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A SURVEY- THE RESULTS-PART 1

Since the latter part of January, it has been my privilege to serve as chairman of the Student Government Committee on Academic Honesty. Since then the committee consisting of four faculty members and five students has sought to define and evaluate the types and magnitude of campus cheating.

At the February meeting of the faculty, a preliminary report of the committee's recommendations was presented. Faculty response was mixed, but the general feeling was that more factual information was needed concerning cheating. The most important result of this preliminary report was a general awakening of the faculty to an old, but sometimes forgotten problem.

As a follow-up to the faculty request for more data on academic honesty, a student questionnaire was distributed to 534 upperclassmen. Also, as an afterthought, the same questionnaire was distributed to the faculty. The results of that survey were presented to the faculty at the May meeting this past Wednesday.

The committee feels that it has brought to light the seriousness of the problem at hand and hopes that some preventative measures will be generated by those who are concerned.

The work of this year's Academic Honesty Committee is finished, but the task of future committees on the same subject is just coming into focus. Pete Doenges, President-Elect of the Student Body, has pledged his full support of a continued campaign against the malignancy of cheating.

Rose men, the moment is here for you to search your conscience. Your attitudes toward academic honesty will be reflected by what you do or do not do in the future.

—JOHN R. ANDIS

COMMENT '68

*Personal Feelings Expressed by
Don Spatz*

Students throughout the United States are in a very slave-like position. Students and faculty have separate dining and bathroom facilities as though students were on a level much below the faculty. The learning process is reduced to an Auschwitz level in which students are told to take this course or that course, dress in a respectable fashion, set their margins at a special place, and write what the professors want to see written.

This educational discrimination can most easily be seen in classes in which teachers tell students what is true and what isn't. Some teachers insist that they encourage dissent, but they're usually kidding and most students know it, so the only thing to do is to tell the professor what he wants to hear so he doesn't fail you right out of the course.

So what's the cause of all this? Could it be the fear of the professors and the timidity of the students? Professors realize that they stand before students whose in-

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A SURVEY- THE RESULTS-PART 2

Question—Have you observed cheating at Rose?

Upperclassmen: yes 84.1 per cent; no, 15.8 per cent.

Faculty: yes, 71.8 per cent; no, 28.1 per cent.

A majority of the upperclassmen felt that 2-5 per cent of all students were "hard core" cheaters and 5-10 per cent were occasional cheaters. The faculty felt only 1-2 per cent were "hard core" cheaters but agreed to the 5-10 per cent figure for occasional cheaters.

The students felt that exposed

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Llewellyn Chosen As A.C.E. Fellow

Dr. Ralph A. Llewellyn, associate professor of Physics, has been chosen by the American Council on Education (A.C.E.) to be one of 34 American Council Fellows in Academic Administration. Dr. Llewellyn has been a member of the Rose faculty since 1961, and resides in Brazil, Indiana.

The A.C.E. program attempts to strengthen leadership among colleges by seeking out and training promising educators. The program is supported by a \$4.75 million Ford Foundation grant.

Dr. Llewellyn was chosen for an internship, and then, based on his academic achievement, overall qualifications, and the judgment of two interviewing teams, was selected to be an American Council Fellow.

Dr. Llewellyn, under this program, will continue research in academic administration, attend several seminars, and spend a year as an assistant to Dr. John A. Logan, President of Rose.

HERSHEY SAYS DRAFT CALLS WILL BE HIGHER

WASHINGTON (CPS)—Selective Service Director Lewis Hershey says that unless the Vietnam war ends draft calls will be much higher than estimated.

In secret Congressional testimony made public Monday, Hershey said the estimated draft call of 240,000 for Fiscal 1969 may be exceeded by as much as 100,000.

Hershey noted that in Fiscal 1968, actual draft calls far exceeded the estimates of the Defense Department, usually because recruiting efforts were not as effective as expected. The estimate for

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ions? Are they based on all the facts or just a few? To me the purpose of humanities seemed to be that of showing us how uninformed we really are.

Someone put in the Hulman Union a small statement about corrupt governments in the United States and South Vietnam. Someone else penciled in a statement about Vietnam being North Vietnam's revolution. Both statements show ignorance of facts. But one statement does give a few facts, but unfortunately not all the facts now how they relate to the problem.

Look at yourself and see whether you truly are informed before espousing opinions. I realize that this letter gives opinions, but they are not originally mine. The thoughts which I have so poorly tried to express came to me via Dr. William Young and Dr. Milton Ballenger. Both were humanities professors at Rose.

—EDWARD SHAW

EDITORIAL—

Now and then talk of an honor system on the Rose campus becomes a topic of discussion among various groups. Very recently the Student Government polled students and faculty members concerning cheating at Rose. Even more recently Blue Key has become interested in the subject. It should be known however that this topic is by no means new to Rose. A few years ago Tau Beta Pi ran a similar survey to that of the Student Government's and the discussion of an honor system stems back even further into Rose history. As you should know, no such system does exist to date here at Rose. This system of trust has

proven to be successful at various other campuses but I doubt if it is fool proof by any means, for it relies completely on the honor and trust of a student body. If we as a student body are ready to accept such a system I cannot help but wonder why the Elections Committee is requiring a student to prove his identifications in today's class officer elections and why professors are forced to throw out an exam because certain students find it necessary to cheat to pass. Are we responsible enough to be put on our honor, or is there perhaps anything we need to prove to the faculty and to ourselves first.

—THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

On many campuses there is such a thing as student power, where the students have a voice in the decisions that intimately affect them. While this new participation by students is encouraged, or at least tolerated, elsewhere, this liberal attitude by faculty members is not present at R.P.I. We have no student power and, in fact, we have almost no representation.

Recently, the educators at Rose
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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

Tuesday night (April 30) a freshman approached me as I was going to dinner. He asked me to sign a petition to ban mandatory ROTC from Rose. My ire was very great, but I then refrained from saying anything.

What gives a student or a group of students the right to change what or how an educational institution teaches, especially when the

student does not have to attend the institution?

If a student is attending an institution for educational intent and does not find the education he is seeking, then he is free to try elsewhere. If a student is attending an institution only for its well known name, then he should not complain any way.

Are most students well enough informed through previous education or experience to know the best path of education for a majority?

How well informed are our opin-

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COMMITTEE EXTENDS STUDENT LOAN FUNDS

(CPS)—The House Education and Labor Committee has approved an extending the Federal Government's student financial aid programs for two years, allowing Congress to review various recommendations and make possible changes in the programs.

The committee's approved bill contains such provisions as the rejection of a recommendation that the government pay banks \$35 for each student loan and raising of the interest rate on guaranteed private loans from six to seven per cent. This means the government will continue to pay 3 per cent of the interest rate after the student graduates, but the student will have to pay 4 per cent.

The Federal Government would

guarantee loans of state agencies by up to 80 per cent thus enabling them to provide more loans for students.

A student's earnings from the work-study program would qualify as matching funds for an Education Opportunity Grant.

Educational Opportunity Grant funds could be transferred to the work-study program.

Several congressmen suggested more direct federal loans to students would be less expensive to the government, however, such a program would require a substantial increase in appropriations which is not possible due to the Vietnam War. As of yet, the House committee has not completed action on the other provisions of the Higher Education Amendments of 1968 and no reports have been made public.

DERBY DRINKING

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—The decision by the Churchill Downs Board of Directors to no longer permit persons to bring alcoholic beverages onto the grounds has met with almost total public approval.

Wathen R. Knebelknap, president of Churchill Downs, reports that "almost to the person, I have heard nothing but favorable comments on the matter. People realized that we have a responsibility to live up to," he concluded.

The board voted last winter to ban bringing alcoholic beverages onto the grounds in an effort to cut down on rowdiness in the infield Derby Day.

The action was taken after track officials received complaints from the general public and state and local police agencies.

Derby Day is tomorrow, May 4.

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A SURVEY — THE RESULTS— PART II

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test answers accounted for the largest single type of cheating. The faculty, on the other hand, believe prearranged seating patterns and paper passing were the most common forms of cheating.

Students and faculty were in agreement on the likelihood of various disciplinary measures.

66.8 per cent of the upperclassmen felt the atmosphere at Rose encourages cheating while 55.0 per cent of the faculty agreed with these students.

72 per cent of both the students and faculty felt that each instructor should be allowed to handle cheating in his own way.

Finally, 7.5 per cent of the upperclassmen and 3.3 per cent of the faculty answered "no" to "are you opposed to cheating?"

HERSHEY SAYS DRAFT CALLS WILL BE HIGHER

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the current fiscal year, which ends June 30, was 285,000 men but Hershey estimates the final total will be 245,000.

Hershey also said that the original estimate was only 200,000 but that he persuaded the Defense Department to raise it.

The 240,000 draft call has been by the Defense Department to develop a set of figures showing that graduate schools will not be hurt badly by the end to graduate deferments which takes effect in June. Many graduate schools have been objecting to the Defense Department's figures, which showed that the low calls meant that not all of the reclassified students would be drafted.

WASHINGTON (CPS) — The Council of Graduate Schools in the U.S. has issued a statement that "there is in our judgment no justification for general deferment of teaching and research assistants."

The statement, submitted to Selective Service Director Lewis Hershey for use in formulating guidelines for local boards, also said that in some cases a graduate student's "services to the university are essential and in such cases deferments may be appropriate in individual instances."

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On April 24 the track team of the University of Evansville came to the Rose oval. Coach Isom was very determined to beat the Aces, but as the final score was tallied Rose was underneath 78 to 67. The Evansville team took both relays and swept all three places in the pole vault while Rose dominated all three spots in the discus. Although Evansville took 10 first places the Rose cindermen totaled 9 second places and 11 third places. Tom Johnson took top honors for Rose with firsts in the shot put, discus and the javelin while Roberts, Shutske, Patrick and Baker compiled other firsts.

On April 27 the Rose cindermen traveled to Franklin for a triangular with Anderson College. When the team arrived, it was learned that Oakland City College would also participate. Although two Rose men set new school records, the team finished third closely behind host Franklin as Oakland City led the group and Anderson brought up the rear. Greg Shutske, a freshman, set a new school record in the half-mile with a time of 1:56.4. Tom Johnson, a senior four year letterman, broke his own discus record with a throw of 147' 11½". Shutske also came from fourth place in the mile relay overcoming a 25-yd. deficit to take over second place at the finish.

Tomorrow the team will be traveling to Elsau, Illinois, where Principia will host the Prairie College Conference Track Meet. A new team will appear this year at the meet, Iowa Wesleyan College, as well as Illinois College, Blackburn, Greenville, Principia and Rose.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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decided that the students needed no representatives at faculty meetings, even in a non-voting capacity. The professors apparently wish to keep the proceedings of these meetings secret—seldom is there a report of the business at these general assemblies. A case in point is the ROTC question. It was by chance that the student body discovered that this subject was being discussed. We were certainly not asked for opinions.

It seems that, to further student-faculty relations (which I hope at least to most people is a worthwhile goal) we could be surveyed for our positions on such vital issues. There are many complaints of student apathy; this is because we have no voice in the decisions, no idea of the decisions being made. The government here is not OF the students, or BY the students, and we even wonder if it is FOR the students.

Respectfully submitted,
—TERRY CORBIN

COMMENT '68

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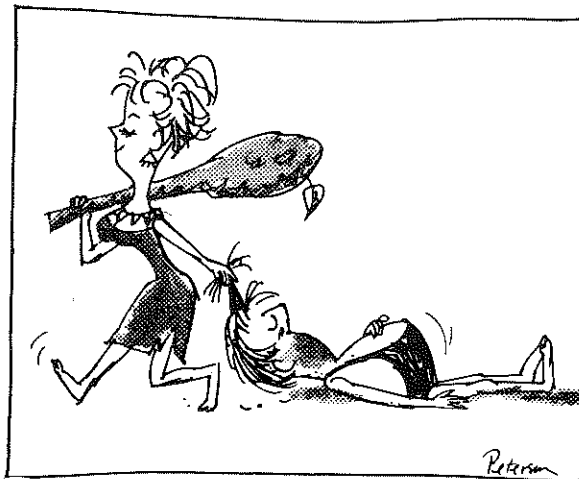
terests, values, and language are different from theirs. The easiest way for a teacher to gain personal prestige and protection from overt ridicule and scorn is to place himself on an absolute level of authority. Ideally a teacher should try to minimize the distance between himself and his students and free them to learn.

What is the result of this type of system? Very little education and lots of training in how to subordinate the student. Students aren't emancipated after 12 years in high school or even after 16 years; the same process goes on until there are very few survivors. How do students get out of this educational trauma? They make academic freedom bilateral and ask their teachers to thrive on attachment and admiration rather than fear and respect.

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ATO

With the arrival of good weather the men of Alpha Tau Omega once again resume their outdoor activities. This Saturday the brothers may be found downtown collecting for the Cancer Drive from 11:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. To supplement the social calendar an outdoor cook-out is planned for the near future.

Softball has gradually increased in momentum, and the teams are slowly beginning to register victories. We certainly hope these men continue their fine efforts and also their winning.

A long awaited congratulations is at last extended to Brother Tom Winegar, who has been lavaliered and to Brother Rolf P. Hill, who has become engaged.

TRIANGLE

Twenty-one actives and nine pledges of the colony attended the 18th annual Triangle Spring Weekend on April 20, which was hosted by the Northwestern Chapter in Evanston, Illinois. The action began Saturday morning with the basketball tournament. The Rose Triangle team got off to a good start by taking their first game from the Kansas State Chapter (their team didn't show up). In the second round, we were narrowly defeated by the Northwestern team 68-67. Northwestern furnished the referees. High scorers for the game were Gar Vana, Steve Hartpence and pledge John Laehy.

The day was climaxed by a dance at which the day's awards were made. The Marquette Chapter (composed of their varsity team) took the basketball trophy (again). The chug contest was

won by the Northwestern Chapter, with the Rose team making a good showing. The candidate from the South Dakota Chapter was named the Triangle National Sweetheart. After the evening's festivities, the Brothers adjourned to their favorite night spots throughout Chicagoland, including Rush Street, Old Town, and the Playboy Club.

In other news . . . Brothers John Snow and Harold Schroer are due for congratulations. Harold became engaged to Miss Sue Zehren and John to Miss Janet Dayton. Triangle softball is off to a mixed start with the highlight being the major league defeat of ATO, 9-7. The minor league team, although beleaguered with problems, may yet surprise us with a victory.

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by Roger Ward

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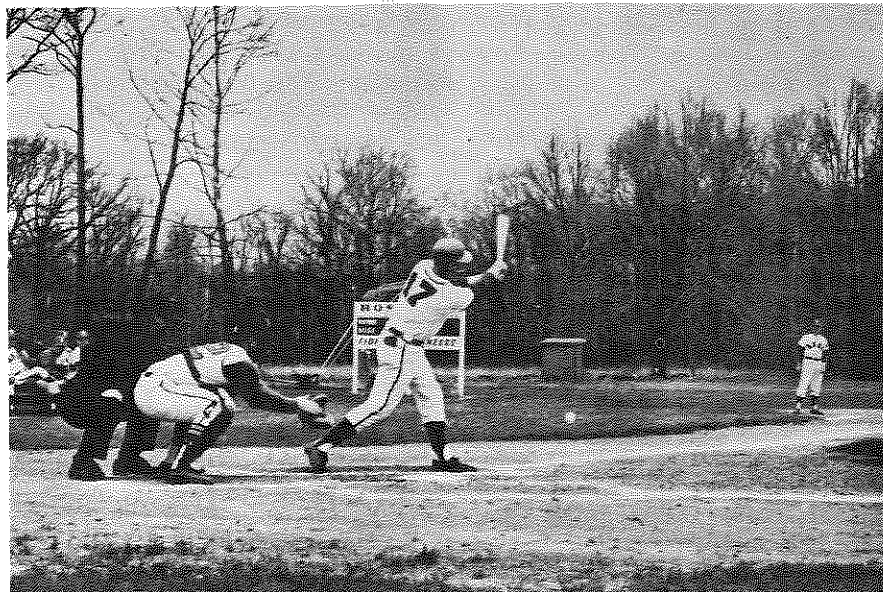
Leave it to our dynamic trainer Til to come up with something new. Wheaties may be the breakfast of champions, but Til's lunch of champions is baloney and cheese sandwiches. This was our between game snack that Til conjured up for the first time this season producing a result we have seldom experienced.

Yesterday we played Principia here and tomorrow Franklin College visits us for two games beginning at 1:00 P.M.

IM ACTION

The tempo of action has quickened in Intramural softball with the addition of 6:00 games to the schedule each evening. Major action through April 29 found Theta Xi and Lambda Chi Alpha heading the pack with 30 and 2-0 records respectively. ABCD No. 1, 3-0, holds the top spot in Minor League play followed by Theta Xi with a 2-0 mark.

Results of last week's Major action were: Triangle over the Faculty 22-14; Alpha Tau Omega edging ABCD 15-13; BSB downing Off Campus 10-7; ATO smashing the Faculty 16-2, and Theta Xi subduing Triangle 11-3.



Sluggier Doug Roof at bat in the Rose-Earlham game here at Rose.

Minor action found ATO No. 1 creased from about 7 and one-half million tons in 1946 to well over 26 million tons in 1966. Off Campus No. 1 belt SN No. 2 18-7; ABCD No. 2 massacred Triangle 21-2; Theta Xi blasted Lambda Chi Alpha No. 1 16-6, and ABCD No. 1 overcome ABCD No. 3 9-5.

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