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MILLER WINS!

Martin Miller, with 38% of the ballots cast, was elected President of the Student Polity in yesterday's elections. There were only 219 ballots cast in the Presidents race - 56% of the student population.

Dan Van Doren was elected Secretary and Joe Roach was elected Treasurer. The three new justices elected are Linda Mahler, Buffy Bowser and Lisa Cobb.

The results:

President

M. Miller	84
M. Hartzell	69
E. Wise	35
J. DeMartini	31

Secretary

D. Van Doren	141
T. Hongsermeier	57

Treasurer

J. Roach	129
M. Coss	87

Justices

L. Mahler	160
E. Bowser	97
L. Cobb	10
L. Farrington	6
D. Stein	6
K. O'Malley	6

There were other people who received votes for Justice but only those receiving 5 votes or more were given out by the election committee. According to David Nau, Chief Justice, the Justices are in charge of the election, "Mr Auerbach put on a fine showing."

TO THE FOOTLOOSE AND FANCY FREE

by Annette Schultz

In the last issue, I began to describe Bruce Dempster's service, whereby he helps direct people to sundry projects, jobs, and expeditions around the world. He divides the types of programs he has information about into two kinds, hard and soft. Hard programs, such as working on English organic farms or going on canoeing expeditions, generally involve physical labor. Leading tours or living with a family overseas are among the soft programs.

It hardly needs to be pointed out that going overseas costs money. How much you spend depends on many things: whether or not you are going with the help of an organization, the economy of the country you are in, the activity you choose, your willingness to rough it, how well you plan ahead, and your resourcefulness are among the factors that will determine your expenditure. Many programs cost money. Herschel Weinstein paid the International Christian Youth Exchange, which placed him with a family in Japan for one year, \$2400, a good portion of which was covered by a scholarship. There are many fellowships and other forms of financial assistance which exist for projects of work, study and travel abroad. Both Bruce and the Placement Office have information about them.

Service organizations and archaeological dig projects may pay (low) wages and/or room, board and travel, but these benefits are almost always reserved for skilled workers. Several of the people I spoke with mentioned that once they had arrived overseas and could claim some fluency in the language, it was fairly easy to find jobs. Their availability naturally varies from country to country. Anne Dutton, for example, taught English to a group of Japanese last year. This kind of job can be found in many countries. Of course you shouldn't count on finding an overseas

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THE ELECTIONS by Rick Campbell

The elections are over. There was more interest and seriousness than in past elections. But there was also more farce. I want to compare our elections with those in the general public. That seems a bit ludicrous. The only way I can compare elections is by saying that ours are practice for those. I don't think elections should be deadly serious, although the ramifications of elections may be unexpected. Humor is a necessary ingredient in life, but I'm not sure that farce is.

THE GADFLY tried to stage a debate to provide the students with a forum to meet the candidates. It didn't work. Perhaps that was due to the word "debate." The debate was never meant to be a formal debate, whatever that is. It was not meant to be like Saturday Night Lives's version of 60 Minutes "Point-Counterpoint": "Jane, you ignorant slut!" It was to be similar to a seminar, something we are all familiar with, in which the candidates would discuss their viewpoints on the polity and its government.

Unfortunately, Mr Hartzell and Mr Wise did not show up. The debate was further undermined by my ill-timed endorsement of Mr Miller during lunch before the debate. This was done in a moment of pique at Mr DeMartini. He had said he would attend, then he came out with his statement - it was sent to all freshmen and sophomores and a few upperclassmen, he did not give me one - which seemed to have as one of its purposes the sabotaging of the debate. I was incensed at Mr DeMartini's seeming politicking. Our education at St John's trains us to recognize sophistry, but we are also trained as sophists. I was furious at what I saw as sophistry on Mr DeMartini's part.

The timing of the endorsement by THE GADFLY, which was not an endorsement by the entire staff, was wrong. I regret that. It has called into question the editorial policy of THE GADFLY. I am glad. This is the first time I have been in a position as managing editor of a publication. I have much to learn. I am learning much.

As for what an endorsement is, I think it is useful for those who don't take the time to make a reasoned analysis of the candidates. If they wish to vote at all intelligently they have several options: vote for their friends, vote for the candidate whose name is most familiar, or vote for someone who has been recommended to them.

THE GADFLY in trying to provide a public service to those in doubt, endorsed Martin Miller. Because there is a serious lack of peer respect at St John's, the endorsement was mocked. It

was mocked by David Stein, who rose after I gave the endorsement and said, "this table endorses Mr DeMartini." It was mocked by those trying to get the Poker Club to endorse a candidate.

The endorsement was not lightly given. It was a reasoned judgement. The reasons should have been given with the endorsement. Mr DeMartini was not endorsed because of his lack of leadership in making sure that all the students were represented on the DC, in making sure the minutes were kept and published, and in his insistence on parliamentary procedure in the DC. Parliamentary procedure seems ludicrous at St John's where we all have a great deal of experience in open discussion. Mr Wise was not endorsed because he is presently co-chairman of the Reality Committee, a lab assistant and an intern in the state legislature. Mr Hartzell was not endorsed for the sole reason that Mr Miller has more experience in the DC. He has been Treasurer for the past two terms.

Mr Miller was not endorsed because he was a personal friend of mine. Matt Hartzell and Eugene Wise are closer friends than Martin; at least, I spend more time in their company than in Martin's. I hope I will continue to be good friends with them.

There has been at least one good result from my mistakes: the caucus thrown by the Randa residents. It is a good idea that perhaps the other dorms will pick up on. I hope it was more successful than the debate THE GADFLY sponsored. I don't care whether it was given to embarrass THE GADFLY or me personally; the result was student interest in trying to find out where the candidates stood. I applaud the effort.

So, what has been learned from this weekend's activities? THE GADFLY hopes to be a respectable publication. This can only be if you, our readers, respect us enough to be honest with us. We have seen how easily the media can be manipulated by the staged media events put on by the terrorists holding the American hostages in Teheran.

The relationship between the public and the media is one of trust. If those people who are newsworthy manipulate the media, what comes is distorted. THE GADFLY is not immune to this, not withstanding the small size of our community.

Another result of this weekend's activities has been a modification in our editorial policy. All endorsements or editorials that purport to be that of THE GADFLY will be a consensus of the staff, not the opinion of the editor. My personal opinions or any personal opinions

NARKOTIC HAZE
by HH Hammel

A RHAPSODIC

Dedicated to those who need to escape Kant and Aristotle as much as I did when I wrote it, and those who can read things written in this language, i.e.

...down the twenty-two steps of onyx, through the doors of sleep, then flying in the delicate body of a song bird, carried ever higher in the warm updrafts along the mountain slopes of Dream, wheeling and darting, until I spotted someone sitting in the rocks at the edge of the eternal snows, and was taken with the wish to sing for him.

Lighting upon a boulder across the stream from him - for it was spring in those mountains, the glaciers slowly retreating and clear torrents leaping down to the valleys - I recognized him, sitting with his back to the high altitude glare upon the melting snow, when his face turned toward me for a moment to see who had disturbed his solitude: it was the face I wear in the waking world. But my human self wore strange clothes in dreams, a black and gold tunic with a circular seal on the back (need I tell you the seal has seven books and a balance encircled by clever words in latin?) I sang for my self, but my self would not listen.

He was boiling water for tea, feeding the fire with pages torn one by one from a worn notebook and sweet-smelling pinon leaves from the desert. He would glance at the pages, then crumple them with disgust and burn them, until at last he had one page left. Staring at this, his face turned from anger to sadness, and he set it aside with a look of a thousand miles and a thousand days rushing in on him.

We sat by this stream and by a mountain trail, him sighing and me singing, until I glimpsed a flash of sun on steel coming up the path (a pilgrims' path, smashed laboriously through the rocks and packed with crushed stones and dust, marked at intervals with stone cairns). A tall man approached, wearing a minimum of armor and mail, and carrying a sword, staff, and pack. He greeted the youth with a smile and salute, and the youth offered him some tea, none too cheerfully.

The warrior tried to engage the youth in discourse, but he replied only in mumbled monosyllables. The warrior then tried to cheer the young man up, by offering to walk with him to their destination in the next valley, which, he assured him, was only a day away.

"Would that I could come with you," said the youth at last, "But I am only a sojourner in this land, and must return through the onyx gates before nightfall."

The warrior shrugged, "I can see by your garb that you are a scholar, and need not return very far - you shall return, and one day remain. But tell me about your life at

the academy."

"All sleep, and few dream," said the youth.

"Be serious!" laughed the warrior, "You scholars are all singers and dancers, fighters and lovers, and you say you don't dream?"

"Oh, verily, we sing," he answered, "But unlike yon lark, our singing sucks, if I may use the words of my people. It sucks at your feet like the manure I walked in as a child, as my grandfather's farm, after a heavy rain."

"Manure smells sweet to a farm boy, does it not?" he asked.

"Yes - the memory is dear to me, but my father, you see, is a village-dweller. Amongst the shopkeepers and tool-makers, and their sons, soil is dirt...but I was only trying to picture it for you."

"Indeed - well then, the dancers must suffer," added the warrior, "if the musicians drag them down. But what of the martial arts? I know you students love to duel."

"Kind sir, we all carry blades. My grandfather called his Heart, my father called it Brain...but look." The youth drew his sword, and handed it to the warrior, flashing in the white glare. The warrior held it with great admiration, saying:

"Fine steel...quite sharp. No nicks or rust."

"Of course!" exclaimed the student. "It's seldom been used! Dueling is banned within the walls of the academy. We stage mock fights with bamboo! My comrades, however, shrink away from the game when they see me coming, for they know I long to bite flesh!"

The warrior was taken aback by the lust in his voice, and involuntarily crossed himself.

"You do not know what it is like being a scholar, sir. Sometimes I come up here with my books, and toss them into the air to see if they can fly. At first they flap as if they will take wing, impelled by my arms and wishes. But they are dead and dusty, and the spirit of gravity pulls them back to me. In my rage, I often hack them to shreds with this sword before they reach the ground," said the youth.

Then the warrior said quietly:

"The best swords stay in their scabbards."

"Easy enough for you to say," scowled the youth, "for I can see from you dark skin and scars that you've travelled far and fought many. My sojourns in this land have not left my skin so white as it could be, if it matched my soft hands and weak sinews."

The warrior sighed, rubbed his eyes and stretched his face, then said, "Searching for your own enemy can be a long, hard, road to trod - but you do not prepare for it with anger; that has nothing to do with it. And if you are bored now, consider how far you may have to walk! Again I tell you, the sword is best saved for its proper foe. 'Judge not, lest —'"

"Warrior!" the youth interrupted, "Do you think I have not learned to read?"

"Of course, but have you leared to see or hear? There on that stone a lark is singing to you, not me - I know because I'm listening. A warrior is a doer and a maker, but he is also a watcher. We do and make while

EINSTEIN AS BUILDER OF A WORLDVIEW

Lecture by Gerald Holton

Review by Steve Winters

In his Friday night lecture "Einstein as Builder of a Worldview" Gerald Holton gave an attractive presentation of Einstein as physicist and personality. Holton began by noting that around 1900 the physics community had no idea that they needed an Einstein. Physics at that time offered many exciting new areas of study, such as radioactivity, and there was general agreement about the sort of program of careful research into the new phenomena which should be followed. There was also a common interest in the development of the Maxwellian Theory, and in particular the study of the aether, the supposed carrier of the electromagnetic vibrations. Finally physicists were busy perfecting new and extremely accurate techniques of measurements. The aim of the physicists, as Holton describes it, was to modify the best available theories in order to adjust them in their details and thereby to bring them into agreement with the best new experimental data. H.H. Lorentz's work on the electron theory typified this approach. Einstein, however, perceived the situation of theoretical physics differently. As Holton sees it, it was in the period from 1901 to 1905, which culminated in his first paper on special relativity, that the young Einstein undertook a reconsideration of the very foundations on which the complacent and self-confident work of his contemporaries was ultimately based. This indeed basically agrees with standard appraisals of Einstein's departure from the typical turn of the century style of doing physics.

According to Holton, Einstein's consideration of fundamental issues, such as the very procedures for determining the times at which events take place, and his consequent discovery of the relativity of simultaneity, demonstrate that he was willing to pose questions on a much deeper level than his contemporaries. Another aspect of this same willingness is evident in his interest in "worldviews". Worldviews are comprehensive models or pictures of nature conceived by physicists. There were two main ones under serious consideration in that period, the mechanical and the electromagnetic worldviews. What impressed Einstein here was the notion that there might be an overriding theoretical framework which would serve to unify the several different phenomena of phy-

sical science within one scheme or under one idea. Einstein's 1905 paper presents, in the principle of relativity, a formal principle which is to serve as a regulative principle guiding the formation of such a unified framework. (Its eventual effect was to bring ordinary mechanics within the same scope as the Maxwellian Theory, by disclosing the applicability and underlying significance of the Lorentz transformation for both.) Einstein's interpretation of the meaning of the Lorentz transformation led rapidly to the abandonment of the interest in ether theories. The peculiar hypotheses and assumptions which had been grafted artfully onto the theory of the aether and its interaction with matter now were felt to flow as natural consequences from the two postulates of the 1905 paper and the new conception of space and time they heralded.

Many of Holton's interesting remarks must be passed over here. On the whole they seemed to emphasize that Einstein was a physicist with cultivated philosophical interests and that this was crucial in enabling him to pose fundamental questions. His reflection was centered in basic and longstanding experimental facts: the 1905 paper begins with a consideration of the asymmetry in two ways of describing inductive effects. These basic laws of induction, however, had been known from Faraday's time, 70 years before. Holton suggests that Einstein's philosophical bent led him to contemplate at least as a possibility even grander unifications in which biological and social phenomena would find their place eventually.

Clearly Einstein is Holton's 'idol', as he is the 'idol' of many physicists. Along with the evident interest in Einstein's own psychological development, his early schooling in the nature of his genius, and so on, I can only say for my part that I wish there were more reflection on the role that an idealized picture of Einstein plays in the minds of his highly intelligent followers. I expect that one would perhaps be at a loss to explain this phenomenon itself as a purely rational one!

THE ELECTIONS

the staff will have a by-line. In this way I hope that any future endorsements or editorials will not be taken as lightly as the last endorsement was. And if a staff member doesn't agree with the consensus, his dissenting opinion will be given space.

I hope these changes will improve THE GADFLING standing in the eye's of our readers.

On Mr. Raditsa's Short Talk on Events Abroad
Special to THE GADFLY by Peter Gilbert

politics, like the heavens, is increasingly being seen as a place full of dangerous black holes, which suck the incautious passers-by into a kind of unthinkable nothingness, leaving their mere empty forms--concepts without intuitions--to dangle eternally in the ethereal breeze; and last Tuesday evening a number of us assembled in the Conversation Room, hoping to learn if this is indeed the sort of hole our country is plunging into. That is to say that, while anyone who reads pigs' entrails will affirm that war approaches, and that America's days are numbered, some of us were curious as to what an historian might say. History being what is is--a thing more of art than of science-- it was not to be expected that we be answered with a simple yes or no, either of which would thenceforth absolve us from the necessity of doing anything. Instead we were told "maybe", and "if...then", plainly to imply that the chance of events will depend in large measure upon how we, as a nation and as individuals, act and think.

Mr. Raditsa described 1979 as a "crisis year" which began with Vietnam's attack upon Cambodia.... Then came American recognition of Communist China and severing of relations with Taiwan--a severance which firmer negotiating would have rendered needless, and which was effectively a betrayal of a prosperous and relatively free society in an impoverished and unstable corner of the world. The mainlanders are said to now interpret their agreement not to meddle in Taiwan's affairs as having only a very temporary force. A couple of weeks later China invaded Vietnam. If Russian apprehensions of China are any clue, said Mr. Raditsa, we might do well to regard our new diplomatic partner warily: amidst periodic fascination with things Chinese we should remind ourselves that China is a totalitarian state with very little conscience, and with death camps that make Russia's look livable. Concerning Iran, Mr. Raditsa said he considers it to have experienced, like Nicaragua, not so much a revolution as a collapse of all authority. There is much Soviet manipulation going on in Teheran in the student mobs and around Khomeini who is seldom seen and may in fact be a mere figurehead. In Khomeini's first statement on the war in Afghanistan, made only last month, the Soviet Union is not mentioned by name. So much for the champion of Islam.

Space being limited (cf. First Antinomy), I shall briefly recapitulate some of the other things discussed: Israeli-Egyptian peace, ignored by the press in hoopla over Iran; intensified effort to legitimize the P.L.O.; Nicaragua: Panama and Castro's influence thereon; Soviet threat to their crucial straits, and thus to world trade; 7 countries fallen to Communism since 1975; Russians moved in Afghanistan because they were losing control of the country; the struggle for Europe: 3 main elements thereof--Terrorism, Oil Situation, Nuclear Strategic Balance; in the State of the Union speech, Carter didn't mention Sakharov, terrorism; took him a year and a half to acknowledge the Cambodian genocide; how USSR uses terrorism: been running Moscow terrorist school since 1968: has Italy almost in a state of war--nobody here pays any attention; Italian Communist tactic: "get along with the religion" (likewise in Iran, only they've no separation of church and state there); Spain: why the Basque terrorism? they almost have self-rule already; Turkey, in danger since the Cyprus war,

last year had 3000 murders; European-American relations strained over oil: OPEC now able to control the economic growth of the West, thus of the world; Nuclear Balance: Soviets achieving nuclear predominance, first strike capacity: we rely on nuclear weapons too much, can't use them; Europe and US: Italy is important; things are touch and go; if there was leadership they might pull out; leaders don't seem to lead themselves; in Britain they booed Panomarov the Stalinite; Thatcher's been good, but neglected Viet refugees; in Germany, big struggle, Strauss--Watch Germany; Yugoslavia; in Poland, an opposition movement involving more than the intellectuals; illegal books printed on Polish Government press; Poles will fight; two Soviet divisions there, twenty in Germany; we can't afford another President who doesn't know what he's doing: allies have no confidence in us; cowardice; courage; etc.

Afterwards, towards the end of Q&A (which went on for over two hours), Mr. Berns appeared to sum up the evening's diagnosis of the illusions which debilitate American foreign policy in an excellent anecdote concerning his younger days and the necessity of recognizing political potentialities in considering political forms, which I am sure he will be pleased to tell you if you ask him civilly.

NEWS ITEMS

Sunday Alcohol!

It is now possible to buy alcohol within the city limits on Sunday. The city council passed this measure last month and it went into effect on the 19th of February.

To paraphrase Janis Joplin, "if there's one day you need a drink on it's Sunday."

SANTA FE - Correction

It was erroneously reported in Randy Linder's article on the Santa Fe campus in the 2nd issue of THE GADFLY that there was dormitory space for 450 students. Mr Bart, Dean in Santa Fe, informs me that there is only space for 250 students.

MARRIOTT

If you found the french fries crispier yesterday and the food in general better, it is due to several students who met with Mr Elzy and the district manager of Marriot last week.

Randy White and Ann Holtwick were the initiators of the meeting if you care to express your thanks.

SPECIAL D.C. MEETING 2/29/80

by Scott C. Boyd

The Delegate Council met in special session to vote on President DeMartini's second of two choices for Polity Justice. All Presidents nominate two students as Polity Justices at the end of their term.

DeMartini's first nominee, Freshman Jeanne Connors, was approved by the D.C. in its regular meeting February 26. DeMartini's second nominee wasn't present, so the D.C. resolved to meet in special session to receive DeMartini's second nominee.

At the outset of the meeting, DeMartini announced that his first choice for the second Justice spot wasn't present, but that his second choice, Jonathan Baumgarten, was.

After briefly addressing the Council, Baumgarten left the room to await their vote.

Just before the Council began its vote, Warren Spector entered the room and DeMartini asked that the vote on Baumgarten stop. DeMartini explained that Spector was his first choice, and that he wished Spector voted on, not Baumgarten.

A surprised Baumgarten returned to the room while Spector spoke of his qualifications to the Council.

Spector then left the room and was unanimously approved as Justice by the Council.

Afterwards, DeMartini apologized to Baumgarten for abruptly replacing him with Spector.

Leslie Smith and David Stein informed the Council that they were the two newly-elected Campbell delegates.

Because of her election as dorm Delegate, Smith officially resigned as Polity Attorney, adding jokingly, "You can party it up tonight, there's no one to stop you!"

Frank St. Amour protested his ouster as Paca-Carroll delegate in an illegal dorm election the previous night. According to St. Amour, Mike Coss organized a new dorm delegate election because he felt St. Amour's election as delegate in November was illegal. Coss claimed a majority of dorm residents weren't present then.

"It was a gross iniquity perpetrated by Coss", Polity Secretary Kit Bolle said.

"The election was out of order," Polity Treasurer Martin Miller added.

In that illegal election, St. Amour was overwhelmingly defeated by Chris Daly.

Blood Drive Successful
by Scott Boyd

St. John's semi-annual blood drive Feb. 28 exceeded expectations, according to College Nurse Marilyn Mylander. Because of the previous week's outbreak of flu on campus, not much blood was expected.

"We expected 50 pints of blood," explained one Red Cross official, "but we got 91 pints."

All day long, tutors and students, after giving pertinent medical histories, reclined on cots provided by the Red Cross and let the blood flow, one pint per person.

Few complaints about pain were heard. Most seemed to enjoy the experience, like freshman Tom Sullivan who remarked, "Giving blood is a real high. You're doing good. People need the blood. It's my good deed for the day."

First-time donor sophomore Laura Shach seemed the paradigm of the blood donor. "I'm glad I'm doing this," she explained. "If I needed blood, I'd want people to give it," she added while lying on the cot awaiting the Red Cross nurse.

"I have no doubt it's the best thing to do, but it hurts," Laura explained, while squeezing a wooden bar in her hand to help the blood flow.

After nine minutes the nurse took away the wooden bar and removed the needle.

"My hand feels molded to the wood-I can't unclench my hand!", Laura said of the odd sensations blood donors sometimes feel.

Soon the odd sensations stopped and Laura reflected on her nine-minute gift of blood: "That wasn't bad at all."

Tutor David Stephenson was on the table next to Miss Shach. When asked why he was donating blood, Mr. Stephenson joked, "I'm doing this for the good life."

When chided that he was giving away his life substance, Mr. Stephenson jovially retorted, "Is this my life substance?"

After he was finished with his gift of blood, Mr. Stephenson told the nurse, "It feels like I lost a pound."

"It should," she answered, "you just gave a pint of blood."

Though the blood was given in the spirit of helping others, the Red Cross gave each donor something in return: fruit juice and cookies for all donors, to get them started immediately replacing their donated blood.

The election was illegal because all election disputes (such as Coss' dispute of St. Amour's November election) must be handled by the Polity Court, not the dorm itself. Coss did not follow that procedure.

Upon hearing St. Amour's account, the D.C. unanimously voted to recognize St. Amour still as Paca-Carroll's duly elected delegate.

To the Editor:

I enjoy the publication greatly! I had liked the first issue, but was afraid that the quality would not be maintained. Luckily, I was wrong. But on to other things.

What I want to speak about, rather, is Mr. Boyd's letter (editorial?) in the Feb. 27 issue of The Gadfly. Mr. Boyd tries to define the word "reporter." He uses such terms as "independent observer" and "objective". I agree with the definition. I even agree with the basic premise that a reporter is just what this paper and this campus might need. What I disagree with is Mr. Boyd's own decision that he is the one to fill this post.

I'd like you to consider two of Mr. Boyd's contributions to this paper. The first is his editorial in which he proposes the necessity for a reporter. In the tenth paragraph, Mr. Boyd informs us of the injustice of Campbell Hall's lack of representation in the DC. He points out that Campbell has no delegates. This is half true: the two regular delegates are missing, but Mr. Brintle, the alternate, has been doing his best to attend the meetings and help Campbell to have representation. He also states that the dorm is doing nothing to remedy the fact that they have no regular delegates. This is totally untrue. At the polity meeting last week, which Mr. Boyd attended, Ms. Leslie Smith, Polity Attorney and resident of Campbell Hall, stated that elections were already scheduled for dorm delegates.

The second contribution which I'd like to mention is Mr. Boyd's coverage of the DC meeting, which I mentioned in the previous paragraph. In the third paragraph of his article, he seems to imply that Mr. DeMartini had chosen Mr. Martin Miller as a possible nominee for Polity Justice, not because he felt Mr. Miller would fill this job well, but rather as an attempt at dirty politics, so that Mr. Miller would be forced to withdraw from the Presidential race in order to accept. I was also at this meeting, and the only impression I got from Mr. DeMartini was that he had made a mistake and was embarrassed about this mistake. One of us, either Mr. Boyd or myself, is mistaken about what happened. I have talked to others who were there and they seem to be in agreement with me.

If I have wronged Mr. Boyd in this letter, I am sorry. If, rather, my allegations are true, that Mr. Boyd, either knowingly or unknowingly misrepresented the facts, then I'd like to pose a counter question. This is, "Why Scott Boyd as Reporter?"

Sincerely yours, Stuart Kaufman

Mr Kaufman;

Thank-you for your letter. Reasonable criticism is appreciated. We don't know what kind of job we are doing without feed-back. We are all new at this business. It is only with experience and feed-back that we able to improve.

Obviously because of the nature of our community a regular news reporter is not needed. But what kind of reporter is? We are learning. I hope you will allow us that.

As to your question, "Why Scott Boyd as Reporter?" The answer is simple - because he wants to learn. If you wish to learn we welcome you to our staff.

Rick Campbell

Dear Editor,

This letter is submitted in regard to the campaign leaflets distributed on March 4th by certain friends of Troy Hongsermeier. These leaflets contain the allegation that Dan Van Doren, his opponent for the office of Polity Secretary, desires the office primarily for the purposes of his own "political advancement". Mr. Hongsermeier, on the other hand, "seeks no gold stars; he wants only to serve the needs of the students". The leaflet concludes with the statement that "Troy will serve the students' needs...in a manner befitting the Council's dignity."

If Mr. Hongsermeier really is sincerely concerned about the dignity of the Council, he could show it by conducting his campaign accordingly, and show his opponent the same respect that his opponent shows him. I wonder if Mr. Hongsermeier even bothered to check the truth of his friends' statements? Or is he simply going by empty hearsay? Obviously he must be, for is there any conceivable way to affirm or deny the "truth" of such subjective considerations, except by hearsay? What Mr. Hongsermeier and his friends have failed to understand is that what is at issue in a political campaign is not the personal character of the candidates but the credentials they have for performing the job they seek. As for the allegations themselves, the terms "political advancement" and "gold stars" are conveniently damning without really explaining anything in detail. They are vague, empty rhetorical terms which have the intended effect of precipitating a rash judgement by the voter, whose intelligence is insulted thereby. Thus, Mr. Hongsermeier's campaign leaflet amounts to nothing more than an unsubstantiated personal attack on his opponent. On top of that, distribution of the leaflets did not occur until at least noontime on election day, thus allowing his opponent no time to make any sort of reply. Plainly, this tactic is cowardly and unfair.

If these leaflets were distributed with Mr. Hongsermeier's knowledge and approval, he owes an apology to Mr. Van Doren and the voters of St. John's; if he is not responsible in any way for them, he ought to save his reputation and good name by publicly repudiating the actions of a few moronic buffoons who want to make a joke of the Polity Elections.

Sincerely,

Chip Melli

on finding an overseas summer job after arriving. Emi Geiger who has had various overseas jobs from child care to hotel work, recommends looking for work at resort areas. Emi has this to say about her job last summer:

In March of last year, I decided to learn German. German is a beautiful language, one of the four major European tongues, and useful for business, travel, science, mathematics, philosophy and intrigue. Thus resolved, I wrote to friends and businesses all over Germany in search of summer employment. A friend found me a position in the Black Forest as an apprentice in one of Germany's best-known hotels. I had a wonderful summer (although I earned very little money), learned much German, became familiar with the hotel business, and succumbed to the enchantment of the Forest.

Hotels and resorts are fine employers of students and part-year labor. Any seasonal industry provides positions during a few months of the year for students and travelers. Some of these jobs are legal, taxed, insured, and declared; some are not. In Germany, no jobs are available to illegal aliens. I was fortunate last summer: much of the paperwork my employment entailed was done for me before my arrival. I still had a few taxes and medical record bills to pay, but had no great problem with the bureaucracy.

The jobs available usually pay small wages. It is possible to break even, but don't count on it. Even if you do find work, you must start out with enough money to pay for travel and living expenses until your first paycheck. Because of the expense, plans for overseas adventures must begin far in advance.

Bruce does not necessarily advise traveling with the help of an organization. His own practice is to use the information he has to find out what is going on and make arrangements without going through middlemen in the United States. By doing this he saves some money and is not bound by the time requirements that many organizations have. For example, Bruce read about the work of the Baptist Haiti Mission, made his own flight arrangements, and offered his services after arriving. He was then free to move on to any other project when he wanted to.

If you are interested in going overseas, examine the benefits it offers. You may be paying a high price for services that you could do yourself. Organizations usually arrange for travel and visas, inform you of necessary health precautions, and sometimes offer instruction in the language and culture of the country; if you are going abroad for the first time, you may appreciate this help. Some people have complained that when they traveled with an organization, they met more Americans than natives. Others were glad of the ready companionship. Bruce usually advises only novices and people under 14 to travel with the help of an organization.

If you are interested in working on a development project, first try to find out how effective it is. Bruce gave me a list rating organizations according to their effectiveness:

Small church missions, such as the Baptist Haiti Mission, are generally most effective.

Large church efforts, such as those of the World Council of Churches.

Secular non-government programs, such as CARE, government programs, such as AID.

Last, international efforts, such as UN programs.

The larger the sponsor is, the more energy and money goes into bureaucracy. Rapport with native people varies with the country and the organization.

Whether you pay a middleman or make your own arrangements, you should prepare extensively. Begin learning the language at home. Find out about the country, its geography, government, and economy. Be prepared for health hazards and carry enough money for a quick flight home in case you run into problems. Especially if it is your first time abroad, abandon ideas of going to the world's hot spots.

Other tips: Third world countries may not be your best first experience. Embassies are a good source of information, although Bruce warns that they give out a lot of propaganda. The World Bank publishes statistical updates on most countries. If you have your eye on a particular project, write to the organization and ask for names of people who have participated and can give you their opinions. There are many other ways to get information. Bruce can refer you to other students who have spent time abroad.

Bruce is happy to help seriously interested people but is wary of those who make plans with little chance of going through with them. He complains of people suffering from "Shangri-Laism" meaning the desire to escape problems by running off to unknown adventures. They may run into greater problems from lack of preparedness, and inconvenience others. These people are prone to change their minds too often. One day they want information about Ireland and the next day, about Tunisia, France, Peru or Antarctica. If you go to him, Bruce will question you closely: "Have you finished your essay? Why do you want to go to the Congo or Zaire?" Not all work abroad is volunteer, but if you are unwilling to do volunteer work, don't ask Bruce for help.

Bruce has helped several people have satisfying experiences abroad. Between Bruce, Mrs. Braun at the Placement Office, and the many students who have made good use of their summers, Johnnie have great resources for planning their own exotic adventures.

Announcements

Ladies and Gentlemen,

On Friday, March 21, between 11 a.m. and 12 noon the members of the Visiting Committee of the Board of Visitors and Governors will be in the King William Room to listen to anyone who would like to talk to them. If you would like to speak to them, please arrange a time with my secretary, Mrs. McGuire.

Sincerely yours,

Edward G Sparrow

Edward G. Sparrow
Dean

Members of the Freshman, Sophomore and Junior Classes

Ladies and Gentlemen,

The Registrar's Office is now composing the lists of students who will be registering as Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors next fall. The lists will be composed of students who have confirmed their intention to return by depositing \$100 in the Treasurer's Office before April 7, except for January Freshmen, for whom the date will be in the middle of July. If you want to return next year, accordingly, please make the appropriate arrangements with the Treasurer before April 7.

The Treasurer will refund the deposit in case of withdrawal due to ill health, academic dismissal, or failure to enable. It will not be carried over in case you decide not to enroll next year but to return the year after.

Sincerely yours,

Nancy Winters, Registrar

ECONOMIC EXCHANGE

Gary Seitz is looking for a person to babysit in exchange for room and board. He needs help and seems flexible. Give him a call at 263-0264.

CASE CLOSED

I am happy to report that my camera has been found, intact and undamaged, by one of the campus guards. It was in the tutors' common room. Whoever left it there, thank you.

Jim Sorrentino





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ANNOUNCEMENT OF PRIZES 1979-1980

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| 1. | To the member of the Senior Class who writes the best* senior essay | \$75 |
| 2. | To the member of the Junior Class who writes the best* annual essay | \$75 |
| 3. | To the member of the Sophomore Class who writes the best* annual essay | \$75 |
| 4. | To the member of the Freshman Class who writes the best* annual essay | \$75 |
| 5. | To the student who submits the best* English translation of either | |
| | (a) the appended Greek text** | \$75 |
| | (b) the appended French poem** | \$75 |
| 6. | To the students who submit the best* original English poem, 14-70 lines long, in rhymed or unrhymed iambic pentameter (this includes the following verse forms: sonnet, sonnet sequence, sestina, terza rima, rima sesta, rima ottava, spenserian stanza, quatrain, heroic couplet, blank verse) | |
| | | 1st Prize \$75 |
| | | 2nd Prize \$35 |
| 7. | To the member of the Freshman or Sophomore Class who submits the most elegant solution to the appended mathematical problem** | \$75 |
| 8. | To the member of the Junior or Senior Class who submits the most elegant solution of the appended mathematical problem** | \$75 |
| 9. | To the student who submits the best* brief comment on a piece of music | \$75 |
| 10. | To the student who submits the best* original musical composition | \$75 |

All entries under categories #5-10 should be given to one of the members of the Prize Committee on or before Monday, May 5, 1980.

Members of the Prize Committee: Mr. Kutler, Chairman, Mr. Bolotin, Miss Brann, Mrs. Renaut, Mr. Zeiderman.

* Prizeworthy entries are not only the best of those submitted but also those which show genuine excellence in their own right. If the latter is lacking among the entries in a category, no prize may be awarded for that category.

** The text is also available in the Dean's Office.

MEN'S by Bryce Jacobsen

BASKETBALL

Feb. 25...Guardians-86, Greenwaves-57

The Guardian B's demolished the Waves by 32-4! Otherwise, this game was just about all even. Messrs. Smith and Duvoisin finished their collegiate competition in a blaze of glory, scoring 27 points in all.

Feb. 27...Druids-84, Spartans-58

The Druids kept building their lead...slowly at first, but rapidly, as the game wore on. The Spartans did well enough at first, but could never get back into the game thereafter.

These two final games of the season left the Druids and Guardians tied for second, with the Spartans next, and the Waves last.

FINAL LEAGUE STANDINGS

Volleyball	Won	Lost	Pts.	Basketball	Won	Lost	Pts.
Guardians	7	1	22	Hustlers	6	2	20
Hustlers	4	4	16	Druids	5	3	18
Druids	4	4	16	Guardians	5	3	18
Spartans	4	4	16	Spartans	3	5	15
Greenwaves	1	7	10	Greenwaves	1	7	10

CORRECTIONS: The final scores of the above games were actually 84-59, Guardians over the Waves...and 88-58, Druids over the Spartans. A close study of the scorebook reveals this. Seems like we have been plagued with these scorebook inconsistencies this year. Well over half of our games did not "prove out". Luckily for us all, the few close games that we had checked out alright.

We certainly could use a competent scorekeeper next year. We will pay such a person! Anybody interested?

FREE THROW TOURNAMENT: The Guardians won by a large margin over the Hustlers, with the Druids a close third, followed by the Spartans and Waves.

TWO-ON-TWO TOURNAMENT: The Spartans won easily, taking all four matches. The Druids, Guardians and Waves were all two and two. The Hustlers were last, losing all four matches.

This has got to be a surprize, of sorts. After all, the Hustlers won the league title, whereas the Spartans were fourth, and also fourth in the Free Throw contest! Captain Giordano must have arranged his pairings with remarkable cleverness and perspicacity, in order that three A-teamers (Giordano, Ney, and Spector) and five B-teamers (Blyler, Henry, Hill, Halsted and Joachim) should have gone undefeated. How about that!

AFTER SPRING VACATION:

Softball, for the men, will start on Wednesday, March 19...weather permitting. It will be:

4:00 Spartans-Greenwaves

REMEMBER...bring your softball glove back with you, when you return from spring vacation. We do not supply them!

NARKOTIC HAZE

we hold watch, because the night is long, and it keeps us awake. Didn't you say you long to be awake?"

"No, warrior, to dream. That is only why I am here."

"Waking dreams are best remembered, especially when they are created and performed."

The youth said no more, and watched me sing awhile. The warrior picked up the notebook and said:

WOMEN'S by Beth Gordon

VOLLEYBALL

26 Feb. Nymphs-3, Maenads-1

After fluctuating between losing and winning, the Nymphs came back to win this one in four games. "Pneumatic" Jago was back, too.

Pneumonia doesn't appear to have affected her legs; they were just as amusing in this game as they always have been.

Miss Schanche, D., won the first game for the Nymphs, striking fear in the Maenads with her awesome serve.

The Maenads won the second game 15-6 with the help of Misses Polk, Dornich, Craven and others. However, they lost their effectiveness, and lost to the Nymphs in the final two games 15-6, 15-6.

29 Feb. Amazons-3, Furies-2

"Bullet" Parks came through in this one to get a few of her rocket serves over the net. Miss Simonson, as usual, was one strong server for the Amazons, with Misses Buck and Cobb backing her up with consistently good serving.

Miss Collingwood and Miss Coffee tried their best, winning the third and fourth game, with Furies Alers and Sowa getting a few of their serves in.

The last game was close, each team having a chance to win. Point for point, each team was tenacious in their fight for the final game. In the end, though, it was the Amazons, 16-14.

SOFTBALL NEXT!!STANDINGS

	W	L	P
Amazons	7	2	23
Nymphs	5	4	19
Furies	3	5	14
Maenads	2	6	12

"What's this, a book with one page?"

"My book, but the only page I cared to keep was not mine."

"Can you read it for me?"

"If you wish.- You will think me foolish, no doubt. It says: 'Don't be sad, for you must leave me, I want you to fare well. Remember that I wait for you, but do not return until you are happy.' Can you guess who wrote it?"

"A young girl's hand-writing, no doubt." The warrior stood up and stretched, and took up his staff. "You have reminded me of her to whom I make this pilgrimage...but who shall I tell her I've met here?"

"I have no name worth repeating, but take this," the youth took out a cube of glass and handed it to the warrior. "I have good friends on the road ahead who know me by it. And your name, kind sir?"

The warrior held the cube, bemused, and said: "You should do exactly as the young lady advised - it's too bad she has to tell you. My name? You might have heard of me...Tristan...? Fare well!"

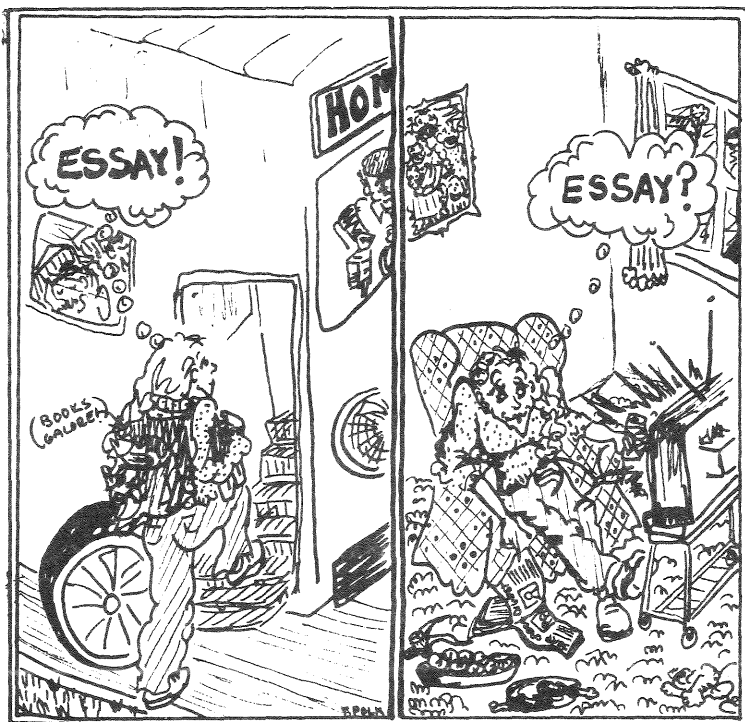
The youth watched, smiling, till he disappeared over the crest.

Reality News

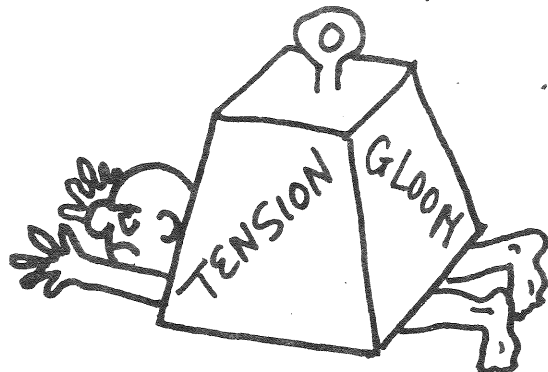
Halfway through Spring Vacation when you begin to realize that you're not working on your essay and the usual diversions, like the refrigerator and television are growing old try something else. Write a skit, or a musical, or make a movie. The Reality Variety Show needs contributions. The sooner you start the better they'll be. Also, we need designs for the Reality T-shirt.

James Preston, Doug Twigg and Jim Brunner are the Saturday night directors. When you know what you want to do - tell them. We'll help you with props, lights, costumes - whatever you need.

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