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FRIDAY, MARCH 12, 1976

Student Government Elections Set

by Bob McCarty

Dates for the Student Government elections have been announced. Elections will be held for President and Vice-President on Friday, March 19. However, if more than two candidates seek election to an office, the March 19 election will be a primary election, with the general election to be held on March 26. The Student Government elections are an important forum in which the students have the opportunity to make known their views concerning much of Rose-Hulman's policy. In order to enable students to know where each can-

didate stands on various matters of school policy and the direction the candidates feel Student Government should head, the *Thorn* will allow all candidates to present their platforms for candidacy for student government and why they feel they should be elected. The Student Government is a crucial input to the decision-making process at Rose-Hulman. It is hoped that this exposure of the candidates will aid the students of Rose-Hulman in making an intelligent decision regarding Student Government.

Classes To Be Dismissed For Good Friday

by R. Ridgeway

In its February meeting the faculty voted to dismiss classes in observance of Good Friday, April 16. The proposal was submitted by the Quality of Education committee.

The issue arose last September when Junior Tom McGuire approached the Steering Committee to find out why the traditional day off before homecoming had not been granted. McGuire's concern was also expressed in the faculty's refusal to dismiss classes for Good Friday each year. Because action was not taken by the Steering Committee, Student Government President Jeff Shanks was requested to bring the issue up at the November joint student-faculty meeting.

It was agreed at that November meeting of the faculty and students that Shanks and Dr. John Logan would appoint four students to meet with the Quality of Education committee to reach

a consensus proposal to formally present to the faculty for a vote. This committee of students and faculty met in December and agreed on five guidelines for planning the academic calendar to submit to the faculty in January. One of the guidelines was actually a proposal to dismiss classes on Good Friday for this year.

In the January faculty meeting the Good Friday proposal as well as the other guidelines were discussed. It was decided that the Good Friday issue would be voted on at the February meeting.

Then in the February meeting the faculty passed the measure with the agreement that any professor who felt it was necessary for his or her class meeting to be rescheduled could do so. The other guidelines were referred back to the Quality of Education committee for more specific work.

TRYOUTS

Tryouts for the Rose-Hulman Drama Club's 1976 spring production, "The Good Doctor," a comedy by the playwright Neil Simon, will be held Tuesday, March 16, 1976, at 7:30 p.m. in the Rose-Hulman Auditorium. "The Good Doctor" was adapted and suggested from stories by Anton Chekhov.

In a scene of this play, a father takes his son to a house where he will be introduced to the mysteries of sex, only to relent at the last moment and leave the boy more perplexed than ever. The play also includes the classical tale of a man who offered to drown himself for three rubles and the story of a crafty seducer who goes to work on a wedded woman only to

realize the woman had been in command in the first place.

If you would like to participate in producing this play, come to the tryouts on Tuesday night, March 16. No experience necessary. The Drama Club will need at least ten men and six women to portray the finely drawn characters presented in the eleven scenes of droll and affectionate entertainment. And, if you know of any females interested in portraying one of the six women, please bring her out for the tryouts also.

"The Good Doctor" will be presented to the public on Friday night and Saturday afternoon of April 23 and 24, 1976. Jane Hazledine will be directing.

Rose Chapter Helps Sponsor Car Wash

Car washes for the Volunteers of America—Brandon House, community housing for the elderly and handicapped, will be held on Saturday, April 3, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at these two locations:

Bob Fischer's Standard
1701 Wabash Ave.

Ramada Marathon
2738 Dixie Bee Rd.

All proceeds will be donated to the Brandon House. This public service project is sponsored by Sigma Kappa Sorority and Triangle Fraternity.

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Col. Hayes is Reassigned

Col. Walter P. Hayes, professor of military science and commanding officer of the U.S. Army ROTC detachment which serves Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology, Indiana State University, and St. Mary-of-the-Woods College, has been reassigned as military and defense attaché to Saudi Arabia.

Col. Hayes, who had been assigned in Terre Haute since September, 1974, next week will begin a two to three-month assignment at the Foreign Service Institute in Washington, D.C., for briefing and a period of review of the Arabic language.

The engineer officer was chosen for the assignment on the basis of his performance in command assignments in Europe, Saudi Arabia and Vietnam and his fluency in Arabic.

A native of Beverly, Mass., and

a 1952 graduate of Colby College of Waterville, Me., Hayes entered the U.S. Army as an enlisted man upon his graduation from college. He subsequently was commissioned as an officer in the Corps of Engineers and since has served in Europe (1954-57), Korea (1960-61), Saudi Arabia (1967-68), and Vietnam (1971-72). His previous Saudi Arabia assignment was that of senior engineer adviser to the Army of Saudi Arabia.

Col. Hayes, who continued his education at LeHigh University (MBA, 1960) received his language training at the Defense Language Institute at Presidio of Monterey, Calif., in 1967.

Col. Hayes will be headquartered at the U.S. Embassy in Jidda, a seaport on the Red Sea. His earlier assignment was in the Saudi Arabia capital of Riyadh.

Looking Forward at Things to Do

Welcome back from Quarter Break!!

Tuesday, the 9th: IDC Film "Get to Know Your Rabbit," 8 p.m.

Friday, the 12th: Faculty Wives Square Dance, Hulman Union, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, the 14th: IDC Film, "Seven Faces of Dr. Lao," 8 p.m.; SAB Meeting, Mindgarden-Union, 6 p.m.

Monday, the 15th: IDC Meeting, Mindgarden-Union, 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, the 17th: SAB Convocation, the Alpha Omega Players in "Heroes and Hard Cases: A Bicentennial Comedy;" Basketball game: WVTS "Degenerates" vs. Rose-Hulman Math Profs, 7:30 p.m., field-house.

Friday, the 19th: Indoor track meet, Rose vs. Anderson, at home.

Saturday, the 20th: IDC Film, "What's Up Doc," 8 p.m.

Sunday, the 21st: SAB meeting, Mindgarden-Union, 6 p.m.

Monday, the 22nd, thru Wednesday, the 24th: SAB presents: Guy and Pip Gillette in Concert, evenings in the Mindgarden-Union.

Tuesday, the 23rd: Saga's Gourmet Dinner (Call Saga for details)

Thursday, the 25th: Indoor track meet vs. DePauw, home.

Friday, the 26th: Junior Class Dance, Hulman Union; IDC Film, "Catch 22," 8 p.m.

Saturday, the 27th: "Springtime in Indiana" Faculty Wives Dinner, 6 p.m., main dining room, Hulman Union.

Sunday, the 28th: SAB Meeting, Mindgarden-Union, 6 p.m.

Monday, the 29th: IDC Meeting, Mindgarden-Union, 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, the 30th: Outdoor Track vs. Wabash, Home; Baseball Doubleheader, Rose vs. DePauw, home.

Rose Receives \$GIFTS

Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology Friday received a \$25,000 gift from the Bell System in memory of the late Leroy A. Wilson, a 1926 Rose-Hulman alumnus who rose through the ranks of engineering and management to become the youngest president of the world's largest corporation.

Presentation of the gift to the school was made during the Winter meeting of the Board of Managers, Carl R. Wischmeyer, director of education for Bell Laboratories of Holmdel, N.J.; A.S. Berg, operations manager of the Long Lines Division headquartered at Indianapolis; and F.L. "Mike" Layden, general public relations supervisor for Indiana Bell, representing the operating companies of the Bell System, participated in the presentation.

Accepting the gift were Thomas W. Binford, Indianapolis, chairman of the Board of Managers, and Dr. John A. Logan, president of Rose-Hulman.

The Bell System, which includes 21 principal operating telephone subsidiaries serving

approximately 80 percent of the nation's telephones, Bell Laboratories, and Western Electric, is the third leading employer of Rose-Hulman graduates.

More than 90 Rose-Hulman graduates work for the Bell System, with concentrations in Long Lines, Bell Laboratories, Western Electric and Indiana and Illinois Bell.

Wilson joined A.T.&T. Company as a traffic student in Indianapolis upon his graduation in civil engineering. Moving rapidly through engineering ranks at Kokomo and Marion, he was transferred to New York where he became chief engineer in three divisions.

He moved into corporate management in the late 1930s and in 1944 was made vice president of A.T.&T. Two years later he became Financial Vice President, a position he held until 1948 when he was named president.

Wilson, who died in 1951, was a member of the Board of Managers of Rose-Hulman, and was active at the national level in Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity.

Student Speaks Out on Chem. Eng. Dept.

The following is an editorial submitted to the THORN before the quarter break. We submitted a copy of the editorial to Dr. Hite, and asked him for a reply. At the present time he has no response, but says that he doesn't feel the editorial is accurate. If you have an opinion, pro or con, let us know.

To the Editor of the Thorn:

As you know, registration for third term was just over, and this is a time eagerly expected by the senior class each year. This is because in most majors the third term senior year is a time of transition from the rigors of schoolwork to that of the real world. To accomplish this, most seniors through careful planning are able to take 12 credit hours the third term and still graduate.

My complaint is, this is not true in the Chemical Engineering Department, where the minimum load seems to be 18 hours, not 12 as required by the school. I say this because I saw the senior chemical engineering students being forced by their advisor, Doctor Sam Hite, to register for 18 hours or he would not approve their schedules and hence not register them. I could understand his concern if the hours were needed for graduation, or the students involved had a possibility of doing poorly in a class and needing to drop it. However, the case that particularly sticks in my mind is two members of Tau Beta Pi who through overloading previously needed only 14 hours the third term to graduate. By the school's definition they would be full-time students and not lose their scholarships, and would have enough work to keep busy, but Dr. Hite would not clear their schedules and told them to take another course. This action was totally unjustifiable since the credits were not needed to graduate and one does not become a member of Tau Beta Pi by doing poorly in classes, so the only reason I can see for his requiring the extra hours was to harass the students.

I didn't know the purpose of education was to bully and harass the students, but this seems to be Dr. Hite's method of teaching students. I feel this method is very ineffectual because it makes the students feel inferior and not try as hard to learn something.

This method also causes resentment against the teacher and causes the class to become a game to do the minimum amount of work possible and still get a good grade. Surprisingly Dr. Hite almost encourages a minimization of learning by assigning the same homework problems year after year and giving similar tests each year. This practice encourages the widespread use of fraternity files and other means of not doing the work required for a course. By doing this the material is not learned since the only way to learn something is to have it positively reinforced, which working problems accomplishes.

Furthermore, the Chemical Engineering Department is pervaded by a rigidity of thought which keeps the same texts for years on end without investigating newer, and in many cases better written, books. The reasons for this seem to be: the present texts have been used for many years and require little or no thought to teach the material; secondly, they all have the same type of cover and are impressive to view when on a book shelf; and thirdly, an apparent concern for how much money the students have to spend on books since these texts are slightly cheaper than the newer volumes. I, for one, would much rather spend a few dollars more to buy understandable, up-to-date textbooks and learn the material presented thoroughly, since so much is already being spent to attend Rose that the extra amount is negligible. As far as being convenient for the teacher, I was under the impression teaching was supposed to require some thought and planning in preparation of a lesson, not something presented by rote. Also, as far as having a set of books which look the same, this is the least of my worries, since I would much rather own books in which the material is presented in an understandable manner than something to look at on a bookshelf. A further claim to using these books year after year is they are the best available, which is truly fallacious, since upon many past occasions I have gone to the Rose library and discovered texts which are much better written and present the material in enough depth so an understanding may be gained of the subject. This is to be contrasted to the jumble of material the present books spew at the student, with no apparent organization in the material of the book.

A possible reason for all of this is perhaps the department is trying to mold each chemical engineer into an unthinking, non-original machine, instead of a concerned, up-to-date human engineer. I feel the world today needs engineers who are willing to try new solutions, feel the need of people and the environment rather than being uncaring, textbook engineers. The latter type is the mold chemical engineering students are being forced into and I think something needs to be done or Rose graduates will not be able to adapt to the situations in today's world.

Please withhold my name.

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Fourth Amendment For Dorm Rooms

(CPS) — Even though a Michigan court ruled last year that dorm rooms are constitutionally protected against arbitrary searches by university security officers, most students who live in dorms are still subject to searches by college officials armed with internal search warrants.

The legality of these university-issued search warrants has not been tested in the courts. But many schools are beginning to scrutinize more carefully their own search and seizure policies in light of the Michigan ruling which gave dorm rooms the same Fourth

HELMET HASSLE

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(CPS) — Several months ago, a band of angry bikers went tooling through Washington on their way to the U.S. Capitol. Although their D.C. visit lasted only a few hours, the issue that brought them — compulsory helmet laws — did not ride back out of town with them.

Instead, the cyclists' anti-helmet crusade found plenty of allies in Congress who are currently pushing bills to repeal federal helmet regs. For those involved, the controversy centers less on the question of fashionable motorcycle attire than on the issue of personal freedom vs. government intervention.

A mixed group of Honda owners, Hell's Angels, newspapers and congressmen have taken up the conservative line that Big Brother should mind his own business.

"The government has no business telling the individual when he can or cannot wear a helmet when only the individual's personal safety is involved," said Sen. Jesse Helms (R-N.C.) when he introduced his version of the no-helmet bill.

Argued an editorial in the Richmond News New Leader: "No government should succumb to the superficially seductive argument of paternalistic protectionists forever declaiming their commitment to safety. Taking care of one's self is the self's—not the government's concern."

The Department of Transportation is authorized to withdraw all federal highway funds and 10 percent of highway construction money if a state repeals its mandatory helmet law. This threat hangs over nearly every highway-conscious governor; only three states don't have mandatory helmet laws on the books.

Furthermore, the motorcyclists' "I-have-a-right-to-kill-myself" argument doesn't wash with helmet advocates: they are concerned with more losses than the cyclists' life or scalp.

A 1972 federal court decision in Massachusetts, which upheld the constitutionality of the state's helmet law, stated "While we agree with the plaintiff that the act's only realistic purpose is the prevention of head injuries incurred in motorcycle mishaps, we cannot agree that the consequences of such injuries are limited to the individual who sustains the injury."

The court decision went on to say that "from the moment of injury, society picks the person up off the highway; delivers him to the municipal hospital and municipal doctors; provides him with unemployment compensation if, after recovery, he cannot replace his lost job, and if the injury causes permanent disability, may assume the responsibility for his and his family's subsistence."

Amendment protections as an adult's "home, dwelling or lodging."

The Michigan case involved the entry and search of the dorm rooms of two students at Grand Valley State College. The searches were conducted without warrants and no consent had been given. During the searches, marijuana was found in the students' rooms and the university judiciary council suspended the two for one term.

Current search and seizure policy at most universities gives security officers or housing officials the right to enter a student's room without notice if there is "reasonable cause" or "just cause" to be suspicious that the room is being used for the purpose of violating university rules.

In some cases, search warrants are issued if another student, faculty member or staff member suspects that stolen property is in a student's dorm room. At LeHigh University in Pennsylvania, the person with the complaint must obtain a "dean's warrant" which gives them the right to enter and search a student's room and seize the stolen property if they find it.

The Delaware attorney general's office has begun an investigation into the search and seizure policies at the University of Delaware where dean's warrants are available when someone has "reasonable cause" to believe University rules have been broken. Attorney General Richard Wier said he thinks the dean's warrant is a "blanket warrant (which) may not comport with the Fourth Amendment."

Since violations of university rules which would require a search would also probably violate civil law, Wier said, a

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dean's search might constitute an in-appropriate enforcement of the law.

At the University of North Dakota, dorm resident assistants and head residents can go to the Personnel Dean for written permission to enter a student's room if they think a "serious violation of university or housing regulations is taking place within the room . . ."

The housing contract at Northeast Missouri State University specifies that University officials reserve the right "to enter a student's room when probably cause has been established." The director of safety and security at the Missouri school claimed that "discretion is used at all times when entering a student's room," but probable cause seems to be interpreted loosely.

An example of probable cause, according to the security officer, would be an unidentified telephone caller reporting a stolen television in a specific room. More generally, the university can enter a student's dorm room for the purpose of determining if the general "order and security" has been violated.

Some legal observers doubt the legality of the internal search warrants even though the Michigan court advised the plaintiff in the case to explore the possibility of using university warrants for searches. An associate professor of law at the University of North Dakota said he was "quite skeptical that the university could or should implement a system of internal authorization" based on the Michigan court's opinion. "The whole tenor of the opinion is against administrative officials serving in such a position," he said.

Notice Of Nondiscriminatory And Title IX Policy

Be it resolved that the Board of Managers of Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology reaffirms its long standing policy that it admits the students of any race to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at this institute and that this institute does not discriminate on the basis of race in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.

As required by federal statute, Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology hereby officially notifies all students, employees and prospective employees that it is committed to compliance with Title IX of the Federal Education Amendment of 1972 prohibiting sex discrimination in education.

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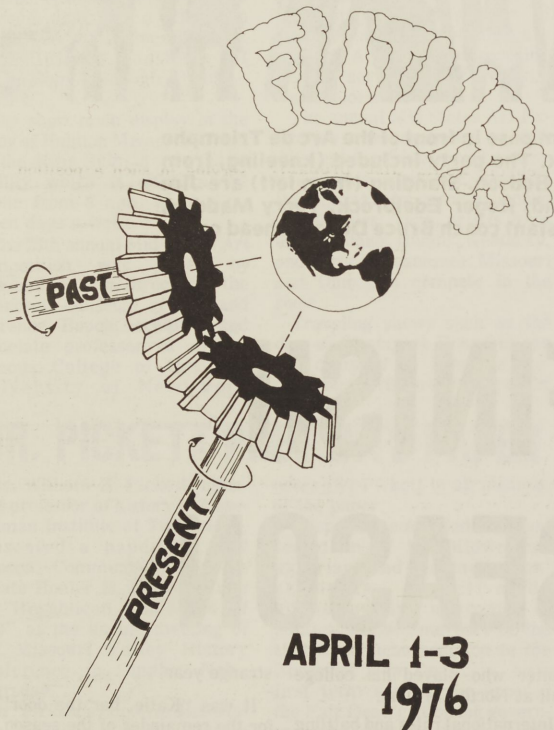
Unwary Rubes a Goldmine For Sharp Students

(CPS) — Students scrounging for that one, last tuition payment often opt for panhandling, but a recent University of Washington study advises going about it scientifically.

The study found that the most successful begging method was the submissive stoop-shouldered approach, with males approaching one or two females or a female approaching one or two males. A submissive, stoop-shouldered female hitting up one or two males who are eating proved to be especially rewarding, the study found. Families and male-female pairs should be avoided and begging is usually best in spring, according to the study.



Rose to Host Bicentennial Conference on American Technology



by grants and assistance from the Indiana Committee for the Humanities, Lilly Endowment, Inc., of Indianapolis, and the Poynter Center for the Public and American Institutions at Indiana University.

A thumbnail sketch of the program follows:

Thursday, April 1

Session I — American Technology: Where are We Going?

6:30 p.m. — Charlie Chaplin movie, "Modern Times."

8:00 p.m. — Address: "The Future of American Technology," Victor Ferkiss, Georgetown University.

Friday, April 2

Session II — Electric Power: A Good Invention With Social Costs

9:30 a.m. — Address: "California White Coal," Thomas Parke Hughes, University of Pennsylvania.

10:50 a.m. — Address: "Women and Technology in American Life," Ruth Schwartz Cowan, State University of New York.

Session III — Technology and the Future: Problems of Control

2:00 p.m. — Address: "Computers and Hope," Joseph Weizenbaum, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

3:45 p.m. — Address: "Public Funds and Private Technology," Paul Horwitz, Congressional Fellow, United States Senate.

5:00 p.m. — Films: "The Bottom of the Oil Barrel," and "The Other Way."

Session IV — Technology: A Force in History

8:00 p.m. — Address: "Technology the Liberator," Melvin Kranzberg, Georgia Institute of Technology.

9:30 p.m. — Films on technology and society.

Saturday, April 3

Session V — The Technologies of Water and Coal in the Wabash Valley: Regional Growth and Environmental Concern

9:00 a.m. — Introductory Remarks.

Address: "The Politics of River Basin Development," Henry Caulfield, Colorado State University.

10:15 a.m. — Address: "The Role of Existing Technology in Coal Production for Electric Power Generation," Richard Schmidt, Electric Power Research Institute.

Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology will be the site April 1-3 of "Technology at the Turning Point: A Conference on American Technology—Past, Present and Future."

The conference, which is the result of nearly a year of planning, has received the endorsement of the Indiana American Revolution Bicentennial Commission and is designed to promote a public forum on how technology has developed, where it is now, and where technology is expected to go in the future.

The conference will bring nine leading people with expertise in the areas of the history of technology, the future of technology, women and technology in American life, computers and society, energy, and public policy, etc., to the local campus.

Dr. William B. Pickett, assistant professor of history at Rose-Hulman and co-director of the conference, notes that the conference encourages participation by the public. The program for-

mat includes formal presentation of the topics by guest speakers, followed by question/answer periods on each topic presented.

Dr. Melvin Kranzberg, Callaway Professor of the History of Technology at Georgia Institute of Technology, and Dr. Victor Ferkiss, professor of government at Georgetown University and a widely-recognized authority on the future of technology, will be the principal speakers.

The first two days of the program will serve as an overview of the past, present and future of American technology, while Saturday's program will investigate local/regional priorities by addressing the topic, "The Technologies of Water and Coal in the Wabash Valley: Regional Growth and Environmental Concern."

In addition there will be displays of representative items depicting American technology, including tools, firearms, communications devices, and household appliances, etc.

The conference is being funded

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ENGINEERS AT ARC DE TRIOMPHE — Members of the basketball team pose in front of the Arc de Triomphe de l'Etoile in Paris during their trip to Europe over the Christmas break. The party included (kneeling, from left) Rick Wilson, Jeff Justus, Harvey Wallman, Jeff Kramer, and Mark Hodson. Standing (from left) are Jim Boerger, Randy Wingerter, Steve VanDyck, Dan Weber, Dave Sutherland, Roger Edelbrock, Terry Maddux, Greg Wehr, Mike Griggs, and Doug Weber. Not in picture are student assistant coach Bruce Dougan, head coach John Mutchner, and trainer Til Panaranto. (Photo by Mutchner)

ENGINEERS FINISH WITH 20-14 SEASON

"This has sure been a strange year," smiled Engineer basketball coach John Mutchner as he loosened a shower-soaked necktie and proceeded to peel off his shirt. "Where are my glasses and billfold?"

Rose-Hulman's basketball team had just wrapped up the 1975-76 season with a record-breaking eighth-straight victory. Forward Doug Weber, student coach Bruce Dougan, and manager/statistician Charlie Davis had lighted their "senior stogies" and the Engineers were celebrating a 20-14 season—a campaign marked by the excitement of a 17-day tour in Europe.

"They're a great bunch of kids," Mutchner continued. "You know, we were 2-8 at one point . . . and to end up finishing like this."

With four of five starters returning from last year's 14-10 ball club, things were looking up for the Engineers in the pre-season. Mutchner knew the team's trip to Europe would be a detracting force, but the injuries which were to put third-year floor general Mike Griggs out after the fifth game of the season and slow steady Dave Sutherland for more than half of the year could not have been anticipated.

The Engineers opened the season with a good game at Wheaton, bowing to the favored hosts 82-78 in the final minute of play. Returning home, they defeated Blackburn (68-60) and Illinois Tech (75-69) and lost to Trinity of Texas (78-69).

Then, with Sutherland out with a wrenched knee and Griggs sidelined for the season in the game at DePauw, the Engineers dropped close decisions at Greenville (79-70) and DePauw (77-73). Playing at home proved to be no distinct advantage in losses to Earlham (67-62) and Hanover (67-55) the week prior to the Christmas break and the Engineers' 17-day, 11,000-mile trip to Europe via New York City and Reykjavik, Iceland.

Much like the regular season and the CAC race which was to come, the Engineers got off to a slow start in Europe and then raced back to finish 6-3 overall abroad.

Lack of sleep (five to six hours of bed rest in a three-day period) spelled the difference against the Icelandic National Champions (98-86), but no amount of preparation could have helped at Bamberg, Germany, where the Engineers were beaten by 30 points.

Highlight of the trip was staying with Dutch families in Amsterdam and being the crowd favorites in winning the Ackrides Club International Basketball Tournament there. The Engineers won four of five 30-minute games in a span of 12 hours to take the title. In order, Rose-Hulman defeated Rotterdam Jugglers 87-39, Ackrides 66-54, lost to Gerard d'Lang (formerly the Fiat Stars) 77-56, beat Arke Stars 69-62, and then defeated Gerard d'Lang 59-57 to bring home a handsome trophy. For some reason the Engineers' 6-5 Steve VanDyck was a real crowd pleaser, pouring in over 100 points in the five games.

Thus it was Christmas in Amsterdam and the warmth of the Dutch families, Paris on New Year's Day, and a tour of London in between. The Engineers defeated the English national champion Embassy All-Stars 77-74 despite a 28-point performance by 6-11 former University of Kentucky star Steve Schmidt of New-castle, Indiana.

The final game in Luxembourg saw Rose-Hulman prevail over the Luxembourg Stars 87-73. Van Dyck canned 34 to offset the Stars' Kirby Thurston, a 6-10

center who played his college ball at North Carolina.

International rules and battling the big man were the Engineers' biggest challenges in Europe. The Engineers lost the game in Iceland as they were whistled a number of times for "yelling or gesturing" at the opposing player as he shot the ball (it works all the time in Shook Fieldhouse).

Learning to work against a 6-10, 240-pound center was a blessing in disguise as witnessed by the improved play of sophomore center Roger Edelbrock and others on the front line.

Rose-Hulman tuned up for the CAC schedule with a 96-66 win over MacMurray, then proceeded to lose home and home dates with conference foe Centre 68-64 and 75-65. The next weekend the Engineers made their biggest strides of the season, wining 86-84 in two overtimes at Sewanee and pushing back a good Southwestern at Memphis team 72-67 on the road.

They moved into a share of the conference lead by beating Principia (71-57), but faltered in the Principia Invitational, losing to Wabash 73-59 and MacMurray 81-69. Now you know why John Mutchner said it had been a

strange year.

It was "Katie, bar the door" for the remainder of the season. Winning eight straight games—five of them on the road—the Engineers wound up with the longest winning streak in modern basketball history at Rose. In order, the winning results were: at Blackburn, 79-58; Sewanee, 64-57; Southwestern, 75-60; at Principia, 67-58; at Illinois College, 68-57; at MacMurray, 60-52; at Wabash, 66-58; Concordia of St. Louis, 79-61.

The big difference was not in scoring punch, but overall team defense and rebounding and the return to full strength of Sutherland. In fact, in five of the last eight games, the Engineers had three starters with 10 or more rebounds per game.

VanDyck led all scorers with an 18-point average, followed by Sutherland at 16.4 points per game. Edelbrock and guard Jeff Justus were next with 8.4 and 7.5 averages respectively. The remaining 20 points per game were evenly divided among the six others who started at one time or another during the season.

A strange but satisfying year.