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## Political Bug Bites 3 Members of RLC Staff

By RICK NANCE

It must be a disease, and could aptly be labelled the Kennedy Syndrome. Practically everyone gets it, but only a brave few ever do anything about it.

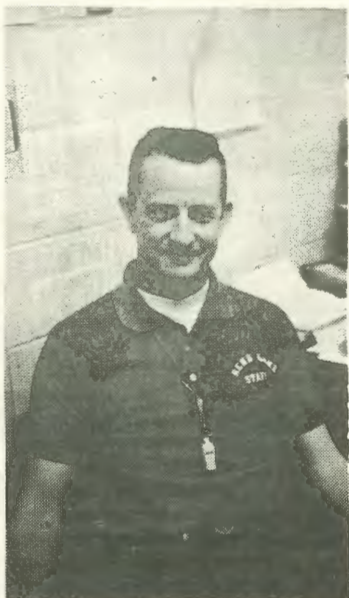
The disease? Politics. And the bug has bitten three RLC faculty members. With the spring school board elections just around the corner, Rend Lake College educators are putting their bid in for positions on the Mt. Vernon Township High School Board, the district 80 Grade School Board, and the Rome Consolidated Grade School Board.



Mr. MAX BRANDON

Throwing his hat into the ring for the District No. 80 Grade School Board is Max Brandon, instructor of Political Science at RLC. Mr. Bradon has taught for twelve years all told, six of which have been spent at Rend Lake. "Education is perhaps the only professional field where those professionals involved where at least some of them do not sit on their own governing board," said Mr. Bradon. "Education is a fast changing field, and board members need to be aware of the changing educational process. In order to get the best school systems and the best education for our children it only makes sense that some educators should serve on the board of education. As an educator, I feel a need to serve on the board. I feel that I could be of service to the entire community, and not to one group."

"It seems that everyone has the same question for me; Why are YOU running?" said Mr. Wayne Arnold, a candidate for the Mt. Vernon Township High School Board. Mr. Arnold, who is very well known by all those men in phs. ed., has taught at Rend Lake College for the past eight years. He was the coach at

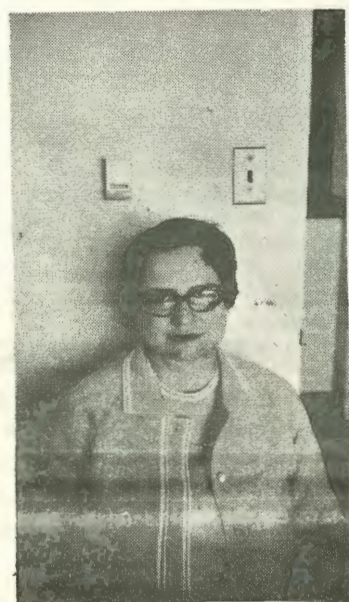


Mr. WAYNE ARNOLD

Dahlgren three years, and spent one year at the Mt. Vernon High School before joining the Warrior faculty. Mr. Arnold is a long time resident of Mt. Vernon, having lived there for the past fifteen years.

Wayne Arnold's main concern is one that can serve as an inspiring example to the rest of the Mt. Vernonites. He simply wants to get involved. He, like Mr. Brandon, feels that educators should have some say in the educational policies of the community, and that they can best serve the educational system of their town.

"I must say that I am good friends with the incumbents on



Dr. BARBARA LUCHSINGER

the Board, and that I am not running with the idea of replacing an incompetent member. I simply feel that it is a responsibility that I would like to accept, and that I feel a need to be involved with the educational

## "Spoon River" Fine Success

By KAREN BOOK

"Degenerate sons and daughters/Life is too strong for you —/It takes life to love Life," pronounces "Lucinda Matlock" in Edgar Lee Masters' Spoon River Anthology.

This cutting and other excerpts from Spoon River were presented in last Wednesday's convocation by Speech and Drama Club students.

The program was designed to dramatize the theme of the anthology in which the people of Spoon River tell the truth about themselves after their deaths. Only by combining all of the epitaphs spoken by the characters from their graveyard can the complete story be seen.

The personalities are supposedly from a small Illinois town, and through his poetry, Masters effectively captures the flavor of the small midwestern town.

The students participating in the convo included Kipp Proffrock, Diane Ferreira, Karen Book, Bob Hobbs, Paula Ferguson, Duane Yaeger, Jay DeWitt, Laurel Mannen, Greg Hassakis with Angie Garner and Don McKenzie providing the music.

The program was presented in Reader's Theatre form in which actors in an informal situation read and orally interpret varied forms of literature.

"We hope to do at least one more Reader's Theatre this spring using cuttings from various poems and plays," announced Miss Cheryl Merkens, speech instructor.

"Eventually we hope to present Reader's Theatre programs in the area high schools, and to also work up a Children's Theatre," she added.

Looking ahead to the future (more specifically — Friday and Saturday, April 16 and 17) the system in Mt. Vernon."

In the Northern sector of Jefferson County, Doctor Barbara Luchsinger is waging a campaign as the first woman ever to run for the Rome Consolidated School District Board of Education. She has taught at RLC for ten years, full and part time, and is a lifetime resident of Jefferson County. Many of the parents and taxpayers in the Rome district feel that they have no credible communication with the present board, and that Dr. Luchsinger could help form such a bridge of communication.

"I have several major ideas that are my platform, if you want to call it that," said Dr. Luchsinger. "I do not favor the unit district; I want to see a more expedient salary schedule, and would like very much to see an active and interested PTA started. But first and foremost, we need communication between the board and the people of the Rome area that they represent."

So far, only two people have



Rend Lake College Music and Drama departments will combine their talents to present "Mame," this year's spring musical.

Angie Garner, sophomore, will



star as "Mame," a flamboyant playgirl of the Roaring Twenties who inherits her recently or-

phan ten-year-old nephew "Patrick," played by Bob Bingham, sophomore. Rick Nance, sophomore, will portray Patrick grown into manhood.

Other principal characters include freshman Janet Raney as "Vera," Mame's actress friend; freshman Diane Ferreira as "Agnes Gooch," the frumpy nurse and secretary; sophomore Dan Ripplinger as "Mr. Babcock," the stuffy banker who is aghast at Mame's progressive plans for Patrick's education; and freshman Bob Hobbs as "Beauregard J. P. Burnside," Mame's suitor and later her husband.

Others, supporting roles include sophomore Nancy Dille as "Sally Cato," freshman Sheryl Guyton as "Mother Burnside," sophomore Kathleen Kenney as "Mrs. Upson," sophomore Greg Hall as "Mr. Upson," sophomore Sara Dykes as "Gloria Upson," and sophomore Sherry Wilson as "Peegen Ryan."

The musical comedy will be performed in the college gymnasium.

## "Big Band" Dance at Holiday

Want a bash before spring break? Your chance has been provided by the Rend Lake College Stage Band.

Wednesday evening, March 24th, from 8:30 until 11:30, the Stage Band will be playing a free dance at the Holiday Inn in Mt. Vernon. Made possible by a grant from the trust fund of Musician's Local 465 of the American Federation of Musi-

filed to run for the two available positions in Rome, but the filing date is not yet here.

As the elections loom on the horizon, students may find at least three of their instructors standing in the halls shaking hands and kissing any loose babes. However, it is nice to know that as Rend Lake College grows in campus involvement and concern, that at least three of the faculty have shown deep concern for the communities in which they live.

cians, the dance will be free to all.

"The purpose of the dance is to promote the Big Band sound," said Mr. Bill Hazelbauer, director and arranger for the stage band. "Our sets will appeal to all age groups. We will play swing style, old standards, rock charts, and current pop tunes."

The Stage Band, which placed second runner up in the annual Eastern Illinois Jazz Band Festival, is well known throughout Southern Illinois for its fine danceable style. Drawing ovations throughout its tour last spring, the Stage Band will again tour the area high schools later this spring.

Before the car gets loaded for Florida, and the clothes are packed away, take it upon yourself to enjoy a dance-free-at the Holiday Inn, with the Rend Lake College Stage Band.



Donna Smith and Bill Settle, new Senate representatives.

# Senate Noose

Movie

In the oasis at 8:00 Friday night.

"Wild In The Streets," featuring hoods, racketeers, naughty girls, and several assorted straights. Sponsored by the Senate. Admission free. Cheerleaders for the hoods not allowed.

What has been happening lately at the Student Senate meetings? Well two new members have gotten in on the Senate action. They are new representatives, Donna Smith and Bill Settle. The members have been discussing and planning topics of interest to students. The first movie "Inside Daisy Clover" was shown on March 5. The next film, "Wild in the Streets" is scheduled for Friday, March 19, at 8:00 P. M.

Concerning convocations, Warren Long, representing SOBU, mentioned the possibility of having a race relations man from SIU speak to the students. Also, there is the possibility of having a convocation presented by a musical group called the "Bible." The five members of the group include two singers from the Association, two from the Beach Boys, and one from the Fifth Dimension. The group will be playing in Evansville at the Faith Festival in April and RLC might get a chance to have them come here.

Bill Moore, President, brought up the possibility of "block bookings" to save money on convos. In the set-up, RLC would book a certain person (or group) in cooperation with several other organizations in our area. This performance with in a small radius should cut down on the performer's price. Right now, representatives from RLC are keeping in touch with Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows and Belleville Junior College as possible candidates to go along with them in the "block bookings."

Bill Moore also reported on the possibility of RLC sending

representatives to various high schools in the area to meet with the seniors to talk with them, answer questions, and gain recruits to RLC. In this way, more people could become aware of the possibilities and opportunities at our college.

Rend Lake College will also host a meeting on Sunday afternoon, April 18, in which any junior college can attend. There will be an informal discussion on any aspect of Junior College life.

Donna Smith will be the Student Senate representative to help plan Sophomore graduation.

The idea was brought up to have a separate Social Board students other than Senate mem-



Mrs. Ward received a plant as a "thank you" from the Senate for her efforts as the sponsor.

bers to take care of more of the social affairs at RLC, so that the Senate could spend more time on other things.

Finally, the Senate will now meet the first Thursday night of every month in addition to two weekly Wednesday meetings to discuss pressing topics and to work on a new Constitution.

# Letters to the Editor

Recently a letter stated that we students at RLC will be attending college on Memorial Day which is a legal holiday on May 31st. Upon checking with Mrs. Guyton, (a secretary in Dean Yate's office) and checking the college calendar, we discovered that students definitely will be coming to school that day.

Memorial Day is a national holiday set aside to honor those who gave their lives in foreign wars. Most stores, banks, and all state and national offices will be closed on May 31st to honor these men. Yet we must come to college; we, the ones who are

probably affected the most by the Vietnam War and its effects. We, the ones who all know of someone we loved who met his death in a foreign war.

It's true that many people won't even think of those who gave all for their country on May 31st, and yet those of us who would think of those men and women and their sacrifices feel that the disrespect being shown for this day is unforgivable.

Sometimes I feel as if most people don't even care how many were killed in wars; most people don't even consider that

# INFINITY

By DEBBIE ALDRIDGE

Follow me, if you will, to the dry, humid air of the South Australian desert. Here, amid the sphinx and pyramid, there is a legend of Ali Mouth, the greatest lover in Christendom. He rides the sands on his sopwith camel, and conquers all the females with initiative and pure capitalistic pride. His reign has been unchallenged and all the harems of Asia want to become his.

But, alas, a foreigner has appeared on Ali's sand. Could it be Braizer, the Blue, out to get at Ali's kingdom? Now it just so happens that there is this real sexy chick in the first class harem of Ali Mouth. Her curling black sexy locks hang down her tan brown sexy back to the bend of her sexy knees. Oh, babe, is she sex. Now Ali picks her out almost every night to have picknick with him on the sands of their backyard behind the Arabian tents. Is she lush!

Now Brazier, though he may look it, is not dumb. Anyone with half a diamond in their belly button can see that this chick is first rate. So, ol' Brazier decides that this luscious doll is soon to be his. So he trucks over to her and says, "Hey, doll, how's you and me making beautiful music under the stars on the sands tonight?" "Oh!" she exclaims. "Are you a musician?"

(Needless to say, though this doll is sexy, she is DUMB).

"No, honey," he replies, "I am a sands maker."

So they truck off together to make some music. He lavishes her with silks and pearls around her neck. Then he stars on a self-appointed marathon to kiss every pearl around her neck. He is just coming to the ones around her throat, when should appear on the horizon, but Ali Mouth on his camel.

"Stop, thief!" he exclaims. Then he draws his samurai sword and starts to slit the musician's silver throat.

"Oh, Ali," exclaimed the sexy chick. "He has just started on a self-appointed marathon to kiss every pearl nestling against my lovely, sexy throat. You have come to save me just in time." (Which is a good thing for honest harem girls.)

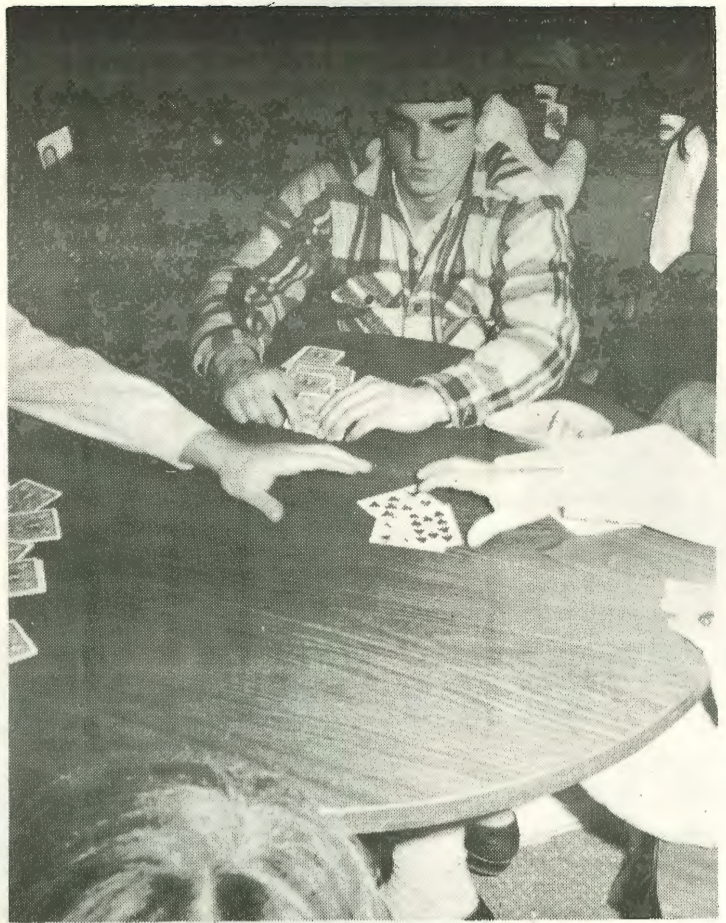
As Ali Mouth draws back his sword, Brazier interrupts and says, "Let's fight for this fair damsel with our bare, tan hands."

The fight begins, and the two super Arabs battle with all their might. Sometimes, in the dust you can see that Ali is winning, then Brazier staggers him with a left hook. And finally when the dust clears, Brazier stands triumphant with Ali at his feet. "I've won!" says the mighty Brazier. Come to my strong tan arms, you lovely little sexy harem girl. You are mine. I am champion. I have defeated the big Mouth and now victory is mine."

"Gee, I don't know," said the men are being killed right now in Vietnam.

I imagine the Vets of this college understand what I'm trying to say. They probably understand better than anyone. My real understanding of Memorial Day occurred in February when we were notified of the death of my cousin, John, in Vietnam. Because of my love for John, my deep respect for all who unselfishly died, and my sympathy for their families, I felt that I must write this letter.

Sincerely,  
Kathleen Kenney



One of RLC's favorite pasttimes, that of card playing, is taking up much of the available space in the student oasis. In a recent count, eleven of the tables were being used for card games during the lunch hours while many students stood or sat on the floor to eat their lunches. We all like to play cards — but couldn't some other space be allotted so the rest of the student body could have a place to eat at a real live table?

# New Courses Added

In order to meet student request and in order to meet certain general studies requirements for SIU which have heretofore been ignored, several new courses are scheduled to be added this fall semester.

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These new courses are Anthropology, Philosophy, Child Psychology, Journalism, Physical Science and State and Local Government.

sexy harem girl. "I'm not sure if you beat my Ali or not. You might have won, but I just couldn't make a snap decision like that."

"But, won't you run away with me, anyway?" Asked Brazier.

"Oh, no, I couldn't do that. I would ruin my reputation as a belly dancer if I left with a stalemate hero. If you had killed Ali Mouth, I would be sure that you were the champion. But this way, I'd never be sure. So until one of you knocks the other one cold, there will be no real champion."

"But we've fought for such a long time," said Brazier. "Can't it be over?"

"Sorry, toots," said the little harem girl. "I only go with REAL winners."

As the scene fades, Brazier stands there looking bewildered with a bitter look on his tanned handsome face, Ali is lying face down in the sand, murmuring, "I want a re-match! I want a re-match!" And our sexy, little harem doll is running off with the camel, who, as our good friends the movers say, is "humpin' to please."

Mrs. Eleanor Hall, Sociology teacher, will be taking courses this summer to prepare her to teach Anthropology. Journalism will be taught by Dr. Evelyn Claxton, the current newspaper advisor. State and Local Government will be taught by Max Brandon, Political Science and Geography instructor. Jud DeWitt, Psychology instructor, will be expanding his schedule to teach Child Psychology.

The instructors for the Philosophy and Physical Science courses have yet to be employed.

These six new courses are not added for "peanuts." The approximate per capita cost per student is \$38.75 per semester hour. Assuming a course is three hours credit, and that there are thirty students taking the course, the approximate cost for adding one new course would be \$3,487.55 for one semester. For one whole year the approximate cost is close to \$8,000 for just one new course.

Add to this the possible cost of new equipment, new library books and expensive instructors. The new courses are worth more than it would seem.

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# Beauty is More than Hairy Subject

## School of Beauty Culture is Located in Uptown Benton

By SYDNEY STOTLAR

The School of Beauty Culture, located at Benton, is a distinct part of RLC, offering a degree paralleled to those given at the main campus.

Twenty-three girls from various surrounding towns are enrolled at the school under the direction of Mrs. Betty Webb. The students have six weeks of train-

ing to learn clinical procedures before they are allowed to take public appointments.

Students learn such procedures as how to cut, style, and shape hair, how to give a permanent and scalp treatment, along with facial care and manicuring. Mrs. Webb comments, that the students are interested in learning how to cut and style hair into the now popular shag

look, one of the styles now being taught.

The program takes two semesters or approximately 44 weeks to complete. The first semester consists of 25 hours and the second of 22 semester hours.

To graduate and receive a diploma, the students must complete 1650 hours of work. After they receive a diploma, the girls must take a state examination to receive an Illinois license.

Miss Betty, as the girls call their instructor, is the head administrator and teaches theory. Helping her in other areas of beauty culture are Mrs. Virginia Robinson and Mrs. Mae Smith who give the "practical" instruction. Mrs. Rea teaches psychology, another requirement that must be fulfilled in beauty culture training.

Miss Betty and Mrs. Robinson just returned from attending the Mid West Beauty Trade Show 1971 in Chicago and brought the latest news in hairstylists' circles back to the girls. A trip to Paducah, Kentucky for a dem-



Comb-outs are one of the absolute necessities that members of the Beauty School have to master. Nancy Wilson, (l-r) Ruby Beasley, Gerry Allen, Ann Summers and Susan Rone demonstrate.

onstration on hairdressing is planned. The girls will soon be doing demonstrations under the direction of an instructor for various local organizations.

Classes are informal. From 8 to 4:30, Monday through Friday, the girls are trained in hairstyling, facials, manicures, wig styling, theory, and psychology.

Mondays are reserved for guest speakers and salesmen with tips on the latest salon equipment.

"I think the girls are really enjoying their work," commented Miss Betty. The school has graduated many girls, some of whom go on and practice in their own shops.



The School of Beauty Culture includes manicuring as a must for beauty care. Demonstrating a correct manicure is (l-r) Sandra Darnell, Judy Cockrum and Linda Burkitt.

## Non-Com Battle Being Fought

By RICK NANCE

Non-Compulsory Attendance is not here. But the bugle fanfares have sounded and soon a non-compulsory attendance program may march into the policies of RLC.

Last semester, when Wayne Birkner approached the Senate with a plan for non-com attendance, many felt that the fight was hopeless, and relatively few were willing to pick up the standard. But, as the weeks progressed, students and faculty alike found that perhaps there was a chance for a reform of this type, and now, the battle is likely to be fought on an administrative level, having cleared the students, and been presented to the faculty.

In a poll of the student body, 375 students were for the non-com plan, while five were against. SEA held a convo to discuss the plan among the students and faculty, and soon the ball began to roll. With an earlier approval by the Senate, and strong support by the student poll and the convocation, two student representatives met with the Faculty Council and presented the plan to them for discussion and possible approval.

As of now, a proposal made by Mr. Robert Jones to have a non compulsory attendance program for the rest of this semester and for the fall term of next year has been present-

ed to the Faculty Council, and must ultimately clear both the President's Council and the Board.

The policy states, basically, that no student may be dropped from class or his grade lowered solely because of poor attendance. However, the policy is not as of yet in effect, and will not be until passed by the Board of Education.



Mrs. Eleanor Hall, sociology teacher, became concerned about the slaughter of baby seals after she saw a television special on the inhumane killings of the animals.



Brenda Piercy shows some of the finer points of combing and styling wigs, a common requirement for beauticians.



"Make sure the entire hairline is covered" says Miss Betty, instructor. Others in the class are (l-r) Margaret Wheeler, Miss Betty, Audrey McCabe, Linda Cockrum, and (seated) Lois Plummer, Renee Winn, and Ruth Ann Cole. (Photos by Jan)

### Mrs. Hall explains to classes

# Concern Over Baby Seals Growing

By JANET WAGGONER

"For too long man has felt himself above nature when he is really a part of it," began sociology teacher Mrs. Eleanor Hall. Her subject: the controversy over the slaughter of Canadian baby seals — how RLC students have become involved.

Mrs. Hall and some of her students became alarmed about the need for conservation after she saw the Rod McKuen special, "Say Goodbye," about the slaughter of thousands of St. Lawrence Gulf harp seals. (Over 50,000 are clubbed and killed each year). Of course, many animals have become extinct because natural feeding grounds are being destroyed by man and

because hunting laws are largely being disobeyed, but the clubbing of infant seals, most less than 21 days old and immobile, and then the skinning of these pups, some still alive, seems especially cruel.

"Every living thing is a part of a great chain of life and, when one link is missing, it affects the others." The baby seal is only one of the endangered species.

Mrs. Hall agrees that we must control animal numbers, but she cautions us that we must also plan for the consequences. "Too many of us have the idea that there are always more animals where those came from, but we cannot make a species once it has become extinct." Everyone

knows that fact intellectually, but mentally compensate the truth.

Petitions asking for signature of those against the slaughter of baby seals were circulated at the Oasis, in sociology classes and taped on Mrs. Hall's door. Responses of 212 students showed that there was a concern for conservation. One of the statements connected with the petitions read, "A world that will not support wild life will not support man." A concern for the validity of that statement was evidenced by students.

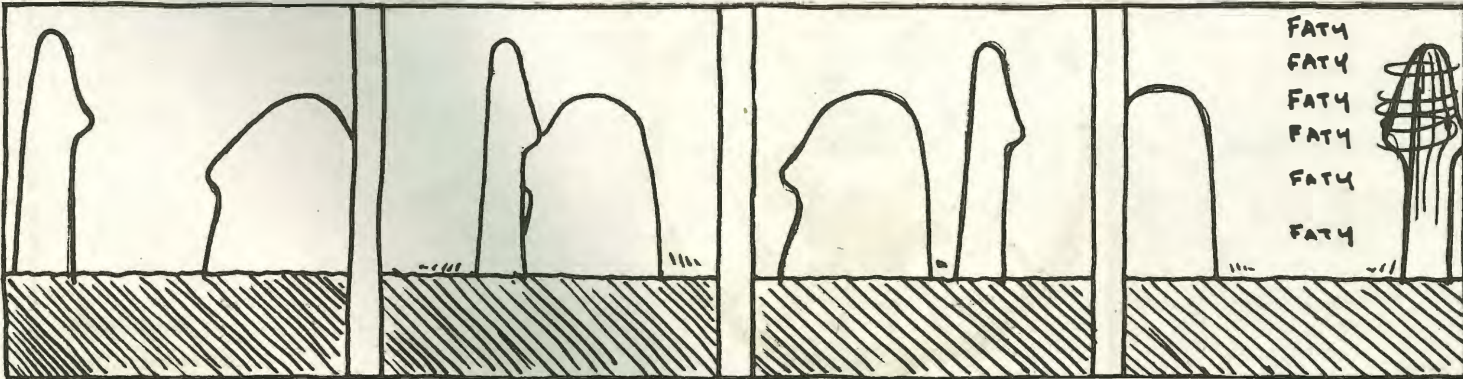
The main purpose of the petitions was to show — to ask the Canadian government to set aside a refuge for controlling and perpetuating the longevity of the seal population.

Over 1,000 signatures are sought for this area. Through world public opinion and reaction, it is hoped that the Northern government through the International Fund for Animal Welfare will be forced to provide sanctuaries to harbor the seals.

Rend Lake students are answering the plea for the creation and maintaining of conservation laws for our wildlife by supporting Mrs. Hall's petition protest.

Only through immediate public agitation can the seals be saved by the skin of their teeth.

### Divine Justice . . . Keith Parker



## Arnold Resigns as Coach; To Stay on as Instructor

By DAVID JUNKINS

Wayne Arnold, assistant basketball coach, is handing in his resignation, effective at the end of this year. Mr. Arnold was head basketball coach at RLC from 1963-1965 and later became Coach Waugh's assistant in 1967. His other coaching experience was at Dahlgren High School where he spent three years prior to RLC.

Mr. Arnold, due to health problems, was forced to give up coaching in the summer of 1965. After a long hospital stay, Mr. Arnold returned to teaching and later became assistant coach.

When asked why he was resigning, Coach Arnold said that he felt he needed more time for his family. He also stressed how coaching had taken away from his time for civic duties.

An SIU Carbondale graduate, with a Master's Degree in Physical Education, Mr. Arnold is returning to school for further graduate work.

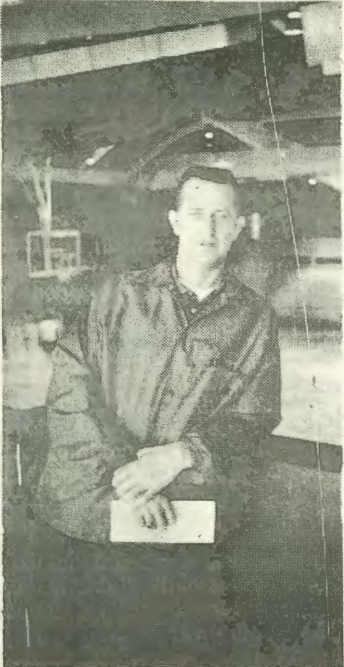
He will be working on his second degree, that of a Master's Degree in Recreation. His thesis title will be "A Critical Analysis of the Recreation Leadership Programs in the Public Community Junior Colleges in Illinois."

He is also seeking a seat on the Mt. Vernon High School board this spring.

He feels that he will be suited to this position because, "who should know as much about education than an educator? I want to be involved."

Mr. Arnold will remain at RLC as an instructor with classes in physical education, adapted fitness, and health.

Although 25 applications have been filed for this faculty spot, not replacement has been named to replace Mr. Arnold.



COACH WAYNE ARNOLD

## Baseball Season Starts Rolling; Home Games Held in Benton

Coach Jim Waugh is in the process of choosing his 1971 Warriors baseball team. Try-outs were held last week and 36 came out for the team. But since the new field is not finished and will not be used for home games, many of the players have had to quit. Of the remaining 18, Coach Waugh cut the team to 15.

Because the new field is not completed, home games will be played in Benton, with one being played in McLeansboro. Most of the games will be played in the afternoon around 1:00.

Last year's team finished with a 7-15 record. From this team, there is one sophomore returning. Also adding to this year's lettermen are two players who have been out for a while, but have now returned to RLC.

Coach Waugh feels that although the pitchers are weak, this will be overcome by the stronger hitting, defense, and infield.

Still practicing, the team is trying to smooth out the rough places to start their season on March 26, against Martin College in Pulaski, Tenn.

This year's infield consists of Terry Sullivan, Bill Waters, Dennis Anderton, Bruce Owens, David Rainey. The outfield will be covered by Sam Guntrie, Terry Jones, Bob Page, Eddie Williams, and Gary Kelley. Pitching will be Blake Griffin, Bill Glover, Roger Jones, Kendall Willis, and Tom Taylor. Rounding out the team will be catchers Bill Block, Curtis Endicott, and David Walden.

### REND LAKE COLLEGE

#### Baseball Schedule 1971

DATE	TEAM	PLACE	TIME
Fri. Mar. 26	Martin College (2)	Pulaski, Tenn.	12:00
Sat. Mar. 27	Martin College	Pulaski, Tenn.	12:00
Sun. Mar. 28	Belleville (2)	There	2:00
Mon. April 5	Southeastern (2)	McLeansboro	1:00
Tues. April 6	Logan (2)	There	12:00
Mon. April 12	Olney (1)	There	2:00
Fri. April 16	Wabash Valley (2)	There	1:00
Mon. April 19	Belleville (2)	Woodlawn	1:00
Tues. April 20	Lakeland (2)	There	5:00
Thurs. April 22	Kaskaskia (2)	There	2:00
April 26-29	Tourney at Southeastern		
Fri. April 30	Jackson State (2)	Jackson, Tenn.	2:00
Mon. May 3	Wabash Valley (2)	Here	1:00
Tues. May 4	Southeastern (2)	There	1:00
Thurs. May 6	Logan (2)	Here	12:00
Sat. May 8	Olney (1)	Here	2:00
Mon. May 10*	Belleville (2)	There	1:00
Thurs. May 13	Kaskaskia (2)	Here	1:00

\* Alternate Date for March 28

# VW ViewS Takes a Look at a Universal Car Sport

By JOHN KRAFT

Most of the time this column is devoted strictly to VW's and what can be done with them, and how it can be done. Well, this column is devoted to those of you who like to drive but do not drive VW's (alas, alas!)

Every Sunday in the Globe-Democrat there is a little box on the page that has the ads for imports and sports cars. This box tells of all the up-coming sports car events. These events include such things as gymkhanas, autocrosses, and rallies. This column is dedicated to the latter.

First of all, rallies are not races. There is no speed involved, and they are perfectly safe. A rally consists of following a specific set of instructions, going a specific route, and going the least possible mileage.

A rally starts out with all the cars lining up in a row and a man coming along writing a number on the windshield. This is to be your rally number for the rest of the rally. The rally-master starts the cars off two minutes apart. As your car comes up to the line, the rally-master hands you the instructions. Now, assuming this is a gimmick rally, (that's the kind to enter — they take little experience and are lots of fun) your first instruction will be to proceed to the "TL" and execute a "R." Then proceed until the first possible turn and proceed down each road until three four legged quadrupeds confirm your choice. In plain English, this means to proceed to the traffic light and turn right. Then, proceed until you come to



a four-way intersection and proceed down each road until you see a sign confirming your choice. In this case the sign confirming the choice was "three four legged quadrupeds." Or, a sign meaning three cows. The cows were metal and mounted on a mailbox. Now you can understand why it is called a gimmick rally.

The rules state that when a rallyist comes to a four way stop, there are four possible ways to travel; straight ahead, to the left, to the right, and back the way you came. No one ever thinks of "back the way you came." This is a trick often used and usually results in much confusion. To compound the trouble the rallyist has, the rallies are often held at night on secondary roads.

The first rally I entered was a gimmick rally and was quite a

bit of fun. Cost to enter was three dollars, and it was worth every penny of it. The instructions said that the rally was more than fifty miles and less than one hundred. After we had driven 175 miles, and still had no idea of where we were, we decided to go back to the start. We did, following the instructions, more or less, and turned in the score sheet. A couple of days later, we received the results in the mail. Much to our surprise we placed nineteenth out of thirty three cars. We must have done something right, anyway.

Just remember, some Sunday instead of driving around and doing nothing, why don't you hop over to St. Louis and enter a rally. The cost is low, your car does not have to be specifically equipped for rallying, and they're a lot of fun to enter.

## FREEDOM HOUSE NEEDS HELP

If you are interested in working with the drug rescue and information center, FREEDOM HOUSE, please fill out the information requested below and return it to Peter Irwin or Debbie Aldridge as soon as possible.

Name .....

Address ..... City .....

Phone .....

When can you meet with us for an informal interview? .....



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