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RLC Joins April Teach-In

During the week of April 20-24 teachers and students discussed the problems and future of the world if steps aren't taken immediately to halt the pollution. Because of this classroom discussion students became involved in the "Teach-In." The purpose was to involve and inform the students of Rend Lake College of the problems surrounding Mt. Vernon and the world. The steering committee included Nancy Dilley, Christine Thierry, Larry Davis, Bruce LaRue, David Smith, and Jerry Walker. Helping organize the teach-in here at Rend Lake were faculty members Mrs. Eleanor Hall, Thomas Burke, Robert Jones, Julius Swayne, and Howard Rawlinson, dean of the college.

Work was begun Wednesday, April 15, when a meeting was held for all those students interested in helping plan for the teach-in. Each person joined the group he was most interested in studying. These include air pollution, water pollution, pollution, land (strip mining), and wildlife. These groups were then assigned different jobs like publi-

city, obtaining films and speakers, and keeping the bulletin boards full of material on ecology.

The following week (April 27-May 1) films and slides were shown to those students who were interested in seeing actual pictures of the situations that exist. Next week will be the third phase of our teach-in and will include some outside authorities who case report about each facet of the environmental issue. There will be a compulsory convocation held sometime during that week in the auditorium. Tentative plans call for time blocks, (9-12 p.m.; 1-4 p.m.) in which several speakers will talk for 20 minutes then the rest of the time will be discussion. As the final stage of our teach-in students will attempt to spread knowledge into the communities surrounding Mt. Vernon and plan a project to put all efforts into action.

Anyone finding material in magazines, newspapers, etc., pertaining to the environmental problems should bring them to the Pollution Center on the 2nd floor of B-building.

RLC Student Investigates Our Environment Problems

Editor's Note:

The following article was written by freshman Anthony Eckert as a theme for his 112 English class. Even though Eckert is a resident of the Mt. Vernon area, he explores some problems which are undoubtedly transferable to most southern Illinois communities.

The study area, primarily an agricultural region, is a circle of two mile radius in south-central Jefferson County.

As an agricultural region, the area has definite environmental problems. Conservation practices, while ever more increasingly put into use, are far from universal. The conditions of overgrazing, which destroys ground cover, and improper cultivation have given rise to soil erosion which has removed a significant amount of top soil in some areas. A large portion of the land in this area drains directly into Casey Fork of the Big Muddy River, and this soil erosion has caused silting problems.

The sewage systems of the farm houses are of the septic-tank-absorption type, with some differences in the size of the field. This type of disposal system is often inefficient in digesting human wastes, especially in extremely wet weather. This problem adds more polluting material to the watershed area.

General burning also contributes to the air environment and is done in the easiest means of disposal. Most durable and unburnable junk is left piled in various places, leaving rusting

hulks of machinery, tin cans, and assorted vitreous materials to decompose into water and air.

The area is almost cut in half by the new interstate highway. The construction of this highway changed drainage patterns, causing water to collect in certain areas. The vehicles using the highway contribute the same exhaust gases which cause California smog, albeit at a lesser rate. The common litter problem is also evident along nearly all roads in the area, presenting a hazard to livestock and machinery.

Railroads also cross the area. Instead of trimming the brush on the right-of-way, the section crews resort to the easier method of burning off the unwanted vegetation, contributing to air pollution and destroying organic material in the topsoil. The trains through the area carry coal, for the most part, and frequently spill over onto the surrounding land. This coal is the high-sulfur content coal forbidden in metropolitan areas, but decomposition of the spilled coal puts sulfur into the water which chemically reacts into a mild sulfuric acid solution

Editor's note:

At this point Eckert suggested remedies for ecological problems and stated that "the advantage of stopping problems at a less than serious stage should be stressed. By far the most serious problems are the siltation of creeks and the chemical misuse, but the others are just budding and could be solved with less effort now than later.

PTK Initiates 22 New Members

The formal initiation of 22 new members of Phi Theta Kappa took place on Friday, April 17 at 7:30 at the Illinois Power building in Mt. Vernon. President Bill Webb was in charge of the ceremony. He was assisted by Miss Becky Orrick and Miss Debbie Pullis. The impressive ceremony, witnessed by faculty members, parents, and PTK members, included the explanation of the symbolic meanings of the PTK emblem, torch, and while rose, the lighting of candles, and the initiates signing the roster. After the program concluded, refreshments were served.

Those freshmen and sophomore students who became members of the organization are: Deborah Kay Aldridge, Carolyn Sue Arnold, Randy Murr Depoister, Sara Beth Dykes, Jeanne Lynn Ferrari, Mary Ellen Galbreath, Frances Mary Hart, Valda Ree Kaskie, Dennis Gerard Kaufman, Ron Keen, Stephen Lee Lacey, Linda Joyce McNeil, Sharon Lynne McClerren, Sandra Jean Newell, Mary Ellen Osborn, James L. Tevbaugh, Christine Jane Thierry, Johathan Wayne Thomas, Thelma Ann Venters, Rebecca Ann Weatherford, Quetta Jean Webb, and Sherry Ann Wilson

At a Phi Theta Kappa meeting on Wednesday, April 22, a committee of freshmen and sophomore members was assigned to get student opinions on faculty members. The outcome of this random poll is to aid in deciding which faculty member will receive the "Distinguished Teacher Award." This award will be announced at the Honors' Assembly in May. Last year Mr. William Hazelbauer and Mr. Art Samford shared the title.

Kangles' Art in Nat. Exhibit

James Kangles, RLC art instructor, was recently honored when one of his graffite drawings was chosen for the 16th Drawing and Small Sculpture Exhibit. The exhibit will open Sunday, May 3, at the Ball State University in Indiana. Mr. Kangles' entry is a graffite drawing.

This is a national show and the second one in the past six months in which Mr. Kangles has shown his art. From December 17-January 25, he had one of his works shown in the 1970 National Drawing Exhibition in San Francisco.

"Drawing shows are new in the world of art," Kangles commented. "Always before a drawing was merely a preparation for a painting or a more time-consuming work. Graffite drawings are in a wide-open field. It's done quickly, while the idea is fresh. Everything is in it, content-wise, and there are no technical problems. Drawings are more direct." Continuing Mr. Kangles seriously remarked, "If you're gonna say something, hit them in the solar plexus. With a drawing you can go on to new things."

Another activity connected with the Design class is the cover of the new RLC catalog (soon to be finished) which was created by Warren Kraft, RLC freshman.

Choose 6 for Spring Formal

The announcement of this year's Spring Formal attendants has brought happiness to six excited sophomore young ladies. The Spring Formal, which will take place on May 2, at the Elks Country Club, will be highlighted by the crowning of the Queen at 11:00.

Linda Atchison from Mt. Vernon held the title role in last year's musical, "Little Mary Sunshine," and had the part of Lady Larken in this year's musical "Once Upon A Mattress." Besides performing with the RLC Chamber Choir, Linda serves as Secretary of Student Senate and Treasurer of PTK. Transferring to U. of I., Linda's major will be music.

This year's Christmas Dance Queen, Verna Auxier resides in McLeansboro. Verna is a member and an officer in PTK, and also performs with the RLC Stage Band. Upon graduation from RLC, she plans to attend U. of I. and work toward a master's degree in psychology.

Joyce Dillingham, from Mt. Vernon was a representative at large to the Student Senate for the first semester of this year. Joyce also served as an orientation leader for this year's freshmen, and she operates the Mt. Vernon High School switchboard in the morning. Joyce is transferring to S.I.U. where she will major in Elementary Education.

As officer in SEA, Janice Eater's home is Mt. Vernon. She received the Patriotism Award for the Amvets and served as an Orientation leader. Janice also acts as a teacher's aid at the West Salem Grade School. Eastern Illinois University is Janice's choice of schools, and her majors are English and Botany.

From Mt. Vernon, Vicki LaLumondier holds the position of President of the Student Senate. Vicki also served as chairman of the orientation program for freshmen, and she organized the Red Cross Blood Mobile program at RLC campus last year. In the fall, Vicki will be attending S.I.U. where she will be majoring in Business Management.

A representative-at-large to the Student Senate, Debbie Pullis comes from Mt. Vernon. In addition to serving as Circulation Manager for the Pressing Times, Debbie also acts as Secretary for PTK, and she performs in the RLC chamber choir. Debbie also takes part in many dramatic productions performed at RLC. Majoring in history, Debbie is enrolled for the fall semester at U. of I.

Election of one of these six will take place Friday, May 1 in the lobby of "B" Building. The announcement of the Queen will be kept secret until May 2 at 11:00 p.m.



One of these six lovely girls will reign as the 1970 Spring Formal Queen on May 2. (L-R) Miss Joyce Dillingham, Miss Verna Auxier, Miss Vicki LaLumondier, Miss Linda Atchison, Miss Janice Eater, and Miss Debbie Pullis.

DeSelms Returns to France For Summer Study, Tour

"I shall return," a phrase coined by General Douglas MacArthur is enthusiastically echoed by Mrs. Carolann DeSelms, Rend Lake College French teacher who plans to tour France and Italy this summer, June 23-August 27, with her husband William T. and their eight year old daughter Marguerite.

Last summer Mrs. DeSelms made her first trip to Europe with a group of RLC students. "I'm going back to Tours and Grenoble, places in France we toured last year, and I'll visit some chateau we saw," she commented.

After flying across the ocean in a plane chartered by the Modern Language Association, the DeSelms family will visit Mrs. DeSelms' brother who is a professor at the University of London. Marguerite will spend the summer in England. During July, Mr. and Mrs. DeSelms will

attend classes in France at the University of Caens in Normandy.

"I'll be studying French literature, the Fifth Republic, and the history of Normandy," said Mrs. DeSelms.

While attending the University of Caens, Mr. and Mrs. DeSelms will stay in regular university housing. They will be in class six hours a day and five days a week with special university sponsored excursions to various parts of France on Sundays.

"We plan to enter a folklore contest at Caens. The prize is the price of tuition at the university for the next summer term," Mrs. DeSelms explained. She concluded, "Each person from a foreign country is supposed to make up a skit and perform it in his native costume. I have one problem, though. What is an American's native costume?"

EARTH DAY POEM

The world is such a tiny place.
 The life-giving womb of the human race,
 Softly sailing in the inner space
 Of God's mind and soul

But man has taken from the bloom,
 And its petals are torn and dripping with doom.
 And left himself a crowded tomb,
 A polluted monument to his success.

And this will be his biggest fight,
 Just to keep from slipping back into the night.
 And we can do no greater in God's sight
 Than to give of ourselves for human life.

Charley Clark
 West Frankfort
 Sophomore

Music Department Expanded

Once again, Bill Hazelbauer has expanded the Music Department at RLC. For the first time, the Concert Band, Stage Band, and Chamber Choir will tour the Rend Lake College District high schools to present a music assembly and to answer questions about the music curriculum. But this program is only one of the many new activities that the Music Department is sponsoring.

The Stage Band, well known by now to all, is playing professionally at area club parties and dances. Last Saturday, April 18, the Benton Elks featured the band at a club dance. Other engagements are being planned, and the southern Illinois area is realizing that Rend Lake has a very capable dance band.

The Chamber Choir, product of Charles Render, has been to Newton, Illinois, and will perform on tour with the bands.

Student recitals, a vital part of any college music program, are now being held at RLC. Many vocal and instrumental students are getting essential training in front of an audience.

The Orchestra is in full swing this year. The sound of a fine orchestra enhanced the production of "Once Upon A Mattress" immensely.

And last, but not least, the Concert Band joins the other groups in a tour this spring.

On April 29 and 30, the two bands and the Chamber Choir toured six area towns. Sesser, Pinckneyville, Christopher, Wayne City, Dahlgren, and Waltonville each will hear a concert from these three groups. "I'm glad that we can make such a trip," said Mr. Hazelbauer. "It really will help to show our area high school students that Rend Lake can offer a comparable university program in music."

Letters to the Editor

Editor's Note:

The following letter is part of a personal letter written to Dr. Barbara Luchsinger on April 12 from Mrs. Diana (Ferguson) Carkin, the '67-'68 editor for the Pyramid Times (now The Pressing Times).

Dear Editor:

I just read the March 24 issue of the Pressing Times. Rick Nance's column was quite interesting. I'm sure he has had a lot of response to his article about the 18-year-old vote, but I thought I'd add my 2c. Even as an old lady of 22, I still can't pass up a controversial issue! So, to Rick:

I agree that being eligible for the draft is not a good reason for voting at that same age. But, although boys have been fighting since the age of four, they have not been fighting to defend the ideals and policies of a country in which they have no voice. Shouldn't they be allowed to vote for the men who will decide their fates?

I would think that you would have more faith in your generation's reasoning power. What's so mature about a bald 45-year-old man who "votes Republican and his dad before him?" It's true that the younger people are idealistic, but I doubt that Mantle would be elected president. They do think.

Sure, many kids followed Senator McCarthy. They did so because he represented a change. Why shouldn't the young want peace? They're the ones who have to fight the wars. Besides, how do we know that Senator McCarthy would be less qualified to cope with the problems we face than President Nixon is? How did the over-21 age group know? Please read Mc-

Dear Editor:

In regards to Rick Nance's article in the last issue of The Pressing Times, we would like to know what gives him the right to judge eighteen-year-olds as a whole?

In this day and age, education is at a far higher level than in the times of Henry VIII. He can't compare now with then. He also gave a very poor comparison of a four-year-old fighting and an eighteen-year-old fighting, as they are two different types. The four-year-old is not risking his life, but an eighteen-year-old in Vietnam is putting his life on the line to defend his country and its citizens.

Also, an eighteen-year-old must pay taxes if he works full-

time, but he has no voice in who spends it or how it is spent. This dates back to the American Revolution and one of the reasons for revolt against taxation without representation.

What makes Mr. Nance think he can judge Senator Eugene McCarthy as a good or poor presidential candidate? Is he a historical or political authority? We, the undersigned, all feel that Mr. Nance jumped into this without facts to support his opinion. He expressed his feelings as fact and not as opinion, which we feel is wrong.

Although Mr. Nance has a right to express his opinion, we also feel that he is entirely wrong in this case. More power to us!

Sincerely,
 Douglas Hatchett
 Roger Bailey
 Richard Hensley
 Charles Witherly
 Warren J. Kraft
 Kipp Proefrock
 William M. Block
 John Rutherford
 Ned J. Chapman

Bob Frakes
 David L. Sledge
 Steve Roney
 Charles Clark
 Leslie Page
 Debbie Wyskiel
 Chuck Webb
 Jerry L. Blackward
 Fran Hart

Guinness' The Selling of the President.

The kids care. That's the main reason I favor an 18-year-old vote. I've heard many of them say, "things will be different when we get a chance to change them." They aren't all talk; they're willing to work to bring about change. They have to speak through moratoriums and marches. Even protest is better than apathy.

Also, the average 18-year-old is well informed and well-educated. They know the issues because TV brings them into millions of American homes every day. They are concerned with war and poverty and racism.

Aren't young people freer of the racial prejudice that fills many of the older generation? Out here it is the younger people who support the demands of the American Indians and Latin Americans. The young are willing to face problems and try to solve them instead of pretending they don't exist. Why not let them have the vote and elect some of the people who can solve these problems?

And I think we're really ready.

Sincerely,
 Diana (Ferguson) Carkin
 P. S.

If Henry VIII is your yardstick you must be a very busy fellow

Memoirs From "Once Upon A Mattress"



Members of the court sympathetically listened as Dauntless (Mike Jones) mournfully cried "Alas, a lass is what I lack."



At the queen's ball everyone joined in on the "Spanish Panic," a frolicking dance of which RLC sophomore Larry White was choreographer.



Even though King Sextimus (Mike Sanders) could not speak a word, he got his point across to every maiden in the court—though they all were able to outrun him.



After the "sensitive" pea test, the regal couples paused for a family portrait. (L-R) King Sextimus (Mike Sanders), Queen Aggravain (Becky Orrick), Princess Winnifred (Angie Garner), and Prince Dauntless (Mike Jones).



New gay tunes sung by the royal court spiced the slightly changed but authentic story of the "Princess and the Pea."



An ecological truth—Spring brings out many living (?) forms of life.

Library Microfilm Viewer Available to Students

A micro-film viewer is now available in the Rend Lake College Library for student use, according to Mrs. Imogene Book, head librarian. Another viewer, which will reprint (for 10 cents a print) any material on micro-film, has been ordered for the Learning Resource Center, the library at the new campus.

Right now the library has on micro-film the *Christian Science Monitor* and the *New York*

Times issues for the past 10 years, as well as *Science News*, *Time*, and *U. S. News and World Report* magazines.

"Several faculty members are making original films which are used for classroom lectures," commented Mrs. Book. She added that for summer service, the library will remain at its present site and will be open daily during the week.

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BY RICK NANCE

From the Illinois Statutes on Junior Colleges, I quote: "The academic term of Class I Junior College Districts shall be determined by the Class I Junior College Board with the consent of the State Board . . . all days on which scheduled classes shall be considered as days of student attendance."

What exactly does this mean? I'm really not sure, but I think that this clause was written so the college boards could interpret them any way they want, with the approval of the state board. I choose to interpret it this way: Junior colleges may have non-compulsory attendance if the college board can be so persuaded.

Pro:

With a non-compulsory attendance program at Rend Lake, teachers would learn immediately whether their teaching programs were worthwhile or interesting to the students. Granted, many of the teachers at Rend Lake present a very interesting and worthwhile program, but some rely on the same ancient plan or worse still no plan at all. Students, merely by not attending boring and uninteresting class periods could quickly help an instructor to restructure the course.

"Tomorrow we will study the effects of alcohol on the nervous system." What happens if you wrote a term paper on alcohol last semester? You suffer through a boring class period in which you gain nothing. If you know the material to be presented, why sit through an hour of review?

Con:

Teacher spends Monday explaining a simple theory of religion. Johnny slept in Monday. On Wednesday, Johnny asks teacher to explain the simple theory of religion. What does teacher do? Explain and waste the other's time, or tell Johnny nothing and go on with the lecture plan? Poor teacher. Poor Johnny. What if teacher gives a

pop test, and some students chose not to attend? Or better yet, what if only two or three show up and the teacher gives a hundred point pop test on your name, address, and telephone number? Students, with no point to argue, lose.

Mayhaps we don't need a non-compulsory attendance program. Perhaps we need a proficiency program that would allow students to skip a course, a course with full credit. If a student knows music theory inside and out, except for polychords, why couldn't he bone up on polychords and proficiency the course? If the instructors would present a plan that outlines what everyone should know at the end of a particular course, this would be a good way to end the drudgery of many dull review courses. Also, by having such a course outline ready, the instructor can give those in the course a chance to see what they will be required to know in order to pass the course. This in itself would help stop a lot of silly guessing games between students and teachers.

Teachers should teach to pass, not to fail. The whole system of education is based on failing, not succeeding. Maybe a non-compulsory attendance program would be a step toward making the art of being a student a positive thing and not a negative one. Maybe it would only help to fail more students, or maybe it would provide an atmosphere that would help students to find confidence in themselves and to make better grades and to learn more.

I would like to see a non-compulsory attendance program started at Rend Lake. I feel that it will soon be the rule not the exception in Junior Colleges, and that it will prove to be a very workable plan at our school. Next year we will have new facilities. Why not have some new policies to go along with the new campus?

Register Now for 1970 Summer Courses

Available Summer Classes

BONNIE CAMPUS:

Agriculture Chemicals 126 Crop Production 127
Supervised Occupational Experiences 129

MT. VERNON CAMPUS:

Art Appreciation 111 College Algebra 113
General Botany 111 Trigonometry 114
Invertebrate Zoology 111 Integral Calculus 212
General Chemistry 111 Differential Equations 213
Rhetoric and Composition 111 American Government 211
Intro. to Literature 211 or 212 Introduction to Psychology 211
United States History 211 Social Life (Sociology) 111
Intermediate Algebra 110

From Bonnie Campus

Gerald Knight, a student in Rend Lake College, who is from DuQuoin and who is enrolled in the Agricultural Mechanics Program, has just had an article published in the April 4, 1970, *Prairie Farmer*—a farm progress publication with nationwide circulation. We naturally are proud of Gerald for this achievement and recognition. The article follows:

WE PROTEST

Usually, we students who attend the Bonnie campus of Rend Lake College are not of the protesting kind. But we feel slighted—especially those of us enrolled in agricultural mechanics. In your December 1969 issue you ran an article listing the various colleges that provide training in ag mechanics. Rend Lake College was not included.

We protest! Maybe the reason you were not aware of the program in ag mechanics here at Rend Lake is that the college will graduate its first classes in agricultural occupations this June.

I am impressed with the plans for the future. When the new campus is completed near Ina, both the ag-related courses taught here at Bonnie and the other courses now taught by the college at Mt. Vernon will be transferred to the most modern facilities. The ag mechanics program will have its own field to do field adjustments of equipment in. I and my classmates in the ag mechanics program welcome any person who is interested in a career in the farm equipment industry to visit Rend Lake College's Bonnie campus.

Saga of the Ill-Fated Kite

Editor's Note:

The following article is a theme written by Miss Carol Neal, freshman, in a 112 English class instructed by Miss Cheryl Merkins.

Kite flying becomes a favorite pastime of many during the early spring months. The would-be kite flyer's experience will probably prove to be short of disastrous.

The eager kites will invest around \$.19 in a kite plus another \$.15 in the appropriate length (325 feet) of string. One popular kite model bears the image of a Boeing 707 in flight and is bright red in color. Even with the promising kite and a little knowledge of aviation, the average person gives himself undeserved credit in thinking that he can successfully and simply get a kite airborne.

The first step is the assemblage of the kite which is an exasperating experience in itself. The manufacturing company usually out-does itself in using complicated terminology in the instructions when simple directions would undoubtedly suffice. The kites will probably find himself totally confused trying to figure out which string goes through which stick while frantically trying to refrain from ripping the fragile paper of the kite in the process. Attachment of the tail and one end of the

string come next. Upon completion of these tasks he will decide to try his luck.

One method he might try to simplify getting the kite in the air would be to perch on the hood of a car while a friend drives through an open area where a kite can be flown. After attaining an adequate rate of speed he lets go of the kite which heads directly at the radio antenna where it is immediately torn in half. This may be a little discouraging but a bit of tape can remedy the situation, and he is ready to try again.

After this education the kites runs on foot and, the stubborn kite takes to the air, where it remains for all of twenty seconds. But this is ample time to allow all the string to unravel, catching itself on trees, stumps, and other debris.

If he still refuses to give up, the kites finds it is necessary to rewind the string. As he slowly and laboriously winds this 325 feet string on a stick, he will begin to notice huge muscles developing on his forearms.

The third attempt may possibly be more successful and his kite will soar high into the air. He will feel a great sense of pride as his efforts are rewarded by the triumph. He may even decide that kite-flying is really . . .

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Students may still register for summer school classes, according to James McGhee, dean of Adult Education and Community Services. Although registration for the summer semester will remain open until June 15, the day classes are scheduled to start. Mr. McGhee urges students to register as soon as possible in the registrar's office.

This summer, classes will be conducted in recently air-conditioned G-building on the Mt. Vernon campus. Several agriculture courses will be based at the Bonnie campus.

To accommodate the nineteen courses being offered this year, almost four times more than offered last summer, the college is operating summer school on an all-day schedule for the first time. Classes will be held from 8 to 12 a.m., from 1 to 5 p.m., and from 6 to 9 p.m. The semester concludes on August 7.

Nursing Grads in First Place

Graduates of the Rend Lake College School of Practical Nursing ranked first in the state on licensing examination scores for the 1968-69 school year. There are 34 approved schools of practical nursing in the state.

Since the inception of the Rend Lake College School of Practical Nursing in 1961, its graduates have ranked high on the annual report—often near the top. Of the 9 classes that have graduated since the school was organized, only 3 students have failed to pass the licensing test on the first attempt.

All graduates of practical nursing schools in the United States are required to take the State Board Test Pool Examination developed by the National League for Nursing. Rend Lake College graduates scored 76.3 points above the national average last year.

Full-time instructors in the School of Practical Nursing are Mary Ksycycki, R.N., department chairman, Judith Binns, R.N., Shirley McHaney, R.N., and Shirley Yeagain, R.N. June Thompson, R.N., full-time instructor for the past 8 years, is on leave of absence. Part-time instructors are Celia Allman, R.N., Karen Muench, R.N., and Sandra Van Cleve, R.N.

A number of institutions have been helpful in providing clinical facilities for the students. These include the Good Samaritan and Jefferson Memorial hospitals, the Mt. Vernon State Tuberculosis Sanitarium, and Hickory Grove Manor nursing home in Mt. Vernon and St. Mary's Hospital and Fireside Nursing Home in Centralia.



RLC Having Unlucky Season

Rend Lake's Warriors opened the 1970 baseball season by defeating Dyersburg, Tennessee 6-3 at Dyersburg. Pitcher Jim Mondino scored the first win of the season. Bob Doerr relieved in the sixth. The Rend Lake nine scored 6 runs on 7 hits including a home run by Kirby Williams.

Rend Lake lost three games to Jackson State College of Jackson, Tennessee. The first game was lost 7 to 0. Roger Jones was the pitcher of record. Rend Lake managed only 3 hits and failed to score.

The second game was lost 8-0. Doerr was the losing pitcher as Rend Lake managed only one hit.

Mondino pitched the third game as Rend Lake was again defeated this time by a score of only 2-1. Rend Lake managed

only 1 run from eight hits 3 of which belonged to Danny Stewart.

Rend Lake lost a doubleheader to Kaskaskia Junior College, April 7. Mondino was credited with the first loss. Again Rend Lake failed to score while their opponents tallied 5 times. The Warrior's managed only one hit a single by Kirby Williams.

In the second game Bob Doerr took the loss as his teammates managed only one run while their opponents scored 3, Rend Lake received 7 hits.

Rend Lake lost their second doubleheader of the week to Belleville, Saturday, April 11, as the Warrior's were the victims of a no hit shut-out. Doerr was the losing pitcher as Belleville scored 12 runs.

In the second frame Rend Lake managed 8 hits including a home run by Bob Doerr but scored only 5 runs while Belleville scored 15 times. Jones was the losing pitcher.

The Time Grows Closer When . . .



. . . the ear-piercing sound of an electric drill will be silenced by the odd, yet familiar sounds that humans make.

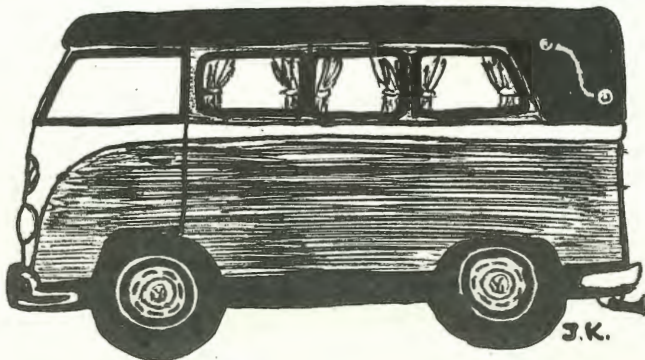


. . . book-laden students will swell into the cavities of the student oasis washing away any signs of workmen or scaffolds.

VW Views

John Kraft

I have figured out the perfect way to cut down on the high cost of dying. You know that when someone dies, the funeral home always provides Cadillac limousines to take the family out to the cemetery. Well, each Cadillac costs about \$8,000 and if the funeral home has 3 of them the funeral home has an investment of about \$24,000 dollars. In addition to this the Cadillacs only get about 5-8 m.p.g. The funeral home thus pushes this investment onto the consumer in the form of the bill. Now the perfect solution to this problem is to use Volkswagen micro-busses. For the price of one Cadillac one could buy 3 VW busses. Then they could paint them black or dark gray, put on a black vinyl roof, chrome wheels, velvet or velour upholstery and window curtains. Then the funeral home would still have one or two hundred dollars left to run the fleet. And since Volkswagen busses get about 20-24 m.p.g., that \$200 would last a long time. And if some morning the battery in the micro-bus is almost dead, the funeral home director could go out to the bus, drape a rope around the generator pulley, and give the rope a yank. If the battery has the slightest bit of energy left and still can provide a spark, then the motor will start. Then the only thing you have to worry about is bystanders making comments such as "Look at the guy starting his lawn mower" or "Whatsamatter mister, did the rubber band break?" Well, just remember the old saying, "If yuh gotta go, go CHEAP!"



Good Grief!

Debbie Pullis

The world is so full of a number of things

I'm sure we should all be as happy as kings.

This little saying sparks a questioning thought in many minds, especially after a week of emphasis on our environmental crisis. Yet, if one stops to think about it, the world actually is filled with a number of things.

For instance, the world is full of people; millions of people who are all living on this one small planet. They are everywhere and although they do not yet fill up every square inch of land, it is only a matter of time until that happens authorities say.

The world is also full of various kinds of pollution—on the land, in the air, and in the water. These are end products of people's ambition to advance in science and improve their living conditions and also because of people's bad and lazy habits.

Because of all these people, the world is full of problems that people have among themselves, such as crime, hatred, violence, war, poverty, slums, the threat of destruction—shall I go on?

There are more very evident examples of things which fill this world of ours that appear to us each day, both good and bad.

This past week our entire nation observed National Environmental Week and thousands of citizens took part in their communities to try to improve their environment.

It's a wonderful thing to see so many people take action about something that is so important during the week set aside for that particular problem. But, GOOD GRIEF! Don't stop working for improvement now just because the special week is over. Each citizen can do his part every day to make this world full of more good things than bad. Keep the Environmental Crisis in mind always. Everytime you start to litter, start to burn garbage or leaves, start to dump trash, etc., stop and think first. Decide if you are doing the right thing and make sure there is not a better way to handle your situation.

Perhaps if everyone thinks before he acts and tries all the time to improve his environment, the little saying which began this column will not be out of date within the next few years.

Having Breakfast at DMZ After All-Nite RLC Dance

"After dancing till dawn at the second dance of the Rend Lake College Spring Formal, students may want to rest their weary feet and enjoy some coffee and doughnuts at the DMZ's (college coffee house) breakfast from 4:00 until 6:00 Sunday morning, May 3," commented Nancy Dille, chairman of the DMZ's committee.

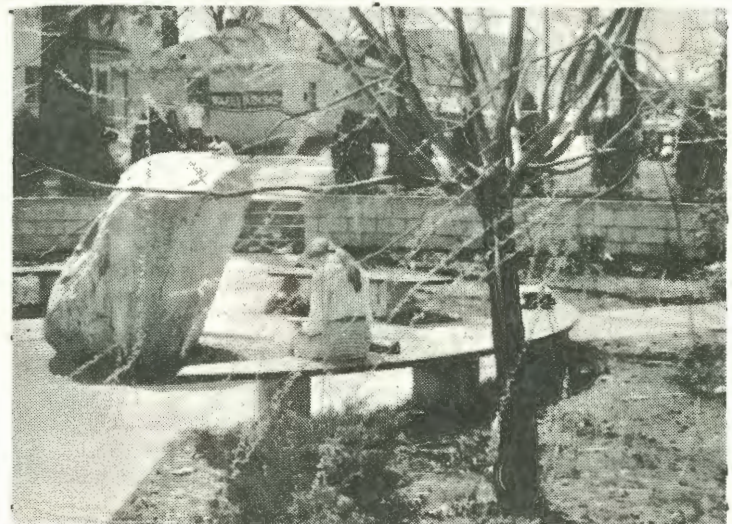
Students each will pay 25 cents when they enter the DMZ, 1435 Salem Road, and then are entitled to coffee, milk, or orange drink and doughnuts at no extra charge. Any student with a college I.D. card may also bring a guest to the breakfast, even if that guest is not a college student.

Because most coffee house committee members are going to attend both dances (at the Elk's Country Club from 8:30 until 12:30 and at the Moose from 1:00 until 4:00), the DMZ will not be open at its usual time that Saturday night but will instead be open from 4:00 until 6:00 on Sunday morning.

Right now, the DMZ has such special features as Cable TV and a ping pong table. Every Friday and Saturday night from 8:30 until 1:00 committee members are tie-dyeing T-shirts blue, red, or green for 50 cents per shirt. The student with an i.d. card from any college or university may drop in at the DMZ on those weekend nights and may bring any guest.

At a recent meeting, the committee decided to open the DMZ during the summer on Friday and Saturday nights from 8:30 until 1:00. All those with 1969-70 college i.d. cards will be admitted. High school seniors who have just graduated and who have diploma cards may also come during the summer.

Painting windowsills, scrubbing floors, and putting screens in doors and windows served as part of the "dirty work" the committee did when they subjected the DMZ to "spring cleaning" last Saturday, April 25.



Very few escape the soul-sapping clutches of spring fever, and RLC students are no exception. Freshman Sara Dykes compromised with her studies and "the fever" as she concentrated (?) under the willow tree near the "Rock."

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