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School Plans Huge Building Program

Writer Terms Travel Farce; Says Foreigners "Clip" Tourists

By John H. Thomas

Did you ever get the urge to travel after seeing the latest adventure movie at your local theatre? Those far away lands where action and romance go hand in hand as depicted by many a Hollywood extravaganza, and of course the travelogue with its honey tongued, unctious narrator.

Don't you believe it.

This is not only the studied opinion of this writer, but matter-of-fact statements from many a disillusioned American who put time and money in an effort to see the world and came home fleeced by the local inhabitants, much like the city slicker who has just sold the first mortgage on the Brooklyn Bridge to a country hick.

So let us take a trip on an imaginary flying carpet and see some of these fabled lands in their true light.

We start for South America on the first leg of our journey.

The Amazon

Ah — South America — Fabled Rio and the mysterious Amazon. What adventures lie before us?

Our first stop is Belem, a large settlement situated at the mouth of the Amazon. Our eager bright eyes are soon dimmed, however, by the rain which blots everything from sight and turns the earth into a morass of mud-puddles. Actually it is so hot that it makes little difference whether it is raining or not. We are always sweating, and our clothes stay damp at all times.

Maybe the rain will stop, however, we are told when it does, the mosquitoes go to work. They say there are bigger mosquitoes in the world, but to never underestimate the Amazon breed. They are small and vicious and make up in number what they lack in size.

A hasty farewell to Belem is in order, so we fly on to Rio. Ah—this looks better. "Wide streets, modern buildings, good weather"—an ideal spot.

Speed Traps in Rio

Only there is one catch. It's little different from the American coastal

cities during the summer, and it has the distinct disadvantage of hordes of thieves, pickpockets, and as usual the ever hungry merchant. The people speak a strange tongue, and the police love to fine you for every imaginable traffic violation. It has been said that there are more speed traps per square mile in Rio than there are in a dozen American states of any size. The only thing they like about you is your money; although everyone will have to admit they rob you with finesse.

Back on our flying carpet again as the old "get up and go" all Americans allegedly possess lifts us out of disillusionment and takes us winging across the South Atlantic to South Africa, land of Zulus, big game, and diamonds.

The only trouble is that the Zulus have been civilized, and now dressed in European clothing, murder you in the name of Mau Mau and Independence. The big game is pretty well killed off except on government reservations, and you just don't shoot government property in South Africa. To top it off the diamonds are controlled by cartels that protect the diamond mines and sites with armored cars, machine guns, and regiments of guards.

You are informed that big game hunting is done in central Africa, and a small charge, that could buy you a Lincoln back in the states, will take you on a one week economy safari for four.

That does it. Out comes the carpet, and away we go.

Since we've decided to really see the world we head northwest to the Moroccos with their fabled cities of Casablanca and Tangiers.

Unfortunately when we reach Casablanca the city is in the midst of one of its annual holidays where the natives, instead of hiding in the native quarters and cutting the throats of unwary visitors who like to slum at late hours, come out and visit the fine hotels and restaurants of the more civilized sections of town. Needless to say their blood craze is not one whit

abated by daylight, so we hurriedly leave fabled Casablanca to the tune of screams of native delight as they shoot and slice all and sundry tourists whose only crime was being white and loud sport shirts.

Something tells us the native brethren in Tangiers may also be enjoying an Arab Mardi Gras, so we take a half right and hop over the Mediterranean to Italy and Rome; carefully avoiding the temptation to visit Greece and its famous ruins. It seems the Reds are still active there, and we wouldn't want to be investigated by some congressional committee when we got home.

The first and last thing that greets our eyes is that famous fountain which takes in more loot than all the beggars of Africa put together. Ignoring the "Yankee go home" signs, painted in red on the surrounding buildings, we hasten to toss our loot into the flashing waters and make a wish, (I want to go home). We learn later that some local business tycoon has the concession of picking the coins from the fountain and pays the chief of police a fat fee for the privilege.

The Eyes of Paris

On to Paris, city of loves and romance. Our short stay there is punctuated by a visit to the "left bank" where artists and lovers mix, à la Little Bohemia. Avoiding the sultry glances of slim, dark eyed males, we at last stand on the bank. We leave a few seconds later after taking a sniff of the local ozone. No one told us that they dumped sewage into the Seine river. The place smelled like a combination fertilizer factory and slum tenement.

Merry Ole England

Leaving Paris we sail into Merry old England, only to crash headlong into a barrage balloon in a dense fog. It seems some old country squire decided that this was the best way to stop a hydrogen bomb, and was still suspicious that Hitler wasn't as dead as they said he was.

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\$877,000 Granted; Shafer Dorms To Go

Plans for a "new look" at RPI were partially realized earlier this month when Governor Stanley recommended to the General Assembly a \$877,000 appropriation for RPI's building needs.

Mid-Winters

Mid-winters have been postponed to Saturday, Feb. 25, according to Ed Peebles, president of the junior class. The reason for the postponement is a pre-scheduling of an opera to be held in the auditorium.

Shumate Elected Apple Blossom Rep. By Senior Class

At the last monthly meeting of the senior class, Sandy Shumate, senior in Costume Design from Pearisburg, Va., was elected Apple Blossom Representative. Miss Shumate will represent RPI in the annual festival to be held in Winchester in April.

The class also voted to hold a banquet prior to the May Day Dance in the Mosque ballroom. This dinner is for seniors and their guests only. Honorary awards will be given at this time by Dr. Margaret Johnson.

The class is now sponsoring a drive to collect class dues. The dues for the year are \$1.50 and those who wish to pay, contact Sue Egerton Baldwin, class president, or John Williams, class treasurer. Class dues must be paid in full in order to attend the May Day Dance.

Sophomore Class

Color slides of Queen Elizabeth II's coronation and scenes of twelve European countries will be shown at the Sophomore Class meeting tonight, according to President Margie Parmesano. The meeting is scheduled for the Shafer Street Playhouse at 6 p.m.

A brief business meeting will precede the slide showing and the evening's activities will end with the serving of refreshments.

High on the list of improvements is a \$415,000 classroom building to be built where the Shafer St. dormitories now stand.

The appropriations also provide \$115,000 for an Art School addition with equipment and \$267,000 for an additional section to the Science building and necessary equipment.

Classroom Plans

Tentative plans for the classroom addition call for a well lighted basement above ground and three other stories. The design will permit addition of classrooms in the future, and eventually the building is expected to extend around the corner of Park Avenue and Shafer and replace the present Music building and Lee House.

New Design

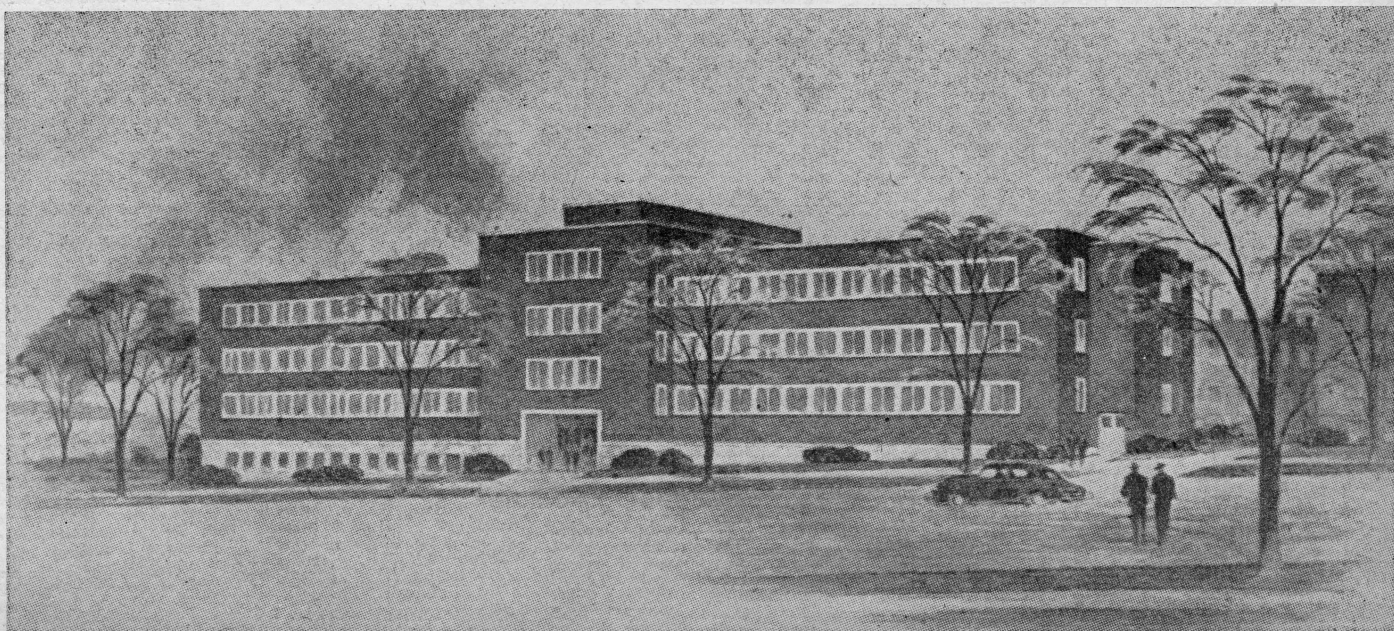
Provost Hibbs said the building will contain a number of innovations that follow a design recently inspected at Harvard University.

At least two classrooms, designed to accommodate 75 to 100 students each, will be octagonal and will have swiveled chairs arranged in concentric circles. Each circle will be raised above the inner one forming a sort of amphitheatre from which each student will have a clear view of the instructor.

"The type of classroom, which is designed to care for increasing school enrollments without materially adding to the faculty, is one of the new challenges in school architecture," said Provost Hibbs. The Provost added that "the \$877,000 appropriation recommended by Governor Stanley is more than twice the appropriation noted and approved by the General Assembly in all the combined years since 1925, and consequently, this is a great step in the history of growth at RPI."

Building Improvements

The Governor also has recommended (Continued on page 4)



CLASSROOM BUILDING —Architect's drawing of the approximate style of the new RPI classroom building to be built where the Shafer St. dorms now stand.

Editorials

Interposition Is Held Reasonable Defense

The interposition resolution of Virginia's General Assembly may amount to no more than a vigorous protest, but it calls for adherence to a legal principle that can hardly be condemned. The principle is that the requirement for addition to the United States Constitution should rise no higher than the requirement of retention.

It seems logical that if any change in the United States Constitution would require a ¾ majority vote of the states, then why should anything remain in the Constitution that will not meet with the approval of ¾ of the states.

The proposal in Virginia's General Assembly calls for an amendment to the United States Constitution that would affirm the decision of the U. S. Supreme Court in the case of public school segregation. If such an amendment were proposed, a negative vote by 13 states would defeat the amendment and in effect over-rule the Supreme Court.

There is, however, no precedent for using a Constitutional amendment to affirm a decision by the Supreme Court. Even though the court reverses a policy that was clearly and expressly subscribed to by a great many Americans, it reversed its decision according to precedent established by over 60 previous reversals.

The overwhelming precedents in favor of the court's position make the goal of the interposition resolution seem out of reach. Yet, even if Virginia's interposition proposal doesn't end in a reversal of the Supreme Court's segregation decision, it is an honest and reasonable defense against the action of the court.

Gray Plan Questioned

Although Virginians approved by a 2-1 margin the call for a Constitutional Convention and in effect the Gray Plan, there remains grave doubts among a solid minority of citizens as to the feasibility of giving support to the Gray Plan's 'aid to private school' clause.

We want to know where the money is coming from. Many of us fear that the public schools will be hampered by the drain on their funds to support private institutions.

If the state furnishes part of the funds toward a private school education, what of the thousands of poor families which cannot even afford to pay a cent toward their children's learning? If they will not be forced to attend integrated public schools and cannot afford to go to private ones will these children receive an education?

Can the state afford to pay the entire costs of the child? If so, will our taxes go up, or will the public school budget be slashed? What happens if the present school budget is inadequate to support the cost of completely educating our children in private schools?

Where do all the public school buildings go? Are they to be used as private schools and be bought by private concerns from the state; or will the buildings be abandoned as vast masses of children vacate them for a private school education?

What will it cost the state to keep three separate school systems (private white, private colored, and integrated)? How much will we have to pay in state, county, and city taxes to support the vast school board system necessary to see that standards are kept at a reasonable level, both physical and academic. What of the costs of agencies or committees to check on fraud and prosecute those who try to rob the state of funds?

Will the Negro be afforded the same privileges as the White if he wishes not to integrate, or will he be given inadequate buildings and instructors as has been done in the past?

These and many other questions have yet to be fully explained by the proponents of the Gray Plan. Until satisfactory answers are forthcoming we will be forced to assume that despite the many months of planning that the Gray Commission took to formulate their plan that they failed to come up with a satisfactory answer to the integration problem.—JHT

Milk Commission Study

The bill passed in this session of the General Assembly that calls for a study of the State Milk Commission by the Virginia Advisory Legislative Council would have been fine if today were four years ago. Definite action was needed this session instead of a prolonged study that would prevent legislation for another two years. The State Milk Commission should have its retail price fixing powers removed, because the people of Richmond, Arlington, Alexandria, and other urban areas are tired of paying more than retailers themselves want to charge for milk.

The study passed in the legislature is four years too late because shortly before the 1952 session of the General Assembly the people of Richmond voted in a referendum 8 to 1 against continued fixing of retail milk prices. Since the 1952 referendum a proposal has been made in each session of the General Assembly to end the Milk Commission's price fixing powers. In 1952 and again in 1954 the measure was blocked. The four-year long public protest indicates that the Milk Commission situation calls for more than a study.

Lynchburg Delegate Joseph Blackburn said recently that a dairy farmer in Lynchburg can produce his milk, ship it to Washington for sale, and it will still sell for 25% less in Washington than in Lynchburg. If the price fixing powers of the State Milk Commission were helping a Lynchburg farmer to get a fair price for his milk they would be justified. However, if a Lynchburg consumer has to pay 25% extra so that an inefficient distributor with influence on the Milk Commission can make a profit, then price fixing by the Milk Commission is dead wrong.

Two Worlds Described In College Life

(ACP)—Louisiana State's Daily Reveille recently included a warning in this editorial describing the two worlds of college students:

There is quite a tendency among college students, especially after they've been in college for two or three years, to forget that there is another world beyond the halls of learning. Oh, it occurs to them at odd moments, and they even become aware of it, briefly, during vacation periods, but for the most part college is life as far as they are concerned.

To a certain point, this is good enough. It would be a terrible thing to spend four years in an institution of higher learning, all the while bemoaning the fact that the real world is way out yonder somewhere. But there is a definite lack of perspective among most students. The world outside, no matter how far it may seem at the moment, is real. What's more, it's the world that we are going to have to deal with for the rest of our lives.

There has been a verbal battle raging for many years, as to whether college should be considered as a preparation for life, or as life itself. It cannot be truly evaluated in either way. The issue is not clear cut or black and white. There are shades of perspective which should be taken into consideration.

For the most part, college is a proving ground. It is preparatory for the life which is outside the realm of classes and books and dates and midnight snacks and fun. Students are preparing all right, but are they keeping in mind what it is that they are preparing for?

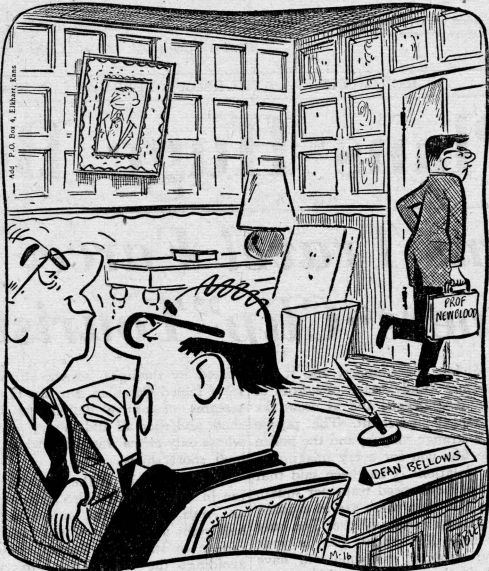
With some exceptions, the college student reads the daily paper with a "so what" attitude. The Supreme Court and the Geneva conference and Congress do seem a little remote when the main things cluttering up the mind have to do with tests and ball games and maybe even a philosophy of life. But these things don't seem quite so remote when one realizes that the Supreme Court has seemingly sounded the death knell for racial segregation in all places, including places of recreation, where public funds are used.

The Geneva conference seems a little closer to home when you consider that, for all the apparent cooperativeness, there is still that feeling of sitting on a time bomb.

Until students realize that college life is only a preparation . . . no matter how good a preparation . . . for life in the world today, they will continue to be frustrated. They will be frustrated because they are trying to evaluate college life with a level it was never meant to be evaluated with.

Idealism is a beautiful thing. It is something you hate to see crushed. It is reminiscent of beautiful childhood

LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS by Dick Bibler



"SPLENDID INTERVIEW—HE'S ECCENTRIC, BIGOTED AN' CONSERVATIVE. HE'LL MAKE A FINE ADDITION TO THE FACULTY."

Prospectus

By Carroll L. Hatcher

At some time in the future a historian with a laughing pen will, in a fit of mirth, attempt to describe the period in which we now grovel. His conclusion will be that this is the age of the written test, or better, the age of the psychological test.

Attend a party, an al fresco sex fiasco, or a regular Sunday school picnic orgy, and quicker than it takes to say psycho-neurotic, some guy wearing horn rims and carrying a copy of The Sex Life of the Ubangi will slatter up, and with that — I already know, but tell me any way look—ask, "How'd you do on your LIBIDO-EMPFEHLUNGEN test. (See footnote, hereafter when the words "foot note" are used they refer to a general area that corresponds approximately with the bottom of the page.) A little abashed, but being an honest guy, you answer that you only made a score of 60. In a matter of minutes everyone KNOWS. Your date, who has read Jung and Wylie since her last nervous breakdown, also KNOWS. Along with her, everyone cringes and shys away. That does it. You couldn't get invited to another orgy if your name was Sigmund Freud? (see footnote) The only thing left for you to do is become a philosopher and refuse to take a bath.

Everybody Sorted

Today is sorted, stamped, packed, and stowed away in any of the file cabinets labeled PERSONALITY ALERTNESS, IQ, COMPATIBILITY, NON-COMPATIBILITY, SEX-DRIVE, and heaven knows what else. These tests are designed for testing Mongolian idiots, school teachers, morons, garbage collectors (see footnote) preachers, imbeciles, and OCS candidates.

What For?

The answer is that we have become a nation of neophyte psychologists. Everybody thinks THEY know what everybody else thinks. No longer are you in the dark on why Gus S. lost his bottling capping job at the brewery. NOW YOU KNOW. He failed his UBERTRAGUNG test. (See footnote) No one had even suspected.

But there seems no way to stop this avalanche of tests. Each year thousands flow into the eager hands of testers who impatiently look around for someone to test.

Money Wasted

Each year we waste thousands of dollars, and man hours, and woman hours on these many different tests. We advance a new theory of testing, an entirely new concept. LET'S STOP HARMFUL TESTING, and KEEP AMERICA GREEN! The theory is very simple. Why not have ONE (1) comprehensive test? The

test would be administered to all persons when they reach the age of 30, or when they graduate from high school, whichever occurs first.

The new look in tests would include every important phase in our life—WORK, MARRIAGE, EDUCATION, POLITICS, and SEX, but not necessarily in that order. It would be advantageous to include questions of a psychological nature. These would reveal clues to our ABILITY, PERSONALITY, and DIE KLUGHEIT. (See footnote note).

Test Sample

Printed below is a sample of the proposed test. Why not abuse yourself? With a pencil mark the letter "X" beside the answer you think correct. (Place pencil in right hand if right-handed, use left hand otherwise). DO NOT USE A PEN. There are no trick questions, and no time limit. Don't hurry. Take your time. Go. NO SMOKING! Answers are to be found on page five.

1. While at the breakfast table one morning your girl friend, who's reading habits consists of reading the back side of cereal boxes, asks, "Wheaties contain what per cent riboflavin?" Would you say—

A. 0%.

B. 5%.

C. "What the h--- do you care?"

D. None of the above.

2. Who killed cock robin?

A. Another robin.

B. Adolf Hitler.

C. A dirty bird.

3. What famous character in history said, "I think I'll go home."

A. A court jester who was discovered in the arms of Madame Pompadour.

B. Madame Pompadour.

C. Louis XV.

4. As you are walking down the street you pass a friend who smiles and says hello, would you say that he is—

A. Emotionally immature.

B. Lacking in tact.

C. Just being friendly.

D. Taking too much for granted.

5. Mr. L. B. is 31 years old and married to his wife; they have three children. In addition to being a model husband and a good family man L.B. is honest, trustworthy, kind, loyal, intelligent, religious, healthy, strong, virile, and saves S&H green stamps. What is the cause of L.B.'s trouble?

A. A momism complex resulting from excessive adoration during childhood.

B. The lack of normal father-son relationship, L.B.'s father

beat him regularly with strands of barbed wire; hardly ever took him hunting or fishing.

C. A stewed carrot fixation, commonly called the favoritism complex. When L.B. was two years old his sister Mary received an extra helping of pabulum (stewed carrots). Mary is now employed by a food canning company. It doesn't matter.

This is the age of complexes, frustrations, and emotional immaturity. We no longer designate our friends by their names, we say, the frustrated one, the emotional one, the concieted one. People are not people, they are Pseudo-psychological problems. LET'S STOP HARMFUL TESTING, and KEEP AMERICA GREEN! We think this new method in testing will go a long way in helping KEEP AMERICA GREEN!

Foot notes:

(1.) Iowa raises more hogs than any other state.

(2.) We refer here to THE Sigmund Freud, a Chicago brick layer who first defined the word sex. He thought libido was a country in North Africa.

(3.) Collecting garbage is the nation's number one hobby. Hand holding and gin rummy are next.

(4.) You are correct, it is German.

(5.) Don't worry about it.

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CINEMA-SCOPE

By Clyde Simmons
National

This is the time of the year when hold-overs, booking dates, and switches in openings, not only drive the theater managers slightly insane, but the theater page writers as well.

Scheduled at the National is the French movie, *Tempest In The Flesh*. The picture has few names, if any, which will sound familiar to American audiences. Nonetheless, this foreign import with English titles promises to be fine entertainment for audiences who are seeking to find an unusual theme in motion pictures.

The director, Ralph Habib, is noted for subtle film treatments of unorthodox film subjects; this is his first attempt to produce a screen interpretation of nymphomania.

Story synopsis: A young Parisian, Clara, a waitress in a canteen at a hydro-electric dam in the Pyrenees Mountains falls in love with and marries the new foreman, Tonio. Complex as she is, she cannot control her emotions for other men. She is constantly in search for new men to satisfy her craving. Her infidelity finally leads to her death.

Colonial

The Court Jester, the latest vehicle in which Danny Kaye stars, is due at the Colonial provided that *Helen of Troy* decides to stay in Richmond no longer. All available information on Court Jester leads to the fact that Danny Kaye plays the role of a jester at the court.

Lee

Marty has a return engagement to Richmond at the Lee. Originally a television play written by Paddy Chayefsky, Marty has warmed the hearts of TV audiences as well as theater audiences.

It's the sincere, and lovable story of a Brooklyn butcher who is unloved, unhandsome and lonely. Ernest Borgnine plays the butcher and Betsy Blair plays the girl in his life.

Clara, (Betsy Blair), is just as lonely, and non-beautiful as Marty. They each find happiness and companionship in each other.

Loew's

Ransom, originally written for television by Cyril Hume and Richard Maibaum and produced on the U. S. Steel Hour program as *Fearless Decision*, comes to the screen.



Lucille Ball and Desi Arnaz in a moment of loveable confusion in MGM's *Forever Darling*.

Glenn Ford and Donna Reed star. Bobby Clark plays the juvenile role.

Ransom is the story of a kidnapped son and his father's attempt to save his life. The movie is packed full of emotional and psychological drama.

Glenn Ford has played two other roles which dealt with the human drama of life, *Blackboard Jungle* and *Trial*. In *Ransom*, it is expected that he will give no less of a fine performance than in the other two roles.

Comments and Others

The Lone Ranger, more at home in the West and the Burbank lot of Warner Bros., has invaded the Southwest and South by a personal appearance tour through 37 cities. Cocktail invitations are out . . . only cookies and

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Grade A will be the order of the day . . . If the Purist had their way, the necklines in *Helen of Troy* would come down to here, wherever here is. Necklines of women's garments of the Minoan period ended at the waist, or if you prefer, much beyond the boundary prescribed by the Johnston Office, Hollywood's self-appointed Production Code Office. However, Warner's compromised by raising the necklines by ancient Grecian standards, accentuating them by today's



Glenn Ford and Donna Reed hold breaths in a moment of suspense and terror in *Ransom*.

. . . Anybody (girls that is), want a movie contract? Just attend a Washington party and have someone say, "My, what a pretty girl. She ought to be in movies," as did Mrs. Earl Warren, wife of the Supreme Court Justice. A Hollywood talent scout overheard the kind remark which was made about Allison Hayes, and gave her a screen test in New York. As a result, Miss Hayes made her film debut in "The Steel Jungle."

Trip

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We decide England is not for us, and begin to circle aimlessly in mid-air until we can think of a final place to visit before heading home.

Some suggest the Far East, but wiser heads prevail. The trip across Russia was the shortest route, and we hinted before McCarthy wouldn't like it. It was also noted that the Russia is the shortest route, and as that have never endeared them to anyone.

First they shoot you down, and if you manage to survive the experience they give you a one way ticket on a slow boat to Siberia.

Wine Bags in Spain

We finally decided on sunny Spain. Nothing like drinking wine out of a goatskin bag while watching the bullfights, and as luck would have it there was a bullfight scheduled for the very day we arrived.

We enter the ring with high hopes of really enjoying a genuine foreign pastime. A few hours later we leave, wondering if it was worth it all. It's bad enough watching the crowd howl with glee when a bull is slowly carved up alive before your very eyes, and listed to the chuckles of delight as some unlucky matador is gored in the belly; but when we have drunk poor wine out of goatskin bags that some one forgot to clean properly, then that's going too far. In case you people at home didn't know it, a goat has a flavor all its own, and it is not recommended for those with normal intestinal fortitude.

So back to America we fly—carpet

Columbia University Calls RPI's Dr. Chou

Dr. Shun-Hsin Chou, associate professor of business at the Richmond Professional Institute, has been invited to participate in a research project at Harvard University this summer, it was announced today by Dr. Kenneth Zimmer, director of the RPI School of Business.

With grants amounting to about \$400,000 from the Ford Foundation and the Carnegie Foundation, Harvard University started in the summer of 1955 a five-year research project to study political and economic developments in China since 1900.

Because of his background and his work at Columbia University during the last two years, he was invited to participate in the work of the project in the coming summer.

Dr. Chou has served as Assistant General Manager of the Banking Department of the Central Bank of

China, Shanghai, China, as Department Manager of the Overseas Chinese Banking Corporation in Singapore, as Economist with the Chinese Delegation to the U.N. Monetary Financial Conference, Breton Wood, the Civil Aviation Conference at Chicago and Montreal, and the FAO at Hot Springs. From 1953 to 1955 he was a Rockefeller research fellow in the Department of Economics at Columbia University, where he prepared for publication a book entitled, *China Under Hyperinflation*.

Dr. Chou will spend about three months at Harvard to work on two papers — one on "The Economic Growth of Manchuria," and another on "A Comparative Study of Financial Systems of Manchuria under the Japanese Occupation, China under the Nationalist Government, and China under the Communist Administration."

Among those participating in the meeting and the research project are Professors Alexander Gerschenkron and John R. Fairbank of Harvard University, Professor Simon Kuznets of Johns Hopkins University, Professor Franklin Ho of Columbia University, and Dr. N. T. Wang of the United Nations.

Dr. Chou received his B.A. degree from Yenching University in China, his M.A. from the University of California, and his Ph.D. from Columbia University.

and passengers—a little ragged—out of money—out of patience—and after the goatskin incident, out of intestines.

Give Up

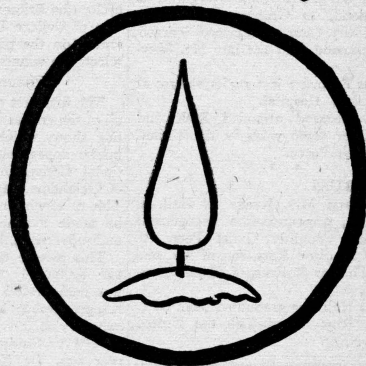
As we leap off the carpet and kiss the good old earth at our typical American town of Springdale or Centerville, we are greeted by our curious relations, the immigration authorities, Joe McCarthy, the high school band, the State Department, a movie producer, and the FBI.

You might as well give up.

EVERYBODY CALLS FOR LUCKY DROODLES!

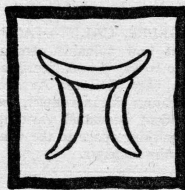
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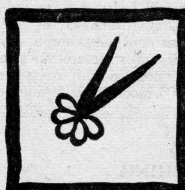
MATCHLESS—that's the word for Lucky Strike! Want better taste in a cigarette? Light up a Lucky! Luckies taste better because they're made of fine tobacco that's **TOASTED** to taste better. Incidentally, *matchless* is the word for that Droodle, too; it's titled: Very short candle as seen by Lucky smoker about to light up. Touch a flame to a Lucky yourself. You'll call it the most *glow-rious* cigarette you ever smoked!

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SPRING REGISTRATION . . . One of the biggest social events of the school year (almost everyone attended) was held in the RPI gym last week on the first and second of February. Yes, spring registration came again to RPI and it was a great success, at least according to the English Department which, as you can see in this picture, did a booming business.

Society NEWS

ALDER-GREGORY

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Alder of Blackstone, Virginia, announce the engagement of their daughter, Janeta Virginia, to Lewis Nathaniel Gregory, of Kenbridge, Virginia, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Gregory.

Miss Alder is now attending RPI. No date has been set for the wedding.

FEAMSTER-SHERROD

William Miller Feamster, of Rockville, Md., announces the engagement of his daughter, Anna Margaret, of Richmond, to Graham B. Sherrod, son of Mrs. Charles Haywood Sherrod, of Richmond, and the late Mr. Sherrod.

Miss Feamster is a student nurse at St. Luke's Hospital.

Mr. Sherrod attended RPI, and served for three years in the United States Air Force.

HALL-RUSS

Mr. and Mrs. Keene A. Hall, of Roanoke, announce the engagement of their daughter, Janet Petty, to Owne Madison Russ, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Russ, of Abbottsburg, N. C.

Miss Hall was graduated from RPI. Mr. Russ served with the United States Navy.

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Photographers' "Heart" Campaign Competition Offers Prizes

The Eleventh Annual Collegiate Photo Competition features such prizes as a week at LIFE magazine—all expenses paid; sets of Encyclopedia Britannica, plaques, trophies and certificates.

Deadline for receiving pictures is March 10, 1956, with judging taking place the following week at the School of Journalism, University of Missouri, Columbia, Mo. Each of the sponsoring organizations, KAM, NPPA, the Encyclopedia Britannica, and the Association of College Unions will be represented on the panel of judges which selects the winners.

Picture Display

The fifty best pictures selected from all of the entries will make up a traveling show, which will make its first public appearance at the KAM National Convention at the University of Oklahoma, March 29, 30, and 31. The prize-winning pictures will then be made available to other colleges and universities throughout the nation.

This picture competition—the only one exclusively for college students, was inaugurated eleven years ago by Kappa Alpha Mu, photojournalism honorary society. With the launching of NPPA's Student Affiliate project a year ago, the National Press Photographers Association became a partner in sponsoring the College Competition, and the Britannica, LIFE and the Association of College Unions lent a hand. Result: A fine show, which provides a wonderful opportunity for any college student to win honors for his school; nationwide recognition and some mighty nice prizes for himself.

Valuable Prizes

Top prize in the contest, given to the photographer who turns in the best picture portfolio, is an all-expense week as guest of LIFE, and a set of Encyclopedia Britannica. First place winners in other classifications, News, Feature, Sports, Pictorial, Portrait, and/or Character study, and Picture Series and/or Picture Sequence each shall receive a set of encyclopedias. Trophies, plaques and certificates also will go to other winners in the competition, with a cup going to the girl whose picture entry is considered best. Similar awards will go to the person who submits "the best print of show,"

"Heart" Campaign To Start This Month

February is "Heart" month. Not only is it the month when Cupid has his special day but also it is the month during which the Heart Association engages in a campaign to raise funds to keep burning the torch of hope for America's heart sufferers—10,000,000 of them this year, or one in every 16 persons. About 500,000 sufferers are children of school age. More than half of the deaths in the United States each year are caused by heart disease, Mrs. O. F. Northington, Jr., Fredericksburg, state campaign chairman of the Virginia Heart Association, has pointed out.

"Aware of the significant advances which have come about as a result of research, the public is taking an increasingly positive attitude toward the heart diseases," Mrs. Northington said. "People now know that some forms of heart disease can be prevented, a few can be cured, and almost all cases can be helped by proper treatment."

"This change in public understanding is one of the accomplishments of your Heart Association's education program which is supported by the Heart Fund. A program of professional education also serves to keep physicians and related professional people aware of new developments in the heart field. Education is only one of the three ways in which the Heart Association program moves ahead on Heart Fund contributions. The other parts are research—the keystone of the program—and community heart projects which aid in the prevention of heart disease and rehabilitation of heart victims."

Last year contributions to the Heart Fund totaled \$13,575,963, of which \$148,385.54 was given by people of Virginia. The 1955 campaign was the seventh since the American Heart Association became a national volunteer health agency in 1948.

"Seventy-five percent of all Heart Fund contributions remain in Virginia for the support of heart research, education, and community service,"

and to the person whose print "best symbolizes some phase of college life."

Rules, entry blanks, and complete information about the competition may be procured from John H. Thomas, 505 W. Franklin St. at night or Ad 34 during the day.

James H. Stone, Executive Director of the Virginia Heart Association, said in an interview. "Twenty-five percent goes to American Heart Association for its research and other programs."

"With Heart Association funds, research projects are underway at the Medical College of Virginia Hospital, Richmond, and at the University of Virginia Hospital, Charlottesville," Mr. Stone stated.

"Programs conducted in some of the Virginia counties and communities by local Heart Association includes an artery bank, vocational and recreational programs for home-bound children, the promotion and support of diagnostic cardiac clinics for the indigent through provision of equipment and clinical services of physicians—members of Heart Associations. In one locality there are being conducted home care medical evaluation studies of a group of indigent patients, suffering from coronary heart disease."

"The Virginia Heart Association, its local chapters and county committees," Mrs. Northington said, "are asking the people of Virginia to continue their fine support of the heart program by contributing generously this February. Although the drive will continue through the entire month, many communities will observe Heart Sunday, February 26, on which day workers will go from house to house, giving people an opportunity to contribute. As the campaign's slogan says, 'Help Your Heart Fund Help Your Heart.'"

What Price Parking?

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—(ACP) Proof of just how valuable campus parking space is was shown clearly at Los Angeles City College. As first prize in a cleanup slogan contest, the Dean of Student personnel gave up his reserved parking space to the winner for the entire semester.

Building

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mended \$75,000 to RPI for major repairs to the school buildings. This appropriation will be used to remodel the old buildings purchased by RPI for classrooms and dormitories, Dr. Hibbs said. Several structures have recently been remodeled both inside and out on the 800 block Park Avenue.

Mary Glenn Given Alumni Scholarship

The sixth scholarship to be given by the Alumni Association to an RPI student was recently awarded to Mary Lou Glenn of Greenville, S. C., a sophomore in Occupational Therapy. Funds for the scholarship were furnished by the Richmond Chapter. A first semester scholarship had been awarded to Miss Glenn in September. A scholarship was also given at that time to Howard Woody of Roanoke by the Roanoke Chapter. This was the second scholarship given to Woody, a sophomore in art, by the chapter.

At the business meeting of the Board of Directors in October, the following officers were elected for a term of one year: Mrs. James B. Bullard, president; Mr. L. E. Walton, Jr., vice-president; Mrs. A. W. Flick, Jr., secretary; and Charles P. Morgan, treasurer. New members of the board elected for this term are: Anne Beazley Flick, Robert F. Lindholm and Bennie L. Dunkum. Mrs. Eugene Ford was elected by the board to fill the unexpired term of Mrs. W. C. Barr.

If You Can't Find News, Make It!

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—(ACP) The managing editor of the Daily Trojan recently got a traffic ticket because he wasn't paying proper attention to the inimportant job of driving his car. And why was his mind wandering while he was behind the wheel? Because he was trying to think up angles for a campaign his paper was conducting . . . a traffic safety campaign.

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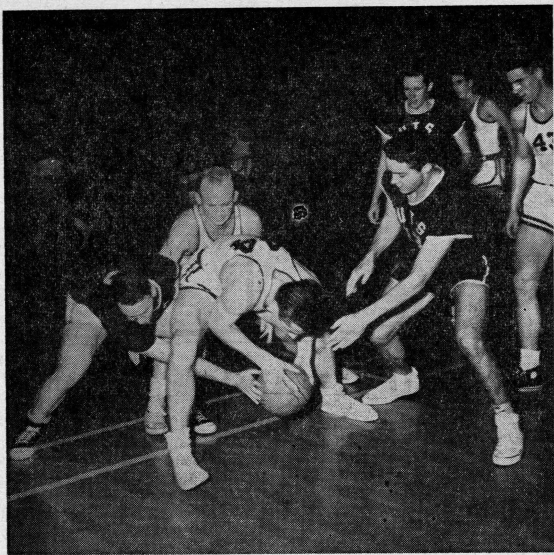
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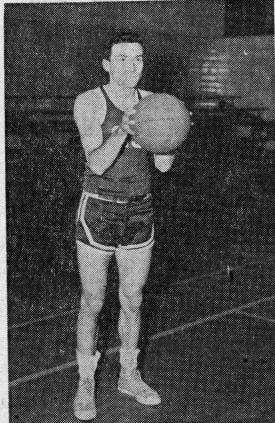


Staff photo by C. Thomas

SET HIKE!—The football season is with us again. Here quarterback Johnny Tobin is set to receive the snap from center Steve Clark (44) as left end Don Kloske (43) looks on. Our old friend Homer Cornish jumped off-side and is reaching under Clark. This action took place in last Saturday's game against Union Seminary which the Devils won, 65-47.

Ernest "Rabbit" Howard

If someone were to ask you if you know Ernest Howard, you would more than likely say "no." Not many people here at RPI know him by that name. If you hang around the basketball



"Rabbit" Howard

court or go to the Devils' games, then you are sure to know who everybody is talking about when they say, "There goes Rabbit."

Rab, who is 24, calls Portsmouth, Virginia his home town. He attended Hargrave Military Academy instead of going to a regular high school. Howard has the distinction of having been in both World War II, and the Korean conflict. He joined the Army at the ripe old age of 16. After serving his hitch, he enrolled at Hargrave under the G.I. Bill.

When the Korean War broke out, Rabbit was in his senior year at the academy. That didn't seem to bother the draft board, though, for back he went into the Army.

He came to RPI in September of 1952 as a freshman in the VPI Extension. Later, he transferred to full-time status at RPI. Rabbit is majoring in Physical Education.

Played Football

Rab doesn't look like some of the behemoths you see that play football, but he won letters in three sports at Hargrave, and football was one of them. The other two were baseball and basketball. He stands 5'9" tall, and weighs around 150. Another interesting feature about Howard is the fact that he is ambidextrous on the basketball court. He can shoot with either hand.

Rabbit and his wife, Mabel (who, incidentally, is Milt Bailey's sister) have a two-and-a-half-year-old daughter, Karen Michele.

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON PAGE TWO

1. "D" is correct, if you marked "C" it shows a definite trend toward non-compatibility; if single don't marry, if married get a divorce.
2. Answer "B" is correct; answer "C" indicates an anti-social attitude, avoid people. Don't be taken in.
3. "A" is right. The jester was a coward. Louie didn't mind.
4. "B" is correct. Why should anyone speak to you?
5. If you marked "C" it shows a definite hatred of carrots. Think back, did your brother or sister once receive more stewed carrots than you? Does your brother or sister now work in a food canning factory? That might be your answer.

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Devils Schedule 3 Games This Week; Changes Made In Starting Line-Up

Why No Support

By Pat Joyce

I have been accused lately of going "gung ho" over the RPI basketball team. One guy said, "That's all right, Joyce, I was that way when I first came here, too." That seems to be the attitude among a good number of students here. They don't know what it means to get behind a team and say there.

I have no sympathy for anyone who gives up on a team just because they have a long losing streak or a run of bad luck. As a good example of what we need, take our SGA President, Tom Monahan. He's been around for almost four years now. He has played on the varsity himself until an injury forced him to the sidelines. If you go to the games, you can easily recognize Tom as the hardest rooter in the stands. He didn't give up.

In talking with Coach Allen, some interesting statistics were revealed. When fully set up, the gymnasium will hold approximately 500 spectators. The gym has NEVER been filled! Allen estimates the record attendance to be 400. This season's high was around 200, surprisingly enough against MCV. The average crowd (?) since the gym has been in use has been about 150.

Why?

The main reason advanced for the poor attendance has been that RPI hasn't had a team worth going to see. That excuse no longer holds any water. Perhaps the Green Devils don't play the best brand of basketball in the state, or even the unofficial Little Eight. So what? They have a good team, one that can play good, sometimes exciting, basketball. Coach Allen says that this is the best balanced team he has had since he has been here. In the first half of the season, six different men have been high scorers in games played.

Personnel

Who makes up this team that can play good ball? A bunch of guys who like to play basketball. That has to be the reason since not one member of the squad gets anything for playing, much less coming to RPI.

Jimmy Rogers has been the Devils' high point man thus far this season. He attended Manchester High and played ball there. He could make any team in the state, but he came here. How about Milt Bailey and Rab Howard? There's a study in contrasts. Bailey is six feet, three, and ranks right behind Rogers in scoring. Howard is five-nine, and doesn't score too much. His best effort has been 18 points against Randolph-Macon. That doesn't tell the story. His sharp ballhawking and play-making have been indispensable to the Devils. He has not had a single personal foul called against him in his last six games.

Ed Peebles has played 43 consecutive games for RPI. He is one of the most consistent men on the team. "Gator" is a hustling ballplayer. Fellows like Jerry Gholson, Steve Clark, Bill Manley, and Johnny Tobin don't make the headlines most of the time, but there would be no team without them. Two new members of the squad gave notice that they intend to be heard from. They would be Bobby Hatchett and Don Kloske.

Good Combination Needs Support

Combine this talent with the excellent coaching ability of Ed Allen, and, while the result may not be a team that overwhelms everyone in their path, you can't scape the fact that the product is at least worthy of the support of the students of RPI.

Ask any member of the team how much it helps to have a crowd of people hollaring for them. Then you'll find out why you should go to the games. If Tom Monahan, the hollar gus from 712, JoJo Brown, Jim Wrenn, and all the other genuine fans can find time to attend the games and lend their eager support, why can't more students do the same? We have some potentially exciting games coming up. How about filling the stands for a change? A welcome change it would be.

Manhattan, Kan.—(ACP)—With finals looming ominously ahead, Ann Weathers sat down and penned a short verse in her "Over the Ivy line" column in the Kansas State Collegian. It read:

Tests, tests, everywhere,
With drops and drops of ink;
And never a prof
Who'll leave the room
And allow a guy to think.

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Austin, Texas—(ACP)—Two girls at the University of Texas recently made a bet on the Texas-Texas A&M football game. If A&M won the game, one girl agreed to crawl the length of the stadium on her stomach.

But Texas came through with a 21-6 win, and now the other girl has March of 1956. The plan is to have a toothbrush. That is, as soon as she can get enough toothbrushes for the feat.

She's asking for contributions. How about helping her out? Her name is Nancy Marvin and she lives in Kirby Hall.

College Life

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days. Yet unless people lose at least some of their idealism during their college days, their advent into the world outside will be pure, jolting reality.

A set of basic values should be formulated during these important college years; once the values have definitely congealed, it shouldn't be too hard to make adjustments to individuals and situations as they occur.

But those who cling to the idea that college is life itself don't lose their idealism. They refuse to think of the hard, coldly impersonal world and they live an idealistic life in the only world they allow themselves to recognize.

Enjoy your years of preparation, but remember that some day this will no longer be your world.

Apprentice School, Shenandoah, UTS Provide Opposition

The coming week promises to be a busy one for the Green Devils as three games are on tap. Saturday night, they continue their long home stand against the Newport News Apprentice School. Apprentice School is somewhat of an unknown quantity around here, with nobody being able to supply much information about them. RPI should be ready for them, though, after playing Randolph-Macon and MCV earlier this week.

Changes Made

The Devils have undergone a few changes in the past few games. Ed Peebles has moved into a starting role, taking the place of Bill Marshall, who was injured in the win over Bridgewater. He has shown that he can handle his new status handily. Jimmy Rogers has shuttled between his usual center position and forward, playing forward when Steve Clark was put in the starting line-up as center.

Rabbit Howard is a fixture at one guard position. The other is a toss-up between Jerry Gholson and Bill Manley. Gholson won the nod last Saturday against Seminary as a result of his clutch play in the narrow loss to Hampden-Sydney (70-68). It was Gholson's two foul shots with ten seconds remaining in the H-S contest that threw the game into a tie, 62-all, and necessitated an overtime period.

Home Stand Ends

Monday night the Devils take on Shenandoah College in the return game of this season's series. The first game went to Shenandoah by a close 64-59 score. RPI will be favored this time on the basis of their recent against Bridgewater and Hampden-Sydney.

Next Wednesday finds RPI opposing Union Seminary in the last game of a nine-game home stand. Coach Allen's cagers took the first Seminary game Saturday in rather easy fashion after a nearly disastrous first half in which RPI trailed most of the way. Witnessing this game was the season's poorest attendance. The actual count was 61.

NOTE—The article on Rab Howard on this page is the first in a series of biographical sketches of members of the RPI basketball team. Next week, the spotlight will be on Jimmy Rogers and Ed Peebles.

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