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## CAMPUS POT POURRI

### ASME LECTURE

Dan Hughes of Alcoa Corporation will present a lecture in B119 Monday, Feb. 11, at 4:00. The lecture will cover such topics as the beginning role of engineers in industry, the opportunities of engineers in industry, and the future of engineering.

### FRESHMAN REPRESENTATIVES ELECTION

The result of the freshman Student Congress elections held Tuesday, Jan. 19, 1974, are as follows: SPEED, Phil Mott and Randy Smith. BSB: Mike Norris and Jay Smith. OFF CAMPUS: John Jacobsen.

The Convocation originally scheduled for February 14, 1974, has been re-scheduled for February 21, 1974 (Thursday) in the Auditorium at 10:50 a.m.

The following special class schedule will be in effect for this Convo:

PERIOD	START	END
1	7:50	8:30
2	8:35	9:15
3	9:20	10:00
4	10:05	10:45
Convo	10:50	12:15
5	12:20	1:00
6	1:05	1:45
7	1:50	2:30
8	2:35	3:15
9	3:20	4:00
10	4:05	4:45

**STUDENT OPINION POLL OF FACULTY TEACHING WILL BE CONDUCTED DURING THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 11, 1974.**

## CIA TRIES BOOK BLOCK

(ZNS) — The Central Intelligence Agency is doing everything in its power to block the publication of a book on CIA operations.

The book in question is entitled "The CIA and the Cult of Intelligence," a work co-authored by former CIA staff member Victor Marchetti and an ex-State Department official, John Marks. For the past two years, the authors have been waging an unsuccessful legal battle to publish their work.

The court hassles began when Marchetti was ordered by a federal court, back in 1972, to submit the final manuscript to the CIA for approval—the first time in U.S. history that the government was given the power of "prior censorship." The court said that Marchetti was required to do this because he had signed a "secrecy agreement" with the CIA 19 years ago.

When Marchetti and Marks completed their book, they submitted it to the CIA as required but the agency immediately protested. Specifically, the CIA demanded that 225 portions of the book be deleted for "national security reasons."

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## Tryouts For Rainmaker

by Jane Hazledine

Tryouts for "The Rainmaker" will be held Tuesday, Feb. 12, in the Rose-Hulman Auditorium. With parts for six men and one woman, "The Rainmaker" will be the spring term production of the Drama Club to be presented for Parents' Weekend scheduled April 26 and 27.

Drama Club shows are open to all Rose men and girls from everywhere! No previous experience is necessary. If you are interested in any phase of the theatre, come to the tryout session, 7:30 p.m. We shall need willing backstage help to work with those lovelies from ISU and St. Mary's who always enjoy the informal crew and rehearsal sessions.

N. Richard Nash's comedy about a con man and a naive farm family caught in a paralyzing drought is a fun and appealing show. Be there.

## YOU MISSED IT

by L. Myers

That's right, fans, you missed it. Missed what, you say? Why, the first in the series of top quality films being presented by the Rose ROTC Brigade, of course! What that means, if you don't know, is that you may never again have the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to view these excellent films on the Army's role in space and under the sea, as well as the contribution of the Army Corps of Engineers to the quality of life in the United States and in the world.

Congratulations go out to you five who did attend in an effort to broaden your minds and your outlooks. You are personally invited to attend the next presentation along with the friend(s) of your choice. This next presentation will be at the same time, same place, on 13 February. We can assure you that these films on the USSR's armed forces and on the Middle East will meet or exceed the high calibre (pun intended) of the last presentation. For the rest of you, there is still ample opportunity to redeem yourselves of your absence.

Remember, opportunity knocks but once, but you need not knock! Just come to B-119 at 1900 hours (7:00 p.m.) on February 13, to seize this opportunity.

## School Partnership Program

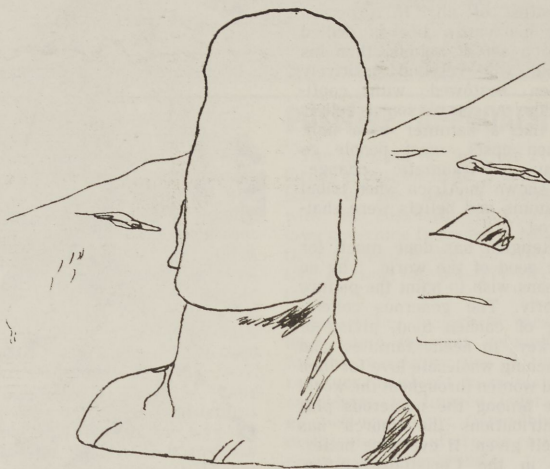
"What would you do with a thousand dollars?"

The answer to this question a decade ago by a man who headed a U.S. foreign-aid mission in the Near East was: "I'd build a school."

His answer led to Peace Corps School Partnership, a program which involves students in this country with students and communities overseas.

Since that time some 2,200 schools, civic organizations, and church groups have built more than 1,700 schools in 48 countries in Asia, Africa and Latin America. All of these countries are served by Peace Corps volunteers who are helping to identify community needs; whether it be a school, health clinic or village well, and writ-

## STONEY



"I just can't face it anymore."

## DR. LOGAN MEETS THE PRESS: A Thorn Interview

This week we present the conclusion of the Thorn interview with Dr. Logan. In this installment Dr. Logan discusses the Rose Philosophy, the college "money crunch" and inter-school cooperation.

Thorn: We are now seeing the culmination of a "Ten Year Plan" of development for Rose. In the next decade, do you foresee any changes in the "Rose Philosophy," or the directions that the Rose education will take?

Dr. Logan: Yes, I think that the centennial year is not a time to look back on the last hundred years, but to look forward to the next ten years. We are now engaged in the next ten year plan. This is going to mean, hopefully, additional facilities: I think perhaps we are going to need a fine arts building, an auditorium and perhaps a small chapel. We are going to be introducing new programs; there is active consideration being given to a special program in consulting engineering. There is an ad-hoc committee under Dr. Mason studying industrial marketing. I think that with our analytical background that we can provide a particularly significant kind of

program in this area. So there is consideration being given to new curricular developments. What we also want to do is to consolidate the physical facilities; of course as you know there will be a new golf course constructed immediately adjacent to our campus, and with this indoor swimming pool we hope that we will be particularly attractive to summer programs. The next ten year program is now under review, and I can't say definitely what the objectives are, but we intend to maintain the enrollment at 1050. We intend to maintain the faculty at the present size, and we intend to improve our physical facilities. We intend to expand into new areas, but with no basic change in the quality of the student body.

Thorn: Do you think we'll see more cooperation between Rose, St. Mary's and ISU? Perhaps exchanges of certain faculty members and/or students?

Dr. Logan: Yes, as I mentioned briefly beforehand, we had a meeting at DePauw between the presidents of Wabash, DePauw, myself, and various other representatives of these schools and Wabash and DePauw are now most interest-

ing School Partnership for help.

The village people must make a commitment to supply the necessary land, labor, teachers and 25 per cent of building costs, before their "project" can be assigned to an American fundraising partner. Once a school or organization receives a volunteer's written proposal, it agrees to send its contribution within 90 days. Usually a goal of \$1,000 is set which is sufficient for building a small but adequate school in most developing countries.

As the building is constructed, the American sponsor is kept informed of progress by the Peace Corps volunteer in the overseas community and sometimes scrapbooks and correspondence are exchanged between the American students and their new "partners."

"School Partnership helps build a foundation for human understanding," commented W. Lee Baihly, Director of the program.

"Both groups gain because both give and both receive."

In order to raise funds for their assigned projects, schools have dances, meatless lunch weeks (students have a week where no meat is served at lunch), poster sales, walks for development, car washes, bazaars, and record sales.

Within the past year schools have been built in such diverse regions as Lomaivita, Fiji; Vonleh, Liberia; San Antonio de Nugro, Ecuador; Berkum, Ghana; and Cundinamarca, Columbia. But hundreds of other villages in developing nations around the world are anxiously awaiting a partner. As a village chief in Huay Sala, Thailand, commented:

"For us it is too late. We are old people. But we have seen what civilization is and we want a school for our children so they can share in this civilization."

## Rose Riots

by Alex Jeyshune

On February 21st there will be a convocation that promises to be a riot—Rose Riots, that is. Yes, once again the students of Rose-Hulman have a chance to poke fun at those things they complain about 24 hours a day—the dorms, the faculty, the courses, etc. Any club, group, fraternity, or organization can participate. (There is a rumor that a quartet (?) has been formed by Ken Tench; what better chance for a premiere performance.) To participate, just contact Mike Sheehan (Box 385) or Charlie Ransdell (Box 420) or call either at 877-1577. Don't miss this chance to make your gripes known and have fun doing it.

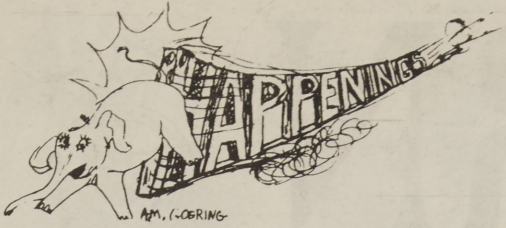
ed in cooperating with Rose Hulman, first in what might be called a program of faculty enrichment. Obviously both Wabash and DePauw are strong in the humanities and social studies: music, philosophy, and art, and we are having a second meeting here in February to decide how we can incorporate the three schools in a cooperative effort. We have a special relationship with ISU and St. Mary's; we're in a formal consortium with them. So there are a great many opportunities for enrichment, and this is one of the developments which is certainly very high on our list of priorities. In fact it has been mentioned, although this is just an idea which has been thrown out, that we might have a sort of university with DePauw and Wabash, with each school being a "college", and we would then incorporate a lot of our programs. This whole area offers untold potentials; we're talking about sharing libraries, sharing computers - a TV link between the schools and an exchange of professors. So there are a great number of possibilities here, and these will be explored at the meeting here at Rose and at a third meeting to be held on the Wabash campus. At the same time we're meeting with the Lily endowment to talk about cooperation between ISU and St. Mary's. I think that in terms of enrichment of curriculum this offers an important opportunity for Rose Hulman. We're in a particularly good situation because we have students who can meet the qualification in any of the schools.

Thorn: We've been hearing a lot about the so-called college "money crunch". There have been 30 or 40 small independent schools close in the last year or so. How is the financial situation at Rose; are we in any danger of closing?

Dr. Logan: As far as the money crunch is concerned, there definitely is one, and its affecting Indiana State, its affecting Southern Illinois, and its affecting the public schools as well as the independent schools. Independents have been hit harder perhaps, and a number of them have closed. Rose has a history of financial integrity which goes back one hundred years. We do insist on operating within the budget. We've operated in the black consistently, and the Hulman gift gives us a measure of security we're in a very favorable position. We have to be concerned about

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After attending my third midnight mass at the Catholic Student Center, I am almost convinced that religion is useless. Of course, what I am about to say is at the risk of being called an atheist, communist, degenerate . . . you know the rest. Maybe my unassuming background is to blame.

Religion has done much in the world. It has provided man a moral code to live by, a source for ultimate reference, and the promise for something more than this world offers. Which is great! White America can now tell the two billion starving, hapless souls in the world, "Don't worry about your miserable life. After you're dead, things will be better." Also, once a week (more or less), people who live very "un-Christian" lives can go to church, ask for "God's forgiveness," and go out with a cleansed mind and soul. What will they do next week? The same wrong acts, for they know all will be AOK next Sunday.

Of course, one must not forget that the basic reason for our slaughtering Indians across the U.S. was to "convert" them to Christian lives. And how many countries around the globe had native religions and customs destroyed because there did not exist a belief in one God? Naturally, we all remember these past bits of history. But what about the present and the future?

The basic reason why America is so non-communist, I believe, is because those Reds don't believe in God. Our nation believes in religious freedom. When it boils down to a single person, however, it is interpreted as freedom to believe in anything you want. AS LONG AS IT'S BELIEF IN SOMETHING. Non-belief is legally but not morally correct.

What has sparked this sudden questioning of religion? Maybe I think of religion too simply, I never memorized words. As I understand it, last Sunday was a big day on the Catholic calendar. Sometime around 2000 years ago a Saint performed a "healing miracle" (??) by somehow removing a fish bone from a boy's throat. So, at the end of the midnight mass, the priest gave his blessings to anyone who would come up

and receive them. Supposedly, if they had a sore throat or sore anything, by saying a few words and flashing his hands around, the priest was giving the ultimate in help to his recipient.

The will of the mind is the greatest of all! If a person for his entire life is drilled into a set of beliefs, then his mind will respond positively when bestowed with confidence. A set of sound beliefs is like a hammer to a nail. When upset, most people go thru a traumatic change; as shown in Africa when tribal customs and beliefs were shattered.

Religion has done much for the good of the world. I by no means wish to paint the picture poorly. The generous collecting of canned food, giving of turkeys to needy families, and teaching wholesale love for men and women throughout the world are among the numerous plus contributions the church has itself given. If everyone believed in the Christian religion, the U.S. would not spend \$85 billion dollars this year for war. The 120 million plus Christians would be ceaselessly marching in the streets, protesting.

Of course, what I have said above is not new. It has been said many times before (as have most items). A better world cannot be achieved by praying. Hope alone does not build highways and water systems. The will of God cannot educate the masses. I believe that only by direct application of one's talents can life improve. The lessons of religion stress peace, love and brotherhood. When will we have the guts to practice these teachings in our everyday lives?

**Problem Corner**

1. Take 15 straws of equal size and length, and arrange them so as to make 10 equilateral triangles whose sides have the same length. (P.S. No cutting off the straws.)

2. Phil has eight identical beakers and a very fine two-pan balance. Seven of these contain 100 grams of NaCl and one contains 105 grams of NaCl. Here's the rub. Phil has forgotten which beaker has the five extra grams. Time is running short! What is the shortest number of weighings in order for Phil to find the heavier beaker?

3. In the logic course, the Professor stated that during the following week, Monday through Friday inclusive, there would be a surprise examination in Logic. The exact day of the exam was to be kept from the students to keep them from cramming.

But the professor, hoping to stimulate thought, said: "If any student comes to me one morning, telling me that the exam would be given that day, and supplies me with a rational explanation leading to this conclusion, I shall cancel the exam, as it would no longer be a surprise."

Seeing a smile on Phil's face as he sat in the back row, the Prof. asked him why he was smiling.

Phil rose and said, "Because I can prove you don't intend to give an exam but wish us to study as if there were one."

How?

A young man had been led to believe that his young bride still possessed her gold mine; when asked how he liked his wedding night, he replied, "It didn't pan out, all I found was fool's gold."



**"MISS THORN" of the Month**



**BLOWN AWAY . . .**

by Ron Selby

Your friendly editor, blown away for these many weeks, has finally emerged from hibernation, full of fight and anxious to expound on the ills of the world and RHOT. First on the latter: Specifically the famous Centennial Celebration.

The CC, or more properly the Opening Convocation, has generally been criticized by the students who attended. The consensus opinion seems to be that the celebration is strictly for amusement of the people who have been long associated with Rose. At the same time, the "old folks" have noted, with a little disappointment, the lack of interest shown by the student body. This gulf, it seems to me, is not likely to get any smaller as the centennial year wears on, so the situation deserves a closer examination.

One is tempted to sum up the difference in viewpoint as an example of the "generation gap." I'm not sure if such a thing even exists, and I think that at best this is an inadequate explanation. It has been mentioned to me that students aren't here long enough to gain the proper amount of respect and admiration for Dear Old Rose. One might also be tempted to think that students are interested only in booze, dope and sex. It has been suggested that the "old folks" are simply indulging in a bit of nostalgia. I think there is a certain amount of truth in each of these statements.

Now that I've outlined the situation, what's the point? Only this: peaceful coexistence is possible. We could wish for a much closer relationship between students, faculty, and administration in this year of great "celebration," but there is no need to go for each other's throats.

On the national political scene: what can I say? Either you think like Mr. Sxyzfj, who wrote the letter to the editor on

page 3, in which case there isn't much hope for you, or you know the Prez is lying and/or crazy. He says he won't allow us to have a recession, or allow the oil companies to rip-off everyone, or hide anything concerning Watergate. Yes, America is safe in His hands.

You can do something—write to your congressman or representative. They are paying close attention to what their constituents are saying these days. Maybe we can still change things.

Thanks very much to J. Steven Axe for the "Blown Away" interpretation at the top of this column. For the uninitiated, some definitions of Blown Away:

1. An Alcal 2 lecture
2. A T-Mech problem
3. Pre-registration
4. Double pinocle
5. A Topology problem
6. Overnight Sensation
7. 30 cc's of sodium pentobarbital
8. A Signals and Systems test
9. Paddle Pool

The difference between amnesia and magnesia is that the guy with amnesia doesn't know where he's going.

**LOGAN Cond.**

this, we have to operate in a relatively spartan manner, like the whole nation is now facing. I think we're just one step ahead of the rest of the country. I'm very optimistic about the future - I think we're going to be here for a long time.

Thorn: Do you have general statements you would like to make at this time?

Dr. Logan: I feel that the centennial year is not a time to look back on our accomplishments, but rather to look forward to the future. The possibilities are limited only by the imagination of the faculty, administration and student body.

The good doctor had been an inspiration to the jungle natives. He taught them the religious and moral values of his own England and cured their sick. He was loved and respected by every native in the village, but on this particular afternoon the chief was obviously troubled as he entered the doctor's hut.

"You live among my people long time now," said the chief. "You tell us it's not right for man and girl to be close together before marriage and we believe what you say. This morning a white child was born to a woman in the village. You're the only white man in jungle. What will I tell my people?"

The doctor smiled and led the chief to the window. "My son," he said, "I won't attempt to give you a full scientific explanation for the phenomenon known as an albino. But look at the flock of sheep upon that hill. Every one is snow white except one. The white baby born to the woman in your village means nothing more or less than that one black sheep in the flock. It is simply one of nature's mysterious accidents."

The black chief became embarrassed and said, "OK, doc, you no tell I no tell."

"I'm discouraged", said the lovely secretary as she bent down to pick up the papers she had accidentally knocked off her boss' desk. "Everything I do seems to be wrong."

"Oh, really?" said the boss. "What are you doing tonight?"

The dean of women here at the university recently began a speech to the student body with these memorable words: "The president of the university and I have decided to stop petting on campus."

**To: Ed of Thorn**

FROM: John Mutchner

I am pleased to report that the grade point average for the basketball team for the fall quarter was 3.37. This was topped by Bill Ransbottom and Mike Griggs, each having a 3.88. Mike Kilpatrick followed with a 3.80.

The basketball team has almost always been well above the all-men's average, but I feel the grades for this particular quarter were outstanding.

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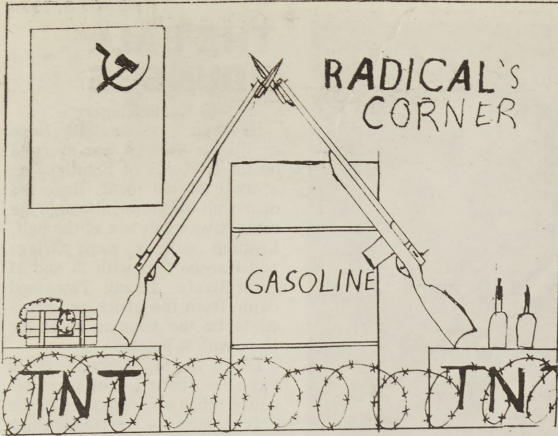
WHY, WHAT'S WRONG WITH THAT?



THEY'LL NEVER FIT INTO SOCIETY!







by P.M. and Smokin' Chico

The President gave his State of the Union address the other night. One famous line from it. "One year of watergate is enough." Does he know something we don't? He had 22,000 words to say. It is hard to imagine what was not said in all of that verbiage. Welfare is to be cut back. The question is where, what and when? And how about that Medical program? My back's been killing me for ages! What will it do for me?

Question: Isn't it a shame the military gets to ball only once a year?

Answer wanted: Who is the slack variable in the great tableau of life? The best answer gets a free simplex program thanks of DFO. Rose graffiti: I'll always remember Rose, the flat tire on the highway of life. Lottery time: Will Tricky Dicky get impeached? If so what will his vote be and how will the trial turn out? Winners get a free ticket to the proceedings.

A Prussian joke. What's the difference between Capitalists and Communists? Communists have no cars. Capitalists have no gasoline. You know I'm beginning to think they're right too. It's a bird, it's a plane, no it's what's his name! Opportunity knocks once a day they say. And if you're like me you'll never let it get away. Besides what's your win-lost record?

Question for every engineer: For what is success without satisfaction? What is lots of money if you hate your life? Let me off World, I think I'm dizzy. Epitaph: He liveth not for himself but for all. He dieth not in vain for all are better because of he. All I want is satisfaction, a job well done and mankind a little better off. If this I have done, I will have a died a happy man. Will you be able to say that?

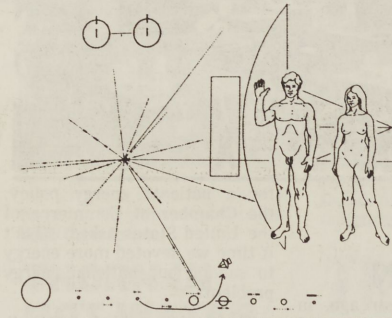
Three rules for unpredictability: Thou shalt not repeat, thou shalt not paternize and thou shalt not be impulsive. How's that for randomness. I never lie, people just misinterpret me. A gravedigger has no cares in the world except the freedom from digging his own grave. Can't say we don't envy him. Laying down on the job is a prerequisite for some types of employment.

To be committed is a mind shattering experience. Play-boy's introduction: What's off?

Dedicated to RMIHS and RMIHSMS: An atheist is one who has kicked the habit. Too much grass is a pain in the ass. So watch out you innocent guys out there. The abortionist rule of thumb: any smaller and out it goes. Thanks to Family planning unit.

Our apologies for not putting on paper the interesting news that is happening around campus. We wanted to but the editor said an empty page just doesn't sell. So you have to bear with us until something happens (anything please, it is getting ridiculous). For you moonshiners: grin and bear it. In the meantime if there is any important news ship it to box 513 to Smokin' Chico. We're eager to hear about it so let's go boys.

For you math majors out there: Thirteen plus thirteen equals too much bad luck. Sorry about the puns old man but it is in my nature. A new course



PIONEER 10 PLAQUE

A replica of an engraving carried on Pioneer 10 on its trajectory to escape the solar system. The design is to show inhabitants of another star system, who might intercept it, where Pioneer was launched, from where and by what kind of beings.

that ought to be offered at Rose-Numerosexology. A fundamental theorem: One plus one equals three if you aren't careful. I'm

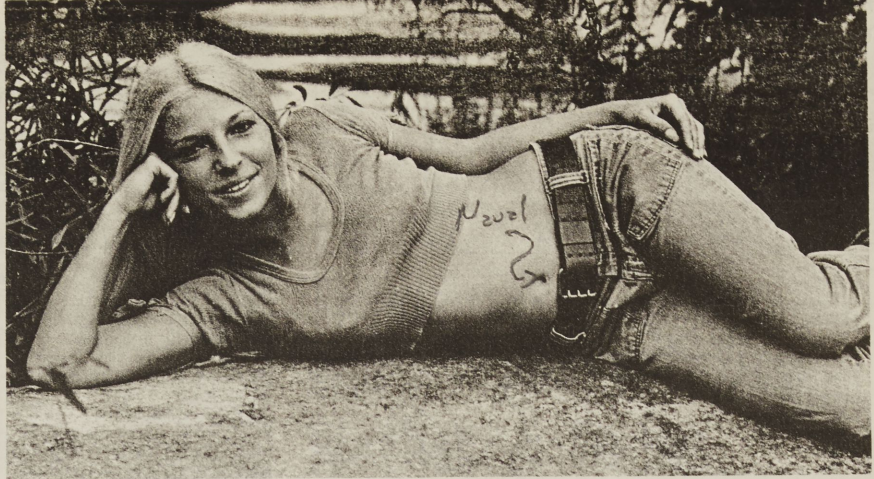
### IEEE CORNER

by R. F. Bolt

The winner of the "Design-A-Hood" contest is Steve Kowalski. His entry is constructed from computer cards and glue, and is fully portable. Details of its construction will be released later, when space in this column permits.

Judges for the contest were Dr. H. J. Winton, Dr. C. C. Rogers, and Professor J. H. Derry. The Rose Student Branch of the I.E.E.E. is indeed grateful for their cooperation in this contest.

If anyone else should have an idea for a field trip or program, contact Roger Tews, campus box 922.



an undercover agent. . . especially with the female sex.

Vagrancy: no visible means of support which often leads to the visible becoming the means of support. Females have something most men want but they put a stiff price on it (the puns get worse so stick with us). Be kind to people but don't expect them to be kind with you. In the old country they have a saying: What good man isn't a dirty old man?

Most girls tend to hang around with their busomless buddies (take that any way you want to. Most take it any way they can.) Lockjaw: a disease most women are immune from. The only reason I'm not in jail for perjury is because I'm such a damn good liar. If you believe that then you'll believe anything. Richard Envy was a good friend of Freud's.

### POSITIVE APPROACH TO ELECTION REFORM

The question of "election reform" promises to be a major issue in the months ahead, with the possibility that new laws governing financing of political campaigns may be effective in time for the 1974 elections.

Out of the Watergate mess have come insistent demands for the mandatory use of tax revenues doled out to political candidates to finance federal election campaigns. Ostensibly, evils and abuses of private campaign funding would end.

This drastic plan is traveling under the guise of "election reform."

Thanks to U.S. Sen. James B. Allen of Alabama and his recent filibuster, final action on such Treasury raids was put off until the current session of Congress. Americans now will have a choice between such new schemes and genuine reform.

In the forefront of efforts to strengthen present laws in order to eliminate abuses such as revealed by Watergate is the Chamber of Commerce of the United States. After careful study of numerous proposals, it favors these positive election reform actions:

- Limitations on private contributions to individual candidates, with identification of contributors. (It believes \$3,000 would be a "reasonable" limitation.)

- Limitations on expenditures by candidates.

Past President Johnson did terrible things, too, like having the IRS investigate people he didn't like, but the only difference was that Johnson told the best known commentators about his double dealing first and that makes it alright. So it seems the reporters are getting even because they weren't told first and that is the only fault Nixon has made.

S.A. Sxyzfj  
Indianapolis, Ind.

### Letter to us

Mr. Selby:

I was just handed a copy of your Nov. 6 (1973) issue of the "Rose Thorn."

I'm writing to give you a verbal kick in the ass. What makes you think you are qualified to say that President Nixon should resign? Since when do you think you know it all? No doubt you are a Democrat who still hasn't recovered because McGovern didn't win.

It's amazing how right it was when the Democrats bugged Goldwater and told lies about him. It was all right when Jack Anderson (Washington Post) told in detail how he hired people to break into a Senator's office and steal documents. It was all right when President Nixon was harrassed during his campaigning by a McGovern person. It was all right when year after year the Democrats in Northern Indiana cities like Gary bought votes, helped unions vote twice, and rigged every election for years. I'm sure with your double standard the above would be alright because it was done by liberal Democrats.

I hope for the country's sake they do not impeach President Nixon. But if they do, it will be because the news media has been night and day, after night and day for over 365 days, telling us that he is wrong. Even after this tremendous barrage of negative pressures, half the people do not want to see him impeached. I can remember when they tried to tell us that Goldwater was lower than a snake—what a change now.

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In opposing mandatory or compulsory public financing of political campaigns the business federation no doubt will be called "obstructionist" by some critics.

On the other hand, true reformers will recognize a genuine effort to eliminate abuses and weaknesses in the present law, rather than an attempt to exploit Watergate for political cash.

### Profit . . . Of Pub Servants

By the year 2000 there may be as many public servants in the United States as there are masters.

If you accept "public servant" as a euphemism for public employee, here is how a U.S. Chamber of Commerce economist arrives at the prediction:

In 1900, the government employed fewer than one million persons or approximately one person for every 26 employed in the private sector.

By 1972, the situation had changed drastically. Government employment has grown about five times as fast as private employment. There were only 5.1 persons on the average employed privately for every one civilian government employee.

If this trend continues, by the end of this century, for every worker in the private sector there will be one "public servant."

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# The Circle

A bunch of freaks were going across the country in a caravan of old VW buses.

Suddenly they were attacked by a band of savage outdoorsmen mounted on trailbikes and snowmobiles.

"Quick," shouted a freak. "Form a circle with your buses."

The freaks made a circle and dismounted as the outdoorsmen began to roar around the gathered wagons on their machines.

Inside the circle, the freaks began the work of their defense.

A group of gardeners got together and began to till the soil. Some of the carpenters went to work building a zendo.

Others began constructing a sauna and erecting a windmill to draw water from the ground.

As the garden matured, people harvested the food and be-

gan preparing an enormous feast. Meanwhile, outside the circle, the outdoorsmen were nearing exhaustion.

Some were so tired and thirsty they could hardly sit up on their machines.

"Hey, you guys," a freak shouted. "Why don't you take a break and come inside a while?"

The outdoorsmen were nervous and reluctant at first, but the prospect of some food and a nice sauna was so inviting they could not resist.

One by one the outdoorsmen went into the circle where they sweated themselves clean, and afterwards ate their fill of good organic corn and beans and carrots and peas and a marvelous dessert of berries.

As darkness fell, the freaks and all of them lived together ever after, which brings up two important questions:

1. Did they live together happily ever after?

2. Or was it more of the same old hassle, after the first few days of the usual group euphoria?

Readers who have possible answers to these questions, and ideas on how this story most likely ends, are invited to send them to:

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Two architech co-ops, neither very bright, were helping to build a house. One kept picking up nails, looking at them, keeping some and throwing the rest away.

"Why are you throwing away so many nails?" asked his companion.

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"You fool, those are for the other side of the house."

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## STILL A GOOD QUESTION

A little over a year ago, in an article discussing the need

for a national energy policy, the Chamber of Commerce of the United States asked: "Isn't it time we devoted more energy to solving our national energy problem?"

The article added: "Coordi-

nation and harmony are the keys to the development of a national energy policy, since the many facets of the energy problem are now treated in an uncoordinated and often conflicting manner.

"A national policy requires consolidation of energy-related functions of the Executive branch. At least nine of the 11 Cabinet departments are exercising varying degrees of regulation over the energy industries."

Except for a superagency with emergency powers to deal with the immediate shortages, not much has changed to coordinate long-range research and development of conventional and new energy resources. The Chamber of Commerce believes now also is the time to tackle the long-range problem. It still asks the same question: "Isn't it time we devoted more energy to solving our (long-range) energy problems?"



## CIA BOOK BLOCK

Authors Marchetti and Marks then came up with a compromise which was accepted by the court: they agreed to submit their book to independent experts who had been granted security clearances by the government. They said they would allow the experts to decide if the work was "too sensitive" for print.

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