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Reflection Shows That Many Have Worked Hard for Much

Another year is nearly gone. It is time for all of us to take an inventory of our achievements or gains and determine if there may be areas where we might have done differently if we would have had the experience that is now immediately behind us. This is one of the ways we learn, i.e., by analyzing past experience to determine if we have acted wisely in light of all the known factors. It is always easier to look back over the past to judge matters than it is to make decisions for the future. Hence, the old saying that hindsight is always much better than foresight.

Some people learn this trait of making a careful analysis of all facts before acting or making decisions early in life. Some acquire this ability to a greater degree than others and some seem never to acquire this trait. Again, I believe there is a close relationship between education and the development of this important trait. Certainly education is far more than the memorization of a lot of facts and the accumulation of information. It is what one does with that information that counts most.

With the above thoughts in mind, let us examine some of the major events and developments that have occurred in recent years and months in regard to Rend Lake College. In 1956 the College (Mt. Vernon Community College) was started. Looking back over the years, this was a good move and those responsible deserve much credit. In 1966 the College District was enlarged to serve a larger geographic area and more people. Again, this unquestionably was a good move and the people responsible for this deserve much credit. Since 1967 the Board of Rend Lake College has acquired a fine new 300 acre site at practically the geographic center and population center of the College district. Ground-breaking was done March 27th as we all know. Again, many people deserve much credit for all the related developments that led to the ground-breaking. On the same day as the ground-breaking, coincidental as it was, we were able to announce that our College was now fully accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, and, again, many people deserve credit for this achievement.

These kinds of things do not just happen. They occur when people work together analyzing all the factors carefully and then act wisely. We have all been blessed abundantly. Let us all keep these thoughts in mind as we move forward—together!

Signed — Dr. James M. Snyder
President, Rend Lake College



THE SIX SPRING MAIDS are Miss Burzynski and Miss Dodson, sitting; and Miss Clark, Miss Carnahan, Miss Childress, and Miss Herzing, standing. One of these six will be the Queen of the Season on April 26.

Six Spring Court Maids

The six candidates for the 1969 Rend Lake College Spring Formal are Miss Maureen Burzynski, Miss Nancy Carnahan, Miss Connie Childress, Miss Allyson Clark, Miss Sheila Dodson, and Miss Kathy Herzing. From these six, a queen will be crowned at 11 p.m. during the formal dance at the Country Club.

Miss Maureen Burzynski is from Valier and a graduate of Sesser High School. She is planning to get married in June and then continue her college career by attending Illinois State University. She will major in elementary education. Her hobbies

and interests include sewing and horseback riding.

Miss Nancy Carnahan is a resident of Mt. Vernon and graduated from the Mt. Vernon Township High School. She is the Student Senate Secretary and a cheerleader-batgirl. She was an attendant for the Winter dance in both 67 and 68. She plans to major in elementary education and will attend Southern Illinois University this summer. She enjoys skiing and tennis.

Miss Connie Childress of Mt. Vernon graduated from Mt. VTHS, but attended Carmi High School for the first three years. She is a member of the Student Senate and secretary for the International Club. She plans to continue her education in the fall at Eastern Illinois University with a major in elementary education. This summer she is going to travel in Europe with the International Club and study German. She enjoys water skiing, swimming, sewing, and cooking.

Miss Allyson Clark is also a resident of Mt. Vernon and a grad of Mt. VTHS. She was in Showtime '68 and is a cheerleader-batgirl. She plans to continue her studies at SIU Edwardsville

and obtain a degree in therapy. Her interests include water skiing, swimming, sailing, and soft ball.

Miss Sheila Dodson from Mt. Vernon graduated from Mt. VTHS. She is the Student Senate President, co-president of the Baptist Student Union, and a member of Phi Theta Kappa. She is planning to study German with the International Club this summer in Europe and then go to SIU in the fall and major in elementary education. She enjoys playing the piano and organ, boating, and camping.

Miss Kathy Herzing is a resident of Dahlgren and graduated from the Dahlgren High School. She has been a Student Education Association member for the past two years and is currently the president of the organization. She has worked on the publicity committee for the plays. She plans to enter SIU in the fall and major in sociology. Her major interest is sewing.

Miss Vanda Brown was also nominated as a queen candidate, but she declined the nomination.

The election of the queen of the Spring Formal will be held on Friday, April 25, in the B Lobby. All candidates are sophomores.

"Time of the Season" Set for 9, Saturday, April 26

The season is Spring, the event is the Spring Formal, and the time is 9 p.m. on April 26, when the "Time of the Season" begins. For a quarter of the clock's turn the dance will be formal and the scene will be the Elks Country Club.

But with the stroke of midnight, the magic of the "Time of the Season" changes. The dress will become casual and the place will be the Eagle Lodge. From 1:30 until 4:30 on that morning of April 27, the "Time of the Season" will continue.

The special time is set for 11 p.m. when the Queen of the Season will be crowned at the Country Club. The queen will be elected by the student body on the day before the dance, but her name will not be revealed until that night at the coronation.

The dance chairman is Miss Vicki LaLumondier, who has the position of Activities Chairman on the Student Senate. Students who desire to work on the refreshment committee may still sign up in Mrs. Betty Ann

Ward's office.

This year the place of the dances was changed to provide a new background for the dances and to eliminate the timely and costly effort of trying to camouflage a gym ceiling. The decorations will center mainly on centerpieces, the throne, and perhaps the fireplaces.

This year invitations were given to all the students of Rend Lake College so that each one would feel welcome at the dance and so that everyone would know the exact times and places. The Student Senate would like to extend an invitation to every student of the school, especially those who live outside Mt. Vernon, and to the faculty and administration, to attend the "Time of the Season."

the Elks Country Club
9 until 12
formal
the Eagle Lodge
1:30 to 4:30
casual

McGhee Moves Up



James McGhee

On April 15, the Board of Education announced that James R. McGhee would be filling the new position of Dean of Adult Education and Community Services. Mr. McGhee will begin as Dean on July 1, after which he will no longer be teaching art and engineering courses here.

This position was made necessary by a state law which requires that junior colleges provide a two-year degree program, a two-year vocational-technical program, and make adult education courses and other community services available to people in the college district. Although the definite limits and extents

of this job have not yet been established, Mr. McGhee will be in charge of adult education classes, possibly summer school, extension courses in other towns in the Rend Lake College district, and any other community services connected with RLC.

The title of Dean will not be the first of such honors for Mr. McGhee to receive. Having served in the Army during W.W. II, the Korean conflict, and as commander of the 434th Artillery Group which controls all reserve artillery in Missouri and Illinois, he holds the rank of full colonel.

He gave up his command of the 434th Artillery Group in August, 1968, in order to concentrate on his graduate studies at Southern Illinois University. He will graduate this June with a Master of Science in Education Degree having majored in technical and industrial education and minored in administration and supervision.

Mr. McGhee and his wife Wilma are the parents of six children.

When asked about his new position, Mr. McGhee replied, "I am pleased, and I hope I shall be able to fulfill the expectations of the community."

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New Powers for S. Senate

The Student Senate is being given more power in governing the student activities. For the first time, the Senate has been given the power to determine how the Student Activity Fee will be divided among the various organizations of the school. The four students on this committee are Miss Connie Childress, Miss Vicki LaLumondier, Nick Evanchik, and Miss Sheila Dodson.

These students are interested in hearing the student's opinion on the value of the various activities. In addition to consulting with students, the committee is talking with RLC Business Manager Paul Fitch to determine the dollars and cents aspects of budgeting.

Another area where the Student Senate is exerting greater control is in determining the graduation program. This com-

mittee will also have the responsibility of picking the graduation speaker. The members of this committee are Miss Nancy Carnahan and Rick Heaney, who also desire to hear student recommendations.

Essay Contest

Students have the opportunity to work for the Republican Party in Illinois for three months this summer and receive \$750. The students should have completed one year of college, be residents of Illinois, and submit an essay on "Forward Together." The three top winners of this contest will spend the summer working for the GOP in Springfield. For details see Political Science instructor Gene Cormier or the Bulletin board in room 203B.

11 to Be Elected to Student Senate

Largely due to the climbing enrollment at Rend Lake College the Student Senate recently voted in these constitutional revisions

1. The SS of 1969-70 shall consist of eleven members instead of the present number of seven.
2. Two male and two female upcoming sophomores shall be elected during the first week of May of this school year to be sophomore representatives for next school year.
3. Two male and two female freshmen representatives and three representatives - at - large shall be elected no later than the first week of October of next school year.
4. The election of all SS members shall be by general ballot of the entire student body.

PETITIONS AVAILABLE

Petitions for sophomore representatives for next year's Senate are now available in Mrs. Ward's office. Any interested student may obtain a petition, must have it signed by twenty-five students, and must return it to Mrs. Ward's office before the convocation on May 7, wherein office seekers will

deliver short campaign speeches. The election itself will take place in the lobby of Building B on Thursday, May 8.

What are the qualifications of sophomore representative to the Student Senate?

One must have passed at least 28 semester hours with a "C" average and must maintain a "C" average during each semester of the school year. If a student drops below this 2.0 average, or resigns from the SS, a school-wide election will be held to replace him at the beginning of the following semester. In addition, a SS member must carry at least 12 semester hours, or qualify as a full-time student.

WORKING FORCE

Those sophomore representatives soon to be chosen will serve as the SS working force prior to the election of freshmen representatives and representatives-at-large next school year.

What odd jobs await the Senate member?

As a Senate member, one must be willing to perform a wide array of duties—create attractive bulletin board posters

and write up publicity releases; balance and set up a budget; type up and distribute minutes of meetings, thank-you cards, requests; meet with the administration and faculty to communicate student ideas; act as master of ceremonies at RLC convocations; entertain visitors to the college; circulate among the student body to be acquainted with their complaints and requests; use creativity in inducing people to school functions; conduct elections, such as for Spring Formal queen; actively participate in state IACJC conventions and district meetings; set guidelines for approved policies and procedures; and help in planning commencement and convocations.


EXPANDING ROLE

More and more the SS is expanding from an organization primarily concerned with social duties to a determined voice in business matters governing the students.

At any rate, to be sure, the active senator will find himself hard at work representing his peers. Interested in running?

Signed — Sheila Dodson
Student Senate President

Now is the time . . .



B. C.

Brenda Culli

Have you received your invitation to the Spring Formal yet? I don't mean from your date—I mean have you received an official invitation from the Student Senate?

This is the first time in the history of the college that printed invitations have been sent to the student body. And I, as an interested student, am pleased with the way the Student Senate has been handling the arrangements for the Spring Formal so far.

The invitations add a touch of the elegant to the Spring Formal which had been lacking up to this time. They seem to con-

tribute more sophistication to the occasion.

Even the times of the dances have been altered. The new starting time, 9 p.m. seems more appropriate for college students, especially the ones who have to work rather late on Saturday nights. The ending time, 4:30 a.m., adds more realism to the idea of an all-night party.

Perhaps it is only in my mind, but I have a feeling that this year's Spring Formal at Rend Lake College is going to be something different . . . a real swinging time for all who attend. SEE YOU THERE!

Card Playing Now Permitted in L

Card playing is now permitted in the L Lounge.

Card playing in the lounges was banned when the privilege had previously been abused. Students were seen gambling.

A group of students circulated a petition requesting that the privilege be restored with the understanding that gambling was not to be involved.

Miss Brenda Landford and Miss Pat Harp took the peti-

tions before the Student Senate. Miss Sheila Dodson, as President and student spokesman on the Faculty Senate, successfully took the issue through the FS and the President's Council.

The card playing is to be in the L Lounge and not the B Lounge due to the congestion in Lounge due to the congestion in B. The SS set up a card table and cards are provided for the students in L.



NURSING CLUB OFFICERS from the ninth class plan the social activities for the future LPN's. Seated is Mrs. Nina Taaka, president. Standing are Miss Linda Laur, secretary; Mrs. Jessie Huggins, vice-president; and Mrs. Dorothy Jones, treasurer.

Pressingly Speaking

PT Comments On RLC

The last issue of THE PRESSING TIMES announced the groundbreaking for the new campus on Thursday, March 27. Even the weather seemed to acknowledge the occasion with a warming sun and a dry day.

The surprise of the day was the announcement by President Snyder that the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools had accredited Rend Lake College. The faculty representative at the ceremony, Glenn L. Dare, summed up the faculty's reactions in one word, "gratification."

Mr. Dare has been a member of the faculty since the college first opened its doors in September 1956. For six years he served as President of the Advisory Council, now known as the Faculty Senate.

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Spring brings the rain and the rain brings the mud. But kindness brought the maintenance staff to the aid of the students. Maintenance laid asphalt walks from the sidewalks to the curbs for students crossing from G to L Buildings in m'd block. Spring still brings the rain and the mud, but no more does the rain make broad jumping a necessity.

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Victory comes in many ways, some of them small and some of them mighty. The sophisticated world of college disdains talks of the small still voice, yet there is one.

Half of the members of a class were studying a copy of last year's test, which, of course, would be the same as this year's. One student had already seen a small part of the test when the small still voice spoke. Whether that student had any right to look at that previous test is not the point. The point is that that particular student felt that it was wrong for him to look.

After a self-debate, the student put aside the copy and studied for the test from his book. He felt better within himself. When the test results were announced that student had an even greater sense of victory, he had made a higher grade than the students who had studied all of the copy, which, of course, was the same as last year's.

Not a frequent ending, but in this case, a true one.

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Unexpected kindnesses are a boon to anyone's morale. People who frequently must use the faculty mailboxes as a source of communication realize that not every teacher will be able to read

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all announcements in class or deliver all messages to students. It is a fact of life.

Yet occasionally there is a bright spot. A teacher will take the effort to return a message as undeliverable if the intended receiver is absent. Sometimes the teacher even goes considerably out of his way to make sure that the message reaches the proper sources in time or other arrangements to be made.

Such extra efforts are enough to restore a student's faith.

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Life is a repeating cycle. Two years ago the sophomores came here. They were apprehensive and afraid. They had an adjustment to make to college, to a new pattern of life.

Now they are again going through the same apprehension. Next year will be a different pattern of life. Whether the future lies in the armed forces, in marriage and career, or in more college, next year will again be filled with adjustments.

In times of adjustments students are apt to become easily distressed and worried. A little tender loving care (and fewer term papers?) might help. An acceptance from the future firm or college of next year is a definite aid to a student's morale.

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16 Join Phi Theta Kappa

On April 9, the Rho-Xi chapter of Phi Theta Kappa initiated new members, the largest group initiated at any one time this year by any PTK chapter.

To be eligible to join PTK a student must have an over-all grade point average of 3.5, the requirements for making the Dean's List.

- Mark S. Whisenhut, Mt. V.
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- Verna S. Auxier, McL'boro
- Linda J. Atchison, Mt. V.

The TPer . . .



April showers make me feel like a blooming idiot.

Convo
May 7-11 a. m.
SS Candidate
Speeches
Recognitions & Awards



Miss Linda Atchison, left playing the title role of Little Mary in Rend Lake College's production of Little Mary Sunshine, gazes lovingly at her beau, Big Jim Warington, right, played by Art Brown. Little Mary, the pinnacle of purity and virtue, is the owner of the Colorado Inn, where Big Jim, a Dudley Doright-type hero, brings his men to rest.

Big Jim, seems to be interested in the antics of Ernestine von Liebedich and General Os-

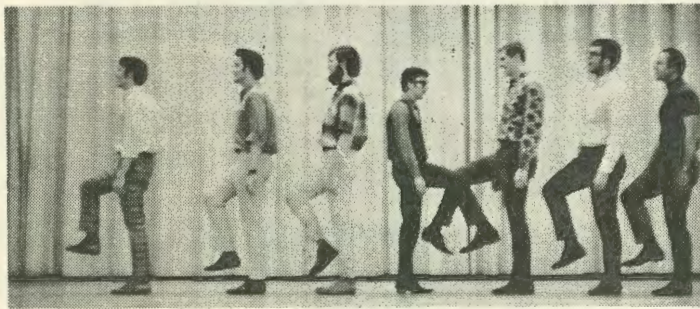


car Farfax, played by Becky Orrick and Steve Speake, left. Ernestine and Oscar, however, would rather turn the stage over to Nancy Twinkle, portrayed by Miss Debbie Herbert, far left, and her impersonation of Mata Hari. But is Nancy's mind on her song or the Forest Rangers, below. The faithful rangers are Tom Anderson, Carl Sanders, Paul Sherman, "Wrong Way" Larry White, Jim Birkenner, Steve Jackson, and Bob Conaway.

The musical was presented April 18 and 19 in the Mt. Vernon Township High Auditorium.



Little Mary Sunshine



Summer School Opens June 16

Registration is now open for the Rend Lake College Summer semester, which will begin on Monday June 16th. This summer, classes are planned for science, communications, math, and psychology. In order to register for these classes, drop by the Registrar's office, pay the \$10 registration fee, and fill out the program card.

These classes will only be opened if enough people register. If a person registers for a course, and then it is not offered, the money will be refunded. If you wish to take a class which is not scheduled at the

present time register for it anyway, and if enough other people also request it, an attempt will be made to find an instructor.

Summer Semester offers students an excellent opportunity to add extra hours to their credits, and in the case of many classes, offers an enjoyable time to students who enjoy working in one specific field at a time.

Course No.	Sem. Hrs.	Course Description
111	4	General Botany
112	3	Rhetoric and Comp.
211	3	Intro to Literature
116	5	College Algebra-Trig.
211	4	Psychology (evenings only)

211-212	4	French
218-219	4	Conversation French
211-212	4	German
218-219	4	Conversation German

A-V in Lib.

An Assistant Librarian was added to the staff of Rend Lake College last fall. Filling the post is William David Patton.

Mr. Patton's primary responsibility has been to work with RLC instructors in developing a collection of audiovisual resources to help support and supplement instruction. He also teaches a general education class in library science.

Equipment to making listening and viewing possible is part of the library resources in audiovisuals. Included are tape recorders, slide and filmstrip viewers and projectors, 16 mm movie projectors, record players, film loop projectors, opaque projectors, overhead projectors, sound filmstrip projector, and copier and transparency maker.

Five faculty members serve on the Standing Library Committee. In addition to the professionals Mrs. Imogene Book and Mr. Patton are instructors Thomas Burke, English; Carolann DeSelms, French; and Eugene Estes, Botany.

The courses in French and German are study abroad and therefore will be on a different schedule. For the regular session, classes start June 16 and end August 8.

4 Go to Con-Con

Four students have been chosen to represent Rend Lake College at the Model Constitution Convention to be held at Jacksonville. Illinois College is sponsoring the three-day convention, from April 24-26.

Approximately 116 students will represent their colleges and local areas. The number 116 was chosen since there will be that many delegates at the actual convention held by the State of Illinois.

The four students who will represent RLC are Tom Anderson, Ollie Karen Dowler, Herman Hogue, and Paul Kovach.

Songs That Talk

Music is abundant in the world of '69. There's pop, rock, jazz, country and western, and classical. The everyday lives of RLCers are touched by the music of today and yesterday.

When the students and faculty of Rend Lake College were questioned about songs which seem to speak to them, they gave a variety of responses.

STUDENTS

Dennis Smith, McLeansboro, "Strange Days."
Doug Wood, Mt. Vernon, "Subterranean Homesick Blues."
David Hammond, Mt. Vernon, "Touch Me."
Bev Book, West Frankfort,

"Don't Touch Me."
Russell Dalby, Bonnie, "Invocation and Ritual Dance of the Young Pumpkin."
David Dorton, Mt. Vernon, "Rhythm of the Rain." (Perhaps the fact that it was a rainy day may have influenced this choice.)

Frank Lewis, Benton, "Somewhere My Love."
Judy Morris, McLeansboro, "The Sea."
Donna Dawson, Mt. Vernon, "Love Is Blue."
Susan Mitchell, Zeigler, "Don't Give into Him."
Tom Taylor, Tamoroa, "Dizzy."

Carl Sanders, Mt. Vernon, "Gentle on My Mind."
Bob Farley, Mt. Vernon, "The Yard Went on Forever."
Vickie Dickerson, McLeansboro, "Too Many Teardrops."
Janie Waters, Mt. Vernon, "Things I'd Like to Say."
Vernon Sweetin, Mt. Vernon, "Absolutely Free."
Jerry Blackward, Macedonia, "Bottle of Wine."
Earl Copple, Mt. Vernon, "People Gotta Be Free."
Madeline Kelly, O p d y k e, "Stranger on the Shore."
Darlene Richardson, D a h l i g r e n, "Brother Love."
Bob Mihall, Waltonville, "Reverie."

Terry Stewart, McLeansboro, "Ball and Chain."
Terry McAdoo, Mt. Vernon, "The First of Man."
John Paul Anderson, Mt. Vernon, "Pride of Man."
Larry Tutt, Johnston City, "Give Me Some Lovin'."

Sandy Beasley, Mt. Vernon; Kathy Glover, Woodlawn; Merry Chase, McLeansboro; "To Know You Is to Love You."
Pat Harp, Mt. Vernon; Mike Kent, Mt. Vernon; "Time of the Season."

FACULTY

Mrs. Eleanor Hall, sociology, "Smoke Gets in Your Eyes."
Gene Cormier, political science and geography, "Eve of Destruction."
Miss Sheryl Merckens, speech, "Go Where You Wanna Go."
Julius Swayne, zoology, "Home on the Range."
Judson DeWitt, psychology, "Sentimental Journey."
Mrs. Georgine Monken, English, "My Task."
Mrs. Betty Ann Ward, guidance, "The Man I Love."
Myron Foley, e c o n o m i c s, "Aquarius."
Julian Levesque, math, "Feeling."

William Younghusband, accounting, "Zipidy Do Da."
Edward Kownacki, chemistry, "Stardust."
Ironically, no one mentioned the song "This Is My Country."

Veterans Form Association to Aid Vets, Patriotism

A new organization has been formed called the "Rend Lake College Veterans Association" to promote dedication and proper training standards in the school as well as in the eyes of the public. There are many who still believe in their country and are willing to let others know of their belief.

This organization stands for the aid of veterans, betterment of the community for veterans who are currently serving their country and those who have aided the U.S. and want to continue doing so.

The veterans want to be a great asset to the community in any way possible, and to give students the right ideas as to what the American fighting man

has done and is still doing today.

The Veterans Association is sponsoring a theme contest on "Patriotism." This contest will end on the 5th of May. The winner of the contest will receive a plaque and a \$25 bond. The runner-up will receive a \$15 check.

The association will also place a wreath at the court house on Memorial Day, and dedicate it to those who have fought and died for the United States.

The organization was formed this spring with officers being elected March 26. Charles Gualdoni is President and the Vice-President is Mike Rolla. Treasurer for the veterans is James Lacy. The Secretary is Mrs. Virginia Magbee, and the Sergeant-at-Arms, Nick Evanchik.

The Veterans Association meets in 104-B on the second and fourth Wednesdays, with the meetings starting at 7 p.m. The faculty advisors are Julius Swayne and James Waugh.

Any veteran interested in joining the association, whether they are day or night students, may do so by contacting any of the officers or members for information.

PATRIOTISM THEMES

Turn themes in by May 5 to Mrs. Virginia Magbee, Building H.

The RLC Vets will pick the top ten themes and the AMVETS will select a top winner (Prize \$25 bond a plaque) and a runner-up (\$15 check).

Winging It

Jon Mc Clurken



What is love?

Love is patient,
Love is kind.
Love is never boastful.

Love keeps no score of wrongs.
There is nothing love cannot face: there is no limit to its endurance,

There is no limit to its faith and hope.

Love is without width, breadth, or depth.
There is nothing love cannot overcome or encompass.
Love has no definition of physical measurement;
It is infinite, lasting eons.

There is no description of love, only symptoms.
Love is eternal, from the heart:
It is kind and envies no one.
It is never proud or conceited.

Love is never rude nor selfish.
It is not quick to take offense,
Love does not gloat over other men's sins.

There is nothing love cannot accomplish.
Love delights and grows in the truth:
It is brighter than the strongest sun;
It is darker, at times, than the blackest night.

Love causes unbearable torture and mental suffering,
Yet love can erase and heal all wounds.
Love can remove and smooth all scars in a moment.

Love is all powerful:
There are no locked doors to love,
Love can always gain an entrance.

Love can overcome mighty armies of assembled might:
They will all bow down before it.
No one can hope to escape it,
There is no place to hide from it.

Love has no equal:
To love Somebody is human.
To say what is love is to say this:
Love is love is love is love.



IT'S SPRING! And that can only mean baseball time. These two Warriors must face the spring reality called rain though. The rains came and the game went — to another town.

Prospects Good for Next Season

Coach Jim Waugh of the Rend Lake Warriors predicts that the future of Rend Lake College in sports is looking much better. Last season the Warriors compiled a 7-14 won-loss slate which was a great improvement over the season of two years ago.

With the recent signing of Frank Sanders and Terry Sledge, two Ram stars of the past season, and the hope of several other area prospects, Coach Waugh was very optimistic.

Sledge, a 6-6 forward, was a first team member for the Rams throughout the past season and compiled a 13.1 points per game average. Sanders, a 6-2 guard, was a little slow getting started last season due to a football injury, but added much balance and strength to the Rams' state team.

Coach Waugh intends to play Sledge at a forward position because of his rebounding ability. Sanders will probably be used as both a guard and a forward, depending upon the Warriors' greater need.

"Last season the Warriors were weak in rebounding and ball handling, and could've been better on defense," stated Waugh recently, "and I know these two guys will add to the team's strength."

LETTERMEN BACK

Coach Waugh stated that the team will most likely be made up of district school players and several of last season's players.

Larry Tutt, who was RLC's most valuable player last season, has been lost for next season to the Navy, much to Coach Waugh's disappointment. However, Randy Siuda, a 6-5 center; Bob Donoho, Bob Windhorst, and Mike Badgett, all guards; and Phil Bowling, a 6-4 forward, should be much improved and intend upon many more wins for next season.

PROSPECTS

Coach Waugh is also hopeful of landing several other area prospects. At the top of his list is Joe Milton, a 6-4 center, from Benton. Steve Weber, a 6-5 center from Wayne City, is also

Drop 6, Win 1

By BILL WEBB

Coach Jim Waugh's baseball Warriors have their first eight games under their belts and are hoping for smoother sailing as they stand with a 1-6-1 slate.

The Warriors, plagued by a "disaster inning" in which the opposition has been able to do most of its damage in several of the previous games, try to get their victory string going April 24 with a doubleheader at Kaskaskia.

Two days later the RLC'ers battle the Eastern Illinois Frosh in a home doubleheader. On April 28, the Warriors will be out to test Wabash Valley. The game will be played at Kaskaskia.

The Section IV Tourney will be played on April 29-30 this year, with the winner advancing to the Region IV Tourney at Lincoln, Ill., on May 9.

The ability to capitalize on their hitting has apparently been a problem to Coach Waugh's club this year. While they have scored only 15 times on 42 hits, the opposition has 58 tallied times on 66 hits.

On April 16, the Warriors traveled to Southeastern College

in Harrisburg, lost one game of a doubleheader, and still came home without a victory that afternoon.

Southeastern's Vargo and Hays teamed up to fire a two-hitter at the visiting Warriors and notch the second shutout against Rend Lake this season, 4-0. The Harrisburg hosts pounded out eight hits.

In the second half of the double treat, the Warriors came back from a 4-0 deficit, with the aid of a Steve Chapman homer, and went on to battle to a 4-4 12th-inning bout finally halted by darkness.

Following are the results of the first six Rend Lake games.

APRIL 12, BELLEVILLE

In the opener, the Warriors outslugged the host Belleville club 8-2, but wound up with a 10-0 defeat. W. Weatherford, Weatherly, and Shovan fired the two-hitter for the locals, but Colts and Bateman racked up the win for Belleville.

In the second game, Belleville had little trouble in dealing the Warriors their second loss of the afternoon, 6-1. Mondino ripped

two singles to pace the RLC'ers, who were out-hit 9-5.

APRIL 8, SOUTHEASTERN

The Warriors captured their first win of the season at the hands of Southeastern, a 6-4 decision following a 5-2 loss in the first game of a doubleheader.

Chapman led the victory assault with a double and single, and Shovan ripped a homer for Rend Lake College. W. Weatherford, Mondino, and Shovan teamed up to register the win.

In the opener, RLC was out-hit 10-5 and fell by a 5-2 count. Mondino's two singles weren't enough to spark the Warriors.

APRIL 2, 3, JACKSON STATE

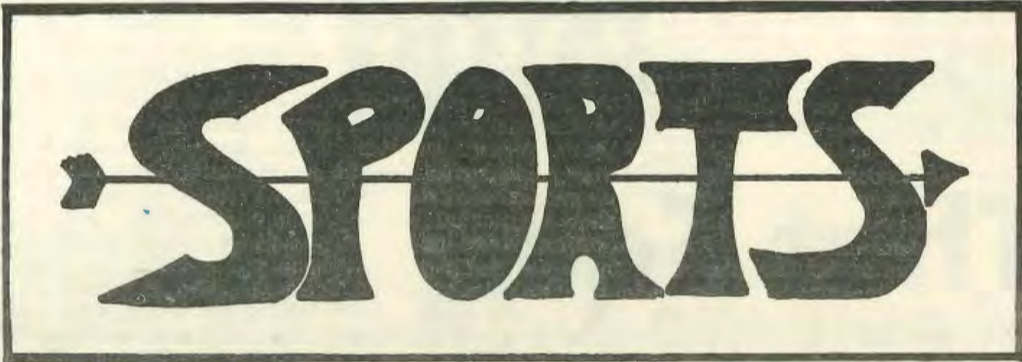
The Rend Lakers journeyed to Jackson, Tenn., for their first two matches and just weren't able to get in the game either time, falling 12-1 in the opener and 13-1 the following afternoon.

In the first game, Jackson matched each of their 12 hits with a run, while RLC could muster only a run on six safeties. Chapman rapped three singles and B. Weatherford two in a losing effort.

The next day wasn't any better to the Warriors, and this time out hit 12-5, they were cut down 13-1. Kolmer ripped a pair of singles for Rend Lake.

BASEBALL SCHEDULE

- Thursday, April 24 — Kaskaskia (2) T 1:00
- Saturday, April 26 — Eastern Illinois Frosh. (2) H 12:00
- Monday, April 28 — Wabash Valley at Kaskaskia 3:00
- Tuesday, April 29 — Tourney Section IV
- Wednesday, April 30 — Tourney Section IV
- Tuesday, May 6 — Wabash Valley (2) H 1:00
- Thursday, May 8 — Florissant Valley, Mo. (2) T 2:00
- Friday, May 9 REGION IV TOURNEY AT LINCOLN, ILL.
- Saturday, May 10 — WINNER OF SECTION IV ADVANCE



THE GUYS who played for the Warriors are happy that the season is over — it was a tough one. Members of the team: Larry Tutt, Bob Donoho, Bob Little, Ed Johnson, Manager Yeager, Terry Wilmore, Mike Badgett, Larry Stonecipher, Bob Windhorst, Randy Siuda, Manager Rohlfing, and Jim Birkner.

Spring Comes . . . Finally

Isn't it strange how one week of warm weather can change people when they are looking forward to summer. They sigh to themselves thinking, "Ah, it's shirt-sleeve weather again," and bring out their cottons.

Somehow it just isn't conceivable that snow and cold weather will follow this first taste of Spring. And once those clothes are pulled out and ready to wear, one still believes it's Spring-time. Although there is snow on the ground, it just couldn't be THAT cold. Just the week before it was 70°, wasn't it? Ole Mother Nature delights in fooling people. Just when they get the first sign of Spring she says "Ah-ha, not yet, you fools," and back into their houses they go with their worst cold of the year. This surprise snow also seems to occur right after the trees start budding and the flowers start coming up.

But year after year, just when people start believing that Spring will never get here, it comes, and in complete style. But by the time people start believing it's here, it's already gone and summer has sneaked in.

Spring and Mother Nature are conspiring against the Human Race, to make them the fools

BASEBALL WARRIORS
Home — April 26
Eastern Ill. Frosh

BATGIRLS for the Warriors clown while they take a break between basketball and baseball. These four are Miss Vickie Barton, Miss Nancy Carnahan, Miss Allynson Clark, and Miss Theresa Feathers.



of the Earth; but when they think about it, it's really not that serious.

Editor's Note: Spring comes, it really does. There is one sure sign that Miss DeWitt forgot to mention—the rain. April 18 was Southern Illinois University Guest Day for junior college transfer students. Some 70 Rend Lake College students went to SIU for the day, while some five headed in the other direction, toward the University of Illinois.

What does that have to do with Spring? Well, it rained, and rained, and rained, and rained on one group of students. Meanwhile, back at RLC the weather eased up, which shows another of Ole Mother Nature's fickle ways: Rain follows a duck and lets up on days when Spring brings snows.

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