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New Athletic Trophy Established by Dean

Dr. Johnson To Give Award To Two RPI Team Members

Dr. Margaret L. Johnson, Dean of Students, announced yesterday the establishment of "The Dean of Students Trophy." The trophy will be awarded annually to a member of each year's basketball and baseball teams.

The announcement was made through the Monogram Club and its executive committee. The trophies are being awarded because, as Dr. Johnson put it, "of my sincere interest in the teams representing RPI and the athletic program as a whole."

The trophies will be awarded on the basis of ability, leadership, scholarship, and spirit, according to the Dean.

Baseball Trophy

Simultaneous with the statement by Dr. Johnson came an announcement from Edward Bigger, RPI manager for the Slater System, that his firm would present a trophy to the baseball team annually. This makes two awards from the Slater System. Last year, the first presentation of its Sportsmanship Trophy was made to Jim in y Rogers, basketball team captain and forward.

The new trophies and those won by RPI in past years will be dis-

played in a case in the students' lounge of the new Student Activities Building, due to be opened in February. Among the RPI trophies are two representing state championships won last year—the Virginia Intercollegiate Softball title, and the Virginia State Collegiate Volleyball championship.

Tournament

Basketball coach Ed Allen said yesterday that he hoped to be able to add a trophy from the Holiday Seafood Fiesta Invitational Basketball Tournament, in which RPI is playing in Massachusetts in December. (See story on sports page.)

Dr. Johnson, in announcing her awards, said, "I hope sports, and particularly basketball, will get more student and faculty support this year. The athletic program here is limited because of the very nature of the school."

"The program has progressed rapidly and nicely under Mr. Allen and I'm proud of it. Basketball is the one sport which can give RPI state and outside recognition; and it is very valuable to RPI."

O'Connell Comments

Mr. William O'Connell, Dean of Men, commented on the establish-

ment of the Dean of Students Trophy.

"The trophy given by Dr. Johnson is a fine thing," he said. "I'm heartily in favor of it. It is a good way to let the team and the student body know that we in the administration are interested in their efforts for the college."

Kelly Bazemore, Monogram Club president, said "I think it is very nice that this kind of award is given to be made. It will give the guys something more to work for, and I think everyone on the basketball and baseball teams will appreciate it."

Convocation

The first convocation of the year will be held October 29 at 10 a.m. in the Gymnasium.

Provost H. H. Hibbs will speak at the all student convocation.

Seniors and faculty members will wear caps and gowns.

'Bus Stop' Will Begin Drama Year

By Shirley Voland

"Don't drop me," pleads Robin Williamson to Robert McQuain as he picks her up to exit in a scene from **Bus Stop**.

They have the leading roles in **Bus Stop**, by William Inge, which will be presented by the Drama Department on October 29, 30, and 31 at 8:30 p.m. in the Shaffer Street Playhouse.

Robin, as Cherie, is a Southern lovely who has lowered her respectability by working in a bar. She is neither a devil nor an angel but is a mixture of both, with a generous amount of satanic spice.

Bo Decker, played by Robert McQuain, thinks he is God's gift to women. He is a loud mouthed, self-centered, 21-year-old cowboy who is a big bully with men and a phony with the weaker sex. His parents are dead, but he has a partner who tries to keep him in line, not always successfully.

A Natural Southerner

Robin, a 21-year-old senior from Conway, S. C., says for the first time in her life she won't have to fake an accent. "I just naturally talk like a Southerner," she said.

Both Robin and Robert enjoy rehearsals and working with the cast. "It is the first time," says Robin, "that I really enjoy my part." The only complaint is that it takes up all their time.

"I certainly will be glad when it is finished," said Robin. "So I can go out occasionally. My social activities are getting lost in the rush."

Robert is finding it slightly hard (See Page 4, Col. 3)



YES, SHE WORKS HERE: Dean Margaret Johnson, an integral cog in RPI's educational machinery since 1940, is, strange as it seems, unfamiliar to some students. Everyone knows Davey.

Mistaken Identity

Humor Helps Dean

By Claude Burrows

Being able to roll with the punches and a good sense of humor are probably the handiest assets that a college dean can have, believes Dr. Margaret L. Johnson, RPI Dean of Students.

"Students are constantly testing a dean's sense of humor, some intentionally, some unwittingly, as in the incident of mistaken identity last June."

Dr. Johnson was in the library one morning when a student asked her where he could find a certain pamphlet. "When I told him I couldn't help him, that he had better ask the librarian, he said 'Why, you work here, don't you?'"

This may sound pretty unflattering, but Dr. Johnson said that it isn't unusual. "A lot of the art students don't come over to the Administration building very much and consequently don't know us."

This is pretty difficult to understand as Dr. Johnson has been closely connected to the RPI students both as teacher and dean since she came here in 1940.

Bilingual New Yorker

A native of New York, Dr. Johnson attended Barnard College in New York City where she received her bachelor and master of arts degrees in languages—Latin, Greek and French. She later received her Ph.D. in French from Columbia University.

She came to RPI directly after graduating to teach Latin and French. Provost, Henry H. Hibbs was instigating some junior college liberal arts courses for the first time. Up to that time the school had been a social work and public health nursing college.

"At that time," said Dr. Johnson, "there were only 150 women students enrolled here and Founder's Hall was the only dormitory. I lived on the third floor of Founder's during my first year here."

"I gradually began working as dean of students but didn't receive the title until 1951," she recalled. Even as Dean of Students Dr. Johnson continued teaching and didn't stop until three years ago when increasing responsibilities required all of her attention as dean.

Another active member in RPI affairs for the past 11½ years is

her Scottish Cairn terrier, Davey. "I believe that more students know Davey than me," she said. "Sometimes when I take him walking and we pass students they say 'Hi Davey.'"

Davey was named by Dr. Johnson's mother. She chose the name because David is a Scottish name.

David was also the name of the (See Page 8, Col. 5)



ON A BUS NAMED DESIRE: Cocky cowboy Bo Decker (Robert McQuain), more experienced with balky horses than with stubborn women, desires Cherie (Robin Williamson), a saloon dancer, to ride away with him to the wide open spaces. The pair may be seen in "Bus Stop" October 29, 30, 31.

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There Goes That Song

Remember the fight song controversy at RPI last year?

It began early in the first semester with Dr. Johnson's valid suggestion that the German Club support a plan to provide RPI with an official pep song.

About the middle of November, a student submitted to Student Council a composition which some persons considered unoriginal, trite and immature. There soon followed a song by another student which displeased because the lyrics were set to the chronically overworked tune of "The Notre Dame Victory March."

Drama major Gerry Nobles, a young actor and musician, responded to the plea for a better pep song and came up with a creation described by many students as original, spirited and clever. A song was also offered by a faculty member. The history and development of the fight song at RPI, with its many manifestations, verbal battles and fun, was brought to mind recently by an announcement from Peiping, which, by way of London, found its way onto the wires of the Associated Press.

LONDON, Sept. 29.—(AP)—The Red Chinese radio reports these are the three most popular songs of the day in Communist China: "We Must Liberate Taiwan" (Formosa), "Exerting Revolutionary Energy," and "Socialism Is Good."

It appears that writers of school songs could learn a lot from the Red Chinese. The Commie tunesmiths pull no punches, resort to no euphuisms, platitudes or clichés. They really get into the spirit of things!

Applying this method to composing college fight songs, a syrupy line like "We'll win for our old alma mater" could be substituted with something like: "The Green Devils will out-shoot, out-dribble, out-pass and out-foul you bums, and if we can't beat you fairly, we'll cheat." Or how about a realistic pep tune entitled "Winning Balgames Is Good?"

The possibilities are inexhaustible, but here are a few title suggestions which future fight song composers might bear in mind.

"We've Got to Win This Game Today—Or Else They'll Fire Our Coach."

"I Bet My Lest Buck on The Team, Boys, So Fight, Fight, Fight!"

"Where We Go to School Is Better Than Where You Go to School, Don't Ask Us Why, It Just Is!"

"Exerting Adolescent Energy."

"We Don't See Fans In The Stands Anymore."

"Get In There and Fight, Boys, While We Fans Make Time With Your Girls."



THAT'S A PHASE I WANT TO GO THROUGH AS SOON AS I CAN FIND SOMEONE WHO'LL GO THROUGH IT WITH ME!

Robbins' Nest

The Inside Story Told on The Hermit

So many cards and letters have poured in from friends and neighbors out in Proscriptland all wanting to know more about our exclusive football forecaster, The Hermit, that I feel obligated to waste your time and mine with a revelation or two about the old coot.

While working last summer as a keyhole man for Confidential magazine, I was ordered into the hills of Pennsylvania to locate an "elderly ex-athlete" (the communique said) who supposedly had a hot bit of scandal about a well-known sports personality.

Laden down with a small hatchet, a roll of salami and three cases of beer, I beat my way into the bush. For hours I crawled over boulders, through bushes and around trees, never catching sight of the country manor house for which I thought I was searching.

At last, exhausted and hopelessly lost, I sat Thoreau-like upon a log and began to find solace in a mountain brook which babbled melodiously and also cooled my beer. It was then that the strains of "The Notre Dame Victory March" drifted through the pines and penetrated the wax in my ears.

I followed the sound and soon came upon an abandoned coal mine shaft. Sitting in front of it was an emaciated, ragged old man.

He refused a brew—"The coach wouldn't approve," he said—but devoured nearly all my salami. After a song or two, he told me his story.

Many years ago he had quarterbacked the Notre Dame football team, doing so with such a lack of skill that he became the first Irish signal caller in decades to be left off the All-American squad. The humiliation of it all drove him to a life of wretched seclusion.

Eventually he grew to enjoy dwelling alone and living off Nature. But one day a group of Girl Scouts on a picnic chanced upon his cave. They shared their lunches with him, and in so doing,

killed his appetite for roots and berries.

He began to crave marshmallows, sardines and crackers. To afford these luxuries, he was offering to sell to Confidential a secret he once vowed to carry to the grave.

Now all of you have heard of George Gipp. He was the great Notre Dame star who, at the height of his career, developed pneumonia and died. As Gipp lay on his death bed he called in coach Knute Rockne and told him that the Great Referee up in the sky was getting ready to blow the final whistle. Before he crossed the golden goal line, he wanted a promise from the coach that someday, when all the chips were down and the odds against them, the boys at Notre Dame would "win one for the Gipper."

If you've ever attended a high school football banquet, you've heard this story and as tears dropped into your lumpy mashed potatoes, you learned that, indeed, the Irish did, one Saturday, "win one for the Gipper."

The Hermit contended, however, that it was not pneumonia that felled Gipp. The fabled hero succumbed, he said, to athlete's foot contracted under questionable circumstances in Danville, Illinois.

Promising to get his story into Confidential if he would agree to pick football winners for the Proscript this fall, I left the old reclusive dreaming of stadiums and cheering crowds.

As soon as I was out of sight of his cave, I tore The Hermit's manuscript into shreds, chewed and swallowed them. Some things are sacred.



'Hedda Gabler' and 'Escape'

One Acters off Previous Pace

"Well, fancy that!" This was the favorite and practically only expression of George Tesman (Stanley Soble) in a cutting from Henrik Ibsen's "Hedda Gabler," the first of the one acters presented Thursday night.

As the curtain parted, Judge Brack, James Perkinson and Hedda Gabler (portrayed by red-headed Twila Campbell) were in the Tesman living room discussing the sordid adventure of one Elert Lovborg, played by James W. Challenger.

It seemed that this Lovborg fellow had lost favor with the entire neighborhood. Because of this, Lovborg broke off with his true love, Lisa Milton, and wished to end it all.

In The Dark

Unless you were somewhat familiar with the entire plot of "Hedda Gabler" from there on in you were left completely in the dark.

Only a peculiar twist which connected Hedda with the death of Elert saved the play from being a complete flop.

The peculiar twist came in the form of Judge Brack accusing Hedda of giving the gun to Elert to perform the task. He also suggested that Hedda cared more for Lovborg than she would admit.

With the accusations, the judge brought the news of Elert Lovborg's death and the additional

information that he had not committed suicide with beauty as Hedda had directed him to do.

Hedda had destroyed a manuscript prepared by Lovborg and when she learned her husband, George Tesman, was helping to restore it from handwritten notes, she killed herself.

Outstanding performances were given by James Perkinson who portrayed the judge as holding high ideals, but not being beyond a few underhanded dealings.

Marian Kinie as George's elderly sister was a natural. She really lived the part.

Second Production

In the second production, a cutting from "Escape" by John Galsworthy, a prostitute turned an average man into a convict.

The prostitute, Betty Sue Dipboye, came up with an amazingly accurate English accent. She attracted James Dunn in a park where they had a cozy chit-chat about the differences between horses and women, which was quite amusing.

Along came a plain clothes man who attempted to arrest Betty Sue. James Dunn interferred and a realistic fight occurred in which the officer was killed when his head hit the concrete paving. Two other policemen, coming to the associate's aid, carried James off to jail where he became "just another convict."

"Escape" was divided into four scenes, the second showing the escape of James from a potato patch in which he and a fellow prisoner were working.

Convict Found

Scene three found the escaped convict under Marilyn Ende's bed. Here Marilyn gave a good performance of a woman who pretended to be quite upset, but was naively pleased that the convict had chosen her bed to sleep under. She helped him escape.

In scene four he went to a parson for sanctuary. While he was there, the police appeared and carried him off to jail again.

James Dunn gave a commendable rendition though it could have been better. His best part was the fight with the police plainclothes man.

Last week's contribution by the Drama department did not in any way measure up to the first set of one acters.

If the plays can get back on the high scale of the first production the rest of the year should be very stimulating.

A standing room only crowd in the Studio Theater grew more restless as the plays progressed.

If the theater is to be filled every Thursday night, the student actors will have to put on a better production than that presented October 15. However, the past indicates that this will be the case. SY—



ROYALTY RESTS as RPI's contribution to the Tobacco Festival, Anne Hopkins, "Miss Chase City," and Brenda Lee Bowman, "Miss Petersburg," take time out for a break in the hectic round of duties entailed in being a princess. The girls will appear in the parade scheduled for tomorrow night and will also attend a dance Saturday evening, after which they will return to the routine of school work.

Magazine Features Story by Eastman

The October issue of the *Ceramics Monthly*, which has an international circulation, contains a feature article by Mr. Allan A. Eastman, Instructor in Ceramics and head of the Arts & Crafts Department at RPI.

The article is entitled "Copper Wire for Surface Decoration." It shows the possibilities of combining copper wire with a glaze, to coat the surface of a pot, resulting in a dark green crystalline effect.

Mr. Pat Osso of the Photography department was responsible for the illustrations. Among the pieces used for illustration is one by a former Interior Decoration student, Edward McClees, and a vase done by Karen Harshbarger, a Crafts major at the present time.

Coeds Vie for Title

Art work and dancing will be the talents two RPI coeds are hoping will gain for them the title of Queen of Tobaccoland.

Anne Hopkins, "Miss Chase City," and Brenda Lee Bowman, "Miss Petersburg," are among 23 princesses representing tobacco areas.

Anne, a sophomore, majoring in business, can claim such measurements as 33-22-34. This pert brown-eyed co-ed stands 5'5" and plans to make her bid with a display of art work in the lobby of the Mosque.

Competing in the Chase City contest were 26 lovelies sponsored by various local organizations. No talents were needed to win, only beauty.

Among her hobbies, Anne lists swimming, painting, dancing, making jewelry and designing hats.

Hobbies

While at RPI, Anne, who only plans to stay two years, makes her home at 828 Park avenue. She majored in Commercial Art her first year here.

After receiving her certificate in business, Anne hopes to continue her Commercial Art studies. She plans to return to Chase City to work.

The reigning "Miss Petersburg" stands 5'6" and boasts measurements of 36-24-35. She is a great sports enthusiast and plays on the RPI Girl's basketball team.

Indian Dance

Brenda Lee, a freshman majoring in Recreational Leadership, will perform an Indian dance when she tries for the title of queen.

Brenda, who has been studying ballet and toe dancing for 15 years, had a part as a dancer in the production of "Lost Colony," a historical drama in North Carolina during the summer.

In the "Miss Petersburg" contest, Brenda was required to dance

as she had to exhibit talent and beauty to win.

Maid of Virginia

Among her other accomplishments, the 17-year-old coed can list the winning of the Maid of Virginia contest. This was a state-wide contest in which she won a trip to Jamaica.

Her hobbies include all sports and, naturally, dancing.

The winner of the Queen of Tobaccoland title will receive \$1,000 scholarship to an accredited school for further education.

The princesses will be judged as follows: beauty 25%, figure 25%, poise and general conduct 25% and talent 25%.

Class Names New Officers

At the first freshman class meeting, Oct. 9, approximately 200 students elected David Ashton, a Commercial Art major, as their temporary chairman, and Nancy Roane, a Social Science major, temporary secretary. Judd Schreiber was appointed chairman of a committee which will plan for the Student Government Association scholarship drive.

The permanent officers will be elected in February in keeping with a new ruling. The election has been postponed until that date to allow the freshmen to become better acquainted with the candidates before voting for them.

Campus Calendar

October 23—German Club Meeting, 6:00-7:00 p.m., Shafer St. Playhouse

October 24—FBLA Meeting, 7:30 p.m., B-6 Arts and Sciences Building

October 25—LD, Club Picnic 6:00-10:00 p.m., Byrd Park

October 26—Fine Art Club, Sidewalk Sale, 412 N. Harrison Street 1:00-5:00 p.m.

October 28—BSU, 5:30-7:00 p.m., 900 Park ave.

October 28—Westminster Fellowship, 6:00-7:00 p.m., Gym

October 29—Bus Stop, 8:30 p.m., Shafer St. Playhouse

October 29—Convocation, 10:00 a.m., Gym

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Take a Puff... It's Springtime

City Police Ticket Cars In RPI Area

One of the after-midnight chiefs Richmond conducts regularly of cars not bearing city license tags snared several RPI students last week end.

Among the students whose cars were ticketed at 3 a.m. Saturday morning on Shafer st. was one who said he had brought his father's car to school for the week end.

An official of the City Bureau of License Inspection said this student had nothing to worry about, but that all students should understand Richmond's vehicle license ordinance.

The official, Mr. D. Andrew Welch, said any car kept here by a person whose place of abode is in the city must bear a Richmond license, or a tag from his home locality. Any student who boards in Richmond is deemed to have his place of abode in the city, Mr. Welch added.

The official noted that some Virginia localities don't require a vehicle license. A student from such a locality who keeps his car here is out of luck. He must purchase a Richmond tag—cost, \$6.50. This is in addition to the state license.

The police make their periodic license checks after midnight on the theory nonresidents don't park on city streets after that hour.

Students who received the no-license tickets were directed to visit the bureau office in Room 10, City Hall.

Failure to comply means a Police Court summons. That usually involves a fine and court costs totalling—\$8.85—plus a court order to purchase the city license.

Social Work

Mrs. Lois Washer, head of the school of Social Work recently announced a 33 per cent increase in full time students and a 50 per cent increase in part time students in that school.

Enrollment in the school totals 113, all of which are graduate students. Some attend school in Richmond, some in Norfolk and others in Roanoke, in the various branches of the school.

Pres. Rebukes SGA; Date of Drive Is Set

Student Council was mildly reprimanded last week because only a few SGA organization reporters were present for a meeting with a Proscript staff member following the meeting of Student Council.

Dave Richards, SGA president, reminded Council that two weeks ago he had requested each organization to elect a reporter and have him appear at Council meeting Wednesday, October 16. From approximately 25 organizations, seven reporters, representing eight clubs were present. They were given information concerning deadlines, and sources of information. Those present represented the following: Commercial Art Club, Cotton Club, Distributors Club, Future Business Leaders of America, Interior Design, O. T. Club, Westminster Fellowship, and Wesley Fellowship.

Richards also reminded the Council members that their clubs, Baptist Students Union, Canterbury Club and the Class of '61, had not turned in their constitutions to the Chairman of the Rules Committee. According to action taken two



MAY I HAVE THIS DANCE? Opening dance held at the Mosque October 18 was attended by approximately 175 couples.

'Bus Stop' Principals Well Traveled

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to adjust to the routine of school work and rehearsals. "I've been out of school for five years now and it is rather difficult to get adjusted to it," he said.

He was at one time a night club singer on a Baltimore, Washington and Philadelphia circuit. He has done many USO shows and radio and television work. He had a daily puppet show on a local television station.

Quo Vadis, Robertus

Robert isn't sure what state he claims as home. He was born in West Virginia but has traveled so much he isn't positive just where he's from.

Robin, who studied at Limestone College, S. C., before coming to RPI, was the 1957 Tobacco Festival Queen. She has won 38 contests, the first at the age of 15.

Her most exciting moment came when the governor of South Carolina presented her with an award for winning more titles than any other girl in the United States. She has won everything from

alarm clocks to diamond rings and has enough things to furnish a house.

During the summer, Robin did some modeling and traveled in all but four of the states, usually returning with crowns.

She likes photographic modeling best and in the most comfortable costumes available.

Fingers Crossed on Men

Asked about men in her life, she said, "No comment while my fingers are still crossed."

Robin first started college enrolled in Business, she then switched to English and now to Drama. She says she is not an actress.

She has to sing a song in "Bus Stop" but claims she can't sing. "It makes little difference in this part," she said, "Cherie didn't have a voice either."

Robin appeared as Sister Frances in "Complaining Angel" put on by the Drama Department last year.

Robert attended Fort Union Military Academy where he did some dramatic work. He has also worked in the Barksdale Memorial Theater in such plays as the Golden Hills, Our Town and Without Love.

He was offered a contract from MGM pictures providing he passed the screen test, went to Hollywood and paid his own way. He hasn't gone yet.

Dumpy Clubs

Robert gave up night club work after realizing that many people who had been in the business for years were still playing in dumpy clubs. He went to work for a vending machine company which sent him to Richmond. Tiring of that he started selling outboard motors, but the company he worked for dropped the franchise so he was out of a job.

This will be the first theater stage he has worked on; he has usually worked on semi-circular stages.

Robert's enrollment in RPI resulted from disliking anything but show business.

"I was very surprised that I was chosen as one of the leads in Bus Stop, since I was only a freshman," he said. The staff of the Drama department chose the cast.

Mr. Hodges, Department head and director of the show, has selected the remainder of his cast as follows: Will Masters, Frank Badgers; Grace, Betsy Holt; Dr. Lynn,

Roy Carter; Virgil Blessing, Rick Duff; Carl, Dick McCray and Elma, Helen Hudson.

The production will be reviewed in the Proscript, as has been the custom in the past. All major productions as well as the one actors presented in the Studio Theater on Thursday nights will be covered by a Proscript reporter.

Openings Attendance Set At 350

Approximately 175 couples attended the openings at the Mosque October 18. The dance marked the opening of the RPI social season and was well received by those who attended.

As has been the case for the last 10 RPI dances over a four-year span, the music was furnished by Kenny Henderson and his orchestra. Henderson is a graduate of the RPI School of Music.

In addition to students, their dates and guests, the dance was attended by Dr. Margaret Johnson, the Dean of Students; Mr. William O'Connell, the Dean of Men; and the officers of the SGA.

Dave Richards, president of the SGA, said after the dance that he thought "it was one of the nicest openings we have had in my four years here. It was a fine start for our 'social year.'"

RPI Chest Drive Closes Tomorrow

October 8 marked the opening of the annual Community Chest drive at RPI.

Mr. Allen Eastman, head of the drive here, announced that the campaign would last until October 24.

The school's goal this year is \$352. The collections will be made by representatives in each department and by dormitory presidents.

Progress of the campaign may be followed on the chart posted in the Administration building.

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Didot Is Globetrotter

At 25 years of age, RPI student Henri Etienne Francois Jean "Hank" Didot has seen more of the world than many people see in a lifetime.

Hank is of French parentage, as his name suggests. The son of a French vice-consulate, Mr. Ernest Didot, he and his two brothers were all born in the United States. Hank was born in New York City.

The Didot family left the states in 1935, and 13 years elapsed before Hank saw America again.

Calcutta

After six years service in Calcutta, India, Mr. Didot was sent to Bangkok, Thailand. There Hank first experienced war, as U. S. bombers made daily raids on the Japanese-held territory. Personal

tragedy entered also, as his father died of a disease undiagnosed by inexperienced doctors.

Moving to French Indo-China in 1943, the Didots saw that country fall to the Japanese. All French civilians were regarded prisoners, and Hank told of many U. S. bombings in Saigon. "We ate lunch at 11 o'clock, so we'd be ready for the raids by one," he said.

Bangkok

The Eastern war ended in 1945, and Hank's family returned to Bangkok. There his mother met and married Mr. Robert Lancaster, an American diplomat and native of Ashland. There, too, their home and possessions were destroyed by fire.

Leaving Bangkok after three months, Hank spent the rest of his travels in Europe, attending schools in England and France. Traveling by boat from Thailand to England, he stopped in, or saw, Malaya, Colombo, Spain and Italy.

Upon his return to the United States, Hank finished high school in Chicago, and worked there and in Pewaukee, Wis. until he was drafted in 1955. His two-year Army tour was spent entirely in the U. S.

Indo-China

Of the many places he has seen, Hank said he liked French Indo-China the best. "The population included many French," he said, "and I felt more at home there than anywhere else."

He told of the war's end there, when the defeated Japanese managed to turn the natives against the French populace. Two days of ravaging and beatings followed, and three American pilots "bought" the hotel in which he was living, thus offering refuge to citizens on the pretense the hotel was American and could not be attacked.

Hank is a junior at RPI, and hopes his commercial art major will help him land an advertising job after graduation.



HANK DIDOT

Hunt Quits FBLA Post

Gene Hunt, who was elected president of the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) last spring, resigned from office at the regular club meeting October 10.

His resignation was due to an "unexpectedly heavy schedule of activities." Besides being the father of two children, Gene is a student teacher at John Marshall High School, the editor-in-chief of the Cobblestone and a Dean's list student.

According to the club's constitution, Vice-President Donald Norris assumes the job of president. Donald, a native Richmonder, is a senior majoring in Business Administration.

Election of the new vice-president has been postponed until Friday.

Plans have been made for the Halloween hayride to be held at Bruce's Riding Academy October 31. All FBLA members and their guests are invited.

Mrs. Hammill

Mrs. Lantina Pilcher Hammill, for 10 years housemother at Lee House, died October 14 in her home in Richmond.

Mrs. Hammill came to RPI as Lee House hostess in September of 1948 and resigned last June to enter private business. The widow of Mr. Parsons Pilcher, she was married to Mr. Floyd Hammill last summer.

Mrs. Hammill was a native of North Carolina. In addition to her duties at Lee House, she was known by many as RPI's "unofficial hostess," because of her helpfulness in showing parents of prospective students around RPI and getting them acquainted with the campus.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by a son, Mr. Parsons Pilcher, Jr.

Engineering School Students Mix Experience With Studies

The VPI Extension at RPI uses an "on the job" training program which requires engineering students to work for three months and go to school for three months, after the completion of their first year of engineering.

A total of 22 boys are participating in the plan which goes on for three years. After they finish their combination college and work training, the engineering students finish up by returning for a last year in college.

There have been quite a few graduates of the co-op plan, which has been conducted for the past five years. A student who is entered in any phase of engineering can take part in this plan if he maintains a C average. The student's work is checked on from time to time and regular reports are sent to VPI.

The freshmen interested in the program are interviewed after they have finished their first year of engineering.

Mr. Foster, head of the department, said, "This plan has been in effect for the past five years and has proved to be very successful. Although the boys go to school longer, the plan is helpful to them because it gives them work experience and makes breaking into the field of engineering easier."

One student, said, "I find the co-op plan helpful because the training makes engineering easier."

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Five Ferocious Felines Flee Photographer

Word reached *Proscript* headquarters late Friday afternoon that RPI's campus had again been encroached upon by feline intruders.

Further word had it that the intruders were ferocious and unapproachable.

Photographer Don Ikenberry was dispatched to cover the story with bullwhip in one hand and camera in the other.

Early Monday morning the edi-

tors admitted, as much as editors will, that they were apprehensive as to the whereabouts of their star photographer.

Their worries were soon dispelled, however, when Don came up the steps, coffee and doughnut in hand, harassed expression on face.

Here is a summary of his encounter with the feline monsters.

(Seems the ferocious felines were five kittens that preferred

to live bohemian-like among piles of building materials at the new classroom building now underway on Shafer st.

The kittens unfortunately are showing the effects of their environment, or heredity, as the case may be.

They spit and hiss at anyone who attempts to come near them. Occasionally one of the more gregarious cats, Petrovich, ventures into a sociology class or two but

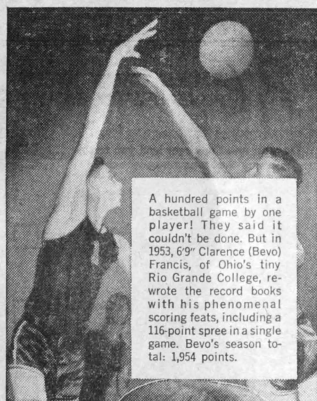
he never seems to enjoy the lectures, despite the fact that refreshments are served to him. It is necessary to note that the felines are not favorites among their classmates.)

Undaunted by the antagonistic and generally antisocial attitudes of his subjects, Photographer Don proceeded to take a few pictures Wyatt Earp fashion. (A feigned retreat a pivot and a quick draw of the camera.)

Here are his exclusive photographs taken above and beyond the call of duty for which the editors will undoubtedly nominate him for the Slop Shop Award, a free coke.

As the *Proscript* went to press it was announced that Don Ikenberry had indeed been named winner of the award. His reaction when told that he had copped the seldom won honor? An eloquent silence.

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Coach Allen Cuts Squad To Sixteen

The largest first-day turnout in seven years, 30 men, reported to basketball coach Ed Allen last week for the opening of basketball practice.

This tops by six the previous high of 24 hopefuls who came out last year. Three didn't last long this season, though. They were cut for academic reasons. Another was declared ineligible because he was a transfer student. Transfers must sit out a full season after entering another school before participating in any sport.

This left Allen with 26 men. Last Thursday he cut the team to 16, a top-off of 10, leaving 16 men from whom to pick the varsity squad of 12 players. Of those 16, even are veterans of last year's team. Back are guards Jim Ballie, Jimmy Craven, and Kelly Bazemore. The veteran forwards are Bill Nunnally, Gene Bourne, and Bill Parker. The lone player with variety experience at center is Don Kloske.

In some circles, this could be regarded as the ideal situation, with the experience evenly distributed. But coach Allen has been bemoaning the fact that he is forced to add five 'green' men to the squad.

Prospects for the coming season were summed up by Allen Thursday. "We will be better. One complaint I have is that we don't have enough height. The average height of the team is about 6 feet." "We're going to have to rely a lot on boys who didn't play much last year. Bourne, Boune, and Craven are going to help considerably. I'm counting on them."

Cheer Team Adds Six; Practice Set

Four new cheerleaders and two alternates were selected by officers of the Monogram Club on Thursday, October 16.

The new members of the squad are Ann Gardner, Ann Stroud, Robin Gregg, and Jean Level. Marie Spencer and Mary Ann Belton will serve as alternates this year.

Returnees to the squad are: Anne Kersey, Lucy Harris, Ruth Carver, Rinda Law, and Carolyn Telton.

The squad was selected earlier than usual this fall because of their desire to begin practice on the new cheerers as soon as possible. The girls will cheer at all the home games. They are also hopeful of attending more games away from RPI than they have in previous years.

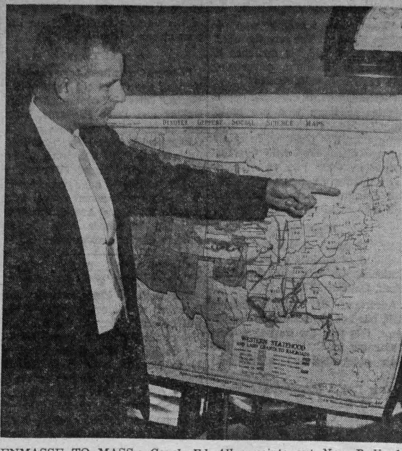
The Alumni Varsity game on December 22 will be the first game in which the newly-elected squad will cheer.

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RPI Accepts Bid To Tourney



ENMASSE TO MASS.: Coach Ed Allen points out New Bedford, Mass. where his RPI basketball squad will travel to play in the Holiday Seafood Fiesta, December 29, 30.

Eighteen Female Hoopsters Make Team; Coach Predicts 'Better Than Last Year'

Thursday, October 16, marked the end of tryouts for the girls' basketball team. The 18 girls who made the team this year are: Nadine Wimmer, Pilot, Fashion II; Virginia Johnson, Philadelphia, Physical Education; Barbara Bowry, Richmond, Social Science; Julia Baker, Big Stone Gap, Business.

Joan Hash, Midlothian; Emilie Snider, Salisbury, N. C., Fashion II; Tommie Ellis, Suffolk, Recreation; Sylvia Snyder, Warwick, Accounting; Joanne Harris,

Suffolk, Recreation; and Pat Richie, Blackstone, Social Science.

Also on the team are: Katherine Bulger, Village, Elementary Education; Brenda Bowman, Petersburg, Recreation; Connie Revelle, Conway, N. C., Occupational Therapy; Suzanne LeGore, LeGore, Md., Fine Art; Juanita Vaughn, Fredericksburg, Business; Jan Sheridan, Alexandria, Physical Therapy; Peggy Peters, Midlothian; and Nancy Altland, New Cumberland, Pa., Occupational Therapy.

THE Hermit Picks

The Hermit, that hairy, fleabitten, old sage of the Alleghenies, wrote the Proscript sports desk that many of the football contests this week end looked so even that he had to consult Irving, his pet fieldmouse, before issuing his weekly prognostication.

Whether Irving, who has blue eyes and who has shared the Hermit's cave and been his sole companion for nearly 14 years, contributed very much to the pickin' picks is a matter of speculation. At any rate, the predictions which came down from the Pennsylvania hills this week comprise as fearless a forecast as you will find anywhere.

After three weeks the Hermit has a record of 41 correct and 19 wrong. That gives the old geezer a mark of 68.3 per cent for the season.

Winner	Losers
Wm. & Mary	George Washington
West Virginia	Virginia Tech
Vanderbilt	Virginia
Villanova	Richmond
Washington (Mo.)	W & L
VMU	Brigewater
Randolph-Macon	Johns Hopkins
Hampden-Sydney	South Carolina
Clemson	Maryland
Auburn	Pitt
Army	Pennsylvania
Navy	Purdue
Notre Dame	Iowa
Northwestern	LSU
LSU	Utah
Air Force	Illinois
Michigan St.	Wisconsin
Ohio State	Kansas State
Oklahoma	Rice
Texas	Georgia Tech
SMU	Arkansas
Mississippi	Rhode Island
Brown	Geneva
Slippery Rock	Minnesota
Michigan	Syracuse
Penn State	Florida St.
Tennessee	Stanford
UCLA	Colgate
Yale	Baylor
Texas A&M	Buffalo
Columbia	

Devils Swing North in Dec.

RPI has accepted an invitation to play in the first annual Holiday Sea Food Fiesta basketball tournament in New Bedford, Massachusetts December 29-30.

Monogram Club Gives Trophy To Dormitory

The Monogram Club Monday announced that they are establishing an annual award to be presented to the dorm on campus giving the best support to the basketball team.

The factors influencing the awarding of the trophy include cheering at games, attendance and general all-round support. Monogram Club president Kelly Bazemore said that the winner each year would be selected by the cheerleading squad and would be announced at the final home game of the year.

Bazemore reiterated the need for more student support of the team and urged the dorms to compete vigorously for the trophy.

The announcement was made by athletic director Edward P. Allen last week. The tournament field will include four teams, two from the South and two from the New England area.

The four teams competing in the first tourney are RPI; Pembroke State College, Pembroke, North Carolina; Stonehill College, North Bedford, New Bedford, Mass.; Easton, Massachusetts; and New RPI will take a 12-man team to the tournament. The players will leave Richmond on Sunday, December 28, and return on the 31st. The opening round will be played on December 29, with the finals and consolation round the next night.

Teams Rated Even

New Bedford Tech, the host team, and Stonehill College are both members of the Southern New England Coastal Conference. New Bedford Tech has won the conference championship for the past two years, with Stonehill the runner-up both years. The conference, about the equal of the unofficial Little Eight Conference in which RPI is a member, has been in existence for 11 years. It consists of college teams from Connecticut, Rhode Island, and Massachusetts. New Bedford and Stonehill are also members of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics.

The tournament is being sponsored by the New Bedford Sea Food Processors Association.

RPI received its invitation to the tournament through the contact the school has had with New Bedford Tech in basketball. The two schools have met in that sport for the past three years. Coach Allen received the bid here through Mr. Francis Tripp, the athletic director of the host school.

RPI's participation in this affair has received the enthusiastic backing of the college's administration. Both the Business Office and that of the two Deans expressed hope that the team would receive the support it deserved and felt that the school should feel proud that it has such an opportunity for athletic recognition outside the state.

The—SPORT SCORE

By Pat Joyce

The Holiday Sea Food Fiesta

For a long time, RPI's basketball fortunes could be compared to the holiday seven-year famine. The only difference was that the famine in the local gym lasted longer.

Now things are beginning to look more like the period of feasting. The invitation from the sponsoring committee of the Holiday Sea Food Fiesta, and the decision of RPI to accept it was the best move that the school has made—sports-wise—in the past four years, including 1958-59.

There can be no doubt that the quality of basketball here has improved 1,000 per cent in that period of time. The record of the Green Devils for the past three seasons was 32-32. For the six seasons before that, the mark was a puny, it humilitating 32-73.

The biggest difference lies in the fact that we have had a better brand of athletes in the past three years. Men like Bill Marshall, Rabbit Howard, Milt Bailey, Ed Peoples, and Jimmy Rogers, to name a few, haven't hurt our chances a little bit. Neither should fans have anything to fear when we send this year's edition of the Devils onto the court. Sure, they'll lose a few games, but so what? A team doesn't have to win 'em all, as the old cliché goes.

Those at RPI who are responsible for the team's going to New Bedford should be congratulated. They have had the foresight to recognize opportunity when they see it.

This writer would like to express his approval of the trip and to extend his best wishes for the success of the team. Win or lose, the Devils have taken another step towards better sports for RPI and the student body has every reason to be proud of their team.

Complete coverage will be given the games on the Proscript's sports page. Let's hope the news will be good.

Frosh Class Largest Ever

The registrar's office revealed last week that 593 freshmen had registered for the fall semester. This is 59 more than last year, and the largest freshman class in the school's history.

All the freshmen are living in school dormitories and consequently upperclassmen are boarding in the area.

Another result of the large class is 16 English sections, two sections of European history, and three American history courses, all required freshman courses.

From present indications the freshman classes of the next few years will be even larger because of the large birth rate of the 1940's.

This year's freshman class has, according to Marilyn Ende chairman of the Freshman Advisory Board, shown a great deal of enthusiasm in organization. At a recent meeting they chose temporary officers to head the class until elections are held February 3.

Also, at this meeting, freshmen were told that the class treasury of \$1,057.21 was the greatest amount ever amassed by the class.

Dean Johnson

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little man who slew Goliath and, although Davey is small, he doesn't mind tackling bigger dogs. "Davey was also the sweet singer of Israel." Davey has a high opinion of his own vocal cords, too.

But Davey must play second fiddle when there's work to be done as there usually is in a school the size of RPI. Part of Dr. Johnson's work includes coordinating the social activities of the school's various clubs and advising student representatives through close contact with the SGA.

This, plus her role as counselor to women students, "keeps you on your toes," she remarked. "I try to look out for the well-being of the students and help them with their problems—academic, personal, even financial."

"I try to be fair and at the same time firm," she said. "When a student has to be disciplined, the old adage about 'it hurts us more than you' is true."

"Students are the same now as when I first came here," she said. "They don't change. The average student has the same outlook, ambitions and problems now as when I first came here."

Dr. Johnson believes that the only difference between RPI and other colleges is its location. "Being in the middle of a city, we come in for more criticism than other schools and have to be more strict. That's one of the reasons for the new rules on dress that were started this year."

Being Dean of Students in a fast growing college like RPI, as in other schools, calls for an adaptability to meet the ever-changing demands placed on her, said Dr. Johnson. "It's a constant stimulation and we must expand our ideas to keep pace with a growing school."

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Munsch Talks to Students

Retailing students sit up and take notice!

"Doers go places". This is a digest of an address by Mr. Raymond Munsch, Vice-President and Operating Manager for Miller and Roads, Inc., presented at the Shaffer Street Playhouse on "Careers in Retailing".

"It's not who you are or who you know that will make your career

successful." Mr. Munsch said. "It's what you do that counts."

"People in retailing who do things stand out like sore thumbs," Mr. Munsch told his audience of students in Retailing, Advertising and Distributive Education.

"Retailing offers supreme opportunities to those who are ambitious," Mr. Munsch continued. "Top executive positions in retailing are often filled with qualified people in their late twenties or early thirties. Your own ambition will determine your advancement and success in retailing."

Highlight

Mr. Munsch's address was the highlight of student celebration of National Careers in Retailing Week, October 12-19.

According to Miss Katherine Bell, head of the Retailing Department, this was the first time that a Careers in Retailing Week has been celebrated on a national basis.

"Our Retail Merchants Association and RPI have been working together for the past six weeks to assure the success of this week long program," Miss Bell said.

"RPI students and the students in our high school Distributive Education classes have given our

efforts an enthusiastic reception. The full house tonight is indicative of the interest in retailing on the part of our young people."

Special Tours

"Our students have taken special tours of two downtown department stores," Miss Bell continued. "Tom DeWitt and Dave Richards, both seniors in our Department of Retailing, have talked on 'Retailing As a Career' to numerous clubs about the city. Local TV stations and newspapers have cooperated in giving us time and space. The Retail Merchants Association has provided billboards and special window displays around the city."

Coed Displays Art

The work of Betty Ann Sowder Drinard, a senior here at RPI, will be on display in the art gallery of the Arts and Science building on Franklin st. from October 13 to November 3. A native of Radford, she has studied at Radford College and Huckleberry Mountain, North Carolina. Betty has taught summer classes at Virginia Beach and has exhibited work at the Valentine Museum and the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts. She will receive the BFA degree this coming February.

One Act Plays To Be Tonight

One acters set for production in RPI's Studio Theater tonight are the *Dear Departed*, and *Hands Across the Sea*.

Ron Knouse is directing *Dear Departed*, while Jim Challenger is the director of *Hands Across the Sea*.

The one acters will be performed twice, once for the general public at 7 p.m. and again at 8 p.m. for drama majors only.

It was also announced that an anonymous donor had given the Virginia Museum Theater \$10, half of which is to be used for the purchase of tickets to the Museum Theater for worthy drama students. The students chosen as recipients of the tickets are: Betty Sue Diphoo, David Van Horne, Dave Burns, Charles Shockley, and Carlton Screaves.

The remaining \$50 will be given to the University of Richmond for the same purpose.

Sidewalk Sale

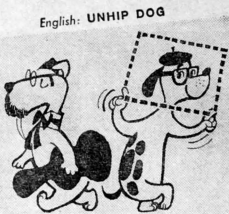
The Fine Arts Club is sponsoring a sidewalk sale of paintings, sculpture and graphic arts this Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m. The sale will take place in front of the Meadow Automatic Laundry at 412 N. Harrison st.

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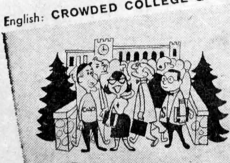
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