



MARY ANN BELTON, a sophomore, was recently chosen the Dream Girl of RPI in the Accidental Club contest held for the benefit of the Scholarship Fund. She is shown here in the Sculpture Court.

Founder's Hall Representative

Mary Ann Belton Elected First 'Dream Girl of RPI'

In a last day rush, sophomore Mary Ann Belton surged ahead of her competitors to win the Dream Girl of RPI Contest with more than 1,000 votes.

Activities for Mary Ann include official presentation February 29 at the Mid-winters dance, a picture page in the Cobblestone and her picture on the sheet music cover of the song, *Dream Girl of RPI*.

In consecutive order, runners up were June Harding, senior, Theater Arts; Ann Elliott, sophomore, Commercial Art; B. J. Grogg, junior, Berkeley dormitory; and Lucy Clem, senior, Illustration Club.

Mary Ann, Founder's Hall representative, won top honors over 33 other candidates for the Dream Girl title. "It was a closely contested race right up to the end," said Accidental Club president,

Zeb Norman. The candidates were nominated by the campus dormitories and clubs.

The song, *Dream Girl of RPI*, was written last year by Wayne L. Batty, head of the voice department, and the Accidental Club will begin sale of the published score and the RPI Fight Song at the Mid-winters dance. Proceeds will go toward the Scholarship Fund.

The contest, the first of this type held at RPI, was sponsored by the Accidental Club for benefit of the Scholarship Fund. It ended January 21 after a run of a week and a half. According to Norman, the contest was "fairly successful" considering the several postponements. The club cleared \$47.00 at a penny a vote.

"We hope to make the Dream Girl Contest an annual event," he added.

Frosh Officers Chosen; Schreibfeder, President

Freshmen have elected Judd Schreibfeder as class president. In balloting during registration, these officers also were elected: Richard Manual, vice president; Nancy Roane, secretary; Paul Apperson, treasurer; and David Burns, Student Government Association representative.

For the first time the Freshman

elections were held in February instead of September. The change was made to give the freshmen more time to get to know their candidates.

Judd Schreibfeder, the new president, is a 19-year-old Drama major from Martinsville. He was elected over Lindsey Murrey Jr.

The new vice president, Richard Manual, is a Commercial Art major from Luray. He defeated Sarah Lou Ralston for the office.

Nancy Roane, the new secretary, recently was elected Freshman class Sweetheart. A social Science major from Danville she had been the acting secretary since September.

Paul Apperson who won the position of treasurer, is a Drama major and lives in Alexandria.

David Burns, SGA representative, defeated Page Wright for his position. Burns is a Drama major from Charlotte.

SGA Committee to Study Council Election Proposal

Student Government Association president Dave Richards last week appointed a committee to study the possibility of election of Honor Council officers. At present, according to the constitution, SGA officers automatically serve on the Honor Council.

The committee is made up of William Parker, Junior Class representative who suggested the study, Linda Menard, Aaron Winer and Marilyn Ende. Committee members will write to other colleges to see how this phase of their student governments is handled. The committee is to report the results of its inquiry to Council. No date has been set for this report.

Parker said the combined duties of serving on the Honor Council and the SGA were "too heavy a load" and entailed "too much responsibility." He also said that some competent students might be hesitant about running for an SGA office if they did not want the additional responsibility of the Honor Council duties.

According to Parker's suggestion, Honor Council elections would be held at the same time as SGA elections. Only three Honor Council officers, those of president, vice president, and secretary, would be filled by elections. Other members of the Council would be, as they are now, presidents, vice

presidents and SGA representatives from the upper three classes.

Richards, in an ensuing discussion of the proposal, told Council members that any change in the Council's organization would have to be approved by the Honor Council. He asserted that, according to the SGA constitution, the Council is a self-governing body.

This "veto power" was questioned by Parker, who pointed out that the SGA constitution created the Honor Council. Another council member compared the Honor Council with the Supreme Court of the United States and student government with the Congress, saying that Supreme Court Justices are not members of Congress as well.

"That's exactly what I mean," said Richards. "We (the Student Government) created the Honor Council just as Congress created the Supreme Court; still Congress cannot tell the court what to do because it is self-governing." No one commented on Richards' version of the creation of the Supreme Court.

FBLA to Disaffiliate From 'Parent' Units

The Future Business Leaders of America voted January 16 to change their constitution to permit the local club to withdraw from the state and national organizations.

A committee of four was appointed to revise the constitution and work out certain technicalities, for the SGA requirements concerning the dissolving of a club will have to be met.

The matter was first brought up at a meeting January 10. It was decided then to consider disaffiliation because club members felt they were not benefiting from belonging to the state and national organizations and that it wasn't worth \$128.00 in membership dues, which the club now owes.

At the January 16 meeting the proposal to change the constitution to make disaffiliation legal and take a new name was passed by a two thirds majority of the 25 members present. There are 128 paid members in the club.

The motion included the Executive League as the name of a new organization, if one is formed.

Pete Petersiel, who made the motion, was appointed chairman of the committee to revise the constitution with Pat Parish, Nina Rudenko and Bill Fones assisting.

Dave Richards, SGA president, said the SGA cannot keep the FBLA from withdrawing from the state and national organizations but that it will make certain they do it legally.

Until a decision is made, the FBLA is non-functional and no activities can be held. A sock hop, which was tentatively scheduled for tomorrow night, had to be cancelled.

Norris expressed regret that the two meetings had to be scheduled when they were because he said it hurt attendance. The first meeting was on a Saturday night and the other on Friday night before the examination period.

Snack-Lounge Opening Set For Monday

RPI's new lounge and soda fountain is scheduled to be opened in the Shafer Street Building on Monday, Manager Bruce Locke announced today.

At the same time a contest to choose a name for the new facility will begin.

Mr. Locke said entry blanks are available in the new book store, already opened and "in business" in the new building. The contest is slated to close February 27.

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FRESHMEN LEADERS pause for coffee break after recent election to office. They are (l. to r.) David Burns, SGA representative, Paul Apperson, treasurer,

Judd Schreibfeder, president, Richard Manual, vice-president and Nancy Roane, secretary. The Frosh elections were held at registration.

Notice

The Proscript staff has announced that they welcome assistance from any student interested in working on the school paper.

Knowledge of newspaper writing is not necessary. Those interested should inform the Proscript staff immediately.

The Journalism department is located on the third floor of the administration building.

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Youth Must Play

A college party is an experience recommended for all who fancy themselves students of the so called human race. One tour of a dimly lit room permeated by cigarette smoke can be as enlightening as an abridgement of the Encyclopedia Britannica.

Not only are the discussions considerable in range but they are also novel in approach and content. These factors coupled with the assorted appearances of the speakers are worth at least two credits in the school of learning.

Hostesses believe in "mixing" people to assure success of a party. The skilled hostess mixes discreetly—a few off-beat characters and many wholesome ones. But college parties like college students, violate rules. Just about the only indisputable statement that can be made of 20 or more students gathered for the purpose of socializing is that they are students. Cursory analysis reveals that the subjects involved are heterogeneous. Here comparison ends, and categorizing begins.

There are many different types of party-goers: for instance, the perpetual party-er: "Who's giving this blast anyway? I got the address from a buddy at Eton's."

There is the cynic: "I don't really care for parties. Drinking bores me, but the fools interest me."

There is Joe College: "I mean, like, man! What's college for, if it's not for partying." And so on.

Probably the most interesting guest at a collegiate soiree is the anti-social intellectual. He is not to be considered as symbolic of the narrow spectrum of intellectuals per se. Also, he is not to be confused with the pseudo-intellectual who apes him in dress and manner. Close observation will soon divulge a certain difference. The pseudo-intellectual of the anti-social variety talks; the true intellectual of this type simply broods.

To the more pedestrian party-goer, the brooding intellectual is frightening and paradoxical. His absolute bleakness casts a long shadow on the casual cheeriness of the circulator. Conversation is of course impossible—he has too much brooding to do.

The melancholy one enters the room late, and so quietly that he is conspicuous. His attire is indifferent and usually of the more sober and soiled fashion. He finds a corner and, beer in hand, begins to mull over the problems of the world. He does not voluntarily speak to anyone around him. When he is drawn into a discussion, he usually smashes, verbally, the upstart who began it all. After two or three hours of silent melancholia he departs. One wonders why he attends parties. Solitude would seem to be more conducive to melancholy than togetherness.

If the individuals at these gatherings are intriguing, the conversation is more so.

The youth of the twenties had communism and those of the forties existentialism; those of the late fifties have budhism.

Buddhism is rather fortunate for those who adhere to fads. A lucid discussion is not really necessary to the subject. A mystical approach is successful: "What's Zen? Zen is, man."

Psychology is rampant and handily solves all problems. Socialism is vaguely approved but seldom defined. Conformity is crucified. Jazz is king. This is probably the easiest subject extant that can be used to impress an audience. Speech is not necessary. A serpent-like swing, half time to the music, and half lidded eyes accomplish wonders. If conversation is absolutely necessary, jazz jargon is a strong diversionary tactic.

However, despite the highly "individual" individuals and the flauters of non-existent knowledge, much can be said for college parties. Youth must play and mixing is supposedly necessary to the process of maturing. As to further reasons, the supply seems to be temporarily exhausted.

Miss Childs Joins Staff Of School

Miss Ruth Childs, graduate of several nursing schools, became instructor of pharmacology and medical and surgical nursing for basic nursing students at RPI this semester.

A native Virginian, Miss Childs graduated from Petersburg High School and the University of Virginia School of Nursing in Charlottesville. She has a BS degree in Nursing Education from the University of Virginia and is working toward a Master's degree at Catholic University in Washington.

She practiced nursing education at children's hospitals in Philadelphia and Washington. For the past six years she has been educational director of the School of Nursing, St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Richmond.

Miss Childs is a member of the American Nurses Association, the National League for Nursing and the American Red Cross Nursing Service.

Miss Olive J. Faulkner, Director of the School of Nursing, attended a three-day workshop sponsored by the National League for Nursing in Williamsburg this week. The nurses discussed curriculum planning for schools of nursing. Grace Hospital nurses, Miss Marie Osterman and Mrs. Katherine Newcome, accompanied her.

'Mid-winters'

The formal 'Mid-winters' dance will take place from 9 p.m. to midnight Friday, February 20, at the Mosque.

The Ken Henderson Band will play for the event sponsored by the Junior Class. Planned activities include ring figures, presentation of RPI's Dream Girl and sale of the music of the same title.

Names of those in the ring figures must be given to Jan Bond, Founder's Hall, by February 13.

Judy Waldorf and Karen Harshbarger are managing decorations for the annual event.



walks on the

side

By Tom Robbins

MAN HAS made great strides—materially—in the last 500 years. Materially, civilization is zooming along upon a four-lane super-highway. Spiritually, we are still in the alleys.

Since Life is, in essence, more spiritual than material, that is where Life is. In the alleys.

Paul Miller is an alleyman.

Shuffling down his alley in paint-spattered shoes; tall, gaunt, hungry looking, with intense eyes, Near Eastern mustache and very long black hair, he looks like a holy man who has crossed the hot deserts and walked the back alleys of the world—to bring the Word to the lost ones in Eton's.

Back of the RPI library lives Miller in a quaint Victorian carriage house heated partially by a small oil stove, but to a greater extent by the warmth of good books, vivid conversation, classical music and paintings done in sunny yellow and orange oils. Its green shuttered windows look out upon the narrow cobblestone highway of Life traveled by students, professors, garbage collectors, dogs, rats and reeling drunks.

Both Miller's appearance and abode are deceptive. This alleyman Holyman is no wild Bohemian. He is much too stable and down-to-earth to be labeled a Beatnik. He talks of his craft (painting) in the same interested, but matter-of-fact way a plumber might discuss the little mechanical miracles he has performed in various toilets. He is calm, sincere, mature and unpretentious.

"There are things to be said for alleys," Paul said. "There's a certain beauty in them." But he has a much more prosaic reason for living in a carriage house. "The rent is cheap."

MILLER DID some painting while in high school in Roanoke but at that time he was more concerned with music. He plays the sax and clarinet. He graduated during the height of the Korean conflict and, aware that the draft was imminent, hung around home for a few months playing dance jobs—then enlisted in the air force.

Assigned to the 50-piece Air Force band stationed in Wiesbaden, Germany, he visited almost every country in Europe. He played concerts in Austria, the most music-conscious nation in the world; provided background music for a Bastille Day celebration in Casablanca and discovered that, except in the Naples area, Italians never heard of pizza pie.

A Fine Arts senior at RPI, Paul spent the past two summers in Provincetown, Mass. studying under one of America's greatest art teachers, Hans Hoffman. In August he will graduate and after that—travel. South America, maybe, the Orient, perhaps, but definitely back to Europe.

He isn't worried about financing the trips. "You've got to get money somewhere—you can't eat paint—but something always turns up. There's lots of jobs." What he really wants to do, what he must do, is "paint good paintings."

No, there is little unordinary about Paul Miller. But the myth will prevail. The business majors will continue to shudder when they see him emerge from his alley with brushes or bamboo flute for this quiet, intelligent, young man represents everything they fear and do not understand. Yet his way of life is more simple than theirs.

Miller applied once for a Virginia Museum scholarship and on the application form was a place to list "Your Objective." There was half a page in which to answer. Miller, with holy simplicity, wrote two words: "to paint."

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February 12—Senior class meeting, 6:15 p.m., Playhouse

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February 15—ASL Movie, 2:00 p.m., Ad 0

February 16—RPI-Westhampton Girls', Basketball, 4:30 p.m. Gym

February 17—Westminster Fellowship, 6:00 p.m., Gym

Devil Squad Record Now At 8-9 Mark

The Green Devils pushed their 1959 basketball season record to an 8 won, 9 lost combination with two pre-examination losses, and a 77-67 win Friday over Southeastern of Washington.

The Allenmen, playing without the services of Captain Jimmy Craven, lost a 68-55 decision to Randolph-Macon's Yellow Jackets and dropped a 89-69 tilt to the Tigers of Hampden-Sydney.

Randolph-Macon 68—RPI 55

RPI dropped a hard fought decision to Coach Paul Webb's Yellow Jackets here January 14. Bill Nunnally and Gene Bourne led the Devils with 14 points each while Jim Baillie pitched in 10. Scoring honors for the evening, however went to Jacket guard Suyers who garnered 16 points.

Hampden-Sydney 89—RPI 69

Hampden-Sydney rolled over the Green Devils here January 16, as Tigers guard Leon Hawker poured in 16 points to lead the Tiger attack. The meeting was the second of the season for the two schools. The Farmville team defeated the local cagers 72 to 58 in the earlier encounter.

RPI 77—Southeastern 67

RPI, sparked by good team play and consistent shooting in the early part of the second half, coasted to a 77-67 win over Southeastern University of Washington here Friday night.

Leading 28-27 at intermission, the Green Devils began to pull away during the first seven minutes in the last half and built up 48-35 advantage. Gene Bourne, who was high man for RPI with 22, and Bill Nunnally teamed up to collect half the points during the scoring spree.

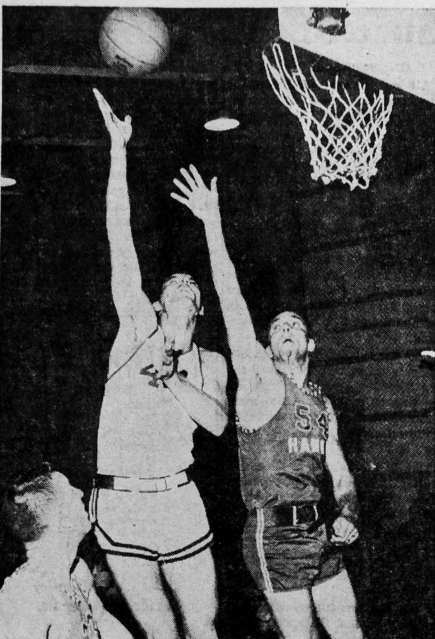


Photo by Brownlee
TWO POINTER—Center Don Kloske scores layup in recent RPI-Southeastern game. Making the defensive play is Haukman center Comanetto. Watching is number 33, Jim Grotenrath of Southeastern who topped all scores with 23 points. The Green Devils took a 77 to 67 victory to snap a three-game losing streak.

Berkley Wins Title

Berkley dormitory took first place in the recently completed girls intermural volleyball league. Berkley, which went undefeated over the five game, round-robin schedule, received a trophy from the athletic department.

Second place in the six team league race went to Meredith House. Others who participated were 828 Park Ave., Founders Hall, Ritter-Hickok and Lee House.

Braves Scalp Devils 101-70 Here Monday

By Hugh Moore

A razor sharp Norfolk Division scored first, last and often here Monday night and rolled to a 101 to 70 victory over RPI.

Paced by Leo Anthony's 34 markers and Bobby Hoffman, who

pitched in 32, the Port City five took a 51 to 41 half-time advantage. RPI kept it close during the first 15 minutes but a six point surge by Norfolk gave the winners a 10 point rest period lead.

The second half was all Norfolk as the Tidewater quintet hit on better than 50% of their shots and effectively stopped the Devil offense.

Center Don Kloske led the RPI attack with 30 points. Captain Jimmy Craven garnered 16 and Gene Bourne added 10 in the Allenmen's losing effort.

The win was the 13th of the season for Coach Bud Metheny's Tidewater team as against only 6 losses. The RPI season record now stands at 8 wins and 10 losses.

RPI, R-M Teams To Meet Tonight For Second Time

RPI will travel to Ashland tonight to meet the Randolph-Macon Yellow Jackets of Coach Paul Webb. This will be the second meeting of the two Little Eight schools.

The Jackets defeated the Devil cagers here 68-55 January 14 before the largest crowd of the season in the Franklin at gym.

Following tonight's game the Devils will travel to Roanoke for a Jan. 17 meeting with the Mariners. This will be the second meeting of the two. RPI defeated the Roanokers 63-62 here on January 10.

The final game of the season for the Allenmen will be January 19 when they meet the Medical College in another return engagement. The Devils edged the Medicos 51 to 46 in the opening game of the season.

Day of Prayer Set

RPI will observe the Student World Day of Prayer Sunday at 4 p.m. at Pace Memorial Methodist Church.

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Snack-Lounge to Open

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A first prize of \$15 is offered for the winning name and the runner-up suggestion will net its author \$10.

In connection with the contest, school officials have expressed the hope that names proposed for the new lounge will be somewhat more "dignified" than that of its predecessor—the "Slop Shop."

While work was nearing completion today on the new lounge, Mr. R. T. English Jr., RPI Business Manager, disclosed some plans for use of the space to be vacated in the Administration Building basement.

Mr. English said the school's business office will take over the two Slop Shop rooms opening off the present soda bar. The main business office will remain in its present location, on the old building's first floor.

The RPI admissions office will utilize the space to be available in the present lounge on the south side of the basement. The main admissions office also will remain in its present location.

Plans have not been completed for use of the old book store and office space.

Mr. Locke was enthusiastic about the new student lounge and the new book store.



Ike Foto

AN APPLE A DAY? Lila Walters, Fashion Design major, seems to subscribe to the old fashioned theory. Actually, she will represent RPI in the annual Apple Blossom Festival held every spring at Winchester.

Most of the products of the new soda fountain will be dispensed on a self-service basis. For instance, hot chocolate, coffee and soda drinks will be available at the push of a button. Sandwiches, candy and cigars also will be displayed for push-button service.

The greater space allotted book store operations in the new building permitted an expansion of book displays. Mr. Locke said that some books to be offered have not arrived and that the extent of stock of reference books was not fully decided.

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