

"Integration," not "takeover"

Hazzard disturbed over Pub issue

by Phil Czapl

"I am very definitely enthusiastic about the school taking over," said Professor Alvin Weiss in an interview last week, concerning the efforts of W.P.I. becoming owners of the Goat's Head Pub.

Quite the opposite to what Weiss felt was inferred two weeks ago in *Newspeak* concerning his vocal opposition to the takeover, he is indeed in favor of it, claiming that his meaning was misinterpreted at the last meeting of the Pub Board. Weiss would like to see the school running the pub, but has great reservations about school control without any outside input.

Essentially, Weiss believes that the school's plans to dissolve the Pub corporation were a bit premature, and carried out in a too casual manner by the school, which seems to be in a great hurry.

To insure proper management of the Pub, Weiss maintains that there first must be clear written understandings spelling out the responsibilities and powers of the school and the Pub Board; as one of the major reasons for dissent at the last meeting was the fact that the Pub advisory board would have been totally without any

specific say in Pub matters, aside from a loosely defined "advisory" capacity.

Weiss and two other faculty members, James Matthews and James Demetry have written a preliminary draft of a set of by-laws for the Goat's Head Pub in which specific rules for the Pub's operation concerning the duties of the board of directors, and parliamentary procedure at meetings. Also discussed is the right of the Board to inspect the financial records of the Pub. The first draft ends with an article discussing arbitration: "Irreconcilable differences between the Board of Directors and Worcester Polytechnic Institute on operational and fiscal policies shall be submitted to binding arbitration by the Campus Hearing Board."

Weiss would like to see these plans revised and submitted to the school for mutual agreement. From his viewpoint, this is the only way the future existence of the Pub can be guaranteed, protected from the possibility of unfavorable actions by the administration, such as the unknown influence of the next W.P.I. president's policies, following President Hazzard's retirement next year.

Only with a Pub Advisory Board with strong influence on the school's Pub management can insure the solidarity of the Pub, by providing a way for students and faculty to maintain a controlling interest in the Pub's operation.

In contrast to the opinions of Professor Weiss, W.P.I. president George Hazzard thinks that the whole Pub matter is being blown out of proportion.

In his view, the Pub is already part of the college, and the takeover in reality is more of an "integration" of sorts, as the school own the premises, supports the entertainment taking place in the Pub, and now has control over the new Pub manager.

The belief that the Pub Board has no power of influence is disputed by Hazzard as an artificial argument, for the board, he believes, is most certainly listened to and taken seriously by the school. The school would be very foolish not to react to the advisory board.

Hazzard feels that many of the problems concerning the dissolution of the corporation have occurred because of the formation of the new Pub Board, as the old

board was ready and willing for the school to assume total responsibility for the Pub.

Reasons in support of the school take over include the fact that the school can be much more prompt in decisions affecting the Pub, a definite advantage. President Hazzard points out that in the past the Pub Board has been very slow to react to problems. With full time school employees directing the Pub, problems can be resolved that much more rapidly than with a Board composed of volunteers who must schedule a special meeting.

On the subject of employees, the new Pub manager is regarded as a definite plus to running the Pub. Since he has training in the business field, the manager can aid toward a more efficient business operation.

There does not seem to be any drastic changes for the Pub on the future horizon according to Hazzard. The next major change in the administration, the installation of a new college president, is dismissed by Hazzard as having any profound impact on the Pub. While the new president could if he wanted to force major changes on the Pub, this would be a very unwise and foolhardy act on his part, as most certainly the whole student body and faculty would block such a move.

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Longest standing employee

Hagberg "moving up"?

by Rory O'Connor

Nils Hagberg, the longest standing employee of WPI, will be leaving his position as night supervisor of Plant Services within the week, it was learned by *Newspeak*. Hagberg, 62, will assume a position as supervisor of campus inventory, a post that has been vacant since its former holder retired five years ago.

According to reliable sources, Hagberg is leaving his long-standing post as a result of pressure brought to bear by Gardner Pierce, director of Plant Services and his staff. These sources say that Hagberg has been harassed for some time by constant complaints from Pierce that he is doing an inadequate job and failing to be a "forceful" supervisor. The sources also say that he was accused, both by letter and in a closed meeting, of drinking on the job.

Pierce would not comment on the situation, saying only that Hagberg is "stepping up" to his new position. Pierce feels that a man of Hagberg's standing deserves to work days after many years in a night job.

Hagberg, however, expressed a great liking for his night job. He explained that he enjoyed working at night and doing his household work and other activities during the day. "If I need to get my car to the garage, I've got all week," he said.

The complaints of an inadequate job seem to stem from the small size of the night custodial crew, and their consequent over-extension. Since there are few faculty or office personnel in buildings at night, the custodians must be watchful of building security after hours. Due to a directive from Pierce's office, Hagberg is not allowed to remove a custodian from one building to cover another because of the ensuing security problems. In addition, the night staff can be called upon by the day shift if it

is shorthanded. Since the reverse is not true, many areas can be left uncleaned because of inadequate coverage. According to sources, however, most of the allegations are simply "untrue." The complaints of drinking on the job stem from a night following a large Harrington event, where Hagberg had one beer during his fifteen minute break at 2 a.m. According to sources, he was approached by his supervisor and asked if he had been drinking. After Hagberg told him that he had a beer on his break, he received a letter accusing him of drinking on the job and threatening the termination of his position if he was "observed" doing this in the future. At a later meeting with Pierce and his supervisor, he was again accused of drinking on the job.

Hagberg told *Newspeak* that he felt the letter was a farce and ungrounded. He claimed that if policy was for all persons who drink a beer on their break to be given letters, most campus employees, including supervisory personnel, would receive one. He also felt he was not allowed to defend himself at the meeting, but was confronted with faulty evidence and conflicting values on which the letter was based.

"I could have been a liar and not told them I had a beer," he said, "but I'm not built like that."

Nils Hagberg has been employed at WPI since 1935; first as a machinist, then as campus security officer, and most recently his night supervisory position. He feels that the new job, while not as much to his liking as his present position, is "a good job," and feels that it will be a lower pressure situation than at present.

It is not known at present who will replace Hagberg. Pierce says the job has been advertised, and an appointment will be made this week.

Ten years later . . .

Pub celebrates

by Rory O'Connor

A celebration of the Goat's Head Pub's tenth anniversary is planned for Friday, November 11 in the Pub in Riley Hall. According to manager Glenn DeLuca, festivities will begin at 4 p.m., with 25 cent draft beers, free munchies, and drawings on the half-hour for T-shirts and plaques. At 8:30, the Schlitz movie orgy will be shown, with more giveaways.

The Goat's Head Pub opened, complete with legal problems, on November 10, 1967 at 4 p.m. when Professor Richard V. "Ollie" Olson poured the first mug of beer to begin trial operation of the pub. The opening was attended by seventy-five persons in Daniels' Hall Commons, ten of whom were administration or faculty members.

The what?

University relations

by Jean M. Martin

The office is located in the far rear of the basement of Alden Hall. Large, well lit, partitioned off into cubicles, it houses a surprising number of friendly, helpful, people.

It's the University Relations Office, and chances are you've never heard of it.

"Too often people on campus don't know what we do because we're not involved in the educational process. We're supportive," said Thomas J. Denney, Vice-President of University Relations. Denney is in charge of the whole office, having under him several departments, namely the Alumni Association, the News Bureau, Publications, Public Relations, Corporate Affairs, Planned Giving, and the Special Events Departments.

The concept of a "university relations" office began in the nineteenth century with the founding of the Yale Alumni Association. From this they developed an Alumni Fund. By the period just preceding World War II, most colleges had such associations and funds which provided money for the support and activities of the group. After the war and the GI bill, attendance in colleges and universities opened wide, and schools saw the need for capital expansion. In order to get this, they needed better fund raising co-ordination and public relations work.

George Hazzard first established the University Relations office, uniting all the various departments under one vice

president. Denney is the second man to hold that post having succeeded Olavi H. Halttunen, in 1971. The office, according to Denney, is responsible for the school's "contact with the many and varied public."

Anyone who can produce an original membership card at the November 11 gathering will receive a free beer, according to DeLuca.

The Pub was originally opened Wednesday, 9-12 p.m., Friday 4-6 p.m., Saturday after football or before basketball games, and Sunday from 10 p.m.-1 a.m.

Some of this contact comes from the offices of Roger N. Perry, H. Russell Kay, and Stephen J. Donahue.

Perry is the Director of Public Relations. It is his job to keep the outside world aware of what happens here at WPI. This world consists of parents of the students, Alumni, the neighbors of the campus, and donors, the friends of the school — any group with a specific interest in the school. This contact is especially important with Tech's neighbors. The large number of young people could annoy anyone, if they felt removed from the action but suffered by its noise existence. By making them part of the total WPI community, these neighbors become supporters instead of potential complainers. Perry helps WPI to be a good neighbor.

Perry, as Public Relations director, is the official spokesman for the college, in case an emergency. If there is some kind of "disaster" on campus, he is one of the first people alerted. Since the local fire and police departments are alerted before him, the media monitoring them often knows of trouble before he does, but Perry can arrive quickly and deal with them. His personal opinion, which is supported by the school, is that if you have bad news, tell it; holding

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54% support

PIRG makes grade

by Rory O'Connor

Mass PIRG will remain on campus this semester, according to Charles Harrak, area coordinator for the organization. Forty-six per cent of the student body requested refunds from the organization during the four days they were given out. This figure is four per cent short of the number of refunds necessary for the exit of PIRG from WPI.

According to Harrak, refunds were extensive the first day, slacking off Tuesday

and Wednesday. Thursday, the number increased more than expected by PIRG. Harrak said that some misleading signs were put up, telling people to "pick up your \$2 PIRG refund." Harrak said he felt these signs led people to believe that PIRG had been defeated, and that they were returning everyone's money. He claimed that many people who might otherwise have supported the program claimed their refund.

Editorials: On the pub

Yes, George, it is a takeover.

As of now, despite any "official" position, the Pub is run by a board of directors elected by the students and faculty and staff of the school. As far as we are concerned, this indicates a definite non-administration run Pub.

We do not believe this is being blown out of proportion. When the school desires to take over the operation of the Pub, this newspaper has the duty to inform the student body of as many facts as possible. We also have the right to present our opinion. Our opinion, shared by many others, is that we should not relinquish control of our pub without some written set of guidelines that outline for both parties the powers and duties of each. Further, the guidelines should guarantee that policies be set by this board. Despite the good intentions of everyone to listen to the board, we desire to have the position in writing so that it is clear where we stand.

The amount of publicity given this topic is directly proportional to the amount of campus concern over the issue, along with the feelings of the editors on the subject.

It's not an integration, or anything else but a takeover. We don't wish to stop it; we merely wish to guarantee enough time and enough talk to satisfy the needs of the student body. That's why we're here.

Rory J. O'Connor
TAD
MBH

On the news

Mass PIRG has received the support of a majority of students on the WPI campus. At last, we have the solid fact that about 54 per cent of you out there would like to see the group stay and promote more projects.

We're all in favor of any group that serves the needs of the WPI community. In the past, our main objection to Mass PIRG was that we felt their money raising methods, via the negative checkoff, was contrary to the will of a majority.

In last week's paper, I wrote a satire that evidently went right over the heads of the people I directed it at. Nobody, even from PIRG, picked up on the fact that it was intended to show that the Mass PIRG's "Newsletter" presented an article that was just as vague and general in dealing with a scenario for a reactor-core meltdown.

Yes, PIRG, I am studying nuclear engineering at the present time, and I happen to think that your group's stand on the issue, as well as their presentation of it in the "Newsletter," is as far wrong as it can be. I have never, however, editorialized against your group in general, except on the funding question.

You're right when you assume that the satire was my own opinion. We have, in the past, devoted many column inches to stories written by Mr. Leach and Mr. Harak, and we welcome these gentlemen to contribute to *Newspeak* in the future. We will not, and have not ever, deliberately slanted the news to meet our own opinions.

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Letters: Alleges misquote

To the Editor:

It is clear from last week's edition of *Newspeak* that News-features editor Tom Daniels needs a lesson in the use of the quotation mark (""). For his information, anything contained within the quotation marks, in a factual account must be an EXACT quotation of the person or work being cited. Such is not the case in the front page article, entitled PIRG Future Dim, in the *Newspeak* issue to which I refer. In this article, I was grossly misquoted, and most of what I did say was very distorted.

I do not wish to deny Mr. Daniels the right to his opinion. But in the interest of keeping the student body informed, he should have reported the facts, only the facts, and kept his opinion for the editorial page. Rather, Mr. Daniels chose to distort the facts to his own liking, and produced the poorest piece of journalism I have ever read. I suggest that he either rewrite the article, or make apologies to those individuals to whom he did an injustice.

I spoke with Mr. Daniels very briefly (about 3 min.) while he was taking pictures in the wedge. At that time, he seemed to be concentrating more on his photography than on our conversation. I don't see how he could use exact quotations on a conversation he was only half listening to, especially considering the fact that he didn't use a pad and pencil, tape recorder, typewriter, embossing machine, braille-writer, or any other device for recording conversation.

In the article, Mr. Daniels quotes me as saying, "It looks like they'll get the 51 per cent." What I actually said was, (and I quote), "You MIGHT just get the 51 per cent." The first difference is that I used the term 'you.' (Mr. Daniels used the term they). I urged the word 'you' because I knew that Mr. Daniels is very anti-PIRG, and nothing would make him happier than to see PIRG leave campus. Just whom the term 'they' refers to, I don't know. The second difference, and a most important one, is that I used the word 'might', but I was quoted as using the phrase 'It looks like.' The difference is tremendous. Consider this example: If I say, "I MIGHT win the lottery," the statement means that the possibility exists that I could win the lottery. My chances may be next to nothing, but the possibility exists. Now if I say, "It looks like I'll win the lottery," the statement implies that there is a good chance that I will win the lottery. This is a vast difference from chances which might be next to nothing.

By the time this letter is published, the question of whether or not PIRG will remain on campus will have been rendered academic. But at the time I was quoted, after only three hours of refunding, there was no way I could have predicted that 51 per cent of the students would request refunds. However, I did say that the

possibility existed, which, of course, could have been said weeks ago.

The article goes on to quote me as saying, "This means that the school won't have any say in the Board of Directors meetings." The 'this' in the article is clearly referenced to the possibility that 51 per cent of the students might request refunds. What I did say was, "The school won't have any say in the Board of Directors meetings." But I made this statement in reference to the fact that I had told Charles Harak, Staff Attorney for the Worcester Area, three days earlier that I would no longer be active in the PIRG organization, a fact which I also told Mr. Daniels. Since no one else has expressed any interest in representing WPI on the PIRG Board of Directors, it logically follows that there would be no representation. I made this statement only in reference to the fact that I was withdrawing my active support for PIRG; it had nothing to do with whether or not 51 per cent support of the student body is gained.

The article continues, and quotes me as saying, "It's too bad; it looks like everybody walking by is just stopping to get two bucks." Once again, Mr. Daniels is in error. I never, at any time, said, "It's too bad." Any student who wanted a refund was entitled to it, and I DON'T think that it is 'too bad' that students were taking them. The rest of the quote, however, is true. But then, I sat at the refund table for almost three hours, and many of the students were unsure of what was being refunded, and why. Very few students expressed anti-PIRG feelings. Had Mr. Daniels been interested in reporting the facts, all the facts, he could have listened and talked to the people in line. But, as it is quite obvious, he was not interested in all of the facts. Such reporting is a discredit to the *Newspeak*.

I would now like to address myself to Mr. Daniels' SECOND piece of fiction, on page 8 of the same issue. It is true that PIRG, in general, is anti-nuke, and I don't agree with its stand on that issue, either. However, I don't see it as necessary to discredit an entire organization because of its stand on one issue. Instead, while I was working with PIRG, I contacted a group of students doing a pro-nuke IQP, and asked them to present their findings of PIRG's Board of Directors. Hopefully, we could have convinced the board to change its stand. But, since I will no longer be actively involved, I cannot be certain of the outcome.

As I said before, Mr. Daniels is entitled to his opinion, even though he seems unable to support it with much fact. He should also, in the interests of good journalism and keeping the students fully informed, be more objective in his reporting, and save the opinion for editorials and satire.

Christopher E. Leach, '80

[NEWSPEAK stands by Mr. Daniels' story as it appeared. RJO]

Unequal sports funding

To the Editor:

I'd like to address the issue of equality of sports at WPI. As a member of a club sport it becomes difficult to justify that portion of my tuition going to the sports budget. I feel that my support should be entitled to equipment on par with the quality of equipment of the Varsity sports here at WPI. This feeling is applicable to all club sports. Club sports are put at a disadvantage by the very school they represent. Club sport members must sacrifice a great deal of personal money and time just to prepare and purchase equipment so they can complete respectably.

There are many club sports which have met with great success. These include consistently the Crew, the ski team, a hard working Lacrosse team, and others I apologize for not mentioning. But we have all heard about our successes and problems at the Club sport's banquet, with nothing more being done. The crew, for instance, has consistently in the last few years won medals at the National College championship Dad Vail Regatta, not to mention the prestigious Head of the Charles. In addition, competing against the best crews in the country at the NCAA recognized National IRAs, we won a medal and won the petit finals in the varsity and freshman

fours. This race includes schools like Penn, Yale, California, Wisconsin, and on and on. In addition, we have sent a person to the Olympics. Yet despite these successes, due to the efforts of the crew and coach, we have failed to receive adequate support from the school. We are forced to raise our own money. We, as all clubs do, receive money from SAB; however, they cannot possibly supply all the necessary funds to purchase much needed equipment to allow us to remain competitive and intensify our competitiveness on such a level.

I propose that the Athletic Department and Student Affairs weigh more carefully sports programs at WPI, Club and Varsity on an equal par. Thus distributing budget money according to needs and participation with no distinction being made in the analysis between Club or Varsity. It is not my purpose to degrade the varsity sports at WPI. I myself support them and the people participating on the varsity teams. I use crew as an example of the problem since I am very close to the problem through my association with the Crew. I'd also like to indicate that this is not only an issue for we here now at Tech;

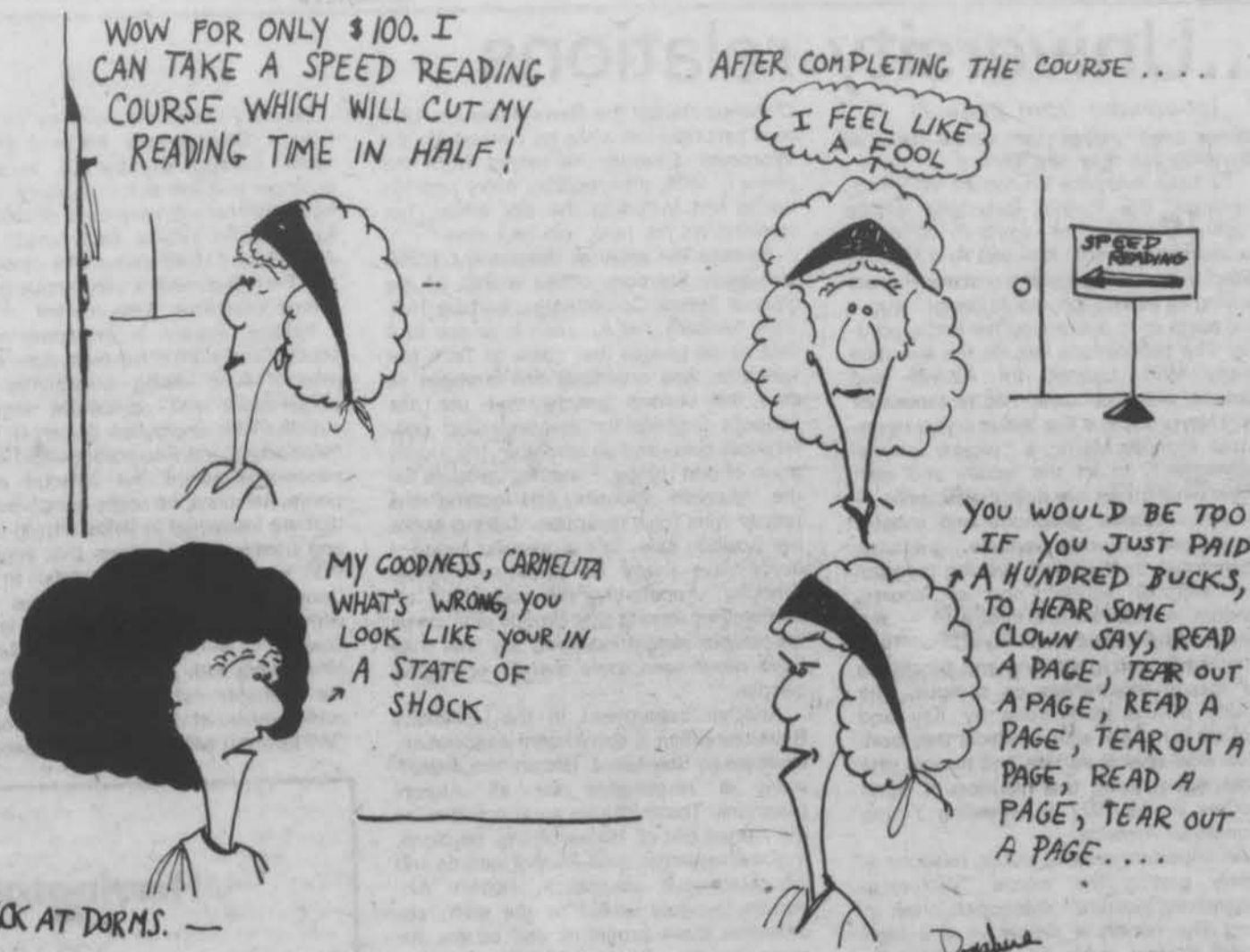
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Staff opinion

Another \$20?

by Maureen Higgins

What would you, the student, think if the WPI social fee was raised another twenty dollars from its present thirty some odd dollars? Frankly, I am all for it. On the positive side, it would mean more concerts of better quality with bigger names and this would seem to be more satisfactory to the majority of tech students. However, the Social Committee sponsors more than concerts, for instance who do you think brings you the bulk of the movies, pub shows, comedians, and mixers on this campus? With more money to work with, the result would be a more varied array of social activities being offered. Keep in mind that this social fee also pays for this humble publication, yearbook (which could use the extra money to get itself out of debt), and other clubs. And as for the extra twenty, what's that when tuition time rolls around and you are dealing in thousands of dollars? There are some drawbacks. Typically, many of the students do not use their social fee because they do not take advantage of campus happenings. I mean, there are some of us who would much rather have a terminal installed than have the money wasted on social things. And as for the students who are putting themselves through school, every dollar counts. Or does it?



BACK AT DORMS. —

Donahue

Worcester, Saturday, PIRG and people — some observations

by Rory O'Connor

An innocent Saturday morning in Worcester can become very interesting for the observant under the right circumstances. Witness my experiences of the past Saturday, and you may never be the same (perhaps).

Being in dire financial straits, I walk to my Main Street bank to withdraw a few greenbacks for my weekly amusement, which starts almost immediately at Burger King. It nearly ends there, but between myself and my muse we decide to go to Worcester Center to see what we will see. I am greeted in a blustery wind by the sight

After a quick trip to CVS, I return with some paper. There are now three people with petitions: Charlie, Margie, and a person whom Charlie refers to as "the shorter woman". (Sometime later this day I find her name has been changed to simply "Amy").

I am fascinated with the whole petitioning game. The word game is easy to most people, the coupling of "telephone company" and "lower rates" brings eager looks to their faces. I suspect they are not satisfied with the amount of money they put out to a company that has no competition. In addition, a constant smile adorns the faces of all three petitioners, and it seems to placate some of the more paranoid. It seems that almost everyone is paranoid; they feel as if they're going to be attacked.

phone company, and PIRG; I am disappointed, however, when I discover he is only a city council candidate who knows a good situation when he sees it. He amazes me by taking forty-five minutes before he shakes his first hand. I conclude he will not win in November. He does, however, make good use of the petitioners, handing his leaflet to people after they sign the petition.

I think about all the people scurrying over the brick plaza, surrounded by a park, a hot dog vendor, and two oppressive looking buildings. It seems to drain the life from them, until a 1957 Ford pickup, horn blaring, drives in front of the plaza leading a sort of spontaneous parade which is obviously a wedding party. People wave at the party, some of whom wave back. This seems to lift the spirit of everyone there, and conversation picks up a little.

A man approaches Charlie. The man does not seem to approve of Charlie's sneakers and unshaven face. I am amazed that people still judge by those criteria before listening to a word from his mouth. The man very cynically says "No thanks, pal." I don't think he really means it. After he denies that he is registered to vote in the state, he walks over to an old crone and talks city politics. I am more convinced.

A young woman walks by Charlie, whose eyes follow her along. I conclude that Charlie is human. I do the same. I feel there is hope for me as well.

Life spices up a bit when a young man, dressed like a beatnik comes through with a tape recorder playing, what else, beat music. No one listens to the music nearly as much as they stare at the man, who is definitely not staring back. He dances a little two-step, and walks on. People begin to talk about "that weirdo". I feel he is just having a good time.

At this point, I look up and find that the two women have disappeared and Charlie is the only one left. The foot cop approaches; Charlie retreats into the center. The cop is merely donating parking tickets to a worthy cause. He goes further down the street. Charlie appears. I observe that during all this, the city council candidate is still leafletting.

Charlie approaches me and asks where the "shorter woman" has gone. I reply that I did not see. He tells me he is playing the "Worcester Center Game." The object of the game is to collect signatures from people inside the center. The management frowns on this, as they believe it bad for business. The game, he says is played thus: go in, get thrown out. Repeat. He goes to step one.

The shorter woman appears from nowhere, seemingly. She talks to a man who listens and seems sympathetic, but very quietly says no. He is worried that his friend will lose his job with the phone company if he signs.

I go inside the center. Margie is there. We talk a bit about her efforts. She gets a WPI custodian I know to sign the petition. I

talk to him about everything from city politics to the phone company's monopoly. Meanwhile, someone has set off a stink-bomb somewhere, and the lobby begins to smell of rotten eggs. A woman goes to phone a cab, but decides against tolerating the smell. My friend leaves. I begin to think about the amount of time it has taken me to go to the bank, and decide to browse in a bookstore.

I bump into Margie again, and she asks me if I would like a cup of coffee. I agree, and we go to "Cheesecake Haven" for no apparent reason, get a cup of coffee, and sit down. We talk about the difference between Clark (where she is a student) and WPI (where I am attempting to study). We conclude that we are much the same; the only difference, basically, is that Clarkies are literate in words and Techies are literate in equations. I find that Clark has nearly as many screwball people as WPI. I also note that most of the screwballs end up in student government or high ranking positions on the student newspaper. We also talk about her involvement in PIRG, and the petitioning. She says that the most cooperative people are those with children. She reasons that since they feel the crunch of bills the most, they are most anxious to sign the petition. I can hardly blame them.

The shorter woman walks in, and at this point I am told her real name. She and Margie talk about a mutual friend. It turns out I have met him before. Small world. We also talk about the *Boston Herald American*, and conclude that William Randolph Hearst is seriously screwed up. We are not elated that he runs such a chain of newspapers. They are happy, though, about their success in gathering signatures. They seem unbothered by the snubs given them by many people, and say that most are cooperative. They also say that the older and younger people listen most closely. They also talk about the wins that have approached them, admonishing them for standing on streetcorners, and the men, mostly young, that sign merely because there is a female behind the pen. They are not really bothered, though, since they want to see the question on the ballot and are glad for the signatures. I am somewhat disenchanted that people are so ignorant or disgusted with the government that they don't care one way or the other. We see this coming all the time; we see it happening in campus elections at both Clark and WPI. But, I surmise some involvement is better than none.

It is getting late, and they go for one last shot at signatures. Charlie comes back from another locale where he has been doing the same. I have promised to send them copies of this if it ever appears in *Newspeak*. They leave.

I feel fairly good; a little more enlightened for the conversation and the observation. I think that Worcester is a funny town, but probably no different from any other. It's just the one that I see the most. And the least.

Op-Ed:

A young woman attempting to garner signatures for a petition. Being the curious sort, and anxious to become involved in political matters, I ask her what she is petitioning for.

"We want to form a consumer group to help lower telephone rates," she explains. "TELCAG?" I ask.

She seems a bit incredulous that I have heard of it. Nonetheless, I explain that I know of TELCAG, PIRG, and Charlie Barrak. We decide we are on common ground, and discuss the petition. Charlie appears, and we discuss the PIRG situation at WPI. I am amazed at the number of people who stop and listen to the aforementioned woman, whose name I learn is Margie. I decide to be journalistic and interview people who sign the petition. I discover, though, that I am without a notebook.

I talk more to Charlie. He tells me that he wanted to set up tables on the sidewalk with petitions on them. This would free up more people to canvass more effectively. He also tells me that the police say they will arrest him if he does. I feel good about the right of the people to petition the government. I wonder when it will be recognized as something that is not underhanded. However, all three are making a good effort.

Many people walk by after listening to the pitch. Margie seems stunned that they don't reply. I begin to think that many people are afraid Ma Bell will put them on a blacklist if they speak up and sign.

Suddenly, a well-dressed man appears in the midst of the PIRG triangle and stands in the middle of the plaza. I notice he has leaflets in his hand. I prepare for what I believe to be the confrontation between this man, who I believe to be from the

as a whole before club sports and therefore a great deal of participating students suffer.

Jack Tracy
(member of The Crew)

Letters: ... funding

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Many alumni have expressed disgust at the inequity of sports at WPI.

In conclusion, I believe the time is now to seriously re-evaluate the Athletic program

Soc Com "blew it"?

Dear Editor:
I would like to comment on the upcoming Dinner and Theatre. Your description of this event fell a little short of what actually happened. I and I'm sure most other people agree that the dinner left much to be desired. However, the theatre through good started three quarters of an hour late and ended 1 1/2 hours after it was supposed to have started (10:00). At 12:00 the "very danceable and cooperative" band to Ocean came out and played 1 1/2 hours to an enthusiastic crowd who danced a hallway behind the band. At this time

the band left without an explanation as to what was going on. I decided to do likewise. I found out later that the band came back at 12:30 and played till 2:30 a.m. I wonder how many students and Alumni enjoyed sitting in the auditorium for 8 1/2 hours.

Every week we read in *Newspeak* how there is no student interest in social committee activities. Well this time there was ample student interest but the social committee blew it.

Craig Hattabaugh

...University relations

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things back makes the media leery of anything you may say later.

To keep everyone on top of WPI happenings, the Public Relations office regularly puts out several different publications. Russell Kay and Ann McCrea direct the entire publishing process — from writing or editing to graphic design, layout and paste up to overseeing the actual printing. The publications include the five time yearly WPI Journal, for Alumni and parents, with a circulation of 16 thousand; WPI News briefs, a five issues a year newsletter; Monday Memo, a "weekly internal newsletter," to let the faculty and staff know what others are doing; directories — student, campus, telephone and trustee; catalogues — undergraduate, graduate, operational, intersession, evening program and summer/ school; and of course, random, sometimes one shot jobs — the Spectrum-Cinematéch Flyer, posters, letterheads, and invitations and brochures for special occurrences on campus. The quality of the work done by Kay and McCrea is not just seen by Tech, they both have won several awards and honors, the most recent being the inclusion of Anne McCrea in the 1977 Outstanding Young Woman of America.

An important area of public relations is merely getting the words "Worcester Polytechnic Institute" mentioned often in print. The reason is simple — if a high school student reads in a paper, for instance, that WPI is running in the black, he may remember those initials favorably when it comes time to begin the admission process. This is also done by sending stories of various student's achievements to their hometown newspapers. This, according to Perry, creates or re-inforces the image of the school. The stories that are sent to newspapers or wire services across the country are generated by Stephen D. Donahue, director of the News Bureau. Last school year (July 1976 to June 1977) the News Bureau sent out 254 separate releases, some to single newspapers in the Worcester, some to many papers across the country. The clippings resulting from these releases are all collected and saved as a history of the school.

Donahue started the News Bureau in 1938 as a part time job while he worked for the Worcester Gazette. He retired from the paper in 1976, after holding every position up to and including the city editor, but retained his job here, still part time.

Perhaps the smallest department in the University Relations office is that of the Special Events Co-ordinator, Barbara Hall. Very basically, her function is to see to it that all the groups that come to Tech feel welcome. She organizes and arranges so that the various groups that use the school's facilities for meetings and conferences come and go smoothly. It's mostly a job of odd things — setting up tours for the Alumni's spouses and getting the proper wine for a reception. Talking about her position said "It's a peculiar breed. I don't have many compatriots in other schools." Apparently, the position is effective: Hall reports that groups who come on campus almost inevitably say that they have never seen more friendly or helpful people.

Another department in the University Relations office is the Alumni Association. Directed by Stephen J. Hebert, the department is responsible for all Alumni programs. These include such activities as the alumni end of Homecoming, reunions, regional meetings, plus Alumni records and job placement assistance. Robert Anderson, recently added to the staff, coordinates these programs and others, for example the Student-Alumni Relation Committee, which tries to unite past and future graduates.

One statement that came out of every discussion concerning Tech Alumni was their loyalty and devotion to the school. Last year, 37 per cent of them gave to the Alumni fund, and one out of every six is involved in some kind of program. There was great concern during the early days of the Plan about whether or not the past Alumni would accept this departure from tradition. The worry provided groundless as the Plan has been met with enthusiasm.

Their loyalty and devotion is expressed in other ways — the Alumni are what the WPI image is based upon. These people have thoroughly shown business and industry that WPI can turn out top notch engineers.

Norma F. Larson is currently Director of Alumni Development Records and Services. Leaving October 31 to go into business with her sister, Larson's role is to help organize and keep track of the various fund raising efforts established for the Alumni fund. She also works closely with the Tech Oldtimers a very active group of retired Worcester Area Alumni.

Raising money is important to any school, and WPI is no exception. A major area of fund raising possibilities is the corporations and companies that Tech supplies with employees. Gilbert S. Osborn helps acquaint the corporate world with the educational world. As Director of Corporate Relations, he seeks out corporations that are interested in fields related to WPI, and then convinces them that supporting WPI would be greatly helpful to them. Convincing the corporation takes talking with them, on as personal a level as possible — the whole University Relations office deals with *people* — showing them the benefits of the Plan and the achievements of the students. Osborn said "WPI's finest selling point is the people we

produce who go onto jobs in business and industry."

Gilbert Osborn spends some of his time working on wills, bequests, and estate planning, an area known as Planned Giving. This area — directed part time by Robert M. Crouch, chairman of the First Safety Fund National Bank — involves arranging for the gifts to the school, to be made after death. The wills and bequests are organized to take best advantage of the various tax laws, also, in some cases, to act as a trust fund for a surviving spouse. In the past such gifts have included a one million dollar student loan fund and an endowed professorship.

In Thomas Denney's words the University Relations Office is "the Marketing division of the school." Most, if not all, that the world knows about WPI comes from this office, yet most students have heard of it. Hopefully, having erased this apathy, students will help the URO by alerting them to interesting projects, perhaps by being generous Alumni.

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Soccer

by Tom Rockwood

The WPI Soccer team lost a heartbreaker last week to UMass, 2-0, and then bounced back to subdue Nichols, 5-0.

The booters just could never get untracked against UMass as they suffered their third loss of the current campaign. Typical of WPI-UMass Soccer games of recent years, this contest was a tight, defensive struggle with neither team able to take control on offense.

In the first half, WPI went against the wind, and goalie Bob Grochmal had the sun directly in his eyes, two factors that the Engineers effectively overcame. But, as has been the case in recent games, WPI passed

the visitors fired home their second goal, minutes later, and WPI had lost 2-0. More importantly, though, the loss relinquished just about any hopes the booters had of returning to the New England Soccer playoffs.

On Saturday, the booters took a while to get started, but finally, they put it to a weak Nichols outfit. Playing a sloppy first half, WPI managed to take a 1-0 lead into halftime, thanks to a pretty shot by John Pavlos, set up by none other than Goalie Bob Grochmal.

A stiff talking to by Coach King at halftime seemed to pay off as the Engineers stormed out in the second half. Pavlos added three more goals, the first, an

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well, but just couldn't connect between the halfbacks and the strikers up front. Typical of their frustration was a usually free-wheeling John Pavlos unable to break loose for his usual barrage of shots. Thus, most of the shots were limited to long range drives.

At the same time, the defense suffered a few instances where it was unable to clear the ball effectively from in front of the net. The lapses nearly proved costly. Nonetheless, UMass helped the cause as they couldn't find the net to capitalize on the WPI miscues. Not until there were ten minutes left in the game did UMass finally jump out into the lead that they never relinquished. To put the icing on the cake,

unassisted drive, the second, on a pass from Brian Clang, and the third, on another feed from Clang. Sandwiched between the Pavlos heroics was an extra-effort goal by Jim Lukas, assisted by Pavlos, and WPI had its 5-0 margin.

For the record, Pavlos figured in all five goals, running his season totals to 16 goals and 3 assists. The shutout tied the WPI single season record of four shutouts held by Grochmal in 1975 and 1976. The booters would like nothing more than to break the shutout record this Wednesday night as they play Boston University, possibly their toughest opponent to date. WPI, now 7-3-1, closes out its season this Saturday, hosting Hartford in a 2 p.m. contest.

Tennis season ends

by J. Gordon Gregory

As A-Term ends, likewise does Women's Tennis. The season, overall, has been a good one for Tech. Although beset by an unusually large number of injuries, the team has had a successful season. Even though the record is not heavily weighted with wins, the team's performance relative to last year is just great. Most importantly, the team is young, and the future looks even more promising.

To look back a little, this season didn't start very well, as the team took a 1-6 loss at the hands of Bryant College on Sept. 15. The only win was posted by freshman Cathy Girouard, who at the time was seeded 4th on the team. The only other player to reach three sets was No. 1, freshman Karen Scala, who managed a 7-6 first set, but was quickly defeated in the remaining two sets, 1-6, 1-6. Things started to look up after a close win over Gordon on Sept. 27. The next day, WPI lost to Worcester State, but Tech looked good against a usually tough team, losing by only one match, 3-4.

On Sept. 30, Tech was outclassed by Clark University as they succeeded in winning only one out of five, that one again going to Cathy Girouard. It was during the Clark match (away) that the Assumption coach showed up to inform Tech that they (Assumption) were scheduled to play us at the WPI courts that same day, and that they were waiting for us. WPI's schedule had Assumption down as an away match to be played the next week. The final result of this mess was that the Assumption match was cancelled entirely. No one is quite sure just who's fault the mixup was, but both sides agreed that it was lucky that the schools are in such close proximity to each other. Women's Athletic Director Susan Chapman made the comment that if you had ever been to a scheduling meeting, you could understand how something like this could happen.

Another scheduled game was not played this season for an entirely different reason: the rain. As everyone knows from personal experience, the New England states have been having an incredible amount of rain. The rain, in turn, has caused incredible

havoc with the schedule. Some games were postponed twice, and one game was postponed right out of existence. Time just ran out. That game was the away game against Emmanuel, which is outside of Boston. Luckily, the match was cancelled before the girls made the hour ride, but they were getting in the cars when they finally got the word.

One of Tech's most satisfying wins came at the expense of Suffolk University. The team lost only one match, and the greatest margin of victory was had by one of the few upperclasswomen on the team, sophomore Brenda Boucher. She trounced her opponent, 6-0, 6-1. Brenda has had her problems this year, but hopefully she will again emerge as one of Tech's top players.

At the season's end, the WPI women traveled to the state MAIAW meet in Amherst. The Techies were humbled that day as no one came away with a victory. The competition was tough; however, it should be noted that WPI has never and probably will never do well as a team in this meet. The real Chrissie Evert types are in force here; Harvard-Radcliff coeds who were probably born with a racquet in their hand. So while nobody really expects much of the WPI women, one person, our star, Cathy Girouard, did make it through three sets and deserves to be commended.

The team, too, should be commended. With a midseason ankle injury to Michelle Neville, a leg injury to Mary Dunn, and a relapse of a perennial back problem to Andrea Armour, the team was especially successful. No doubt certain dysfunctions will affect any athletic team; that is obvious, but for a team to work well enough together, in this case we had many different doubles combinations, for a team to succeed without the depth, that is success.

As a closing comment, it should be noted that the team is young. All of the top players are freshmen. Even the coach, Marcia Kennedy, is brand-new. Experience will improve this team, and if there are more freshman classes like this one, the WPI Tennis Team will have a winning record by next year. After all, before this year, they had never won a game.

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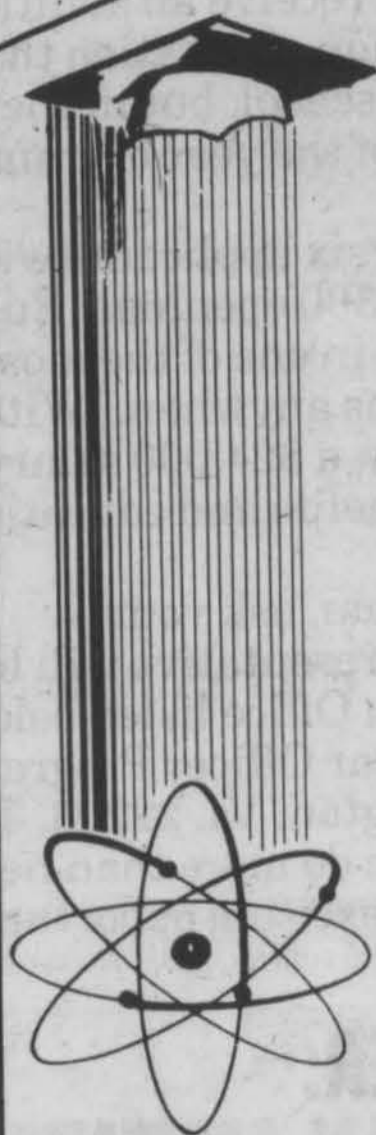
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Saturday, October 29

Soccer vs. Hartford (H) 11:00 a.m.

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Wednesday, November 2

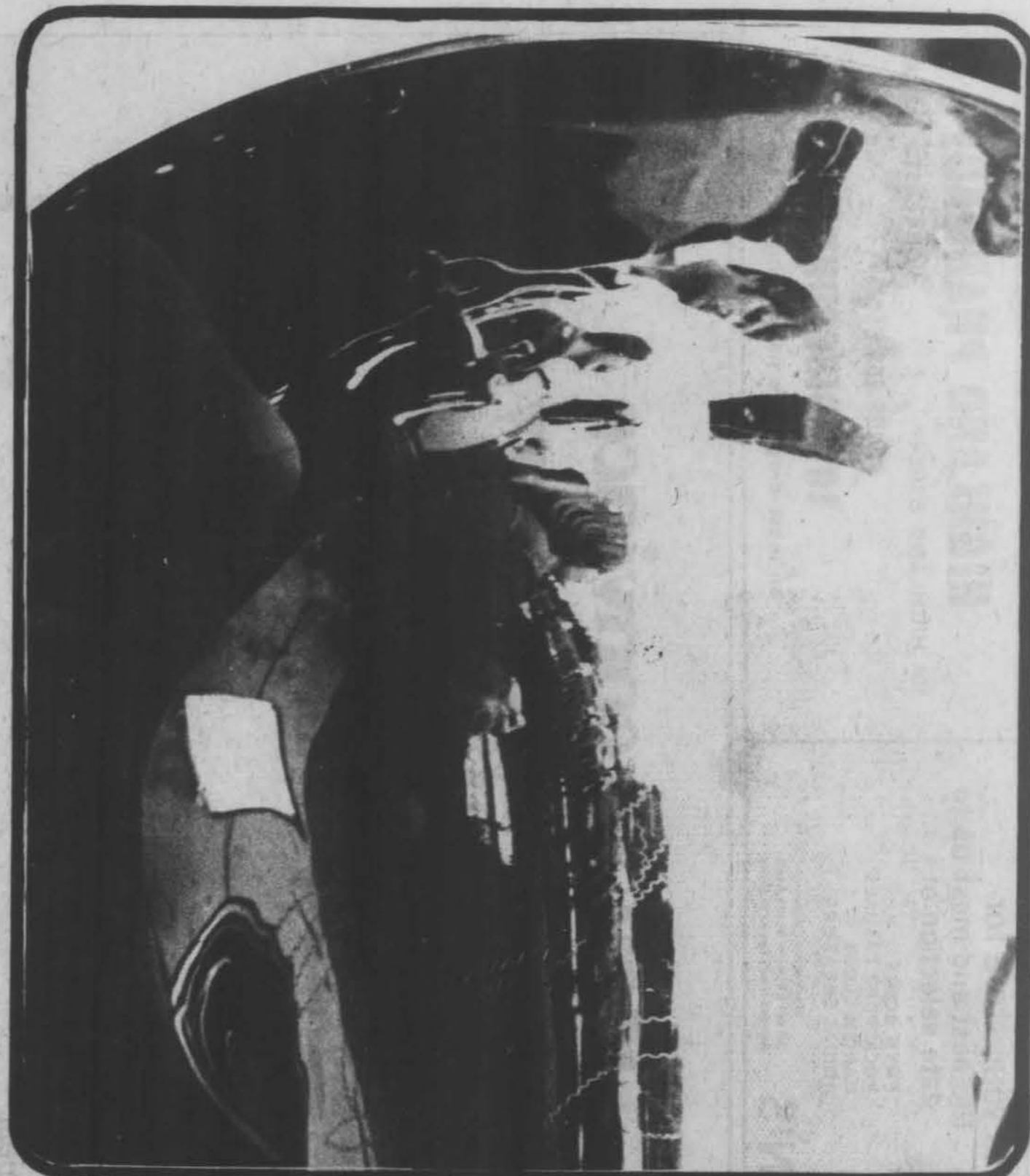
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—Mark Hecker

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