scientific, mechanical, or artistic.

The thin line between art and scientific research is pointed out in a drawing by the premier 18th-century anatomist and artist, George Stubbs. A Bela Kalman photograph shows the sunlit leaves and branches of a tree as a source of aesthetic delight. They can be mathematically described, however, in terms of predictable and efficient symmetry which provides structural stability and exposes leaves to light and air.

A functionally constructed bridge should be a work of aesthetic pleasure, illustrated by Piranesi's 18th-century "View of the Ponte Salerio." Andreas Feininger's 20th-century photograph of "New York, Brooklyn Bridge on a Foggy Night" and finally a bridge in a completely different context, the human foot, shown in two graceful photographs revealing its efficient bone structure with stress distributed over a curved arch, flexible but able to sustain weight and pressure.

"Art, Science and Engineering" illustrates how man acquires knowledge through straightforward visual perception, and also in more complicated ways for special purposes. It then shows how the brain, trained to interpret on the basis of previous experience, can be misled. These manipulations of perceptual psychology include innovative artistic techniques such as cubism or pontilism, the "impossible" Penrose triangle in mathematics, and in nature the camouflage techniques and colorings of wildlife.

The exhibition moves on to show the same principles of coherence and integrity must underlie an assembled composition, whether created for science, technology, or art. Without these principles, an object could lack practical value and could be incomprehensible to the intellect and ineffective aesthetically.

Illustrative material in the exhibition is as varied as the airy and delicate construction of a wasp's nest, a section of a heating element, a child's drawing, a Paul Signac painting, a Maurits Escher print, a fiber-optic transmitting an image by reflected light through fine glass strands, a Gaston Lachaise sculpture, and various photographs by Joel Villá, Holy Cross biology department, of greatly enlarged human and insect eyes, camera lenses, the human foot, animal camouflage, and a child threading a needle, "a simple manual task requiring coordination of eye, hand and brain...mechanically a feat of astonishing complexity."



Fricks fight inflation

The new tuition increase is no laughing matter. Many students are experiencing difficulty in coming up with the necessary funds. Some students have even been forced into jobs to which they are not properly suited.

Our ace *Newspeak* reporter, Scoop Ferrottype, was on the prowl last Thursday night gathering information from various sources concerning this topic when he came across what he thought to be a typical group of Techies.

Unfortunately he wasn't able to talk to the entire group because as he approached one of them ran off yelling "Oh no, it's a bust!", to which the young lady replied "Wadja expect, Big Boy...hey! where ya goin'?" At the same time, one of the others hopped into a bright pink 1976 Continental with fur lined seats and was last seen speeding towards Pleasant St.

Since the young lady, a Miss Lola "Boom Boom" Frick seemed to be the only one left interested in talking, he decided to attempt the following exclusive interview:

Scoop: Can I ask you a few questions?

Lola: Are you a cop?

S.: No.

L.: Okay - shoot Big Boy.

S.: What do you think of the new tuition increase?

L.: Well handsome, I think it's outrageous.

S.: How do you plan to cope with the situation?

L.: I got a job.

S.: Who are you working for?

L.: Well, I'm kinda self employed.

S.: What do you mean?

L.: It's sort of a tricky business, but if you have all night I can explain.

S.: Are you free tonight?

L.: No, but I'm reasonable.

Figuring that was about all he could get out of her he turned to leave but stopped short, feeling a tug on his pantleg. Looking down he was confronted by a pitiful example of a human being who turned out to be a leftover of Spree Day 1973.

"What is it Sir?", he inquired.

"Hey Mack, can you spare a dime? - HIC."

Upon refusal, the derelict proceeded to bite Scoop's leg, which necessitated a quick trip to the hospital and an even quicker conclusion to the interview.

Concert tape broadcast

The staff of WCUW, 91.3 FM, has something to leak—we have THE TAPES. We will broadcast eight rare concert tapes during March and April on our weekly concert series, Saturday nights at 7:30 p.m. These are original, unique recordings of some of the top rock bands of the last decade. They will be aired on the following dates:

March 6—THE JIMI HENDRIX EXPERIENCE - Recorded live in Amsterdam in 1968. Includes "Voodoo Child" and "The Wind Cries Mary."

March 13 — THE ROLLING STONES - The historic Madison Square Garden concert recorded in New York on Mick Jagger's birthday in 1972.

March 20 — GENTLE GIANT - A 1974 live recording of this progressive band.

March 27 — DAVID BOWIE - Recorded

live with Mick Ronson in Santa Monica, California in October of 1972.

April 3 — ROXY MUSIC - Four live recordings covering a three year period. Most recent concert includes "Love is the Drug".

April 10 — BOB DYLAN - Six live cuts from the Rolling Thunder Review concert in Providence, Rhode Island, as well as the original, unreleased version of *Blood on the Tracks*.

April 17 — FLEETWOOD MAC - The original band recorded live in 1968.

April 24 — LITTLE FEAT - A superb live performance at a small club in 1974.

Don't miss these eight great tapes, Saturday nights at 7:30 p.m. on WCUW-FM, community radio in Worcester. By the way, if anyone asks where you heard about THE TAPES, tell them Dan Schorr told you.

WPISFS goes to Boskone

by Richard S. Holmes

On February 13-15, 1976, eleven members of the WPI Science Fiction Society went to Boskone 13, the annual convention of the New England Science Fiction Association. At the next meeting of WPISFS, on Thursday, March 2, slides taken at the convention will be shown and Richard Holmes will present an informal talk about the trip, entitled "There and Back Again, or, The Bell and the Sleeping Bag." The students who went to Boskone found it exciting, entertaining, and often funny, and next Thursday's presentation should be of interest to all SF fans.

The public is invited to attend, but active and inactive members of the society are

especially urged to appear. The reason is that we will be holding elections for new officers, who will take office later this year. All present members will be affected by this election; therefore, you are urged to come and vote. The following people have been nominated to date:

For president: Richard Holmes and Bayla Fine. For vice-president: Alan Turniansky. For treasurer: Steve D'Alessandro and Chris Ingalls. For secretary: Chris Ingalls. Additional nominations will be accepted at the meeting.

So, whether you're a WPISFS member or not—but especially if you are—come to the meeting on Thursday. It will be well worthwhile.

WAITING FOR GODOT

March 12, 13, 14

8:00 p.m.

Wedge

"Equus"

by John J. Wallace

"Let's All Bow To The God Of Normal..."
EQUUS! The horse. The god! The unconquerable machine, power and beauty. Rippling steel and flowing sinew that hurl into the depths of speed. Majestic in form and free in spirit. Spirit that tempts the heavens.

The horse's head. The knight. The symbol. Frothing and rolling. The powerful neck and jaw; hot breath and frustrated anger. And the eyes, the all knowing and all seeing eyes of the god, Equus. The stare, the terrible, piercing, accusing stare, and secrets to the horses' beauty and power.

This is Equus, the god! Rippling, hot, sweaty, sensuous muscle. Grasp this power to your body and reach for unseeable depths. Feel the pain and lust. Only through Equus can man become god; horse and man as one, grasping the universe; born of beauty and speed. To man, the horse, this terrifying power submits. To the horse, man loses all control.

"Equus" is a drama by Peter Shaffer, and its recent production at Boston's Wilbur Theatre has left many awed. The story involves the interactions between Martin Dysart, psychiatrist, and Alan Strang, a half crazed 17 year old stableboy who violently blinded six horses. The audience is carried along with the psychiatrist as he learns the bizarre events leading up to this final violent act.

Alan has loved horses all his life, but suffering from life's confusions, he has heightened his love for horses to the point of a mystifying, ritualistic, religious—almost sexual worship. He lives for horses; touching them, breathing their sweat. He lives for his god, Equus, each chained to the other. Through Equus he rides, soaring to the heights of gods.

The play, however, deals more with Martin Dysart than with Alan. Dysart, psychiatrist, is going through "professional menopause". Excepting his Greek culture, he has been without any form of desire, lust or worship for over six years. Tormented with questions and dreams, he sees Alan's case as a personal crisis. How can he, a man who has never known passion, steal from Alan the only identity Alan has, his passionate worship of the horse god, Equus. When "cured", Alan will be normal, but what about the man inside? Another sacrifice to the God of Normal? One perspective on the play is that Alan's criminal ecstasy is part of a life far more meaningful than the devoid "normal".

Equus is powerful drama. It is total and intense. Its ideas are straight forward and striking. I left part of myself back there in that seat, and I came back half horse.

Equus is unique in that it is a tribute just as much to the author, Peter Shaffer, as it is to director, John Dexter, cast, etc. This production relied totally on dramatic effect. One striking effect is the presentation of the horses. The actors were very realistic with their horse-like characteristics. They were towering, monstrous, and beautiful, in great wire masks.

Actors and lines worked together beautifully. Noted for stunning performances are Brian Bedford as Martin dysart and Dai Bradley as Alan Strang. I've seen little acting which rivaled theirs. Director, John Dexter, also did a fine job, living up to his reputation.

The audience is intimately in contact with the performance, especially if you can grab a student seat on stage; highly recommended. So let's all bow to the God of Normal and keep looking over our shoulders. My respect for the horse has tripled.

The Three Cuckolds

The New England Repertory Theatre reopens its doors on March 4 with *The Three Cuckolds*, a comedy from the Italian Commedia dell'arte, translated from the original by Leon Katz. Performances are every Thursday, Friday and Saturday evening through April 17. Curtain time is 8 p.m. at the Warner Theatre, 81 Providence Street, on the campus of Worcester Academy.

The lights have been off at the beautiful Warner Theatre since N. E. Rep.'s closing performance of Shaw's *Candida* on January 10. The seven week dark period has been used to rehearse the elaborately comic *The Three Cuckolds*, which calls for feats of magic, acrobatics and refined slapstick comedy.

The play deals with the love of the wandering Arlecchino for three married women, and the ladies' love for each other's husbands — and the hilarious plots of the scheming lovers that result.

Jon Knowles, the artistic director of N. E. Rep., has directed and designed this production, and also appears in the role of Pantalone, the miserly old husband.

The lead role of Arlecchino is played by Bill Santoro. Bill's appearances this season

include Sganarelle in *Don Juan*, and most recently, Marchbanks in *Candida*.

This play marks the acting debut with the company of Elizabeth Callahan as the fiery Frenchwoman, Flaminia. From Norwood, Massachusetts, Liz has had theatre experiences in the Boston and Washington areas. She received her MA in theatre from Catholic University.

Extensive musical research has gone into this production, which is scored with great rock and roll hits from the 1950's. Costume designs by multi-talented Lydia Lazar also reflect this 1950's flavor. Lydia has most recently appeared with N. E. Rep. in the title role of the company's production of *Candida*, and a show of her drawings will be on display for the run of *The Three Cuckolds*. She appears in the production as the hot-tempered Franceschina.

Also appearing in the cast are Mark Berman and Bill McCann as the other two cuckolded husbands, Fran Robertson as Cintia, the "Kitchen Queen," and Steven Kessler as Leandro.

Tickets are \$2.00, senior citizens and children, \$1.00. Reservations can be made at the box office, which now has regular evening hours, 6-11 p.m., 798-8685.

Spotlight on masque

by Bruce D'Amrosio

O.K. class, now pay attention, this is important. I have some good news and some bad news. As is the custom, first the good news.

There will be three performances of *The Indian Wants the Bronx* on March 10, 11 and 14 at 8:00 in Alden. It is a play about two New Yorkers who decide to have fun at a foreigner's expense. How they decide what to do and what they decide to do are the main surprises.

There will be three performances of *Waiting for Godot* on March 12, 13 and 14 at 8:00 in the Wedge. This play by Samuel Beckett is about two hoboos who are waiting for Godot. What has Godot got to offer? Find out at the performances.

Also, do not forget *Love in a Village*, the Humanities Department musical coming Term D, from a recently discovered script, manuscript.

Now the bad news. The Masque will not show any videotapes as the calendar promised. (The calendar has never been too accurate). The tapes of the plays were made for the benefit of the videotape people and for internal Masque use. The plays themselves were produced for a live

audience and not for a camera. If you know anything at all about the theatre and television, you will realize that a production for a live audience and a production for a camera are not the same. This has to do with the viewing angles, blocking, and scene changes. There are some other reasons for this policy as well; one concerning the possible legal problems that would arise with the showing of a play for which the rights were not paid. And just so all the facts are given right away, the Masque does not own the videotapes and was not contacted in any way about the showing of them before the calendar was printed. The person who owns them was contacted and he agreed to show them. At the next Masque meeting, however, he agreed to withhold the tapes. The whole idea was a misunderstanding which is hopefully all cleared up now.

To make up for this now created void in entertainment, there will be at least the three plays mentioned in this article and possible more in Term D. For those of you interested in joining, the next meeting is Thursday at 9:30 in Alden. Elections for next year's offices will be held the following week.

Coomey and Perlmutter

The first of a series of exhibitions by faculty members of the School of the Worcester Art Museum is currently on view on the first floor of the Higgins Education Wing. Entitled "Two Directions: Patricia Coomey and Andrew Perlmutter," the exhibition will continue through March 19. The Higgins Wing is open to the public Tuesday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mrs. Irene Schwachman, Instructor in Photography is coordinating the faculty exhibitions.

The two artists bring together entirely different styles and media. A unifying respect for nature and natural phenomena can be seen in the showing, however, as well as a common mastery of color and media applications.

Patricia Coomey

An Instructor in Drawing and Painting, Ms. Coomey is represented by eight drawings and six paintings in both oil and acrylic. She has said that the forms she uses "relate to the physical world. They are suggestions of such things as pyramids, clouds, oceans, stairways, butterflies, leaves, fish and other natural things. I am concerned with the relationship among the shapes and color, or lack of color." The scale and composition convey the emotional quality and degree of energy ranging from somber, soft grey tones, both restless and reflective, to cheerful pastels and exuberant blues and greens. The viewer is asked to become involved in each painting and drawing — to determine his—her own emotional reaction.

A native of Worcester, Ms. Coomey is a graduate of the Massachusetts College of Art, Boston, and holds graduate degrees

from the Villa Schifanoia Graduate School of Fine Arts, Florence, Italy. Prior to joining the faculty of the School of the Worcester Art Museum in 1972, she taught art in the Worcester Public Schools. Ms. Coomey's work has been exhibited both in Worcester and in Florence, Italy.

Andrew Perlmutter

Perlmutter brings a unique use of mixed media to the exhibition. Utilizing a combination of Lume dye, ink, oil and acrylic paints on canvas, he achieves a somewhat mystical effect, between a photograph and a print. He achieves a textural quality in the works by the mastery of an airbrush technique. All 16 of his mixed media works are small in size, but often expansive in subject matter. He frequently juxtaposes an orb, or the suggestion of the planet Earth, above a variety of land and seascapes ranging from an urban scene, to the desert, to an orb floating in space against a soft blue background.

Particularly adept at depicting botanical images, Perlmutter combines realistic forms with the human figure.

He also compresses the image of a baby's head above a Vasarely-like patchwork quilt; a central figure is depicted floating in an earth-like sphere.

Perlmutter was born in Brooklyn, New York in 1947 and currently lives in Franklin, Massachusetts. He became an Instructor in Design at the School of the Worcester Art Museum in 1970. A graduate of the Rhode Island School of Design, Perlmutter was a former art director of the Leo Burnett Advertising Agency in Chicago. His work has been exhibited widely throughout New England.



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Snoozing beats boozing

by David Todd

One of the great advantages of being behind the times is that occasionally one finds oneself ahead of the pack — as though one were such a slow runner that he gets almost a lap behind, and is plugging along a bit ahead of the champs.

So it is with me at times. Since I developed certain habits, prior to the invention of television, concerned with the way I chose to spend my time, the result is that I have no TV. The reason is not that I dislike the invention (I am no latter day Luddite) — indeed I find it vastly amusing at times — it's just that TV viewing, like sky-diving, climbing Mt. Everest and diamond-hunting in Zambia are all recreations I would cheerfully engage in if I could, save for one small problem: there is only 24 hours in a day. One must assign priorities since each of us is stuck with a system of values. So it is with regret that, as a result of innate conservatism, I must eschew the joys of the tube in order to

satisfy my penchant for the written word.

In the course of whiling away the time in the library recently, I happened upon the January 23 issue of *Science*, a magazine dedicated to intellectual uplift of terrifying dimensions. No one person can possibly understand more than about 10 per cent of what appears in any one issue of *Science*. The physicist who gets a charge out of magnetic flux measurements by Mariner 37 as it flies by Uranus is rendered somnolent by a biologist's paper on pre-natal learning in Siamese field mice. And vice versa.

But Lady Luck was smiling on me that day — for lo, I happened on an essay dealing with sleep during transcendental meditation. And I am moved to pass on the news to all the readers of *Newspaper*, since a few of you, like our leader in Washington, may be a bit behind in your reading because of "Policewoman."

Now if you haven't heard of TM it is not because the proponents of this particular mode of passing the time have been trying

to conceal the Good News. On the contrary, when I visited Europe in 1974, in Dubrovnik, Yugoslavia there was a Yogi with his scalp enclosed in the standard bath towel, staring at me through half-closed eyes from an ad slapped on a phone pole, beseeching me to attend his TM session — and I must bring along a handful of dinar to attest to my serious intent. In Vienna, Lausanne, Heidelberg and Basel — the coffee-bar windows all had our towel-draped friend with his message, though I noticed the coinage units changed from country to country with a punctilio that indicated a high regard for the things of this world. And the WPI campus gets the message regularly.

But to return to *Science*. Some psychologists at the Univ. of Washington have put their electrodes on five TM practitioners during "meditation," and found that as far as could be seen from the brain wave patterns, as recorded on all the fancy gadgetry, it seems the subjects were asleep 40 per cent of the time. And the oscilloscopes and volt meters could pick up nothing unusual that could be interpreted as arising from the famous "altered state of consciousness" that TM devotees like to talk about.

This clearly leads to the obvious conclusion: are the claimed benefits of TM actually due to the fact that one is simply getting a nap? It is well known that a mid-day snooze does wonders for a person — no one could possibly deny that. And nobody thinks for a moment that the estimated 900,000 U. S. practitioners of TM

would continue "meditating" if they do not feel that it was relaxing and helpful to their well being.

This epoch-making research merely raises the question: would one not be better off to take a snooze in the library, and use one's \$2.50 for some mundane purpose, such as buying a couple of banana splits at Friendly's?

Alas, the answer is probably "no." The human psyche is a complex piece of machinery, and faith (sometimes called credulity by skeptics) is doubtless a vital factor in the TM picture. The Searchers characters were not measuring faith — they are beyond their competence. It is as though you stood in the road in the year 1246 and asked a Crusader why he was heading for the Holy Land, pointing out that there was no harm in letting the Moslems keep their real estate as Jesus was long since dead. Why, you would have been skewered by a lance on the spot had you so much as asked the question.

And so it is with TM. For those who find it useful it is useful — and never mind what those soulless, spiritually-improverished scientists on the West Coast say. In an election year, 900,000 votes can't be wrong. After all, an hour in a TM session is an hour that otherwise might be devoted to mayhem — such as robbing widows or getting blotto on absinthe. And who knows — maybe a chemist will come out of a TM session with a brilliant insight, got in the ASOC, into the mechanism of the Beckmann Rearrangement — and that, my friends, will make it all worthwhile!

Services:

Tonight, Tuesday evening, March 2 at 10:00 p.m. there will be an open communion service according to the Methodist tradition at the Religious Center on 19 Schussler Rd. We will sit around a table, have a slice of bread and small cups of grape juice and talk about our understanding of this ritual in a kind of question and answer sharing fashion before and/or after the brief service. People of any or no religious background are welcome to come, take part, observe or talk informally about religion and this and that. We will even have a fire in the fireplace to sit or stand beside.

A student committee has begun to meet for lunch occasionally to discuss what religious activities or concerns are relevant on campus. Anyone interested may come to the religious center on 19 Schussler Rd. this coming Thursday noon, March 4 from 12:00 to 1:00. You can bring your own lunch or take what we have to offer and throw something in the pot. We'll be talking about taking a survey, providing some speakers, etc.

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skeletons

by Charon

In these times of tight money and rising costs. It is good to know that WPI is maintaining its neverending vigilance to make sure that every dime spent will be for the benefit of the WPI community. The students and their parents appreciate this. They understand that the 300 dollar increase in tuition is a necessary evil, along with increases in room and board. They understand that spending is carefully thought out and impact is maximized while cost is minimized. After all, isn't WPI the home of the "Technological Humanist"?

So in the spirit of "The Plan," a free clinic will be set up on campus for the purpose of cleaning students' teeth. Sandblasting equipment has been specially retained for this purpose. Being a versatile piece of equipment, the sandblaster will also be available for removing rust (and paint and metal, etc.) from cars. Glass etching will be

offered also. During off hours, miscellaneous marking will be removed from the parking lots on campus.

Removal of this parking lot graffiti, will create work for the underworked grounds crew. After the sand is swept from the parking lots, they will start on the streets of Worcester. Beginning with Institute Rd. (Some clever techie probably thought the one up for an IQP).

It is hoped that you can appreciate the benefits to the WPI community that the service will bring. We wish to applaud the Boynton Benefactors and all others who can appreciate the esthetic beauty of clean teeth, rustfree cars, graffiti-less parking lots and clean streets (speaking of clean streets — when do you guys plan on cleaning Pleasant Street?). So remember, in the spirit of the plan, clean your teeth!

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How I learned to stop worrying, and love the burro

Intersession in Mexico

by Steven Tuckerman

In February of 1974, while John Griffiths was involved in the London Exchange program, he conceived the idea of leading an intersession trip to climb the three highest mountains in Mexico: Citlaltépetl (Orizaba), 18,701'; Popocatepetl, 17,881'; and Ixtacihuatl, 17,343'; the third, fifth, and seventh highest mountains in North America and the three highest mountains on this continent south of the Yukon. Correspondence with Steve Tuckerman back at WPI indicated that enough interest was present for such a trip within the outing club to warrant further work on the idea. The two decided to organize and lead the trip. WPIOC's faculty advisor, Dr. Robert (Bullet Bob) Wagner, expressed interest in the trip, as did Dr. Joseph (Smokin' Joe) Kohler. John wrote away for information on the mountains immediately on his return from England.

Planning the group's food and equipment supplies began in earnest once it

became apparent what the group size was to be. The two professors had decided that they could not make the time commitment required for a trip to Mexico, and so they decided to lead their usual Winter Mountaineering Workshop and Expedition instead. The loss of the two chemical engineers was offset by the gain of two physicists Mark Knights and Jim Baer, along with transfer student Walter Yankauskas. With this group of five in mind Steve started food planning while John made the needed preparations to ensure that his 1965 van would get us there. And back. Steve and John's apartment at the Happyrock was turned into expedition headquarters for such activities as food packaging — two and two-thirds pounds of food per person per day for five people and fourteen days to be divided into daily packages supplying 5000 calories per person. Not to mention the 70 packages of Wyler's lemonade which we used, along with good Mexican beer, to quench our

thirst. We also acquired an impressive arsenal of technical ice climbing hardware, none of which was proven necessary.

The main body of the group left Worcester the day after Christmas in order to reach John's Ohio residence. After having many adventures in Mark's station wagon, including pushing our way out of a flood in Waterbury and fixing the windshield wiper motor on Route 80 in Pennsylvania, we limped into Ohio late that night. Warning — the McDonald's in DuBois will give you stale rolls. Leaving John's house the morning of the 28th we arrived at Ciudad Serdan at the base of Orizaba at dusk January fourth, after having been stranded in Laredo trying to get the van fixed and having been lost for a time in Mexico City. After several man-on-the-street interviews we managed to locate the people from whom we could rent burros for our approach march. Base camp that night was at 8500 feet elevation — the Jimenez's donkey shed — while the burros were to take our gear to Camp I, a cave at an altitude of 14500 feet. Senior Jimenez agreed to take us up the mountain the following day to show us the cave, for the moderate fee of eight hundred pesos. One thing that we did not understand was the habit of the Jimenez clan to whisper something in Spanish, then to say "Pico de Orizaba" amidst riotous laughter. We ignored this and made our beds amidst the donkey dung and lava dust.

The next day began with our being awakened by the noise of a small Mexican town waking up — roosters crowing, dogs barking, and burros baying. Several hours later the sun rose, as did the brothers Jimenez with their two burros and a mule. After loading the burrow we began our twelve mile trek to Camp I. Orizaba has more climatic zones than any other mountain on earth, rising from the tropical desert at 8500 feet to the huge 200 foot trees at twelve thousand feet to the permanent snow of the upper slopes. We were amazed to discover a stone wall at fourteen thousand feet! We made camp at the cave and tried as best we could to sleep. We were all tired but had difficulty sleeping because of the headaches brought about by lack of oxygen. The effect of the altitude can be seen in our pulse rates. After two hour's rest my pulse was beating at a rate of 100, as opposed to my normal 60, while the other's ranged from John's 95 to Walter's 140. The next morning John decided to make a trip up to a cabin he had spotted near the snow line. Jim, Mark, and Walter decided to accompany him, while Steve's severe headaches forced him to stay at Camp I. The four climbers in the advance group made it to the cabin that

day and made a cache of a stove and water at the cabin. Steve rested that day and eventually climbed a small knoll while the others were scouting the route.

The following day the group decided to make a summit try. We had an early start but ran into difficulties when Steve's headaches caused him to move slowly. An acute shortage of aspirin also hurt the group's chances for the summit. John decided to split the group once we had all reached the hut at 16300 feet. Mark and Jim climbed on towards the summit while John and Walter stayed at the hut to take care of Steve. The going was slow for Mark and Jim as they set up off the snowfields. At one point, they decided to leave the snowfields for a cinder field, but soon decided that the going was even slower. They were well rewarded for their patience by increasingly better views of Mexico's other volcanoes and finally approached the rim of the crater on Orizaba. Here they were greeted by a knife-edged ridge leading from their position to the summit, with the slope they had just climbed on their left and the crater of the volcano on their right. Once they reached the summit they were, in the words of Mark Knights, "content to just sit there and look at the view." The advance teams then glissaded down the snowfield in less than one-quarter of the time it had taken them to climb it. Dinner that night was festive but mundane. Nobody could eat, as the dinner was too salty. We settled for hot jello and retired. The next day John and Walter, with Steve still too sick to climb any higher, made their summit bid. Ironically, the second assault team, with their expensive cameras, found clouds awaiting them on the snowfields, whereas the first team had clear weather and a Kodak instamatic. The other three climbers waited until John and Walter were back at the hut, then the team descended to Camp I. The lower altitude of 14500 feet did wonders for the group, even though it had been crippling on the way up, due to our acclimation. The lack of food remaining, along with the fact that four of the group had already reached the summit, caused the leaders to decide to descend rather than let Steve try for the summit, as there were still two mountains to go. Or were there? After taking stock in the morning after the descent to Ciudad Serdan it was decided that Steve's leg cramps, Jim's snow blindness, John and Walter's foot blisters, and a general urge to have some fun in the sun, made us decide to spend four days soaking up the rays at Acapulco. Of course, once we got back to Worcester, it was thirteen degrees below zero, with heavy winds. Easy come, easy go.



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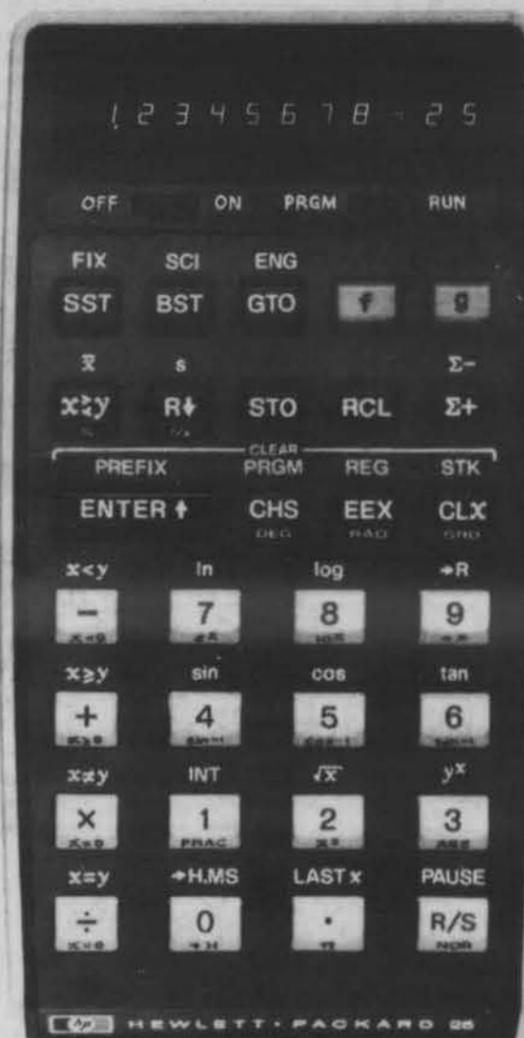
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IM bowling

ATO (1), bowling the best it has all season, upset PKT in a closely contested match, 3-1. The first point was won by ATO by only two pins, and the total score was ATO's by only 20 pins. In the other big match last week, LCA continued its losing ways as it fell victim to SP, 3-1. Both teams bowled below their averages, and the final

score was a close 1854-1821. There were two minor upsets as DST took two from PSK(B) while PSK (A) nicked FIJI for a point.

High team score went again to GDI who had 2001 against SPE. Highest single was rolled by Nels Anderson (234) against TKE, while Tom Vaughn had the highest triple (592) against ATO (1).

INTRAMURAL BOWLING (through Feb. 27)

STANDINGS:

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|-----------------|------------------|
| 1. GDI 27-1 | 9. NFW 8-20 |
| 2. SP 33-3 | 9. PSK (B) 8-20 |
| 3. FIJI 28-4 | 11. ZP 9-23 |
| 4. PKT 30-6 | 12. TKE 8-24 |
| 5. ATO (1) 26-6 | 12. ATO (2) 7-21 |
| 5. SAE 26-6 | 14. SPE 7-25 |
| 7. LCA 16-12 | 14. PSK (A) 7-25 |
| 8. CB 15-17 | 16. DST 5-27 |
| | 17. TC 4-24 |

10 HIGHEST AVERAGES:

1. John Nowosacki (GDI) 178.8
2. Joe Kolis (CB) 178.7
3. Tom Vaughn (PKT) 176.0
4. Gary Anderson (ATO-1) 175.8

5. Jack Germaine (GDI) 173.9
6. Nels Anderson (SP) 172.3
7. Rod Abramsen (LCA) 170.7
8. Paul Curdo (ATO-1) 170.1
9. Randy Emerson (SAE) 169.8
10. Mark Steblin (PKT) 168.6



Pat Graham, Sue Germaine, and Diane Curren await throw-in in game vs. Becker.
Photo by Bryce Granger

INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL STANDINGS (through Feb. 27)

A	B	C	D
MH 7-1	PSK(A) 7-0	OTHG 7-0	IRA 6-1
LCA(1) 7-1	SPE(1) 7-0	PKT(A) 6-1	ATO(1) 6-1
FIJI(A) 7-1	SAE(1) 5-2	BSU 5-2	CELTS 6-1
PSK(B) 6-2	AWT 5-3	LCA(2) 3-4	PKT(D) 4-3
PKT(B) 4-5	SAP 3-4	WSU 3-4	RLY(1) 3-4
SP 3-5	DST 2-5	ATO(2) 3-4	SPE(2) 3-4
COS 3-6	TBB 2-5	FIJI(B) 2-5	DS 3-5
STA 2-6	PKT(C) 1-6	SPE(3) 2-5	ZP 1-6
TC 2-6	LCA(3) 0-7	TKE 1-7	FIJI(C) 0-7
SAE(2) 0-8			

SPORTS

Opinion

The job of head coach

by Paul Grogan

It seems with the closing of every sporting schedule, teams and fans begin to reflect on the events of the passed season. Winning teams look back fondly over the good times and losing teams fire their coaches. It seems a shame because it's the players that lose games, not coaches.

This year's coach, Ken Kaufman, who was hired on an interim basis for the 1975-76 season, has been in an awkward position as rumors about an attempt to beef up the

WPI basketball program circulate. He has inherited a team that has had only one winning season in the last 15 years. Any attempt to improve the basketball program should focus on improving the caliber of the athlete not the coach.

It is this writer's opinion that members of the committee in the process of selecting a head coach, should consider the 78 applicants but give the nod to KEN KAUFMAN.

IM basketball

by Kevin Hastings

A change in the standings is evident from last week as LCA(1) and the Celts forged themselves and others into ties for first in their respected divisions. At the same time other division leaders such as PSK (A), SPE (1), and OTHG staged wins to stay undefeated.

Division C had a big matchup between Morgan Hall (MH) and Lambda Chi (LCA). With LCA(1) coming up with a big win. Peter Rowden and Keith Austin were the leaders for LCA with 16 and 14 points respectively. LCA raced out to a 24-13, half-time lead, after that both teams played even with LCA on top 56-45. Marty Paglione scored 13 for the losers. LCA now 7 and 1 have to beat FIJI (A) who are 6 and 1 for a playoff berth. FIJI(A) beat PKT(B) by the score of 64-33 and must be on their game Wednesday to beat LCA(A). MH with a victory last Friday would have assured themselves a playoff spot.

Division B pitted undefeated PSK(A) against once-defeated SAE(1). Phi Sigma Kappa (PSK) escaped with a 34-24 victory. Led by high scoring James Howe who scored 22 against SAE(1) will have their hands full on Thursday. For on Thursday undefeated Sig Ep (SPE) will be slugging it out for first place in Division B with PSK(A). SAE(1) now with two losses will most likely be out of the playoffs.

Division C had their own big game last week with OTHG beating BSU. The Over the Hill Gang (OTHG) led by Izzy Colon's ten second half points beat the Black Student Union (BSU) 34-28. BSU were led by Dave Edwards who scored 10 points in the first half to keep BSU close in an 18 to 17 ballgame at half-time. OTHG with the victory clung to first place and will meet once defeated KAP(PKT) in a showdown. KAP has to win in order to stay in the playoff picture. PKT(A) had an easy warmup game against FIJI(B), with a 54-30 victory. Al Briggs led all scorers with 16. BSU with two losses appears will have to

depend on KAP losing in order to make the playoffs. For KAP has already lost to BSU and a second defeat could knock KAP out.

Division D had the streaking Celts beat undefeated IRA by the score of 60 to 54. This win assures the Celts of being in the playoffs with an additional victory over Riley (1) on Tuesday. Ed Haka was phenomenal with 27 points in leading the Celts past the IRA. The IRA was down two 26 to 24 at half but 14 second half points by Haka and nine by Dave Graham did the IRA in. The IRA now has to beat ATO(1) on Thursday to make the playoffs. ATO(1) ran by the KAP(D) team, and with only one loss the ATO team can make the playoffs with a victory on Thursday.

Last Week's All-Star Team

Ed Haka, Celts, 27 points against IRA; James Howe, PSK(A), 22 points against SAE; Mike Neece, FIJI(A), 22 points against PKT(B); Peter Rowden, LCA(1), 16 points against MH; Izzy Colon, OTHG, 12 points against BSU.

Defensive Star of the Week

Peter "Pokey" Barbadora against FIJI(C) Izzy Colon kept the top spot in the top ten scoring but dropped 2.8 points from his average and only leads by two tenths of a point. The averages are based on a minimum of three games of statistics and those received by Coach King or John Forster by Feb. 26th.

Name		
Team		
Games		
AVG.		
Colon, OTHG	4	20.5
Howe, PSK(A)	3	20.3
Fitzgerald, TBB	3	20.0
Warburton, Cosmos	4	18.0
Rowden, LCA(1)	4	17.5
Paglione, MH	6	17.3
Haka, Celts	5	17.4
Argyros, TC	5	14.6
Walker, SPE(1)	6	14.5
Griffin, IRA	3	14.0



ATO and KAP battle in recent IM b-ball action.

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CASINO NITE IS COMING!

MIT fights off WPI

by Paul Grogan

Massachusetts Institute of Technology fought off three Worcester Tech rallies in the second half to down the WPI Engineers 37-79 last Thursday night in Cambridge, MA. The loss brought WPI's season record to 6-17 entering the final game of the season.

WPI threatened to overtake the visitors, pulling to within one point on three occasions, after trailing by a score of 42-35 at halftime. Each time MIT, lead by their all-time leading rebounder Pete Jackson was equal to the test and spurted from the Engineers' grasp.

WPI received a balanced scoring effort from 4 players, with Rick Wheeler leading the way with 27 points. Pete Krupinsky and Dave Seraikas contributed 18 each and Bob Stack added 10 points.

The WPI JV's coached by John Wilk have come on strong late in the season, winning six of their last seven games. Jim Kelleher and Kevin Doherty lead the JV's to a 79-69 victory over the MIT JV team scoring 24 and 20 points respectively. Ron Choiniere (16 pts.) and Ray Dimuzio (11 pts.) also contributed to the balanced JV scoring.

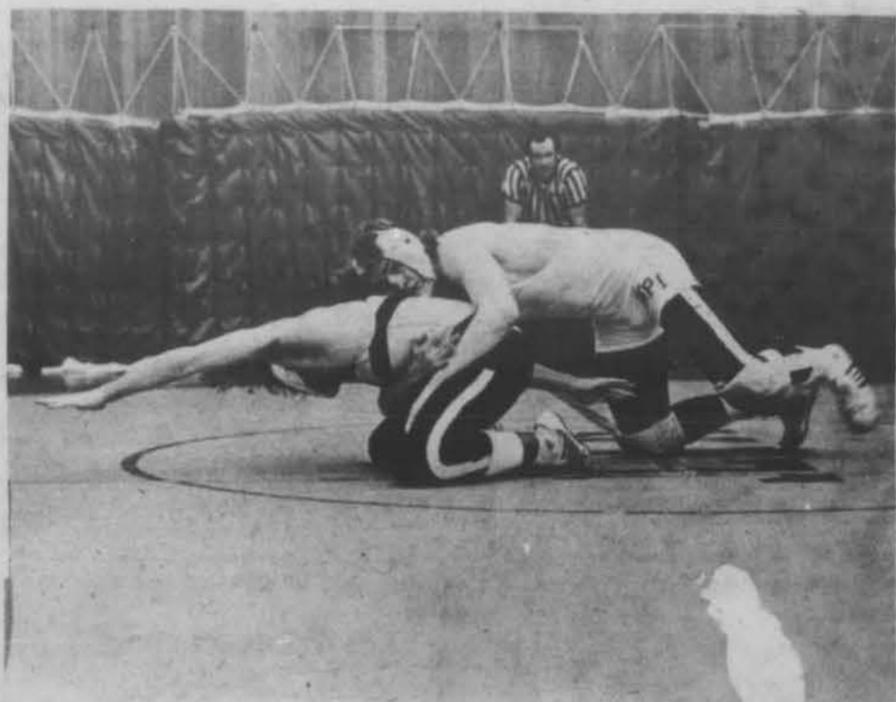


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Wrestling championships

On Friday and Saturday February 27 and 28, the 30th New England Intercollegiate Wrestling Championships were held at Williams College. WPI entered several wrestlers in the competition and earned enough points to finish in ninth place out of a possible 22 teams competing.

Individually, WPI had two place winners. Tom Patonas wrestling in the 177 lbs. weight class finished in second place after losing a close 10-6 decision in the championship finals to Karl Hubbard of Williams College. In gaining the chance for a championship, Tom Pajonas had impressive wins over Wood of Lowell (Pin 3:24), a 3-2 decision over the number two seeded wrestler Kowalski of Coast Guard, and a 6-3 decision over Ryan of Wesleyan.

Jim Gorman wrestling at 142 lbs. had a fine tournament in placing third in his weight class. Jim's only loss was in the quarter final round with a tough 2-0 loss to the eventual 142 lb. champion Tom Lachuisa of Springfield. Jim, who placed fifth in last year's tournament did not get a seeded position in this year's tournament because of missing most of the season with

a knee injury. In gaining the third place finish, Gorman defeated no. 6 seed Iaquina of Hartford 17-0, Ryan of Williams (Pin 4:22), Caron of Lowell by default, no. 4 seeded Donovan of Boston State 4-3, and in the consolation finals for third place Jim pinned the no. 3 seeded wrestler Adams of Southern Connecticut in 1:59.

The heart break of the tournament for WPI occurred when Mike Beaudoin, the no. 5 seeded wrestler at 134 lbs. had to default out of the tournament. While pinning his first opponent Shaddock of Springfield in 7:13, Mike re-injured a chest injury suffered during last week's practices. Had this injury not occurred, Mike might have been in contention for the championship and valuable team points which could have put WPI into 5th place.

Though not gaining a top place in the tournament, Gary Batchelder at 190 lbs. earned team points before being eliminated in the consolations.

Other wrestlers participating for WPI were: Henry Daley (118), John Contestable (150), and Bob Winter, (hwt.).

JV wrestlers cop third

The WPI JV wrestling team finished their season with an outstanding performance at the New England Tournament held at MIT on Feb. 22. Coaches Grebinar and Cherenzia were extremely pleased by the team's fine showing, third place behind

Coast Guard and Amherst. Capturing medals for WPI were Paul Kennan — first place at 150 lbs., John Cozzens — second place at 158 lbs., Kevin Northridge — third place at 142 lbs., and Serge Ochrimenko — third place at 177 lbs.

MIT (87)
Jackson 13 0-2 26, Lange 7 2-2 16, Cavolowsky 8 4-6 20, Maimonis 4 2-2 10, Armstead 1 0-0 2, Thompson 1 0-0 2, Tuckman 0 0-0 0, Wozniak 0 0-0 0, Van Effen 0 1-2 1. Totals 38 11-18 87.

WPI (79)
Wheeler 11 5-11 27, Krupinsky 9 0-0 18, Serikas 9 0-0 18, Murphy 0 0-1 0, Stack 5 0-0 10, Barry 2 0-1 4, Williams 1 0-0 2. Totals 37 5-13 79.

WPI JV (79)
Dimuzio 4 3-3 11, Jacobsen 1 0-0 2, Kelleher 9 6-8 24, Choiniere 7 2-2 16, Doherty 8 4-4 20, Traver 0 0-0 0, Roux 0 0-0 0, Fitzgerald 2 2-5 6, 2, Wozniak 3 1-2 7, Stephense 1 0-0 2, Yearwood-1 0-0 2, Todd 4 3-6 11.

MIT JV (69)
Tuckman 8 1-2 17, Van Effen 8 6-8 22, Jansson 3 0-0 6, McKinnon 1 0-0 2, Wozniak 3 1-2 7, Stephense 1 0-0 2, Yearwood 1 0-0 2, Todd 4 3-6 11. Totals 29 11-18 69.



Medal-winning JV wrestlers

Photo by Bryce Granger

Ski team in first place

by Blue

The WPI Ski Team is in first place going into the last division races of the season, which were held last weekend (Feb. 29 and 30) at Attitash, New Hampshire. The race was originally scheduled to be held at Suicide Six in Woodstock, Vermont, but due to lack of snow it was moved.

Friday, Feb. 20th the team raced in the EISA (Eastern Inter-collegiate Ski Association) Qualifier held at Mt. Watatic. The giant slalom was held in the morning and the slalom that afternoon. WPI finished third in the giant slalom behind Plymouth State and UMass. Brian Huff and John

Rice finished fourth and fifth respectively. The afternoon went badly with many falls in the slalom and a poor showing for the team.

That same weekend (Feb. 21, 22) the team raced at Berkshire East in 50 degree temperatures. WPI took third overall in the slalom on Saturday with John Rice placing first and John Hannan finishing fourth. The next day in the giant slalom WPI finished second behind Nasson College. Rice took second and Brian Huff placed fifth. John Rice, a freshman, now leads the league in individual standings with Huff not too far behind.

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Society for the Advancement of Management meeting, Higgins House, 6:30 p.m.
Women's Basketball vs. Fitchburg State, away, 7 p.m.
Cinemattech Film: The 1920's "What Price is Glory?", Alden, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 3

Ash Wednesday Masses, Janet Earle Room, noon and 10 p.m.
Bump & Boogie, Pub, 8 p.m.

Thursday, March 4

Student Government Elections, Daniels Lobby, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Tau Delta Pi Initiation, Gordon Library Seminar Room, 3-6 p.m.

Friday, March 5

IFC Winter Weekend "Casino", Alden, 8 p.m.
Ski championships at Mt. Cranmore

Saturday, March 6

Lambda Chi Alpha regional conclave, Seminar Room, 9 a.m.-noon
Coffeehouse entertainment, Pub, 8 p.m.

Sunday, March 7

Lights & Lens Movie, "The Harrad Experiment:", 8 p.m., \$1

Monday, March 8

Spectrum: "Michael and Anthony Houser," flamenco and classic guitar duo, Alden, 8 p.m.
WPIC-TV Channel 3: "Fort Bragg Follies," showings: 10 a.m., 1 p.m., and 4 p.m.

Tuesday, March 9

Cinemattech Film: "The Middle of the World", Alden, 7:30 p.m.

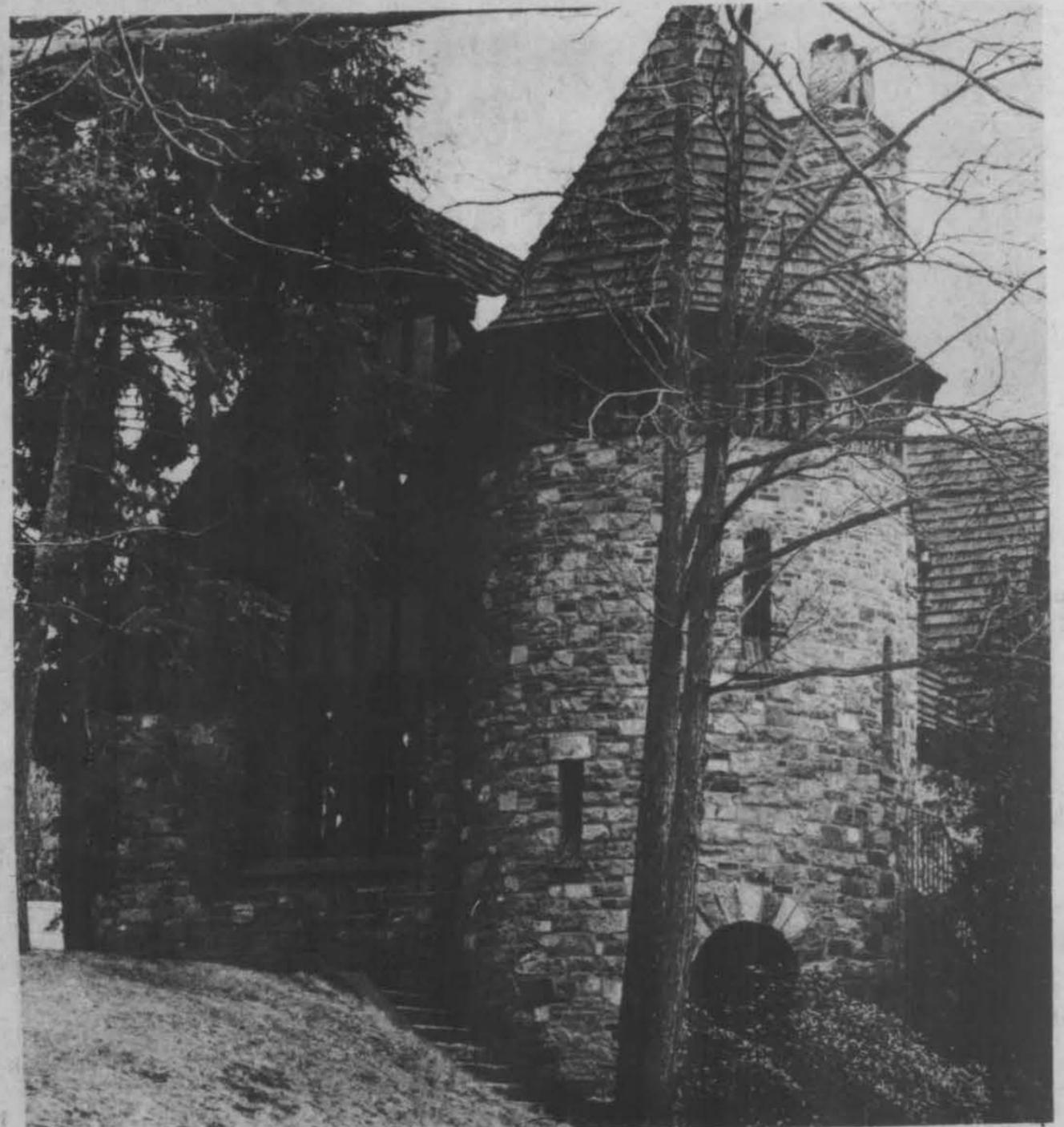


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